# THE KULIN UPDATE

03rd July 2025

# 4 CRC & PROJECTS UPDATE

Check out the latest update from the Kulin CRC and also see the progress on ongoing projects around town.

#### 12 SPORTS FOR DAYS

Our Sports News is bursting at the seams! Updates from Footy, Netball, Golf and Tennis!

#### 26 KULIN BUSH RACES

Get ready for the 30th Kulin Bush Races and hopefully the best yet!

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CINDY MULLAN: CULTIVATING LEADERSHIP, COMMUNITY & CHANGE PG 20 - 21



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# DEADLINES TO SUBMIT CONTENT FOR THE KULIN UPDATE

1st	July	2025
<b>15th</b>	July	2025
<b>2</b> 9th	July	2025
<b>12</b> th	Aug	2025
<b>26th</b>	Aug	2025
09th	Sep	2025

#### **DATES AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

### JULY

04th July Last Day of Term 2

09th July Pickleball/ Wimbledon Glam Slam

15th July Senior's Movie Day

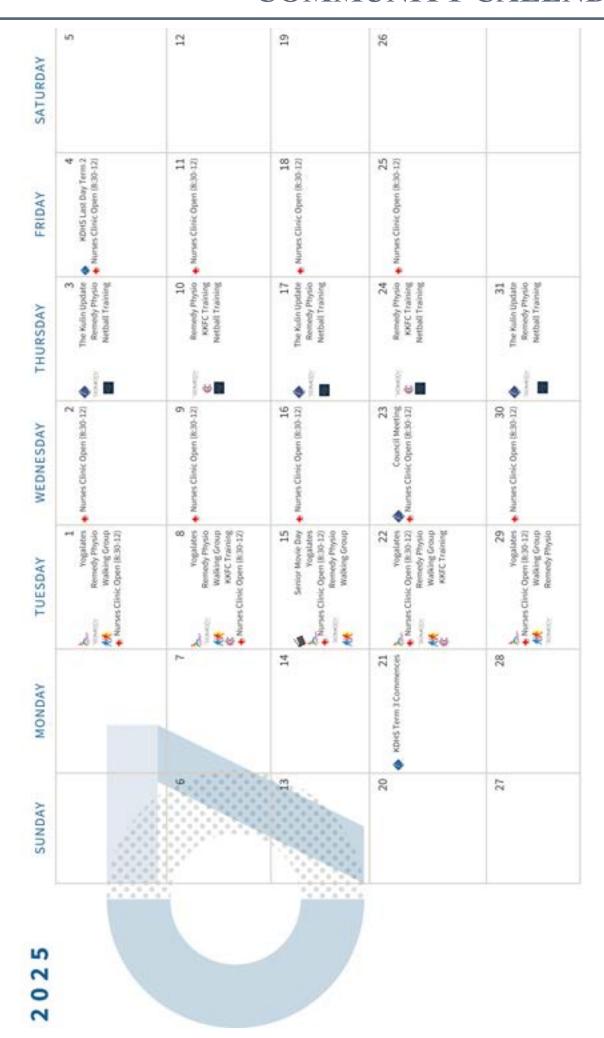
16th July School Holiday Movie Day

21st July Term 3 Begins

Community Resource Centre

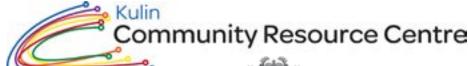
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development

### **COMMUNITY CALENDAR**



s we start the new financial year the finishing touches to many projects from last year are happening. Works continue on the splash down pool and surrounds at the Kulin Aquatic Centre. Fans have been installed at the Freebairn Recreation Centre courts and they certainly get the air moving. A big thank you to Kulin Netball Club and Kulin Iunior Basketball Club for the contribution to the project. The old skate park is being developed with amenities for visitors and locals to use. The concrete pad has been laid and a shelter, barbeque, plenty of seating, solar bench and water fountain will be installed over the next few weeks. Landscaping will be undertaken on the completion of the installations

At the June 2025 Ordinary Council Meeting, Council resolved to adopt the Moveable Temporary and Accommodation Policy. The Policy been has developed in response to a rise in unauthorised and temporary non-compliant accommodation and camping arrangements. A objective of the Policy is to preserve residential amenity and local aesthetics, which are often undermined by poorly managed or makeshift accommodation setups. policy has been developed collaboratively through the Roe Regional Organisation of Councils (Shires of



Corrigin, Kondinin, Kulin, and Narembeen). Further information is available from the Shire – 08 9880 1204 or enquiries@kulin.wa.gov.au

Council also resolved to adopt the Shire of Kulin Strategic Integrated Plan 2025–2035. This comprehensive document outlines the long-term vision, priorities and service delivery framework for the district. also incorporates Shire's Corporate Business Plan 2025–2029 to ensure clear alignment between strategic direction and operational implementation. document can viewed on the Shire website integrated-strategicplan-2025-2035. Thank you to everyone who got involved in the process. 162 people from across the Shire attended community meetings completed surveys. The input and feedback was fantastic and forms a large part of the plan. We look forward to continuing to work with the residents and ratepayers.

Keep an eye out for the draft 2025 – 2030 Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) which will be available for public comment prior to the July council meeting.

Please also be aware that the

Department of
Primary Industries and
Regional Development

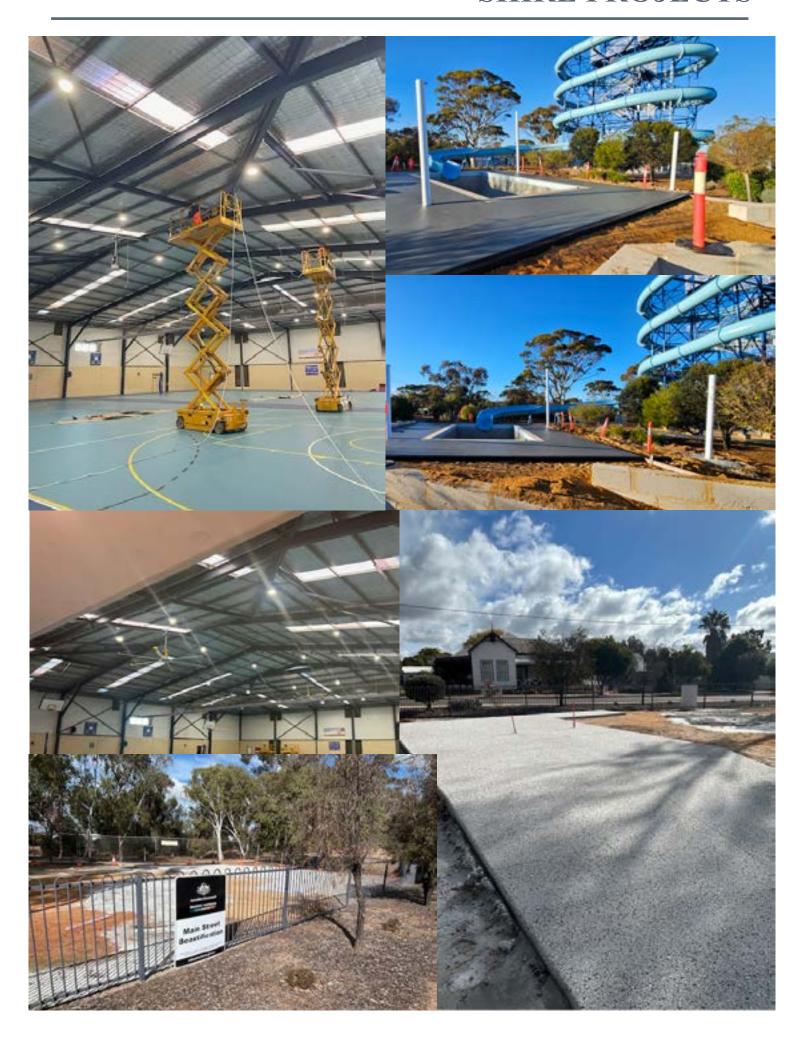
2025-26 Shire of Kulin User Fees and Charges are now in place. One significant change that has been adopted is at the Kulin Caravan Park. The 'You set the price' initiative has been removed and set fees have been endorsed. Our rates remain highly competitive, and our beautiful park will continue to be a fantastic place to stay to explore the region.

The Shire of Kulin is seeking a Casual Grader Driver to join our works crew for a period of approximately 2 months, immediate start. Must have own accommodation. Shire of Kulin can supply a site at the caravan park if required.

Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for information and events being run by the CRC over the school holidays. Travel safe if you are on the move, keep an eye out for extra foot traffic in town over the school holidays and keep warm if you are staying around.

Taryn Scadding
Executive Manager
Community Services

### **SHIRE PROJECTS**



# Temporary and Moveable Accommodation in the Shire of Kulin



A new Council policy, "Temporary and Moveable Accommodation Policy" and associated guidelines were endorsed at the Council meeting held on 25th June 2025.

The development of the new policy and guidelines comes in response to changes made by the State Government in 2024 to Regulation 11 of the Caravan Parks and Camping Grounds Regulations 1997.

The regulation changes mean that:

- 1. A person may now camp on land that they own or have legal right to occupy for up to 5 nights in any period of 28 consecutive days, and
- 2. A local government may now approve an application from a person to camp on land they own or have a legal right to occupy within that local government area for a period up to 24 months, subject to conditions pertaining to health, safety and amenity of the caravan or camp, and the land on which the caravan or camp is located.

This policy will help ease the region's housing crisis, providing flexibility and supporting diverse housing needs, for example temporary accommodation for those building a house, short term transient worker accommodation options, additional accommodation for carers or family etc.

