

# THE 2025 ROCK REVIEW

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## DECEMBER UPCOMING EVENTS

**12**

**Bruce Rock Christmas Tree**  
Bruce Rock Amphitheatre

**17**

**Senior's Movie Morning**  
Bruce Rock CRC

**20**

**Ardath Tennis Club**  
**Twilight Tennis**

**23**

**Christmas Carols**  
Bruce Rock Amphitheatre

**25**

**Community Christmas Lunch**  
Bruce Rock Town Hall

More information inside 

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# COMMUNITY BILLBOARD

<b>Bingo</b>	Last Tuesday of every month. <b>Contact : Jeanette Kolatowicz - 0448 852 947</b>
<b>Casual Stitchers</b>	The next get together is every <b>Thursday 10.30 to 3pm</b> Contact Bronwyn Campbell <b>0408 900 808</b>
<b>Come-a-Lot Op Shop</b>	Open Monday, Thursday and Saturday <b>8.30am-12.00pm</b> <b>Contact Judy Gould 0429 611 143 or Lynnie Prior 0421 669 459</b>
<b>Contact Club</b>	Contact: Janine Dayman: <b>04 286 11 290</b>
<b>Child Health Clinic</b>	Wednesday at the Clinic. For appointments, <b>Phone: 90 611 090</b>
<b>Council meetings</b>	<b>Thursday 18th December 2025</b>
<b>Craft Shop</b>	<b>Edna Vaughan - President - 0499 853 471.</b>
<b>Chiropractor</b>	Merredin times Tuesday 10.30am - 7pm & Wed 7.30am to 9.30am. For appointments, <b>Phone: 90 411 275</b>
<b>Day Care, Bruce Rock</b>	8.30-5.15pm, Monday - Friday <b>Phone 08 9852 1201</b>
<b>Dentist</b>	Dr Ramesh Rajagopalan Bruce Rock: Mon-Wed. ( 9am - 2pm ) <b>Phone: 90 611 954</b>
<b>Dietician</b>	For appointments, <b>Phone: 90 611 166</b>
<b>Hospital Auxiliary</b>	Enquiries <b>Betty Sedgwick 0429 611 330</b>
<b>Immunisation</b>	For appointments, <b>Phone: 90 611 090</b>
<b>"IN-BETWEENERS"</b>	<b>Drop in Centre - Every Friday 10am- 11:30am</b> <b>Contact Veronica Branch Smith 0428611866</b>
<b>Indoor Carpet Bowls</b>	<b>Every Wednesday 1pm - Contact Trevor Neal -0408 072 818</b> <b>Bring a plate to share for afternoon tea.</b> <b>Fri 12th Dec. Phone 0428 212 945</b>
<b>Mobile Vet - Pat Chat</b>	<b>In recess</b>
<b>Museum Roster</b>	<b>Contact phone numbers at the front of Museum.</b> Contact Lyn Prior <b>0421 669 459</b>
<b>Music Session</b>	C/- Primary Health Eastern. For appointments, <b>Phone 90 813 222</b>
<b>Occupational Therapy</b>	Contact School on <b>90 821 900</b>
<b>P&amp;C Assoc. Inc.</b>	Relationship, family and individual counselling. <b>Rob - 0412 159 407</b>
<b>Relationships Australia</b>	Friday 9 - 11 am @ Butcher St Kindy
<b>Playgroup</b>	Deborah Schoen @ Bruce Rock Hospital. <b>Phone: 90 610 222</b>
<b>Podiatrist</b>	Station: <b>08 890079140 / Sgt Webber: 0436 841 235 / Urgent: 13 14 44</b>
<b>Police - Bruce Rock</b>	Physio (at Hospital) <b>Phone: 90 813 222</b>
<b>Primary Health Eastern</b>	<b>Meetings first Tuesday of every month - 2.00pm at Settler's Court</b>
<b>Retirement Units</b>	<b>Rural Financial Counselling Service WA</b>
<b>RFCS</b>	<b>Bill Webb: 0429 013 574 - June Saint: 0429 465 139</b>
<b>Rock 'n' Boots</b>	<b>Shack Hall Mon 5.30pm - Bruce Rock Tues Afternoon/evenings</b> <b>Contact - Gemma Cotter - 0400 758062 - pilbaragem@hotmail.com</b> <b>2nd Thurs of every month.</b>
<b>Seniors Committee</b>	<b>Storm Damage Only - Phone: 132 500</b>
<b>SES Emergency Service</b>	1st Monday each month @ 7.30pm. <b>Perry - 0428 475 080</b>
<b>VES Training</b>	C/- Primary Health Eastern. <b>Phone: 90 813 222</b>
<b>Speech Pathologist</b>	Apts. taken 8.30am - 12pm and 1.45pm to 4pm <b>Phone: 90 611 166</b> Surgery hours may finish earlier or extend Any temporary hour changes will be advertised in Rock Review\
<b>Our Beautiful Minds</b>	Contact -Noleen McDonald <b>0498 621 803 -obmcounselling@outlook.com</b>
<b>Counselling</b>	<b>www.ourbeautifulminds.com.au</b>

