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Ordinary Council Meeting Dates for 2025

The Shire of Yalgoo schedule of meeting dates and locations for 2025 are as follows:

DATE	DAY	TIME	LOCATION
31 January 2025	Friday	10.30am	Yalgoo
28 February 2025	Friday	10.30am	Yalgoo
28 March 2025	Friday	11.30am	Paynes Find
2 May 2025	Friday	10.30am	Yalgoo
30 May 2025	Friday	10.30am	Yalgoo
27 June 2025	Friday	10.30am	Yalgoo
25 July 2025	Friday	10.30am	Yalgoo
29 August 2025	Friday	11.30am	Paynes Find
24 October 2025	Friday	10.30am	Yalgoo
28 November 2025	Friday	10.30am	Yalgoo
19 December 2025	Friday	10.30am	Yalgoo

Ordinary Council meetings commence at 10.30am and are held in the Council Chambers, Gibbons Street, Yalgoo, or in the Community Centre, Paynes Find.

The Ordinary Council meetings are open to the public.

OUR COUNCILLORS



President Cr Raul Valenzuela



Deputy President Cr Gail Trenfield



Cr Stan Willocl



Cr Tamisha Hodder



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FROM THE PRESIDENT

Cr Raul Valenzuela

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National General Assembly Conference (NGA)



The National General Assembly Conference held in Canberra is a national event – incorporating the one-day Regional Forum – regularly attracts more than 1000 delegates from around Australia and overseas, and provides an exciting opportunity for mayors, shire presidents and councilors to come together and consider the big issues for their communities.

This year CEO Ian Holland, Cr Tamisha Hodder and myself attended this event. We had the opportunity to meet and talk with other Mayors, and delegates of different communities that have the same problems and issues as we do for example. Housing and health issues.

I had the privilege of meeting Senator the Hon Katy Gallagher who is the Minister for Women, Minister for Government Services, Minister for Finance, Minister for the Public Service and Manager of Government Business in the Senate.

I raised my concerns in relations to financial issues with the our shire and how our community is much smaller then a place like Geraldton but we all come under the same quantity of jobs with different budgets.

I also had the chance to meet with Hon Kristy McBain MP, who is the Minister of Emergency Management and also the Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Territories. This conversation was to do with our 6.4million dollars for flood damage that was rejected by DFES. Hon Kristy McBain MP has opened the door to work with the Shire in relation to this issue.

Morawa NAIDOC

CEO Ian Holland and myself were invited to attend the Morawa NAIDOC Ceremony which was held on Wednesday, 23 July 2025. We had the privilege of meeting up with Hon Dr Tony Buti who is Western Australia's Attorney General; Minister for Commerce; International and Tertiary Education; Citizenship and Multicultural Interests.



We had a conversation about how Multi Cultural our community is and how we as a community reconciliation with different cultures not only in our community but throughout the region and surrounding communities.

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Disability and Inclusion Plan Review

30/06/2025

The Shire is in the process of reviewing its Disability and Inclusion Plan for the period 2025 – 2030. The purpose of the review is to address the barriers that people with disability and their families experience in accessing Shire functions, facilities and services.

The community is invited to come forward and contact the Shire over the next 30 days to submit comments and ideas which can be incorporated into the Disability and Inclusion Plan.

For further information please contact the Shire and to review the draft Disability and Inclusion Plan go to www.yalgoo.wa.gov.au.

lan Holland Chief Executive Officer Shire of Yalgoo

WHEN TRAVELLING ON YALGOO ROADS

Please keep safe and remember the following:

- When Travelling through the Yalgoo region, be mindful of our roadworks
- Slow Down and follow the road signs.
- Check with the Shire Council if any roads are Closed ot visit our website.
- Take caution when travelling on unsealed roads and be cautious of wildlife, floodways, grids and washouts.
- And feel free to let us know if you notice anything dangerous or that can cause a hazard on our roads by emailing works@yalgoo.wa.gov.au

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTIONS 2025

Are you wanting to be more involved in your community

Local government elections in Western Australia will take place on Saturday 18 October 2025.