What can be approved under the policy?

- Self contained caravans, RV, bus, tiny home on wheels
- Campers and non-self-contained vans subject to amenities
- Tents, roof top or similar up to 30 days subject to amenities

What cannot be approved under the policy?

- Transportable dwellings such as dongas and modular accommodation a planning application is required for these to be approved
- Sea containers, sheds and Class 10a structures these structures are classed as outbuildings and are not deemed habitable by the Building Code, unless significant modifications are made which required a building permit.

There will be an online application form and the cost of the application is \$300

The Policy and guidelines will be available soon on the Shire's website.



#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY**

# COMMUNITY RESOURCE CENTRE CUSTOMER SERVICE OFFICER

Are you passionate about your community and love helping people?

The Shire of Kulin is seeking a friendly, motivated Customer Service Officer to join our team at the Community Resource Centre.

In this role, you'll be helping to deliver high-quality customer service, support the Centre's daily operations, and assist with the delivery of local programs and events. The position will be a fixed term 6-month contract.

This is your chance to be part of a dynamic, community-focused environment where can make a difference.

Apply today and help shape a vibrant, connected Kulin!

# Shire of KULIN Administration Community Ressurce Centre Visitor Centre Medical Centre Council Chamber

#### **FULL POSITION DESCRIPTION**

www.kulin.wa.gov.au/council/news/employment-opportunities

#### **MORE INFORMATION:**

Taryn Scadding emcs@kulin.wa.gov.au

#### **APPLICATION DEADLINE:**

July 31st, 2025

#### Expressions of Interest - Kulin Scrap Metal Drive

The Shire of Kulin is calling for expressions of interest from local residents, farmers, and businesses who would like to participate in a Scrap Metal Drive aimed at cleaning up their properties.



To express your interest or for more information, contact the Shire of Kulin office by 30" July 2025

(08) 9880 1204.



Becoming an elected council member Free forum for people from culturally and linguistically diverse (CaLD)
backgrounds

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (Local Government and Office for Multicultural Industries divisions) are hosting a free forum for people from CaLD backgrounds who may be interested in nominating for local government council this year, or in future elections.



Are you passionate about your local community? Learn more about the role and responsibilities of being a local government councillor in this free, practical forum for potential candidates.

Hear from the Minister for Local Government, Hon Hannah Beazley MLA, and a panel that includes current and former councillors from CaLD backgrounds.

#### Topics will include:

the role, responsibilities, challenges and rewards/benefits of becoming an elected council member

what the local government electoral process involves campaign tips and potential pitfalls.

The session will include time for attendees to ask the panel questions or address specific feedback.



### THANK YOU TO THE KULIN COMMUNITY!

Our Biggest Morning Tea event and subsequent donations raised an amazing \$1408.00 to help people affected by cancer.

Your support is already making a difference, funding life-saving research, prevention programs and support services to ensure no Australian has to go through cancer alone.

Cancer Council's research, prevention and support teams are hard at work looking for better ways to prevent, identify, diagnose and treat cancer — every cuppa really does make a difference!

Thank you for joining us for Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did!







\$150 provides two people recently diagnosed with cancer with one-on-one support, connecting them to a trained Cancer Connect volunteer. \$500 helps provide training to leaders of cancer support groups where people can meet and share their experiences in an emotionally supportive environment.

\$1000 pays for an analysis of two gene samples for a research project.

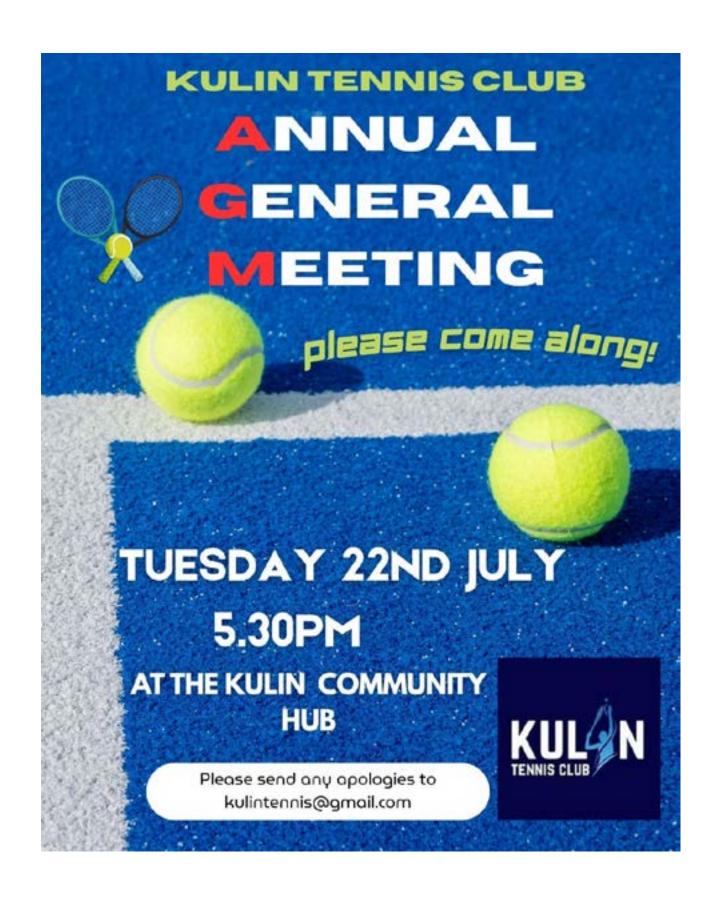


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#### KULIN KONDININ <u>FOOTBALL</u> CLUB INC.



Email - kkfcblues@hotmail.com

### KKFC mid-year update.

It's been a big first half of the year for the Blues in 2025.

With a slightly new look committee but still a lot of the same people in positions, we started off the 2025 season in electing Jarrad West as the new League Coach and Tom Maguire continuing on as the Ressies Coach.

We managed to get a good new bunch of young fellas in to help bolster our league side, with Crippa on board again the spread across the ground looked good. Unfortunately for Crippa and us, he did his knee in our scratchy, but the way we started the year shows that we can still go with the best teams but have probably just lacked consistency as we are 4 wins & 3 losses at the halfway mark.

The Ressies have strung a few good wins together also with a great mix of youth and experience. Also sitting at 4wins & 3 losses, I think there's plenty of upside for both grades going forward.

Behind the scenes the one day winters sports committee has been working hard on one day sports and thanks to Yvonne Bowey and Thomas Henderer leading the charge there, things have been running smoothly.

We had a great combined social night after round one which everyone enjoyed, this was our only game in Kondinin for the year as the Pavilion is undergoing a rebuild which is very exciting.

We have a social night/ 15-16 Reunion coming up on the 19th July which should be a cracker. Flyer for this will be out shortly.

We had Dane swan and Glenn Jackovich on the 17th of June for training and a talk after, at the Freebairn Centre, this was a great night.

Another successful Colts Carnival was held in Kulin this year, thanks to Don Bradford and his committee for again getting this carnival together, and thanks to all the volunteers that make a great weekend with a lot being put back into our great facilities.



#### **SPORTS NOTICES**

The footy club took on some more lease land this year from Kieth Wilson and Co, to add to our block we lease off Jenny Hardy. With a total now of 230ha we are very thankful to these people for the opportunity to be able to do this.

Afgri Narembeen were great in helping out and doing the seeding for this which was a huge effort.

Plenty of other people have already chipped in with spraying and a bit of tidying up before seeding.

We again have Kim Davis crop to take off this year, with extra hectares this will also be a big effort at harvest time, but we are very grateful to Kim for the opportunity to keep supporting the footy club with this.

We had a busy bee last Sunday with about 15-20 people there to pick rocks which is something we Haven't done before but thanks to Timmy for getting the ball rolling on this and getting it done.

On behalf of the committee I'd like to take the opportunity to thank all our sponsors, volunteers and supporters for your continued support!

Anyway it's been a busy few months as you can see and the morale around the club is really good so we are hoping for a strong 2nd half of the year and hopefully we get some great support to see where the year takes us.

Thanks.
Brendan Whyte
President
Kulin Kondinin Football Club



## Kulin Netball Club Recap - Rounds 4 to 8

What a whirlwind the past few rounds have been! From road trips to Mexican fiestas, buzzer-beaters to blowouts – our Kulin netballers have been giving it their all on and off the court.

#### Here's the wrap-up:

#### Round 4 – vs Narembeen (Away)

#### **Juniors**

Kulin 8 def. by Narembeen 27



Coaches Award: Milla

The juniors gave it a red-hot crack but Narembeen proved too strong on the day!

#### **B** Grade

Kulin 17 def. by Narembeen 27



Coaches Award: Em

Solid defensive efforts and nevergive-up attitude made this one a tight contest!

#### A1 Grade

Kulin 20 def. by Narembeen 52



Coaches Award: Catherine

A tough match, but the team showed grit and plenty of hustle!

#### Round 5 – vs Hyden (Away)

#### **Juniors**

Kulin 30 def. Hyden 10



Coaches Award: Macey

Our juniors were on fire! Slick passing and fast feet brought home a big win!

#### **B** Grade

Bye

(A well-earned rest and some sideline cheerleading!)

#### A1 Grade

Kulin 20 def. by Hyden 41



Coaches Award: Ash

Ash led the charge with determination in a hard-fought match.

# Round 6 – vs Bruce Rock (Home)

#### Juniors

Kulin 23 def. Bruce Rock 18



**Coaches Award: Amy** 

Back-to-back wins for the juniors! Awesome teamwork and energy on court.