If there are any changes to the above information please contact us on  
**reception@ bruccrockcrc.com.au**



# Bruce Rock & Surrounds Community Calendar December 2025

Sun.	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.
				11	12	13
				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Op Shop Open</li> <li>• Casual Stitchers</li> <li>• Last Rock Review for 2025</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bruce Rock Shire &amp; CRC Christmas Tree @Amphitheatre</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Op Shop Open</li> </ul>
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Op Shop Open</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bingo (Last for 2025)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Seniors Christmas Movie Morning @CRC 10.00am</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Op Shop Open</li> <li>• Casual Stitchers</li> </ul>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Op Shop Open (Last day for 2025)</li> <li>• Ardath Twilight Tennis</li> </ul>
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carols @ the Amphitheatre</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Craft Shop closed from 12pm</li> <li>• Christmas Eve</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Christmas Day</li> <li>• Bruce Rock CRC Community Christmas Lunch@ Shire Hall</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boxing Day</li> </ul>	
28	29	30	31			

- Craft Shop closing from 12pm, 20th December 2025
- Community Resource Centre closing from 12pm , 23rd December to Monday 9 am, 5th January 2026
- Bruce Rock St. Johns Sub Centre every Wednesday 9am-2pm
- Bruce Rock Christmas Tree - 12th December 2025 - At the Amphitheatre.
- The Last Bingo for Seniors Tuesday 16th Dec ember 2025

## BIRTHDAYS

### DECEMBER

Thu 11th	Anthony Butler
Fri 12th	Kevin Jones
Sat 13th	Adam Sedgwick
Mon 15th	Joanne Buller Alexander Foss
Tue 16th	Althea Hutch
Wed 17th	Thomas Foss Sheridan Buegge Shaliya Vicary-Henry



## CASUAL STITCHERS CRAFT

Ladies meet in the Supper Room, Church of Christ, Butcher Street, EVERY THURSDAY of each month for BYO Craft, such as quilting, knitting, crochet, embroidery, sewing, card making and scrapbooking. We are all **CRAFTY** people, doing the craft of our choice. If you too have a craft and would like to join us, we would love to have you come along and join us.

We gather at 10.30am—3.00pm and bring a “lap lunch” to eat. All are welcome.



Contact: Bronwyn Campbell  
0408 900 808





# DR JEGEDE SURGERY ROSTER

2025

Bruce Rock  
Health Centre  
90611 166

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
DATE	8 <sup>th</sup> Dec	9 <sup>th</sup> Dec	10 <sup>th</sup> Dec	11 <sup>th</sup> Dec	12 <sup>th</sup> Dec
AM	9:30-1:00	9:00-1:00	9:00-1:00	CLOSED	9:00-3:00
PM	2:00-5:00	2:00-5:00 OLGA HERE PHYSIO HERE	2:00-5:00		
PATHOLOGY		8:00AM - 09:00AM	8:00AM - 09:00AM		
DATE	15 <sup>th</sup> Dec	16 <sup>th</sup> Dec	17 <sup>th</sup> Dec	18 <sup>th</sup> Dec	19 <sup>th</sup> Dec
AM	9:30-1:00	9:00-1:00	9:00-1:00	CLOSED	9:00-3:00
PM	2:00-5:00	2:00-5:00	2:00-5:00		LAST DAY, CLOSED 22/12/25-16/1/26
PATHOLOGY		8:00AM-9:00AM	8:00AM-9:00AM		

## Christmas Service

Rev. J P Schroader will celebrate the annual Christmas Holy Communion Service at St Peter's Anglican Church Bruce Rock

Sunday 21st December

11.00am

Festive morning tea/lunch to follow

A warm welcome is extended to all to join this joyous celebration of the birth of Christ.





WE WILL BE



CLOSED

FOR THE



*Holidays*



FROM 19 DECEMBER TO 19 JANUARY

PLEASE ENSURE ALL SCRIPTS, REFERRALS  
AND ANYTHING ELSE THAT YOU MAY NEED  
HAVE BEEN ARRANGED PRIOR TO OUR  
CLOSING DATE AS THERE WILL BE NO  
DOCTOR IN TOWN DURING THIS PERIOD.