Enrolment – Check, update or enrol to vote by 5pm 22 August 2025

Nominations Open – 28 August 2025

Close of nominations - 4pm 4 September 2025

Postal elections – Elections packages (including ballot papers, candidate information and how-to-vote information) will be sent out in September 2025

In person elections - Vote in person on election day, vote early or apply for a postal vote from your local government (councils holding an in-person election will be available here at the end of July)

Candidate Information Briefing

If you would like to learn more, WALGA Manager of Governance, Tony Brown will be holding a free In person candidate Information session on Monday, July 28, 2025, from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the Mt Magnet Council Chambers. Contact the Shire of Mt Magnet 08) 9963 3000

Webinar - 6pm Monday 18 August

WALGA, together with the Department of Local Government, Industry Regulation and Safety (LGIRS) and the WA Electoral Commission, will be hosting an Election Candidate Information Briefing webinar on Monday 18 August commencing at 6.00pm.

Presenters will cover a range of topics, with the aim of preparing successful candidates for life as an Elected Member.

Local Governments are encouraged to promote the opportunity for community members to tune in to the webinar and may wish to host a group viewing of the webinar at a Local Government venue.

Further information about presenters, topics and how to register will be available soon.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Elisha Hodder

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Marlu's Junior Football League

The Marlu's Junior football league is slowly coming to an end with only a few more visits to Mt Magnet. The kids have been amazing, it was awe-some to see them in action. I would like to thank Cecilia from GSAC, Tracy from Cue, Wes from Stephen Michael Foundation, and all the staff and parents for the awesome season we have had.





Yalgoo Bike Program

We are happy to announce Warren Jacka will continue his visits to Yalgoo, parents are encouraged to remind their children to wear helmets and help educate them on road safety. their children fix their bikes.



BINGO Night

On the 12 June the Shire held our last Bingo Night, Congratulation to all that won prizes.

School Holiday Program

The July School Holiday's had been very productive, started out with a few wet, cold and windy days were we was forced to be indoors, but that didn't stop the kids from being out and about. We joined Mt Magnet for a day during their NAIDOC week, which turned out to be a beautiful day, the food was awesome and the kids really enjoyed the little scrap match of footy at the oval.

We held a kids BINGO day were some of the kids won some prizes, activities took place at the rage cage, Nick from Infinity Skates came out and entertained the kiddies giving out skateboards to those who showed remarkable skills and improvements, then we finished the school holidays off with a trip off to Thundelarra Station. I would like to Thank Lance King, Brenden Callow, Tamara Calow and Emily for having us visit, and for the yummy damper and scones, it was a relaxing day out.

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Aboriginal History WA and Storylines are coming to the Midwest

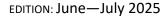
We can help you research your family history. Find out how at this **FREE** event.

4 August 2025	Morawa	2 pm to 4 pm	Morawa Community Resource Centre	46 Winfield Street, Morawa
5 August 2025	Yalgoo	10 am to 12 pm	Yalgoo Arts Centre	37 Gibbons Street, Yalgoo
5 August 2025	Mt Magnet	2:30 pm to 4:30 pm	Mount Magnet Recreation Centre	50 Laurie Street, Mount Magnet
6 August 2025	Meekatharra	9:30 am to 11:30 am	Meekatharra Sports Complex	Sports and Recreation Centre, off Landor Road, Meekatharra
6 August 2025	Cue	2 pm to 4 pm	Cue Shire Hall	54 Dowley Street, Cue
7 August 2025	Mullewa	1 pm to 3 pm	Mullewa Community Resource Centre	8 Jose Street, Mullewa
8 August 2025	Geraldton	10 am to 12 pm	Bundiyarra Aboriginal Community Aboriginal Corporation	56-86 Eastward Rd, Geraldton
8 August 2025	Geraldton	1:30 pm to 3:30 pm	Geraldton Multipurpose Centre	250 Marine Terrace, Geraldton

Visit www.cits.wa.gov.au/department/events for more details.