#### **B** Grade

Kulin 51 def. Bruce Rock 12



Coaches Award: Gen

A massive win! The girls dominated from the first whistle. Go B Grade!

#### A1 Grade

Kulin 36 def. Bruce Rock 30



**Coaches Award: Laney** 

A1 came out firing and kept the pressure on for a cracking home win!





# Round 7 – vs Burracoppin (Merredin)

#### Juniors

Kulin 14 def. by Burracoppin 21



#### **Coaches Award: Piper**

The juniors kept fighting right to the final siren!

#### **B** Grade

Kulin 30 def. by Burracoppin 47



#### Coaches Award: Elise

Despite the scoreboard, the B Grade girls worked their socks off!

#### A1 Grade

Kulin 23 def. by Burracoppin 52



#### **Coaches Award: Laura**

A tough game against a strong Burracoppin side, but Laura showed great determination and leadership on court!

#### Round 8 - vs Corrigin (Home)

#### **Juniors**

Kulin 12 def. by Corrigin 13



#### **Coaches Award: Chase**

A nail-biter! The crowd was on the edge of their seats — so close!

#### **B** Grade

Kulin 40 def. Corrigin 11



#### **Coaches Award: Elise**

Another dominant win – Elise lit up the court with her stellar play!

#### A1 Grade

Kulin 30 def. by Corrigin 40



#### **Coaches Award: Charlie**

Fought hard against a strong Corrigin side – full credit to the team for their intensity!

#### Round 9 – vs Nukarni (Merredin)

#### **Juniors**

Kulin 25 def. Nukarni 14



#### Coaches Award: Milla

The juniors showed incredible teamwork and hustle – go team!

#### **B** Grade

Kulin 47 def. Nukarni 25



#### Coaches Award: Alicia

Alicia was on fire! The whole team clicked in a solid performance.

#### A1 Grade

Kulin 31 def. by Nukarni 35



#### Coaches Award: Charlie

Only a whisker away from a win – fantastic effort and intensity!



#### **Club Highlights**

This season has definitely tested our resilience, with injuries galore, but our coaches and players have stepped up week after week to field not just teams – but competitive ones!

We're stoked to welcome the amazing Megan Henry on July 17th, running an umpiring session to help upskill our players. Bring your whistles and notebooks – it's going to be great!

Last weekend saw a Mexicanthemed bus ride back from Merredin — — complete with sombreros, tunes, tacos, and some questionable dance moves! Huge shoutout to our social queens Gen & Cassi-Dee for throwing an absolute fiesta.



Other clubs are locking in their end-of-season wind-ups – don't worry, Netty Club has something exciting in the works too... stay tuned!

And of course, THANK YOU to every single volunteer who's done a shift, scored, umpired, packed chairs, or cheered on from the sidelines – we seriously couldn't do it without you

Next Stop: Southern Cross Final This weekend we head to The Cross for some very important matchups – with just ONE game separating several teams on the ladder of It's crunch time and your support means everything, so come down and cheer us on if you can!

#### Dani White

Secretary Kulin Netball Club

## **SPORTS NOTICES**



# ulin Golf Club 2025 NONA WILSON MEMORIAL LADIES GOLF DAY

A great day of golf and friendship was held in Kulin last week, when our annual visitors travelled from far and wide to attend our annual Ladies Day.

This day continues to be a highlight of the golfing calendar and is proving to be much more than just golf. 2024 marked our 10th Nona Wilson Golf Day, which we celebrated before teeing off for our 2025 event—won this year by two ladies who support us regularly: Angela Heaton and Ingrid Anderson from Cottesloe, who also won our very first event.

Coming in second were Maddie and Miranda Noack from Narembeen.

Ourgrosswinnerswere Di Hughes and Bev Gangell from Hyden Club, and runners-up were Jeanie and Jen Szczecinski from Corrigin.

We had a field of 48

ladies tee off on our much-admired course in perfect sunny weather. Everyone enjoyed the fun "Tea-Tee" themed day, which was coordinated by our Wilson family sponsor this year-Kathy (and Mike).

We had teapots everywhere—some really cute and quirky ones—some available for sale, with proceeds adding to our cancer research fundraising. Our prizes were also tea-inspired.

As a club, we thank all our members who helped on the day: our community helpers who come along and assist our small band of ladies to both run and play; our fantastic Shire outside crew-without whom we would struggle to hold this day; and most importantly, our Wilson family members, who have embraced our golf club and helped us grow this special event into what it is today. OurladiesfromCottesloe, Royal Perth, Albany and Kojonup have already warned us that 2026 will be bigger and better-it's hard to imagine our day getting any better, but we'll be ready!

Wendy Gangell
KULIN GOLF CLUB HON
SEC/TREASURER

#### **SPORTS NOTICES**

#### Men's Fixtures

APRIL

Sun 27 Opening Day Ambrose

MAY

Stableford Sun 4

Sun 11 Bisque Par

Captains Choice Sun 18

Sun 25

JUNE

Sun 1 Stableford-Longest Putt

Sun B Captains Choice

Wed 11 Wickepin Mid Week Open Day

Sun 16 lat Championship Round

Thurs 19 Harrismith Open Day

Sat 21 Corrigin Open Day

Sun 22 Canadian Foursomes

Sun 29 Par

JULY

Sun 6 2nd Championship Round

Fri 11-13 Kondinin Open Days

Sun 13 Bisque Par

Sun 20 3rd Championship Round

Pri 25-27 Hyden 3 Day Event

#### Office Bearing

President Charlie Spurgeon 0448809086 Vice Pres Ray August 0417982962 Sec /Tres Wendy Gangell 0429605224 Mens Captain James Wilson 0447812663 Mens Vice Captain Neil Saunders 0477247478 Ladies Captain Helen King 0437809027 Ladies V/Cap Ellen Marchei 0429801240 Groundsperson Ray August 0417982962 Ladies Delegate H King and E Marchei PRC Delegate C Spurgeon, J Wilson & H King Handicapper James Wilson and Bruce Finlay Auditor A Mullan Bendigo Bask

Starting Times

Wednesday 10.30

Sunday 12.00

Subs: \$140 flat fee with no ball fees OR \$75 with \$5 ball fee Non Members/Casual Players \$5 ball fee

EFT Details RSB 633108 Acr No 109946111

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Bookings Contact Ray August 0417982963

PLAYERS MUST BE FINANCIAL MEMBERS OF BOTH GOLF AND FRC BY 18 MAY

#### Men's Fixtures

Sun 97 Stableford

Thurs 31 Yealering 3 Person Ambrose

AUGUST

Sun 3 Captains Choice

Sun 10 4th Championship Round

Sat 16 Clayton Cup

Sun 17 No Organised Golf

Sat 23 Yealering Open Day

Sun 24 Per

Sun 31 5th Championship Round

SEPTEMBER

Sat 6th Harrismith Open Day

Sun 7 Stableford. Nearest to the Pin

Sun 14 Closing Day

#### SPECIAL THANKS

TO ALL THE

LOCAL BUSINESSES

FOR THEIR ON GOING SUPPORT

#### Ladies Fixtures

Sun 27 Captains Choice - Ambrose

Wed 30 Bring a Friend - Ambrose

#### MAY

Sum 4 Stableford

Wed 7 Captains Choice

Sun 11 Bisque Par

Wed 14 Stableford

Sun 18 Captains Choice

Wed 21 Stableford

Sun 25 Par.

Wed 28 Stableford

#### TUNE

Stableford-Longest Putt Sun 1

Wed 4 Stableford

Sun 8 Captains Choice

Wed II Count your Putts

Sun 15 1st Championship Round

Wed 18 Stableford

Thurs 19 Harrismith Open Day

Sun 22 Canadian Foursomes

Wed 28 Busy Bee

#### Thurs 26 Nona Wilson Day—Kulin Open Day

Fri 27-29 Rural Broruse

Sun 29 Par

Wed 3 Stableford

Thurs 3 Newdegate Open Day

Sun 6 2nd Championship Round

Wed 9 Captains Choice

Fri 11-13 Provincial @ Moora Golf Club

#### KULIN GOLF

CLUB

FIXTURES

2025



#### Ladies Fixtures

#### JULY

Pri 11-13 Kondinin Open Days

Sun 13 Bisque Par

Wed 16 Stableford

Sun 20 3rd Championship Round

Wed 23 Stableford - Longest Putt

Pri 25-27 Hyden 3 Day Event Men and Ladies

Sun 27 Stableford

Wed 30 Stableford

#### AUGUST

Pri 1-3 Assoc Carnival @ Nazeembeen

Store 3 Captains Choice

Wed 6 Stableford, Count your Patts

Sun 10 4th Championship Round Wed 13 Stableford

Thurs 14

Association Foursomes @ KUKERIN Clayton Cup Sat 16

Sun 17 No Organised Golf

Wed 20 Stabledood

Sun 24 Wed 27 Captains Choice

6th Championship Round Sun 31

Wed 3

Stableford -- Nearest to the Pin Sun 7

Wed 10 Ladies Mid Week Golf Closing Day

Thurs 11 Corrigin Open Day

Closing Day

# Kulin Golf Club what a golf club we have in kulin!

#### **HOW GOOD IS THIS!!** Yes another Hole in One at our club.

Congratulations to one of our newest members Shaun "HARRO" Harris who got a hole in one last week on hole no 14.

Thank you once again to Troy and the Team from Gangells Agsolutions for once again providing the Hole in One prize of \$500 - might be an incentive to anyone thinking of taking up Golf??

We are quietly hoping this sponsorship will continue after two hole in ones in such a very short time??