*Wishing you a Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year!*

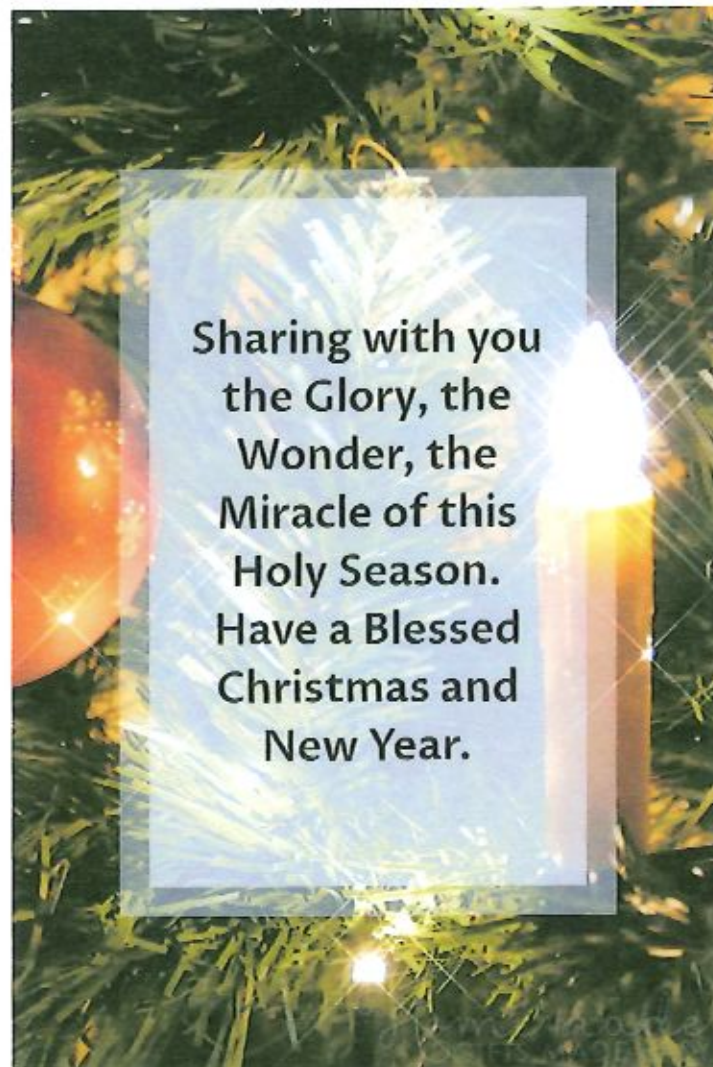
*Bruce Rock Health Centre*





**BRUCE ROCK CATHOLIC PARISH**  
**CHRISTMAS MASSES 2025**

NAREMBEEN	WEDNESDAY	24TH DECEMBER	8.30PM
BRUCE ROCK	THURSDAY	25TH DECEMBER	8AM
QUAIRADING	THURSDAY	25TH DECEMBER	10AM



Sharing with you  
the Glory, the  
Wonder, the  
Miracle of this  
Holy Season.  
Have a Blessed  
Christmas and  
New Year.





**JOIN US FOR A MAGICAL**

# **BRUCE ROCK CHRISTMAS TREE**



**FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER  
2025**

**BRUCE ROCK  
AMPHITHEATRE**

**5.00 PM**



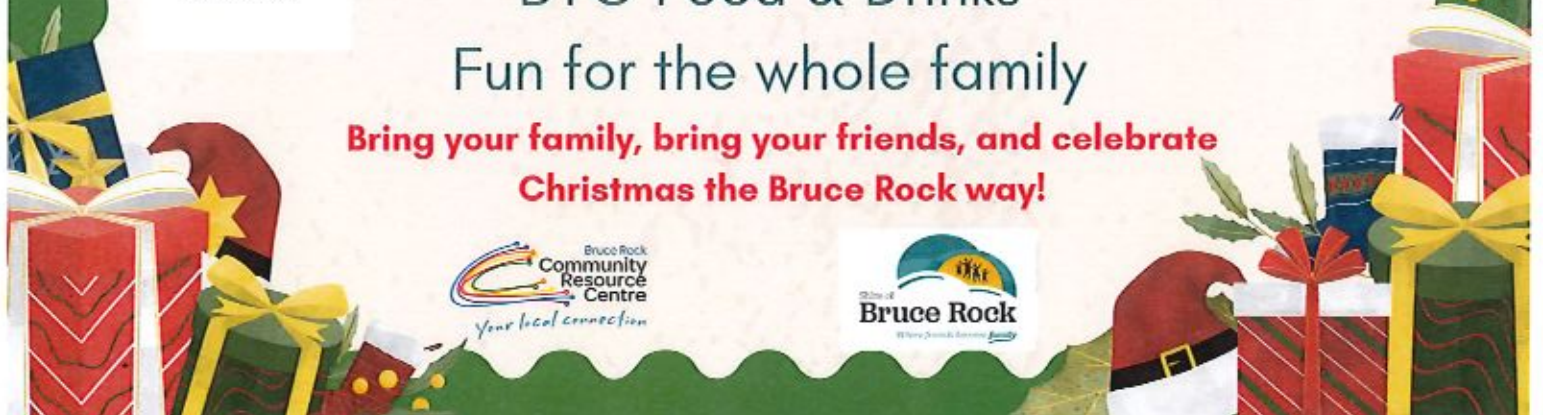
Live Music and Line Dancing

Santa visit for the kids

BYO Food & Drinks

Fun for the whole family

**Bring your family, bring your friends, and celebrate  
Christmas the Bruce Rock way!**







# SENIOR'S MOVIE MORNING



**WEDNESDAY, 17TH DECEMBER 2025**



**10:00AM**



**Bruce Rock CRC**

**\$5 for morning tea**

To register your interest contact the staff at the  
Bruce Rock CRC



**(08) 9061 1687**



Department of  
Primary Industries and  
Regional Development



Bruce Rock  
Community  
Resource  
Centre



Mentally Healthy WA







# Christmas Lunch

*It's Official. We're On.*

The Bruce Rock CRC is delighted to confirm our Community Christmas Lunch. This will be a warm and welcoming meal for locals who would like to celebrate together.