Get in contact with **Duane Kelly** to register. **Phone:** 08 9427 3473

Email: ahwa.outreach@cits.wa.gov.au





SAFETY CAMERAS - MID WEST

New safety cameras deployed to the Mid West

The Road Safety Commission has introduced six new safety camera trailers to the state.

Two of these safety camera trailers are based in Geraldton and will be continuously rotated around the Mid West region.

The new safety cameras are the most advanced in the country. They can detect:

- drivers and front seat passengers not wearing or incorrectly wearing a seatbelt;
- drivers using or holding a mobile phone in their hand or on their body while driving; and speeding offences.

They are also capable of identifying heavy vehicles and vehicles towing trailers and caravans travelling faster than their maximum speed of 100km/h.

The safety cameras are mounted on large, bright yellow and blue trailers with Road Safety Commission branding. They can operate continuously (24 hours a day) for several days if required.

Currently a caution notice period is underway. During this time no infringements are issued, and no demerit points are incurred. Instead, drivers detected by the cameras committing a mobile phone or seatbelt offence will receive a caution notice in the mail encouraging them to change their dangerous driving behaviour.

When the safety cameras move to enforcement in October 2025, penalties will apply. All funds generated from safety camera fines will be paid into the Road Trauma Trust Account. These funds must be used for road safety initiatives.

More information about the Safety Camera Program is available on the Road Safety Commissions website - www.wa.gov.au/rsc/safetycameras.





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Visiting: Yalgoo

When: Wednesday 30 July 2025

Where: Yalgoo

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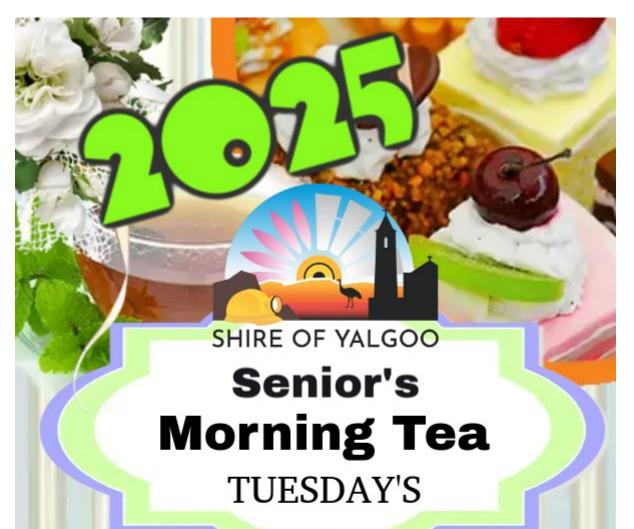
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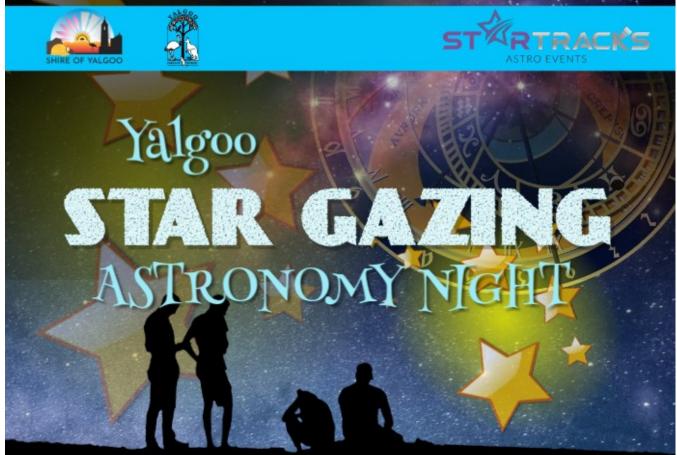
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Ask all the questions you can think of!