Wendy Gangell





#### WINTER SCHOOL HOLIDAYS





#### HELLO EVERYONE AND WELCOME TO OUR LATEST COMMUNITY HUB UPDATE

Firstly, a big thank you to everyone for the recent renewed interest in our local pub. The bigger crowds have added to the fun—whether it's the after-sport drink, the regular after-work catch-up, or the classic end-of-week hangout.

We'd love to introduce you to our regular staff:

TANYA TAYLOR – Our House Manager is doing a fantastic job, and we can't speak highly enough of her work ethic. Tanya heads up the team—organising rosters and duties each week. She's also your go-to for accommodation bookings and table reservations for dining or functions.

LEO – Our chef, assisted by Jordan. Leo is a French backpacker who has been travelling in Australia for two years. Before arriving in Kulin, he worked at a country pub in NSW. He's passionate about cooking and French pastry and hopes to bring you some new tastes from France. Locals have already raved that his soup is outstanding!

GABRIELLE – Our French bartender has been travelling the world since she was 17. She loves having a chat and hearing stories about our country.

TERENCE – Another of our bartenders, Terence hails from Belgium and is also a backpacker exploring the globe. Back home, he's a gardener. He's been travelling now for two and a half years.

JORDAN – A huge welcome back to Jordan, who has returned to the Hub to assist Leo in the kitchen. Many of you will remember his culinary flair—he's well known for his pasta dishes!

KIRRA - Our bright and bubbly kitchen assistant. Kirra is a very valued member of our team who is realtively new to Kulin and new to the workforce. Kirra is the one who usually delivers our meals to the tables - say hello next time you are dining.

THIS FRIDAY: WELCOME BACK TO FRIDAY PIZZA NIGHTS! It also happens to be July 4th—no big fireworks, but the fires will be blazing. Bring your family and friends for a cosy meal and a good catch-up. No reason needed—just because we can.

And don't forget—we're here to cater for any party, celebration or meeting you have in mind. Supporting us means supporting our town's growth.

# Boots on the Ground, Eyes on the Horizon

Local Farmer Selected

If or National Leadership

Program and Explores

Agriculture on a Global Scale.

Cindy Mullan is a well-known face around town. She and her husband Brenton, along with their children, took over the family farm at Dudinin about four years ago, though the family has been farming there for over 100 years. They're pig farmers – and passionate about it. So, it was a big moment of pride when Cindy was selected for the Australian Pork Limited Pork Leadership Course for 2025.

The APL Pork Leadership Course is a 12-month program funded by Australian Pork Limited. It supports participants to grow as leaders – both in their own businesses and across the broader pork industry. The aim is to build leadership skills, expand networks, and foster the next generation of industry champions, ensuring the future of pork production in Australia remains strong.

About three years ago, Western Australian Pork Producers Association encouraged Cindy to apply. But with a lot on her plate, she felt the timing wasn't right. When the opportunity came up again last year, she was ready. Cindy shared that it was important to her to show her kids that it's never too late to try something new, keep learning, or take on a challenge.

She wanted to embrace fresh knowledge, take on a bigger role within the industry, and advocate for its future.

that mindset, Cindy began the application process, submitting a one-minute video about her passion. And for anyone who's ever had a chat with her, it's no surprise - her passion is young people and the local community. I was lucky enough to see that video and hear her speak from the heart about how our youth and community are essential to the future. Clearly, the selection panel was just as impressed, choosing her as one of six national representatives.

The program began with a leadership camp - which, in Cindy's words, was a "lifechanger." It offered the cohort a deep dive into their own behaviours. helping see how their strengths and habits can support or different hinder them in situations. It also built strong connections, with participants complement learning to one another and work as a team toward greater goals.

This was followed by media training with Shelly Horton, a challenging though rewarding experience where the group was armed with the how-to and knowledge to speak confidently as representatives of their businesses and industry.

The major highlight was a 15day study tour of the USA. The group started in Los Angeles, California – a place where even their tour driver questioned whether an ag study tour was in the right place. As it turns out, it absolutely was. At the University of California's Agriculture and Natural Resources Research and Extension Centre Orange County, the Aussie farmers were inspired by a community-wide education model. There, even backyard fruit growers can get support, fostering shared knowledge, disease management, and that benefits innovation agriculture on all levels. They explored urban agriculture, watershed retention, agrivoltaics (combining agriculture electrical and innovation), and the impressive 4H vouth program foodbank gardening initiative.

The learning continued at Colorado State University, where the group engaged in dynamic conversations with professors of agricultural sciences and food systems. These sessions offered insights into the American agricultural education system, sustainability frameworks, animal welfare science, and the role of research and technology in future proofing the industry.

From aquaculture at the Bellevue-Watson Fish Hatchery to agri-tourism at Prairie Ridge Buffalo Ranch, the tour expanded into other sectors of agriculture. The



group met members across the protein, grain, horticulture and aquaculture industries, drawing parallels between the pork sector and other primary producers facing challenges sustainability, climate like variability and community perception. Through these wideranging discussions, Cindy and her fellow participants saw how collaborative thinking and smart technology are helping producers navigate change and share knowledge across industry lines.

At Brenneman Pork Farm in Iowa, the group was blown away by the scale of operations, and also by how willing the team were to share their experiences and insights large-scale production systems. It reinforced the value of opening up conversations between producers communities, and highlighted how transparency and tech go hand-in-hand in building trust. These exchanges and visits underscored the value learning of cross-sector breakthroughs how one industry can ripple positively others. across

The study tour wrapped up at the World Pork Expo, the ultimate opportunity for networking, exploring emerging technologies and systems, and attending seminars on economic forecasts, global ag positions, and the future direction of the pork industry.

For Cindy, this journey fuelled a new fire. Her initial goal was to better connect with the pork industry - and she certainly achieved that. But the experiences she gained, especially through her cross-sector exposure and time at World Pork Expo, deepened her understanding of sustainability and the fullcircle nature of production. Cindy was especially inspired by the collaboration she saw across US agriculture – how industries support each other, how innovation is embraced, and how strongly technology is integrated to improve outcomes. She hopes to see more of that energy in the future of Australian farming. From adopting technology on the family farm to building broader awareness across the Australian community, she's excited to play a bigger role.

Her dream? To become a advocate passionate for agriculture Australian and help future generations thrive in a well-supported industry. She believes in the value of our farmers and knows that without them, there's no food, no clothes on our backs, no warmth in our homes. She hopes to see more government and leadership support, and a continued community effort to manage resources wisely.

One thing that struck her deeply was how actively the US government supports ag – from backyard growers to commercial producers – through education and outreach. That's something she'd love to see taken up more widely here at home.

And now, with her boots back on Kulin soil (or her shoes under her desk at the Shire), what's next for Cindy? Well, she's got ideas brewing – and knowing her, they'll be just as inspiring as the path she's already taken.

#### Kirra Pederick

Community Development Officer

#### **KULIN CHILDCARE CENTRE**

### **Kulin Childcare Centre**





The children have continued to explore upright canvas painting using our 4-sided easels inside to add bodies to faces.

This activity promotes body awareness and supports writing skills by encouraging midline crossing, pencil holding and whole arm movements.





A big bunch of cabbage leaves provided a lot of excitement and exploration recently when we used them to practise our cutting skills. The cabbage leaves provided a rich sensory experience as the children used scissors to snip them into pieces, this gave them the opportunity to investigate the vegetable leaves and different parts of the leaf.



Our blood orange tree has given us a great crop of oranges again this year. We have been able to use our juicer purchased last year to juice the oranges for a juice beverage to try at



daycare. Picking and preparing the fruit together provides an opportunity for children to grow their confidence and culinary skills. It's great to see children who completed the task last year helping peers learn what needs to be done in the pick and prep process.

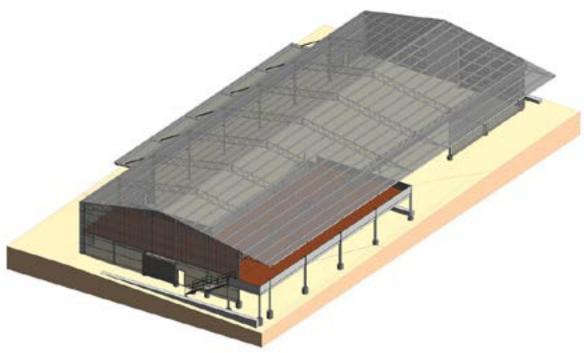
Thank you to our families and community for supporting us.



Get ready for Wimbledon Tennis Championships kids! Colour in these young tennis stars practicing in the garden and enjoying a yummy picnic. Maybe see if you can help make a picnic at home to eat while you do your colouring?



# BEHIND THE SCENES WITH KULIN BUSH RACES



# JILAKIN LOOKOUT SET TO ELEVATE RACE DAY EXPERIENCE

New mezzanine to host premium ticket holders and sponsors, with plans for year-round use

We're thrilled to officially announce the name of our newest addition to the Kulin Bush Races — Jilakin Lookout.

This purpose-built mezzanine space, currently under construction, will sit high above the action with cracking views of the racetrack, and the beautiful Jilakin area. Designed as a premium spot for our sponsors and premium ticket holders, Jilakin Lookout will offer an elevated race day experience.

But Jilakin Lookout isn't just for race weekend, we'd love to see this space used by people from across the region as a place to come together, whether it's for a celebration, a fundraiser, a workshop or a community gathering.

If you're looking for a unique venue with country charm and plenty of room to move, we'd love to welcome you to Jilakin Lookout.