Lunch served at 12.30 pm

Bruce Rock Shire Hall open from 12 pm

\$25 per person

To help us plan catering, please add your name to the list or to pay for your meal, pop into the CRC at your earliest convenience. Contact the Bruce Rock CRC on 9061 1687 or visit us in person.



Bruce Rock  
Community Resource Centre  
*Your local connection*





# Christmas Lunch Call for Food Donations

The Bruce Rock CRC is hosting a Community Christmas Lunch and we are seeking support from locals who would like to help keep the meal affordable and generous for everyone attending.

If you are able to donate food items such as fresh produce, pantry staples, meats, desserts, or non perishable goods, we would be grateful.

Every contribution helps us create a warm, welcoming, and plentiful Christmas meal for our community.

Donations can be dropped at the Bruce Rock CRC during opening hours. If you prefer to discuss what is needed, please phone 9061 1687.

Thank you for supporting a Christmas Lunch that brings our community together.



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# CHRISTMAS GIFTS

AVAILABLE AT THE CRC







# THANK YOU TO OUR ROCK REVIEW VOLUNTEERS

To the incredible volunteers who pour their time, heart and local pride into creating the Rock Review each year. Thank you. Your dedication keeps one of Bruce Rock's longest-standing traditions alive.

Every edition you produce helps our community stay connected, informed and proud of the place we call home.

From typing up sport results, to editing, designing and distributing the final product. You do it all quietly, consistently and with so much care.

The Rock Review simply would not exist without you. On behalf of the Bruce Rock Community Resource Centre and the wider community, we appreciate you more than words can say. Thank you for showing what community spirit truly looks like.

You make Bruce Rock better, issue after issue. And we are so grateful.



## WE ARE HIRING FULL TIME CLEANER

- ✓ The Shire of Bruce Rock is seeking a reliable and detail-oriented individual to join our Corporate Services Team as a Cleaner.

This position plays an important role in maintaining a high standard of cleanliness across Shire-owned facilities, ensuring safe, clean and welcoming spaces for staff, residents and visitors.

- ✓ About the Role:

You will be responsible for cleaning and maintaining a range of Shire facilities, including community buildings, recreation and aquatic centres, public toilets, offices, and event spaces.

Duties include sweeping, mopping, vacuuming, dusting, window cleaning, restocking amenities, cleaning before and after events, and maintaining cleaning supplies. The role also requires a strong commitment to Work Health and Safety.

- ✓ Why work with us:

- Rostered Day Off accrued fortnightly, Four weeks annual leave (pro rata) plus 17.5% leave loading, Superannuation at 12% with additional co-contribution options and a Uniform allowance.

- ✓ Who Should Apply?

This position is suitable for individuals with previous cleaning or facilities experience, people seeking stable and secure employment, those who enjoy working independently with a varied daily routine, applicants returning to the workforce and anyone who takes pride in delivering high-quality work.

If you're unsure whether you meet every requirement, we still encourage you to get in touch. We are committed to finding the right person and supporting them to succeed.

Recruitment will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.



## WE ARE HIRING FINANCE OFFICERS

- ✓ The Shire of Bruce Rock is seeking motivated and detail-oriented individuals to join our Corporate Services team as Finance Officers.
- ✓ We are expanding as part of our organisational growth, and we are looking for candidates who bring accuracy, reliability, and a willingness to learn. Experience in finance or administration is highly regarded, but we also welcome applicants with strong attention to detail and a proactive attitude.
- ✓ We are recruiting for:
  - Full-Time Finance Officer
  - Part-Time Finance OfficerThese positions support the day-to-day financial functions of the Shire, including processing transactions, assisting with accounts, and providing general financial administration. You will work closely with experienced colleagues who will support your training and professional growth.
- ✓ These roles may suit:
  - Individuals with finance or administrative experience
  - Parents seeking school-hour or flexible part-time work
  - People returning to the workforce
  - Candidates with strong attention to detail and a desire to develop new skills
  - Anyone seeking a stable, supportive team environment

If you're unsure whether you meet all the criteria, we encourage you to reach out. We're committed to finding the right fit and providing the support needed to succeed.

Recruitment will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

DOWNLOAD AN APPLICATION PACKAGE :  
[brucerock.wa.gov.au/vacantpositions](http://brucerock.wa.gov.au/vacantpositions)

SHIRE OF BRUCE ROCK  
A: 54 JOHNSON ST, BRUCE ROCK  
T: 08 9061 1377  
E: [SHENAE.NEGRI@BRUCEROCK.WA.GOV.AU](mailto:SHENAE.NEGRI@BRUCEROCK.WA.GOV.AU)