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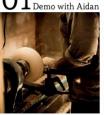
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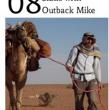
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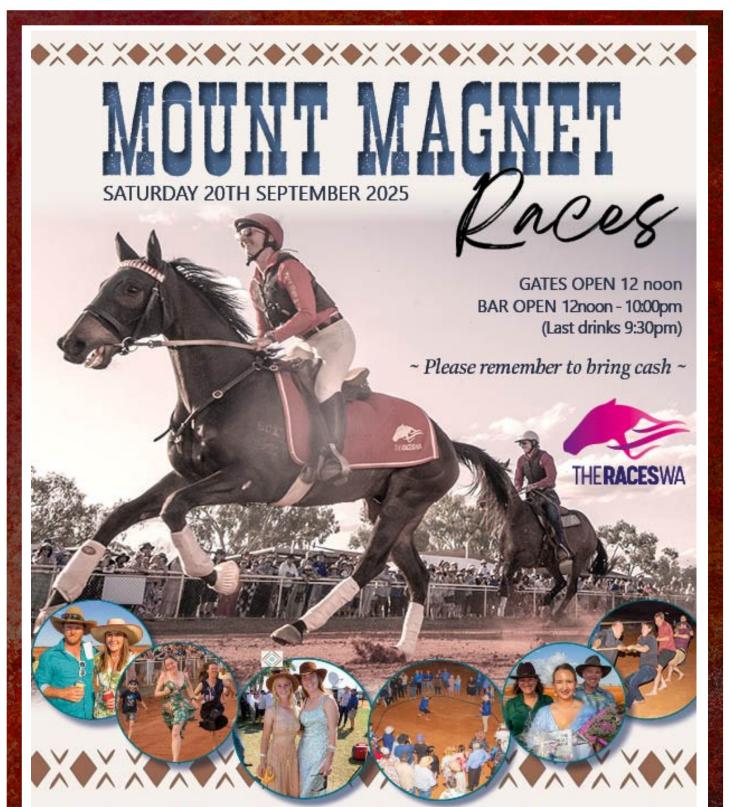
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INTRODUCTION

There is ample circumstantial evidence that the area around Yalgoo was used by Aborigines many centuries before European settlement.

During good season, the countryside is lush with grass and seeds, and the surrounding rocky hills are abound with game. The aboriginal word for the word blood in the local dialect

Late in 1892, a shepherd named Pearce led a prospectin party from Mingenew to the site of what is now known as the Emerald Reward Claim. Although 1890-92 were bad drought years for the squatters, the discovery of gold and good summer rains ensured that Yalgoo was firmly placed on the map.

In 1896 the Geraldton Express Murchison Telegraph newspaper reported as follows: "Yalgoo is booming and several wealthy English and foreign syndicates have invested capital. Machinery arrives daily. There are 12 stores, 2 saddlers, 2 butchers, 3 bakers, 2 cordial manufacturers, 3 blacksmiths, 2 hairdressers, 2 tent makers, a chemist, watchmaker, bootmaker, livery stables, State School and Miners a notifice station wardens guarders and courthers. Miners a police station, wardens quarters and courthouse under construction, also 4 hotels and 3 under construction."

The population by 1900 in the Yalgoo townsite was 200 with 1300 in the district, the majority engaged in the mining industry. Around the turn of the century, however, mining started a steady decline, poor shows, drought and occasional typhoid outbreaks saw the closure of seve

1. Yalgoo Railway Station



The railway precinct is on the Register of Heritage Places of Western Australia. The first train arrived in Yalgoo in July 1896. Despite local protest, the Murchison Line closed in 1978. In 1983, the station was vested in the Shire of Yalgoo, who carried out its restoration with extensive community assistance. It re-opened as the Yalgoo Sporting Complex in 1994. It is the home of the Yalgoo Cup race day, an event dating back to 1898.

2. Pioneer Store



Thomas Pidgeon established the general store and bakery in 1894. He eventually sold the business in 1915, and with a variety of owners and services, the business has operated continuously to the present.

3. Solomans Residence & Store

These remains are associated to Solomon Lowns, J.P.

who operated the general store.
On 13th February 1903, Australia's first parcel bomb (disguised in a round wax matches box) was delivered to Yalgoo's Post Office, addressed to Lowns. Lowns opened the package at the Post Office counter and the explosion blew off his hand.