# BEHIND THE SCENES WITH KULIN BUSH RACES

Construction of the new shed, which will house Jilakin Lookout, is now underway, thanks to the team at Prices Fabrication + Steel. The shed replaces the well-worn marquee that has served us for many years, and marks a major step forward in easing the workload it takes to set up and pack down each year.

Stay tuned as construction continues, and we look forward to welcoming you into this incredible new space very soon.

In other good news, a big shout out to Western Stabilisers, for their generous donation, assisting with much-needed improvements to a rough section of the track. Their support will make a big difference to the safety and quality of the racetrack, and we thank them sincerely.

After a year of planning, we've finally taken possession of the woolshed! Last weekend, a group of volunteers got stuck into replacing the veranda roof and guttering and clearing out the rear section of the building.

After seven trailer loads to the tip, we've still got a fair way to go, but the progress is fantastic. A huge thanks to everyone who pitched in. We'll be holding more busy-bees soon, so keep an eye out.

We need your help!

We're still looking for someone to take on the important paid role of Treasurer. It involves around 200 hours per year, but there's plenty of flexibility, you can work from home and choose the hours that suit you. If you're comfortable with numbers and systems and want to be part of a passionate, community–driven team, we'd love to hear from you. Feel free to reach out to Tom or Tracey to find out more.

We're also seeking a volunteer to take on the Director of Food position. This role involves coordinating across all food areas, collecting and collating orders, supporting the area coordinators, and stepping in where needed during the weekend. It's a key position with plenty of support from the rest of the team. Get in touch with Simone if you'd like to know more.

Are you connected with our KBR Volunteers Facebook Group yet? It's the go-to spot for all the latest on busy bees, rosters, and important updates just for our amazing volunteers. If you haven't joined, simply reach out to a committee member or get in touch with Trish Mahe at the Shire of Kulin to be added.



# BEHIND THE SCENES WITH **KULIN BUSH RACES**

The Kulin Bush Races wouldn't happen without the incredible volunteers who give their time to make it all come together, and we're so grateful for every hour spent behind the scenes.

If you've ever thought about getting involved, now's the time. Volunteering is a great way to be part of something special, with every dollar raised going back into the Kulin community.

Let's make the 30th our biggest and best yet.

The KBR Committee.

#### **Executive Committee:**

Chairperson- Tom Murphy Vice Chairperson- Simon Duckworth & Michael Lucchesi Event Coordinator -Simone Lockyer-Luscombe Treasurer - Vacant/Tracey Noble Graeme Robertson

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# KULIN CWA



### Over 100 years of Country Women coming together for the community

reacups, laughter, and almost a century of stories—there's special something brewing at the CWA rooms in Kulin.

I've been wanting to catch up with our CWA ladies for some time, and finally, last week, the stars aligned. I headed down to the CWA rooms for a lovely cup of tea and a really good chat with some fantastic country women.

For over 100 years, the Country Women's Association of Western Australia has offered a haven for women. It's a proud and active organisation working to improve the welfare and wellbeing of people everywhere—especially in country and regional areas. Our local CWA branch is no different.

The Kulin branch has been active for 95 years as of last October and continues to bridge generations with ease. Dot Cook, now in her 90s and still fit and fabulous. has been a member for over 25 years. That's no small feat. The members are equally proud of their youngest sisters-Cassie and Paige Kempton-associate members who bring a spark of youthful energy to the group.

Local **CWA** President lan Colbourne summed up beautifully: "The CWA is a space for women to get together and be themselves. We have fun and laugh—a lot!" That was certainly my experience. The ladies welcomed me with open arms and plenty of smiles around the table.

We chatted about the enormous effort behind restoring their beloved old building-a project nearly 10 years in the making. It's more than bricks and mortar: it's a symbol of community resilience and shared history, lovingly restored one project at a time. Of course, maintenance is now an ongoing task. Their heartfelt thanks go to the Kulin Bush Races, the Men's Shed, and Bendigo Bank, whose support made their goal possible.

The CWA is iconic for its scones and its ability to band together times of crisis, offering support to women. children, families across regional Australia. As Dot so perfectly put it: "It's about companionship."

They're a vital part of Kulin life, stepping up without hesitation as I learned firsthand when they helped with this year's Anzac Service and hosted the morning tea. They regularly cater for both community and personal events. When the bike club rolled into town. the CWA teamed up with the Lions Club to feed 88 people! Having sampled their scones, biscuits and a hearty soup for lunch, I can confirm these women really know their way around a kitchen.

Regular meetings offer a chance

to have fun, take part in handson activities, and support each other. Though Dot joined later in life, she carries on the traditions of her mother, who was an active CWA member. Jan joined as a young woman. stepped away life became busy, and returned when the room restoration began. Sharon, invited by another member, shared that while the meetings are important, "It's not all about the meeting—it's about the women."

The Kulin CWA would love to welcome more women into the fold. If you're interested—and if spending time with amazing people who are generous, welcoming, and always up for a laugh sounds like your kind of fun-drop in and say hello. Who knows, I might just see you there.

#### Kirra Pederick Community Development Officer



# GET YOUR HANDS IN THE GARDEN...

I love a cottage style garden, there is something romantic and magical about them, but they don't always suit the climate and soil.

They're usually packed with an expansive array of flowering beauties, overflowing and abundant. I recently saw a post on Instagram by @thebotanicalplanet, about planting Australian natives to create a similar effect. I wouldn't have thought of using natives, but now that I have... well, I'm digging in further.

The plants the author used to create a truly stunning cottage-style garden needed at least half a day of direct sun—something most of us can easily achieve. It was densely planted, as you'd expect from a cottage garden, and the author recommended overplanting and then thinning out as needed. Not only did using hardy natives reduce her water use, it also created a haven for native bees and pollinators.

Suggestions for creating that charming look include Brachyscome, which is quite hardy and comes in many new cultivars with bright colours and larger flowers. Think native iris (Orthrosanthus multiflorus) or the deceivingly delicate Thelionema caespitosum. And of course, paper daisies (Xerochrysum), available in both annual and perennial varieties. Boronia for its beautiful flowers and scent, bottlebrush (Callistemon), grevillea, lomandra (L. confertifolia)—they all add dimension and colour. And don't forget kangaroo paws (Anigozanthos)—Nurseries have these in all sorts of amazing colours I didn't even realise existed. In fact, I think I might have to organise a cuppa with some of our local wildflower experts for even more ideas.

Just a gentle reminder—if you're planning to plant natives (which I highly encourage), please don't go digging them up from the bush. Source them responsibly through native plant nurseries, online suppliers, or your local garden centre.

So, before I disappear down the rabbit hole of native plants and garden styling, I'll sign off on this latest garden update. And maybe, rather than searching for pixies and fairies amongst the blooms, I'll be keeping an eye out for Gumnut, Gum Blossom or Boronia Babies... Perhaps even Snugglepot and Cuddlepie, or Little Ragged Blossom.

Kirra Pederick - Community Development Officer

GROW A LITTLE BEAUTY

# Native Flowers for a Cottage Style Garden



BRACHYSCOME 'PACIFIC REEF'



ISOTOMA AXILLARIS 'FIZZ N POP GLOWING PURPLE'



TETRATHECA THYMIFOLIA "FAIRY BELLS PINK"



PELARGONIUM 'APPLAUSE'



BRACHYSCOME AUGUSTIFOLIA FRESCO CANDY, DAMPIERA TERES 'MALLEE MAUVE' ORTHROSANTHUS





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#### A PLACE AT THE TABLE

## Of Cold Mornings and Comfort Food Nights

There's no denying it now—winter has well and truly arrived. Evenings are spent bundled up in fuzzy socks and warm jumpers, it's dark before you know it, and the mornings seem in no particular rush to begin. It's one of the rare times of year when even the late risers among us can catch a glimpse of the sunrise.

So, how do you keep warm in the thick of these chilly mornings?

For me, it's porridge. Always has been. I grew up surrounded by brilliant cooks, and while my grandfathers usually steered clear of the kitchen, there was one daily ritual that belonged to Pop: the morning porridge.

He'd be up well before dawn, out doing the morning feed. And to give Nan a break, he'd gather up whichever of us grand-kids were awake and ready to go. But not before serving that all-important breakfast. Cooked in the same pot every day, stirred with the same worn wooden spoon—it was comfort, love, and home all in one. Pop would ladle the creamy oats into our bowls, top them with honey from the hive, and add a ring of cold milk around the edge—ready to be stirred in just so.

That simple bowl of porridge warmed us through, fuelled our early adventures, and gave us a chance to share a story or two before the day began.

These days, I sometimes get creative—a handful of berries, a spoonful of stewed apples, maybe a sprinkle of seeds or toasted nuts. But when I'm craving comfort, I go back to basics. A bowl of porridge, and I'm right back there—at the little table in the kitchen, heater ticking beside the stove, chatting away with Pop.

And just to round things out, I thought I'd share something from the other end of the day too: Home Made Fish and Chips with Mushy Minty Peas and Tartare Sauce. It's the perfect Friday night dinner—comforting, familiar, and best enjoyed with a good movie or a bit of footy on the telly. Winter, after all, was made for cosy nights in.

#### Basic Porridge Serves 5-6

#### Ingredients:

- 2 cups rolled oats
- 2½ cups water
- · Pinch of salt
- Milk
- Honey
- 1. Add your oats and water to a large saucepan over medium heat.
- 2. Add a pinch of salt and bring to a steady simmer, stirring regularly.
- Continue to simmer for at least 5 minutes—closer to 10 is better adding more water if needed.
- When you're ready to serve, dollop into bowls and top with milk and honey to your preference.