## **WE ARE HIRING CORPORATE SERVICES SUPPORT OFFICER**

- ✓ The Shire of Bruce Rock is seeking a motivated and community-minded individual to join our team as a Corporate Services Support Officer. If you value a supportive workplace, professional development, and being part of a positive organisational culture, we encourage you to consider this opportunity.
- ✓ We are currently strengthening our organisation for the long term and are looking for someone who is reliable, willing to learn, and committed to contributing to a high-performing team. Experience in local government or administration is beneficial, but applicants with the right attitude and a willingness to develop new skills are strongly encouraged to apply.
- ✓ **About the Role:**  
The Corporate Services Support Officer will work closely with the Corporate Services Manager to assist with a range of administrative and office functions essential to the effective operation of the Shire.  
This is a part-time position, and the role has been designed to be flexible, inclusive, and supportive.
- ✓ **Who Should Apply?**  
This position is suitable for a wide range of applicants, including those returning to the workforce, seeking school-hour-friendly employment, or considering a career change into administration or local government.  
If you're unsure whether you meet every requirement, we still encourage you to get in touch. We are committed to finding the right person and supporting them to succeed.

Recruitment will remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

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E: [SHENAE.NEGRI@BRUCEROCK.WA.GOV.AU](mailto:SHENAE.NEGRI@BRUCEROCK.WA.GOV.AU)



*Bruce Rock Op Shop is having a  
\$5.00 pillow case sale*



*Starts Thurs 11<sup>th</sup> December to Sat  
20<sup>th</sup> December when we close for  
2025*

*Everything in store included.*

*We will reopen on 19th Jan 2026  
Thank You for all your support throughout  
the year*

*We wish everyone a lovely Christmas and a  
Happy New Year.*







# Summer Break



The Bruce Rock Craft Shop will be closing  
at 12:00 midday on December 24th.

Thank you for your patronage.

We wish you all a very Merry Christmas  
and a Happy New Year.

We will be re-opening on Monday  
February 2nd 2026 at 9am.



MERRY  
*Christmas*





# Free used flower pots

Call 906 11 456



## Looking to buy or sell in Bruce Rock?

I'm your local real estate specialist—here to help with honest advice, local knowledge, and results. Get in touch today!



The market is hot and so are our results!  
Whether you're upsizing, downsizing or just curious, now's the perfect time to make a move. Demand is high and stock is low. Let us put your property in front of serious buyers!

**FREE NO OBLIGATION APPRAISAL!**



**When you choose Elders Real Estate Merredin, here's what we guarantee for you:**

- ✓ **Local knowledge & commitment** - Every member of our team lives and works right here in the community. We know the market, the buyers and the value of local property.
- ✓ **Exposure** - Your property will be advertised in the Elders Bruce Rock window.
- ✓ **Maximum online reach** - We'll showcase your property on all the major platforms, including realestate.com.au, domain and our social media pages - Facebook and Instagram.
- ✓ **Weekly seller updates** - You'll hear from us every week. Our team will keep you updated on enquiries, buyer feedback and progress, so you're never left wondering.
- ✓ **Professional photographer** - At no extra cost to you.
- ✓ **A team working for you** - You won't just have one agent, you'll have an entire team dedicated to achieving the best result possible for your property.

We make the selling process clear, proactive and results-driven! Give Steve Gregory a call today and let's get your property SOLD!





# **DON'T FORGET YOUR CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE BAGS**

**Heading away or winding down for  
Christmas.**

**The Bruce Rock CRC will be closed from  
4.30 pm on 23 December, reopening 5  
January.**

**Pop in before we close to pick up your  
Containers for Change bags and tags so  
you can keep collecting.**







presents the 2026  
Merredin & Districts  
Agricultural Show

Saturday  
28<sup>th</sup> March  
10am

## OUR TOWN OUR STORIES

# Writing Competition

Celebrate the stories, voices, and creativity of our district! Enter the Merredin Agricultural Show Writing Competition and share your unique perspective on life in our town and the Wheatbelt.

### Entry Categories

- Poetry
- Creative Non-Fiction
- Memoir
- Picture Book
- Fiction
- Photo Story

### Age Groups

- Junior Primary (Years 1–3)
- Upper Primary (Years 4–6)
- Lower Secondary (Years 7–9)
- Upper Secondary (Years 10–12)
- Open/Adult (18+)

**Entries Close:  
Sunday 1st  
March 2026**

**Prizes include cash, publication in the  
program and more!**

For submissions  
scan the QR code.  
For more info go to:



<https://www.merredinshow.com/writing-competition>

### **Judging Panel includes:**

**Children's author  
James Foley**

**YA and Children's author  
Meg McKinlay**

**Journalist and Novelist  
David Allan-Petale**

**Children's author  
Norman Jorgensen**

**University Lecturer and  
Novelist  
Deborah Hunn**

**Local Librarian  
Wendy Porter**







# Merredin & Districts Agricultural Show

## Writing Competition 2026

### Theme: Our Town, Our Stories

Celebrate the stories, voices, and creativity of our district! Enter the Merredin Agricultural Show Writing Competition and share your unique perspective on life in our town and the Wheatbelt.

The Merredin & Districts Agricultural Society is excited to announce the launch of a Writing Competition, to go with this years show theme of: "Our Town, Our Stories." This initiative is designed to celebrate creativity across all ages and showcase the unique voices of our region.