He continued single handed (in both meanings of the word) with his plan to build a stone cottage next to the store, but never completed the task before his death in 1921. He is buried in Lot 15 of the Yalgoo Cemetery.

4. Yalgoo Hotel



The Yalgoo Hotel is the only remaining hotel from the six hotels that flourished in the town during the late 1890's. Initially licensed as the Emerald Hotel in 1896, it was renamed the Railway Hotel before becoming the Yalgoo Hotel in the 1960's. The original building burnt to the ground in 1954. While the hotel was being rebuilt, it operated continuously as a hotel from the stables

5. Commercial Hotel



Established as the Yalgoo Hotel in 1896 by Viscount Avonmore, it was renamed the Commercial Hotel in 1927. It continued operations until 1947, when it was recycled as building materials at Warriedar Station, south of Yalgoo.

6. COURT HOUSE



From the mid 1890's, a brush humpy occupied this site and served as a court, post office, and registry for births, deaths, marriages and mining. The current building was then relocated from the mining community of Day Dawn (bult 1904) and erected at Yalgoo in the same year for the cost of 242 pounds.

In 1972, it was opened as the Yalgoo Museum.
The lock up facility was built by James Dawson in 1896.
Prior to that, dangerous prisoners were chained to a post.

7. Coyne Store



Peter Coyne arrived in Yalgoo in 1915, and by 1923 he owned a precinct of shops. In 1926 he introduced the first hand pumped petrol bowser to Yalgoo. He eventually retired to Perth and died in 1952.

8. Police Station



Yalgoo has had a continuous police presence since February, 1895 when, Constable Fred Fox established a police camp. Initially prisoners were chained to a post in the police camp. These police station quarters and lock up were built in 1895. With few alterations, the station remained in use until 1982.

9. Jack Nevills Store

Private residence, view from street.

The legendary Jack Nevill settled in Yalgoo in 1916, operating a store from 1924 to 1973. He resided in Yalgoo for 66 years, and served on the Roads Board or Shire Council for a total of 56 years

10. Old Club Hotel Site

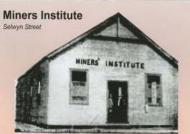
In 1894, Walter Moxon, one of the prospectors who made the first discovery of gold at Yalgoo, built a stone hotel on this site known as the Yalgoo Hotel. The hotel licence was revoked in 1924 and the building was used as a private residence. In 1954, the then owner Ronald Ernest Hamilton, using

stone from the old hotel built a private house one of the first modern houses to be built in Yalgoo for many years. In 1960, the Native Welfare Department converted it to a home for Aboriginal children who attended the Yalgoo State School. It was renamed Warramboo House. It served this purpose until 1980.

In 1982, it was transferred to the Police Department for use as a staff residence

11. Miners Institute

Established in the 1890's, the Institute was considered one of the best buildings in Yalgoo. As a public meeting space, it was functional through to 1956 when the Yalgoo Hall and Shire offices were opened.



12. Anglican Church

The Anglican community of Yalgoo has participated in church services from 1895. Holy Trinity was erected by Messrs. Millars' Karri and Jarrah Company. It was officially opened by Bishop Riley on 14th August 1912.



13. Cumberland Hotel



The hotel was established in 1895 initially as a tent hotel. It was originally called the Miners Rest. It eventually closed in 1938, with its building materials recycled to construct a hotel in Agnew. In 1952, the empty site was developed by the Yalgoo Road Board into a children's playground.

14. Yalgoo School



The first school in Yalgoo was established in Selwyn Street with 35 Students in 1897. Following a severe flood, a new school was built on this site in 1899. The stunning mural was added to the school in 1999 through a student

15. Emerald Hotel



This was Yalgoo's first licensed wayside inn, established in 1893. When the town was gazetted in 1896, the hotel was deemed outside the town boundary, and hence not included on the town plan. In 1896, the then licensee Arthur Hanlon closed this building and transferred the name to a new hotel building, which is the site of the present Yalgoo Hotel. A unique feature of the hotel was its roof of flattened fuel tins.