NOTE: You can make this as fancy or simple as you like. Toppings my family enjoys include:

- Cranberries and toasted pecans
- Stewed apples with cinnamon and brown sugar
- Or for a savoury twist: a little butter and milk.

#### Crispy Beer Battered Fish Serves 4

#### Ingredients:

Fish -

700g White Fish Fillets

#### Dusting -

1/2 Cup Rice Flour

#### Crispy Fish Batter -

- ¾ cup plain/all purpose flour
- ¼ cup rice flour
- 1¼ tsp baking powder
- ½ tsp salt
- 1 cup very cold beer

#### Cooking -

- 4/5 Cups Oil
- Dry & cut fish: Pat fish dry using paper towels or a tea towel. Cut into manageable pieces or larger fillets if you prefer. If you have very thick fillets, cut in half horizontally you want to make sure it cooks evenly.
- 2. Place ¼ cup rice flour in a shallow bowl for dusting your fish.
- 3. Heat 6cm oil in a large heavy based pot over medium high heat to 190°C.
- 4. While the oil is heating, sprinkle 3 or 4 pieces of fish with a pinch of salt, then coat in rice flour in your dusting bowl and shake off excess. You can leave them like this for up to 10 minutes.
- 5. Just before cooking, whisk together the flour, rice flour, baking powder and salt. Add very cold beer into the batter and whisk just until incorporated evenly into the flour. Do not over-mix, do not worry about flour lumps. It should be a fairly thin

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- batter but fully coat the back of a spoon. If too thick, add beer 1 tsp at a time.
- 6. Dunk a piece of fish in the batter, the let the excess drip off very briefly.
- 7. Fry 3 minutes: Carefully lower into oil, dropping it in away from you, one piece at a time. Don't crowd the pot; fry in batches. Fry for 3 minutes, flipping after about 2 minutes, until deep golden.
- 8. Drain on paper towels. Repeat with remaining fish. Serve hot!

NOTE: It will stay crisp for 15 - 20 minutes. Light crispy batter requires a cold batter, so if it's hot where you are, keep it in the fridge between batches.

Recipe makes more batter than you need — you can cook up to ~1kg of fish. It's hard to dredge fish properly with any less.

#### Home Made Chips Serves 4

#### Ingredients:

- · 1kg Potato's
- 2tbs White Vinegar
- 1tbsp Salt
- · 2lts Chicken Stock/Water
- 1 lt Vegetable Oil
- Cut your potatoes into finger size chips (you can peel them if you want to but I personally like the skin on) Keep your cut chips in a bowl of water to stop them going brown as you cut all of the potatoes up.
- 2. Transfer to a colander and drain and rinse and drain again.
- 3. Place the chips into a large pot with 2 litres of water or chicken stock (this is optional chicken stock just makes for extra tasty chips!) with the vinegar and salt. Bring to a boil over high heat then immediately reduce the heat to low so that you have a gentle simmer.
- 4. Cook for 10 minutes and then remove carefully using a slotted spoon and place in a colander. (If you just dump them into the colander

- your chips will break)
- Spread your chips out on tea towel lined trays and let them dry for a good 5 minutes or longer.
- Heat your oil CAREFULLY do not overfill your pot because the level will rise when you add your chips! You need your oil temperature to come up to 200°C on medium to high heat.
- 7. Add your chips in batches being careful to not overfill your pot, they need room to cook evenly. Cook for 1 minute then remove and place on paper towel spread out in a single layer. Repeat until all the chips have had their first fry. They will still be white and floppy at this point.
- 8. Let them cool for a good half an hour.
- Bring your oil back up to 200°C on medium to high heat. Add your chips back to the oil again working in batches and not overcrowding. Cook for 4-5 minutes until they are nice and golden and crispy.
- Remove and place on a paper towel lined tray and keep them warm in a LOW oven while you cook the remaining chips.
- 11. Once all the chips are cooked sprinkle with salt or seasonings of your choice and toss them around. Serve alongside your fish!

NOTE: These chips freeze perfectly! After the first fry, fully cool the fries then freeze on a tray (you can stack them all on one tray). Once frozen, they can be tipped into a container or ziplock bag for freezing. Cook from frozen for 5 minutes.

#### Tartare Sauce

#### Ingredients:

- 1 cup / 220g mayonnaise
- 1 tbsp gherkin, very finely chopped
- 1½ tsp fresh dill, finely chopped
- · 1 tsp fresh parsley, chopped
- 1 tsp capers, drained and finely chopped
- · 1.5 tbsp lemon juice, fresh
- 1/2 tsp white sugar

- 1/4 tsp salt
- Place all ingredients into a bowl and mix to combine. Adjust the salt to your taste.

#### Mushy Minty Peas Serves 4

#### Ingredients:

- 1 cup Frozen Baby Peas
- · Handful of Fresh Mint
- · 150ml Double Cream
- 1. Pop 100ml of Cream into a medium pan and add the mint (Stems and all) bring to the boil and simmer for 3 minutes. Remove from the heat and smash the mint up a bit with a rolling pin end or a muddler if you have one Allow the cream to cool completely.
- 2. Stir in the remaining cream and then strain through a sieve squashing the mint to get as much flavour out as possible.
- 3. Discard the mint and pop the cream back on the stove to come up to the boil. Add your peas and bring them to the boil.
- 4. Once boiling remove from the heat and blitz in a food processor or with a stick blender until nice and mushy.
- 5. Season to taste with Salt and Pepper and then serve warm.

#### Kirra Pederick Community Development Officer



# Dancing Through Winter: Finding Joy in Movement

Because grace is optional, but giving it a go is not

We all know that we're supposed to keep moving. It's good for us—activity every day. But honestly, sometimes it's really hard to feel motivated to go for a walk. It's freezing cold in the mornings, and although we've had some lovely days, plenty of us are working while the sun's out.

So, what are some thoughts on other ways to stay active?

Well, I jotted down a couple of ideas. In our office—without naming names (they know who they are)—we have some music lovers who keep the beat going and the energy up during the day. It always has my toes tapping along.

I grew up going to family dances in the local halls. I learned to dance standing on my Pop's toes and later took up ballroom dancing for a little while. That being said, I'm definitely not an expert! In fact, I'd have no hesitation saying that while I've got enthusiasm in spades, my grace and skill leave a bit to be desired.

Nevertheless, dancing is such a good way to exercise. It doesn't have to be formal—although there's nothing wrong with that—and I've got a few ideas percolating away on that front for later. But honestly, just pop on some

music you love and bop away in your lounge room. For those with limited mobility, dancing doesn't have to mean big movements—tapping your feet in a chair or clapping along to the beat still counts.

Music is also a brilliant outlet. Whether you're happy, sad, or even mad, it's a way to express yourself. I love all different kinds of music, from different eras, depending on what I'm doing or how I'm feeling. And although you'll often hear my music drifting through the house and yard on summer evenings, in winter it really helps to keep me in a happy place.

But it's not just music and dancing—there's a fantastic group of ladies in town who do Yogalates, which is a wonderful fitness and social outing. Likewise, we have so many sporting groups around. Even if you're not in peak physical condition, heading down to support the local teams and taking a gentle walk around the oval or courts is still great activity.

Speaking of sports, you might have seen the advertisements running at the moment for an introduction to pickleball. When I first saw this event on the calendar, I'll admit—I had to stop and ask, "Well, what is pickleball?"

Turns out, pickleball is a fun and fast-growing sport that blends elements of tennis. badminton, and table tennis. It's played on a smaller court with a paddle and a lightweight plastic ball, and the rules are simple enough for beginners to pick up quickly. The court includes a "kitchen" zone near the net where volleys aren't allowed, which keeps the game social, friendly, and strategic rather than overly competitive. Best of all, it's easy on the joints, doesn't involve too much running, and is suitable for all ages and fitness levels-perfect for a winter pick-me-up.

After some entertaining descriptions and a quick chat with Captain Google, I now have a gentle grasp on the concept. Enough that I'm keen to sign up for the Wimbledon Glam Slam introductory event and see what it's all about. It



specifically says it's open to all skill levels, abilities, and ages-thank goodness! My skill level is less than zero, my ability probably about the same, and well... let's just say 21 was some time ago for me. But it sounds like a fun outing and a great way to be active while enjoying a bit of community spirit.

Winter or not, there's always something to be done around the house as well. The yard might need a tidy, there could be leaves to rake up, a bit of pruning to do-or perhaps it's time to dust off the lawn mower? It all counts. Getting outside for fresh air and soaking up a little winter sun while you move your body is great for both physical and mental health.

don't And discount the everyday movements inside the house either. Making the bed involves walking around, bending, lifting and twisting-it's deceptively active for such a routine task. Sweeping the floor takes balance, movement, and concentration. And if you're anything like me (thinking back to those earlier comments dancing), there is absolutely no reason you can't dance while you clean. Remember the movie Mrs Doubtfire? Grab the broom or vacuum and get your groove on—they make for excellent dance partners, no judgement, and if you step on them... well, they don't complain!



One other thing—don't be that life is for living. We afraid to look silly. No one and I do mean no one-is perfectly graceful all the time. And honestly, some of the most fun we have is when we stop worrying about how we look and just have a go. Let your inner child out. Remember what it was like to twirl in the Kirra Pederick garden until the world spun and you had to fall over in the grass until everything again? stopped moving

I've fallen down-on the dancefloor and off it. Running and 1? Well... let's say my athleticism and balance belong in a special class of uncoordinated. But so what?

It's just about remembering don't need to be competing in some invisible "who looks best doing it" competition. We're just getting our bodies moving and being grateful every single day-that we wake up with the opportunity to do so.