We invite you to encourage people in your community, group, or school to take part and to help us spread the word. With a variety of categories – including poetry, memoir, fiction, creative non-fiction, picture books, and photo stories – there's a way for everyone to share their story.

By supporting and promoting this competition, you'll be helping us nurture local talent, preserve community stories, and inspire the next generation of writers and storytellers.

Entries open November 10<sup>th</sup> 2025 and close March 1<sup>st</sup> 2026 making it the perfect end of year reflective activity, or start of year get-to-know-you for both schools and clubs.

### Entry Categories

Entrants may choose one category per entry (maximum 2 entries per person).

- Poetry – any style of poem.
- Memoir / Personal Story – reflections, family or local stories.
- Fiction – original short story.
- Creative Non-Fiction – factual stories told creatively (essays, profiles, history).
- Picture Book – illustrated story (great for younger entrants).
- Photo Story – 3–10 photos with captions or a short narrative.

### Age Groups

- Junior Primary (Years 1–3)
- Upper Primary (Years 4–6)
- Lower Secondary (Years 7–9)
- Upper Secondary (Years 10–12)
- Open/Adult (18+)

Age Group	Poetry	Memoir/Fiction/ Creative Non- Fiction	Picture Book	Photo Story
Junior Primary	up to 12 lines	up to 250 words	up to 6 pages	3–4 photos + captions
Upper Primary	up to 20 lines	up to 400 words	up to 8 pages	4–6 photos + captions
Lower Secondary	up to 30 lines	up to 600 words	up to 10 pages	4–6 photos + captions
Upper Secondary	up to 40 lines	up to 800 words	up to 12 pages	5–8 photos + captions
Open/Adult	up to 50 lines	up to 1,000 words	up to 16 pages	5–10 photos + captions



## Prizes

Prizes will be awarded for each age group (under 18s) and for each category in the open section.

- Winning entries published in the Show program (space permitting)
- Winning and shortlisted entries displayed at the Merredin Show
- Winning entries will be listed in the Phoenix the edition following the show, and published on our website.

Age Group	
Junior Primary	One overall winner \$25 prize money
Upper Primary	One overall winner \$25 prize money
Lower Secondary	One overall winner \$25 prize money
Upper Secondary	One overall winner \$25 prize money
Open/Adult	One winner per category: Poetry – \$50 Memoir / Personal Story – \$50 Fiction – \$50 Creative Non-Fiction – \$50 Picture Book – \$50 Photo Story – \$50

## Judging Criteria

- Creativity and originality (40%)
- Relevance to theme (Our Town, Our Stories) (20%)
- Clarity and structure (20%)
- Expression and audience engagement (20%)

## Key Dates

- Entries Open: **November 10th 2025**
- Entries Close: **Sunday 1 March 2026**
- Winners Announced: At the Merredin Show, Saturday 28th March

## How to Enter

Go to : <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/372NJM8>

This will allow you to upload a digital copy of your work (only PDF, Word Docs and images). If you want to hand in an additional physical copy of your work (such as for picture books or photo narratives) you may drop them off at the Merredin Library, all copies must be accompanied by an entry form.

**Entry is free thanks to the sponsors of the Merredin Show!**

PLEASE NOTE: if you put your name on your work it MUST be able to be covered to ensure fair judging.

## At the Show

Winning entries displayed in the Merredin Writers' Corner section of the exhibition.

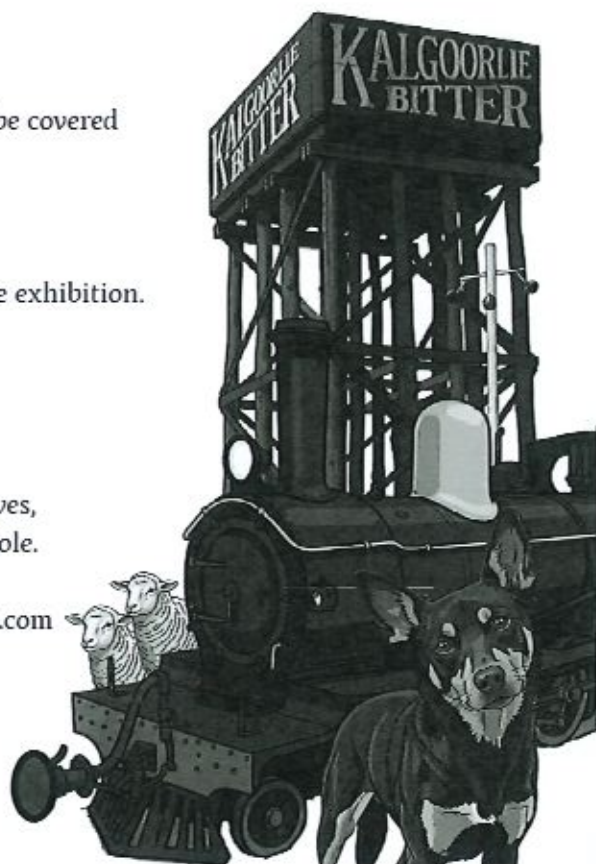
Selected winners invited to read aloud or present their work.

Anthology or digital showcase may be created to celebrate entries.