16. Site of Old Tent Hospital



The original hospital in Yalgoo was a collection of simple canvas structures, It operated from 1896 - 1900. There was a progressive change from tents to tin buildings on this site

17. Site of old graves

Over the hill west end of Fienty Street
Typhoid Fever was a major health problem in Yalgoo
during the early 1890's. These graves are of typhoid
victims - Sydney Abrahamson (Assistant Postmaster)
William McBride (Clerk of Courts) and Peter Hamilton.
Prior to the establishment of the Yalgoo Cemetery in
1896, this was obviously a popular grave site. At least
10 other graves have been identified in nearby proximity.

18. Dominica Convent Chapel



Built during 1921/22, this is the smallest church designed by the renowned priest and architect Father John Cyril Hawes, who was parish priest for the Murchison Goldfields and Mid West from 1915-1938. This inter-war Romanesque style masonry chapel with a terracotta tiled roof & timber framed bell tower is one of the 23 remaining buildings designed and built by Hawes. Following the closure of the convent and its school in 1949, the chapel fell into despair. In 1981, the Shire of Yalgoo reopened the restored Chapel.

19. Site of Old Emerald Hotel

20. Catholic Church

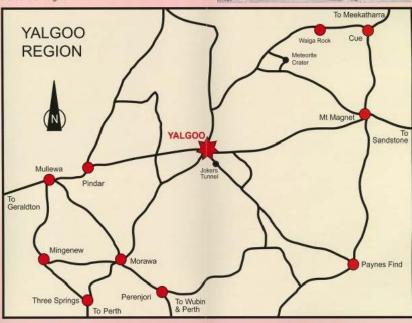


The original Catholic Church, the Holy Saviour was built of corrugated iron and timber in Gothic style and opened in 1909. A priest's house was built directly behind. All these buildings were demolished in a storm in 1984. The current church, St Finbarrs was transported from Mullewa to the same site in 1987

21. Site of Shire Office

Originally a community Progress Association conducted the affairs of Yalgoo. In July 1896, a Road Board was established which covered an area of 22,000 sq kms and a population of 2,300 people. Initially it met in the Miner's Institute. In 1902, its first office was built in Gibbons Street at a cost of 304 pounds. In 1956, it was decided to establish this Shire Hall and Office. This building was brought from Wiluna where it had served for 34 Years as a miners club. The original office / library was demolished in a storm in 1984. In 1961, the Yalgoo Road Board became the Shire of Yalgoo.





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At Community Legal WA, we want to understand the eal challenges people face when trying to access legal support. Whether it was too difficult, too hard to find, or just didn't feel possible we want to hear from you.

Take our short survey and be part of the change.

Your experience can help shape a fairer, nore accessible legal system for everyone.







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headspace Geraldton is a free service for young people aged 12 to 25

We provide support with mental health, alcohol or drug use, physical/sexual health and work and study

No referral is needed

We provide centre-based services here in Geraldton. If you are unable to travel, eheadspace is another option for confidential support online or over the phone

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eheadspace is an online and phone service for young people aged 12 to 25

Call 1800 650 890 https://headspace.org.au/online-and-phone-support/

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110 Marine Terrace, Geraldton WA 6530 Call 08 9943 8111





Your hair may be grey, but your rights are black and white.



You can choose how you spend your money.

You can choose where you live.

You deserve to be treated with respect.

You deserve to receive proper care.

You should never be bullied.



You may be in your senior years, but you still have exactly the same rights you've always had. If someone is forcing you to make a decision you don't want to make, don't accept it.

Help Stop Elder Abuse Elder Abuse Helpline: 1300 724 679 www.communities.wa.gov.au/elderabuse

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This fact sheet has information about Elder Rights WA

What is Elder Rights WA?

Elder Rights WA (ERWA) is a holistic legal service for seniors and the aged based in the Civil Law Division of Legal Aid WA.

Our legal team provides legal advice, assistance and representation on certain types of legal matters and our social work team provides a range of tailored social work support in assisting clients in dealing with social, physical and mental challenges.