Communitu Development Officer

# MBLEDON FROM THE THEATBELT

While winter winds whip across WA, summer sport shines on Centre Court.

Growing up in country WA, sport was a constant part of life. For the athletically gifted—and for those of us not quite as blessed—it made no difference. Whether it was watching sport on telly with the family enthusiastically commentating on the action, being out on the field or court, or cheering from the sidelines, sport has always been one of the vital social outings that bring our small communities together.

And while we're currently shivering our way through winter sports—rugged up to

the eyeballs, watching the football fly through the air, the mad tussles and sprints across the hockey field, or the fierce determination of our local netball stars—summer sport feels a world away.

But depending on where you are in the world, summer sport is in full swing. Literally, when it comestotennis, as the legendary Wimbledon Championships are currently being played. Many winter nights of my life have been spent in the lounge, the rhythmic thwack of a tennis

ball echoing from the telly as it's volleyed across the court. Wimbledon is a staple of the sporting calendar—unsurprisingly, given it's the oldest tennis tournament in the world and widely regarded as the most prestigious. Played on outdoor grass courts since 1877, it takes place over two weeks in late June and early July.

Over the years, tennis fashion at Wimbledon has seen some changes-from the days of corsets, anklelength skirts, and flannel trousers to today's sleek, high-tech performance gear. Back in the 1920s, French player Suzanne Lenglen caused quite a stir by trading in tradition sleeveless blouses for and shorter skirts, and others soon followed. Men swapped long trousers for shorts, and gradually, comfort performance became just as important as tradition. While the famous allwhite dress code still holds strong, there's now a bit more flexibilitylike dark undershorts



## AROUND THE WORLD

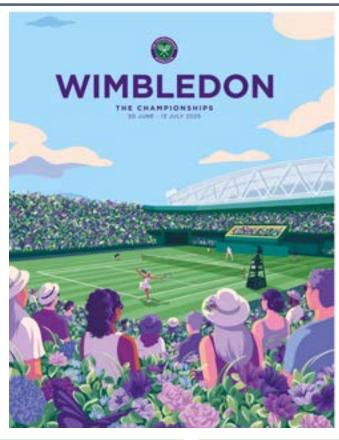
for women–reflecting the ongoing balance between heritage and modern sensibility.

With its traditions of a strict allwhite dress code for competitors and royal patronage, Wimbledon is both an elite sporting event and a cultural spectacle. The world watches not only the matches but also the who's who in the stands, the fashions on and off court, and the rise of new tennis stars.

Tradition is part of the glamour and charm-strawberries and cream, delicate picnic fare, fish and chips for supper, and a glass of Pimm's or champagne. It's the peak of English summer. Men and women are referred to as Ladies and Gentlemen, and the tournament concludes with a celebratory ball.

The game itself has come a long way too. Those old wooden racquets have been replaced with modern, lightweight versions made for power and speed. Gone are the days when serve-and-volley was king-nowadays, it's baseline rallies, heavy topspin, and lightning footwork. Even off court, things are shifting. This year, line judges were officially retired in favour of electronic line calling on every court. And, in response to fans' feedback, the scoreboards have been updated to show more match details and player info. Despite all that change, the spirit of the gamethe fierce competition, the grace, and the grit-remains unchanged.

But for all the glitz and glamour, at its heart, it's still about the tennis—the sportsmanship and



sheer prowess on the court.

Switzerland's Roger Federer holds the record for most Gentlemen's Singlestitles with eight, and shares the record for most consecutive wins (five) with Sweden's Björn Borg. Martina Navratilova leads the Ladies' Singles with an astounding nine titles, including six consecutive victories between 1982 and 1987. Australia's own Todd Woodbridge holds the Gentlemen's Doubles record with nine titles-six of those alongside Mark Woodforde, the most by any pair. Elizabeth Ryan of the USA holds the Ladies' Doubles record with twelve titles.

Australia has had its share of champions—from Norman Brookes, the first non-British winner in 1907, to Lleyton Hewitt's 2002 triumph. And let's not forget our great Ladies of the court: Margaret Smith Court, Evonne Goolagong, and the brilliant Ash Barty.

So what's on the cards this year? Australia has 43 players representing us in the 138th edition of Wimbledon, with 13 Aussies earning direct entry into the main draw, which begins 30 June.

So find the perfect spot on the couch, pour a glass of Pimm's, and settle in for some terrific tennis. Wimbledon is on—and it promises to be a fantastic competition.

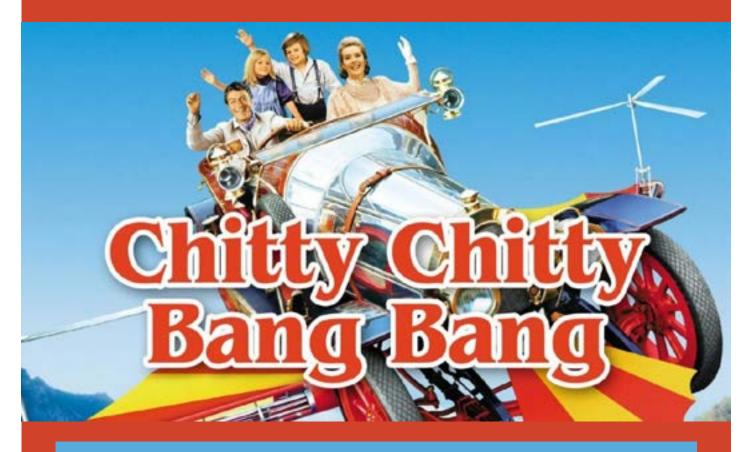
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## Seniors Movie Day

Tuesday | 15 July | 11am - 1pm

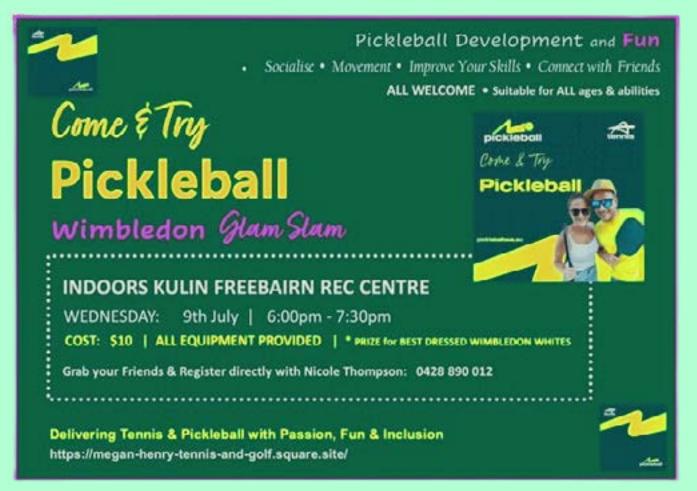
While truant from school, young siblings Jeremy and Jemima meet the beautiful Truly Scrumptious (Sally Ann Howes), who falls for their widowed father, Caractacus Potts (Dick Van Dyke), and his various oddball inventions, including the family's noisy rebuilt car, Chitty Chitty Bang Bang. One day at the beach, Caractacus tells Truly and the children a fanciful fable about the villainous Baron Bomburst (Gert Frobe) and his evil designs on the Potts family car.



Coffee & tea provided | Free event

Take a momentary break from our cold Kulin winter and enjoy a spot of English summer respite with the Pickleball