## Judging

Judges have been selected based on both their ability to critique narratives, and their connection to both Merredin and Districts, and WA on the whole.

For more information contact Natalie Warnock at [merredinshow@gmail.com](mailto:merredinshow@gmail.com)





# NEW KIT ON THE BLOCK WIN!



**SIDCHROME**

SKU: SCMT11200

**281-PIECE  
SIDCHROME  
METRIC A/F  
TOOL KIT!**

**\$20  
TO ENTER  
THE DRAW**

**FOR MORE INFO  
SCAN HERE  
OR  
HEAD TO:**



**ALL PROCEEDS  
SUPPORT  
TRANSFSAWA**  
TRANSPORT.SAFETY.COMPLIANCE



**[rafflelink.com.au/transafewaraffle2](https://rafflelink.com.au/transafewaraffle2)**

RAFFLE DRAWN: 19/12/2025 AT 1PM | OSBORNE PARK

RAFFLE CONDUCTED BY: TRANSFSAWA

PERMIT NO.: LS223896525

APPROVED UNDER THE GAMING & WAGERING COMMISSION ACT 1987 (WA)





# \$1050

## MEMBERSHIP DRAW

### DRAWN 8.00 PM FRIDAY'S



Planning an event or need platters for a special occasion? Simply email us for a personalised quote or pop in and chat with our friendly team from small gatherings to large celebrations, we've got you covered from start to finish.

## MI FAMILIA FLAVOURS

**KITCHEN OPEN THURSDAY & FRIDAYS  
5.30PM-8.30PM**

**SEE OUR FACEBOOK AND MI FAMILIA  
FLAVOURS  
FOR MENUS**

🍕 This Week at the Club Kitchen! 🍴

Mi Familiar Flavours are back in charge this Thursday & Friday, serving up fresh, delicious meals with care and enthusiasm.

🌟 Thursday Night Special - Homemade pizzas straight from the oven, perfect for sharing (or not 😊).

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### **Canadian grain production bonanza confirmed..**

The market has been trading a big Canadian winter crop for some months now, but the updated survey-based production estimates released by Statistics Canada late last week surpassed even the most optimistic of forecasts, with new records set for both wheat and canola output in 2025/26.

In its final crop production report of the 2025/2026 season, the agency pegged all wheat production a tad shy of 40 million metric tonne, 11.2 per cent higher than last year and well above trade expectations of 38.5MMT. Canola output came in 13.3 per cent above the 2024 harvest at 21.8MMT, versus the pre-report trade forecast of 21.25MMT.

The November 2025 principal field crop production survey was sent to approximately 27,200 Canadian farms and was conducted from October 3 to November 6, 2025. Farmers were asked to report their estimated seeded and harvested areas, yields, and production of grains, oilseeds and special crops.

According to Statistics Canada, weather conditions in western Canada were quite variable throughout the growing season. Despite dry conditions in the early parts of the summer, timely rainfall later in the growing season improved the outlook considerably. The late-season replenishment of soil moisture reserves pushed yields and production to record highs in many regions. Harvest progress was generally good across the Prairies, proceeding in line with historical averages in most districts, and largely complete by mid-October.

However, precipitation was generally below average in the nation's eastern provinces for much of the season. Combined with summer heat, these conditions resulted in lower yields in many districts. Like the Prairies, harvest conditions were generally good, with field operations completed in line with the long-term average.

The official total wheat output of 39.96MMT is significantly higher than both the September estimate of 36.62MMT and last year's harvest of 35.94MMT, as well as adding 2.37MMT to the previous production benchmark of 37.59MMT, which was harvested back in 2013. This is also 3.0MMT higher than the United States Department of Agriculture's November supply and demand update. With domestic consumption relatively stagnant over the past 15 years, this opens up the potential for wheat exports to exceed last season's record of 29.3MMT.

Spring wheat led the production charge, increasing 10.3 per cent year-on-year to 29.3 million tonnes. A 12.9 per cent rise in yield to 3.95 metric tonne per hectare more than offset the lower harvested area, which was 2.1 per cent lower than 2024 at 7.41 million hectares.

The durum wheat harvest followed up a 50.2 per cent output increase from 2023 to 2024 with a further rise of 11.8 per cent to 7.14MMT in 2025. Again, this was higher than the September estimate of 6.54MMT and last year's harvest of 6.38MMT, with improved yields and a larger harvested area both contributing to the increase. Winter wheat production managed a 17.0 per cent increase to 3.56MMT on the back of a higher harvested area, despite lower yields across the Prairies.

Timely late-season rainfall helped nudge canola yields into record or near-record territory across the Prairie provinces of Alberta, Saskatchewan and Manitoba. This resulted in the highest ever average yield of 2.51MT/ha, and a new production benchmark nationally. This year's harvest was 1.8MMT higher than the September estimate of 20.0MMT and 2.56MMT more than the 2024 harvest of 19.24MMT despite a 1.7 per cent decline in the harvested area to 8.7 million hectares. It is also 340,000 metric tonne more than the previous production record of 21.46MMT set in 2017, when the harvested area was almost 580,000 hectares higher at a record 9.27 million hectares.