Who can use our service?

Our clients are people who are 65 years and older and First Nations and Culturally and Linguistically Diverse clients who are 55 years and older.

We can also provide information and referrals to "third parties" such as adult children or carers of the older person. However, we will not provide advice to third parties in most cases.

Who provides the Elder Rights WA service?

Lawyers and social workers with specialist experience in laws and issues that affect older Western Australians.

Our Cost

Elder Rights WA provides free legal advice.

"Our team of lawyers and social workers provide a state-wide service for vulnerable seniors who are experiencing certain types of legal problems"

Where is the Elder Rights WA service located?

Our team is primarily based in Perth, with the state-wide service also accessible through 9 regional Legal Aid WA offices, as well as a network of 16 Virtual Offices in metropolitan Perth and the regions.

We also have an Elder Rights WA lawyer from Peel Community Legal Services who provides our services in the Peel Region, as Peel has one of the highest proportion of seniors in WA.

We provide advice by telephone, virtual office, face to face and through community outreach.



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What types of legal matters does Elder Rights WA cover?

Legal advice and information on matters relating to planning for the future, including:

- · Enduring Powers of Attorney
- · Enduring Powers of Guardianship
- Advance Health Directives
- Wills

Note: While our service does not prepare or write these documents, the advice provided at our service is very valuable in helping our clients to make appropriate decisions.

Other matters we can give advice about include:

- Loans given to adult children or others
- · Money or debts owed by clients
- "Granny flat" arrangements or other shared living arrangements
- Problems arising from living arrangements, including when adult children move in and refuse to leave
- Guarantors for loans/ mortgages for adult children
- Violence, including physical, psychological, emotional and sexual abuse
- Guardianship and Administration matters at the State Administrative Tribunal

Voluntary Assisted Dying laws

Other services include:

- Representation in certain
 Guardianship and Administration
 matters in the State Administrative
 Tribunal
- Information and community legal education
- Referrals to specialist units within Legal Aid WA including Family Dispute Resolution Services and Domestic Violence Legal Unit

How can I access the Elder Rights WA service?

To refer clients to the service or to request an appointment with a lawyer, please email:

ElderRightsWA@legalaid.wa.gov.au

or call the Legal Aid WA Infoline on 1300 650 579.

To find out more about Elder Rights WA you can visit the Legal Aid WA website: www.legalaid.wa.gov.au.

The Legal Aid WA website has information, videos and self-help guides on a range of legal topics.

If we cannot advise or assist on a particular issue, we may refer you to an appropriate service.

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What is elder abuse?

This fact sheet has information on elder abuse and how Legal Aid WA can help.

What is elder abuse?

Everyone has the right to feel safe and be treated with respect. Unfortunately, some people do not feel safe and experience violence or abuse from someone else.

If an older person is experiencing violence or abuse, this is called elder abuse.

Elder abuse can include:

- » physical violence,
- financial abuse.
- emotional or psychological abuse,
- social isolation,
- sexual abuse, and
- neglect.

Everyone has the right to feel safe and be treated with respect.

Who can elder abuse be from?

Elder abuse can be from a partner, another family member, neighbour, carer, someone who lives in your home or residential facility, or someone in a position of trust.

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What is physical violence?

Physical violence is when someone hurts you physically.

For example: if someone slaps, pushes, hits or physically restrains you.

What is financial abuse?

Financial abuse is when someone uses your money without your permission.

Financial abuse includes:

- » someone selling your property without your permission,
- » someone forcing you to sign things you do not understand, and
- » someone taking control of your bank accounts.

If someone pressures you to give them money, this is also financial abuse.



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What is emotional or psychological abuse?

Emotional or psychological abuse is when someone calls you names, swears or shouts at you, intimidates or humiliates you.

It includes threats to harm you or your pets.

What is social isolation?

Social isolation is when someone refuses to let you go out and do things.

It includes stopping you from having contact with your friends, grandchildren, family members, support services, culture, and religion.

What is neglect?