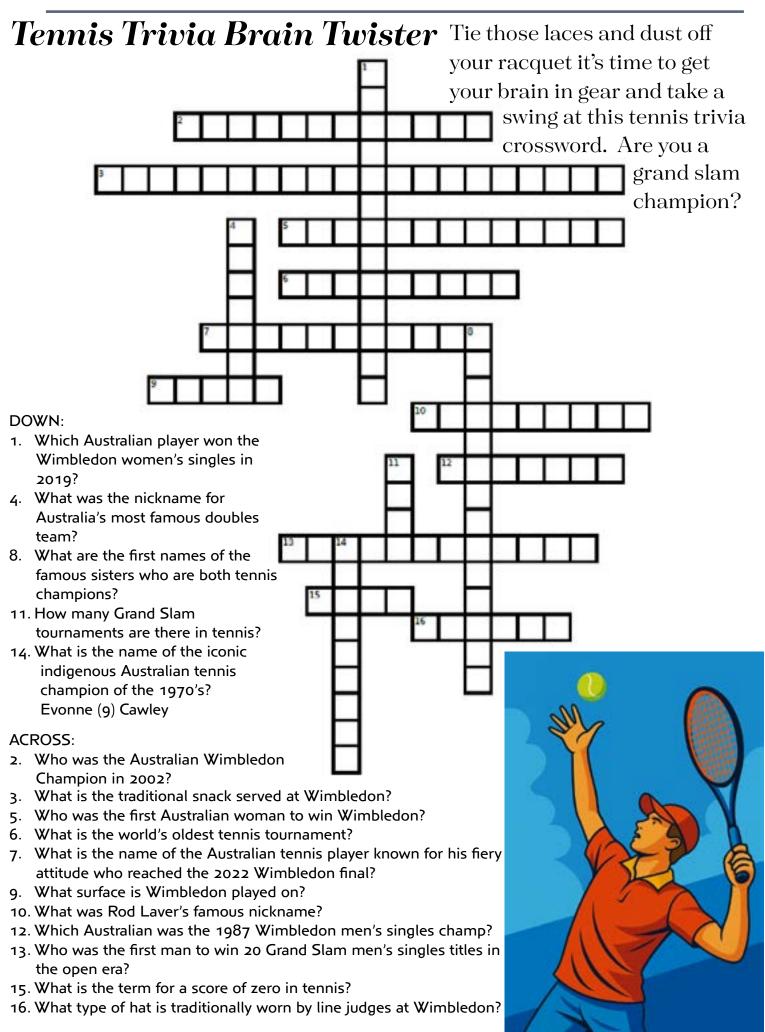
## Wimbledon Glam Slam

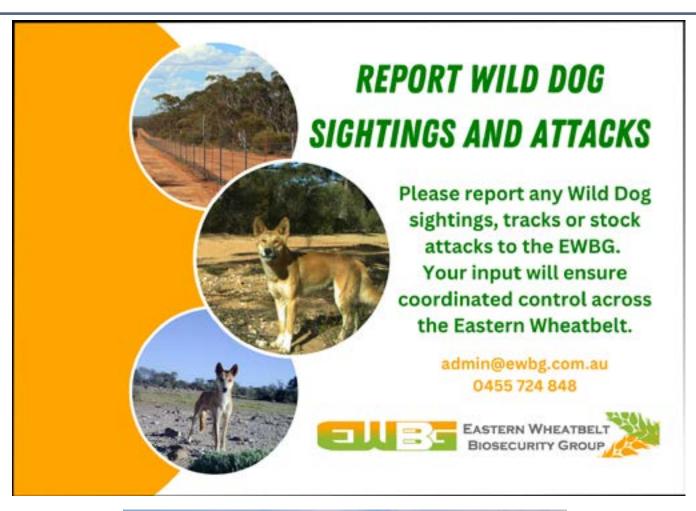




It's time to don your whites and get ready for an exciting new game in Kulin. Afterwards we will raise a glass of Pimm's and enjoy cucumber sandwiches, tomato tartlets & strawberries and cream.

A prize for Best Dressed Wimbledon Whites & some fun door prizes!!









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Are you an organised and detail-oriented individual with a passion for community events? The Kulin Bush Races, celebrating its 30th anniversary in 2025, is looking for a Treasurer & Event Support Officer to manage financial operations and assist with event coordination.

#### **About the Role:**

This part-time role involves overseeing financial management, ensuring smooth banking operations, and supporting the coordination of the Kulin Bush Races event.

## **Key Responsibilities:**

- Process creditor payments throughout the year.
- Issue debtor invoices (primarily during race time).
- Reconcile accounts monthly and prepare quarterly BAS statements.
- Handle payroll if required (currently not applicable).
- Prepare monthly financial reports, including profit & loss and balance sheets.
- Organise cash floats for the Kulin Bush Races event.
- Manage bank operations during race weekend alongside Bendigo Bank staff.
- Count and allocate race income, including cash and Square transactions.
- Maintain the asset register and complete annual depreciation journals.
- Prepare documentation for the annual audit.
- Oversee risk management and insurance.
- Provide administrative support to the Event Coordinator.

## Who We're Looking For:

- Experience in finance, bookkeeping, or accounting.
- Strong organisational and time-management skills.
- Ability to work independently and within a team.
- Familiarity with event operations or willingness to learn.
- Proficiency in MYOB and Microsoft Office.

### Why Join Us?

- Be part of a well-loved, iconic community event.
- Flexible working arrangements.
- Work with a passionate and dedicated team.

This is a part time paid position to be negotiated.

If you're interested in contributing to this unique and exciting event, we'd love to hear from you!



We're looking for a Director of Food to help coordinate the different food areas at the Kulin Bush Races. It's not a big job—just about making sure everything runs smoothly and checking in with the awesome people already coordinating different food areas.

## What's Involved?

You won't be cooking or flipping burgers—just making sure all the coordinators have what they need and everything is ticking along nicely. You'll be working with:

- Feedlot: Anne-Marie Sloggett
- Food Vans: Simone Lockyer-Luscombe
- The Stay/Volunteer Food: Nicole Thompson
- Hamburgers: Jennie McInnes
- Busy Bee Food: Mary Lucchesi
- Fish & Chips: Michael Bennier

## A few other things you'll help with:

- Checking in with food vendors and suppliers.
- Collecting food safety certificates and touching base with the Health Officer.
- Keeping an eye on things during the event and lending a hand where needed.
- Making sure budgets stay on track (nothing too complicated!).

## Who Would Be Great for This?

- Someone who's organised but doesn't sweat the small stuff.
- A good communicator who enjoys working with people.
- No need to be a food expert—just happy to help coordinate.

## Why Get Involved?

- Be part of an iconic local event.
- Meet great people and have fun along the way.
- No heavy lifting—just a bit of coordination and problem-solving.

If this sounds like something you'd enjoy, we'd love to have you on board!

## **FUNERAL NOTICE**

The Funeral Service for the late

Mr Robert "Bob" Bailey Of Kulin

will be celebrated in the Kulin Anglican Church, Kulin on TUESDAY morning, 15th July 2025 commencing at nam

Following the service, the cortege will proceed to the Kulin Cemetary for burial.

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## KULIN LOCAL CLASSIFIEDS

LOCAL CLASSIFIED PAGE, RUN A SHORT AD FOR SOMETHING YOU NEED. AD'S ARE VALID AND WILL BE PRINTED IN A SINGLE EDITION ONLY UNLESS RENEWED. ALL ADS MUST BE PAID FOR IN CASH AT THE SHIRE OFFICES AND COST \$2 PRIOR TO PUBLICATION.

**TEXT ONLY, NO PICTURES.** 

The Kulin Update Local Classifieds: a dedicated page for locals to place short ads for things they might want to buy or sell. Whether you're seeking a farm hand, a rental property, a cleaner or gardener, or have misplaced something around townthis is the place for you! Perhaps you have surplus produce from your garden or are organizing a garage sale? Are you a young person looking for a job? Do you have a skill that you think could be useful to others (like babysitting services or gardening)?

Let the community know right here.

For just \$2, your ad will run for two weeks in the Kulin Update and will also be displayed on town notice boards. Please note that all payments must be made in cash at the Shire offices. As a reminder, ads are text-only—no images—and will be removed after the two weeks unless you renew for another fortnight by making a new payment.

We'd love to hear your feedback on this trial initiative. Share your thoughts and help us make this page a valuable resource for our community!

Warm regards, Kirra Pederick Community Development Officer

### GARDEN HELP WANTED

Local Senior is looking for some help once a month in the garden. It would include Weeding, Spraying, Pruning Tidying and general garden jobs.

Call Kirra at the Shire for more info or to provide your details for the senior to contact you.

08 9880 1204

## LIONS CLUB KULIN SALE

The Kulin Lions Club is offering furniture for sale. They have various items including:

- Small Tables
- Large Tables
- Desks
- Wardrobes
- Dressing Tables
- Lounges

Contact Haydn McInnes for more information on 0429 801 215 or pop in to the shed at 73 Day Street

## WOOL TABLE WANTED

The Kulin CRC are on the lookout for an old wool table to be used as part of a new display we are putting together. If anyone has one sitting in the shed not being used please get in contact and let us know. Call Kirra at the Shire on **08 9880 1204** to discuss

## SEE YOUR AD HERE!!!

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## **GENERAL INFORMATION**

## SHIRE CONTACTS

FRC - 9880 1000 CRC - 9880 1204 Caravan Park - 0439 469 850 Pool - 9880 1222 Depot - 9880 1218 KCCC - 9880 1636

### JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

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

### MEDICAL CENTRE

Kulin-9880 1315 Kondinin- 9889 1753 KN Hospital- 9894 1222

Kulin Nursing Station: Tues, Wed & Fri 8:30 - 12:30

### **EMERGENCY CONTACTS**

Emergency centre-9880 1079 SES - 13 25 00 Western Power- 13 13 53 Water Auth.- 13 13 75 Kulin Water Depot - 9880 1356 KULIN MOTOR MUSEUM

#### **POLICE CONTACTS**

Crime Stoppers -1800 333 000

Kulin Police Station is staffed by two officers who are available to respond to incidents 24/7. Your local police can be contacted as follows:

Emergency: 000 Non-emergency: 131 444 KU Station - 9861 5800

## TIP SHOP OPENING **DAYS**

Sunday | Monday | Thursday 10am - 3pm

## **KULIN TRANSFER STATION**

The station is open Sunday | Monday | Thursday 10.00am - 3.00pm

## REPORTING MINOR ISSUES

The Shire of Kulin uses Snap Send Solve, simply download the app and use your smart phone to report a variety of issues directly to the Shire.

## LOCAL CHURCHES

Uniting Church 1st & 3rd Sunday of each month, 10.30am

Catholic Church Fr True Nguyen 1st, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 8.00am

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

Wednesday 10am - 12.30pm Saturday 10am - 2pm C. King - 9880 1058 B. Colbourne - 0429 804 615 J. Munro - 0427 386 849

#### **KULIN LIONS CLUB**

Kulin Lions Club collect old glasses, hearing aids and stamps. Please feel free to drop off any of these items at the Kulin Post Office. Push bikes and batteries can be dropped off at Haydn's shed.

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

## **CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE**

All Good Refund Depot comeS to Kulin on the last Wednesday of every month. They pick up returns from behind the Memorial Hall at midday. Contact the Shire for more info.

## KCCC ID

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## ARTS CENTRE ID

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## **DEFRIBRILLATOR** LOCATIONS

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

**PINGARING Public Toilets** Pingaring Ag Solutions Pingaring Golf Club

**DUDININ** Dudinin Tennis Club

#### DRIVING ASSESSOR

Kulin has one assessment day a month. Call BENDIGO BANK KULIN for bookings or enquiries - 9880 1422