The Canadian canola crush is projected to hit a new high of 12MMT in 2025/26, as surging demand for renewable diesel drives major industry expansion. Crush capacity utilisation dropped to as low as 65 per cent after China imposed a 100 per cent tariff on Canadian canola oil and meal back in March, but has recovered in the second half of the year to be hovering around 90 per cent. The record crop still leaves room for exports of around 8MMT in 2025/26, compared to the current USDA estimate of 6.7MMT, despite the burgeoning domestic demand profile.

Total corn for grain output came in at 14.87MMT, down 3.1 per cent nationally from the 2024 harvest of 15.35MMT, notwithstanding a 0.8 per cent increase in the harvested area to 1.46 million hectares. It is also substantially lower than Statistics Canada's September forecast of 15.5MMT. While production in Manitoba increased by 24.5 per cent to 2.2MMT, drought conditions in the eastern provinces, where most of the nation's corn is grown, pushed the national yield 3.9 per cent lower from 10.59MT/ha in 2024 to 10.18MT/ha this year.

On the barley front, a 25.5 per cent jump in the average yield to 4.27MT/ha more than offset the 4.9 per cent decrease in the harvested area to post a 19.4 per cent jump in output to 9.73MMT. This compares to the average pre-report forecast of 8.9MMT, the September estimate of 8.23MMT and the 2024 harvest of 8.14MMT. However, this is only marginally higher than the 25-year average of 9.43MMT, and well below the 1996 barley production record of 15.56MMT. The supply boost will undoubtedly be welcomed by Canadian feed grain consumers, given the anticipated drop in corn imports, the smaller domestic corn crop, and the exceptional barley export pace this season.

Final oat production followed a similar path, with the Statistics Canada number of 3.92MMT exceeding the average pre-report estimate of 3.66MMT, the September estimate of 3.37MMT, and last year's output of 3.36MMT. An increase in the harvested area of 5.6 per cent to 1.05 million hectares was compounded by a 10.6 per cent increase in the average yield to 3.74MT/ha.

Like corn, a good soybean crop in Manitoba, where the harvest was 12.3 per cent higher, was offset by poor yields in the country's main production regions across eastern Canada. This resulted in national production of 6.79MMT, down from 7.57MMT in 2024 and the September projection of 7.13MMT, notwithstanding a 1.4 per cent increase in the harvested area to 2.32 million hectares.

The recovery in Canada's pulse output continued in 2025. Dry field pea production increased by 31.3 per cent season-on-season to 3.93MMT, after a 14.9 per cent hike in 2024, while the lentil harvest was a record 3.36MMT, 38.3 per cent higher than in 2024, after a 35 per cent surge in output last year compared to 2023.

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Alternatively, for all memberships and payment information please contact

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Evening includes Twilight Tennis & Hamburger Dinner  
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Event or contact the Secretary on 0437283876



### Bruce Rock Mens Bowls

Saturday 6th Dec Pennant Rd 9 played at Corrigin

Division 1 - Corrigin 76 shots, 6 points d Bruce Rock 73 shots, 2 points

Division 2 - Corrigin 91 shots, 6 points d Bruce Rock 46 shots, 0 points.

Saturday 13th Dec Pennant Rd 10 @ Bruce Rock v Narembeen (last pennant till 6th Feb 2026)

Sunday 14th Dec Handicap pairs

Sunday 21st Dec Club Day



### Bruce Rock Ladies Bowls

On December 3rd we travelled to Corrigin for Pennants against Corrigin Gold. Although we didn't win both rinks played very well.

On December 4th we held our Championship Pairs. Eight ladies played. All played well with some great bowls. Winners with 3 wins were Terri Higgins & Anne Dolton. R/up's were Sharleen Elliot and Mignon Jones.

Upcoming events -

Wed 10th - Pennant Rd 9 - Bruce Rock v Corrigin Blue

Thurs 11th - Club Day - Points

Wed 17th - Pennant Rd 10 - Bruce Rock v Tammin

Thurs 18th - Club Day - Christmas Lunch - Festive attire & Christmas gift.





## **CHURCH NOTICES**

### **ST PETERS ANGLICAN CHURCH**

9am Sunday 14th Dec Morning Prayer  
Morning tea to follow.  
Christmas Eucharist with Rev JP Schroader  
11am Sunday 21st December 2025.  
Festive morning tea/lunch to follow.  
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Contact - Rev. Karen Arnold 08 90611268

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Anonymous



# Sports Diary

## DECEMBER 2025

### ARDATH TENNIS

Sat 20th Dec. Twilight Tennis @ 5pm Festive Attire &  
Dinner to follow - (see notice in this issue)



### BRUCE ROCK BOWLS

#### **MEN**

Sat 13th Pennant Rd 10 - Bruce Rock v Narembreen  
Sun 14th Handicap Pairs

#### **LADIES**

Thurs 11th Club Day - Points  
Wed 17th Pennants Rd 10 - BK v Tammin



### CRICKET

Sat 13th BRSA v Yilgarn - T 20 3pm



### JUNIOR CRICKET

Sat 13th Bruce Rock v Narembreen

### ROCK 'N' BOOT

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