Neglect is when someone is meant to take care of you but doesn't give you proper food, clothing, healthcare, personal care or shelter.

Neglect can be intentional or unintentional.

Legal Aid WA has a specialist service for older Western Australians experiencing elder abuse.



How can Legal Aid WA help?

It can be difficult to talk about these things if they are happening to you.

However, there are many services that can support and help you.

Legal Aid WA has a specialist service for older Western Australians experiencing elder abuse, called Elder Rights WA

Elder Rights WA operates from the Perth office at Legal Aid WA.

Advice can be provided by phone, face to face and through community outreach.

Lawyers with specialist experience in the laws that affect older Western Australians provide the Elder Rights WA service.

There is no cost in receiving advice from a lawyer at Elder Rights WA.

You can access Elder Rights WA by calling Legal Aid WA's Infoline on 1300 650 579.

You can also email: ElderRightsWA@legalaid.wa.gov.au

To find out more about Elder Rights WA you can visit the Legal Aid WA website: www.legalaid.wa.gov.au.

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RAW SERVICES:

Community Legal Service



Indigenous Woman's
Paralegal



Ash Money Business Outreach Worker



Roslyn Money Business Outreach Worker

Financial Counselling

MoneyBusiness

Tenancy Advocate

Homelessness Program

Private Rental Program

Reintegration Program

NEEDING HELP WITH ANY OF THE FOLLOWING

MoneyBusiness

- Help you with a budget
- Bill sorting
- Help you to set up payment plans
- Debt negotiation, maximising peoples entitlements
- Information for accessing power bill assistance
- Anything else you want to know concerning your finances

Tax Help

Legal

- Wills, Enduring Power of Guardianship/Attorney and Advanced Health Directive
- Superannuation
- Deceased Estates
- Family Law
 - Criminal Injuries Compensation claims
 - Spent Convictions
 - **Workers Compensation**
 - Employment/
 Discrimination issues

Information Sessions and individual client appointments

Please contact our Geraldton office on **6234 8228** if you wish to book a free and confidential appointment.

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IN COUNSELLING THE CLIENT IS:-

> heard understood supported respected no judgement

Clients may explore: aspects of identity

spirituality relationships with self and others past experiences parenting grief and loss trauma domestic violence child abuse use of alcohol and other substances depression anxiety other experiences

> Work together Help identify issues

PHONE 0419 348 006 to book a counselling session

We offer counselling for:-

- mental health
- grief and loss
- personal or relationship issues
- self esteem

In the Shires of:-

- Morawa
- Perenjori **Three Springs**
- Carnamah
- Coorow Mingenew



Rural Support Services for Children, Young People & Mature Minors

Servicing the North Midlands region, including Dongara, Mingenew, Mullewa, Yalgoo, Morawa, Coorow, Perenjori, Carnamah, Three Springs, and Eneabba.

Desert Blue Connect offers free counselling and support services to children, young people and mature minors in the North Midlands region. Our services can be tailored to the individual, group or setting.

Our confidential child counselling services is for children, young people and mature minors who have experienced family and domestic violence or sexual abuse, or are displaying problematic or abusive sexualised behaviours. Our counselling promotes safety, empowerment, healing, and recovery.

Protective Behaviours

Our child counsellor also provides child focused sexual abuse prevention, education and early intervention.

Make An Appointment

Phone: (08) 9964 2742 Mobile: 0499 732 281 Email: info@desertblueconnect.org.au

Other Support Services

GRAMS: (08) 9956 6555

Kids Helpline: 1800 551 800 Parenting WA: (08) 6279 1200 or 1800 654 432 Lifeline Counselling Service: 131 114



www.desertblueconnect.org.au



Free Mental **Health Support** & Counselling

Desert Blue Connect offer free mental health support and counselling services to people living in rural and remote areas of the Midwest.

www.desertblueconnect.org.au



1800 080 083

www.dvassist.org.au

Supporting those experiencing family and domestic violence in regional, rural and remote Western Australia

Online Services Directory

Counselling Services

Information Hub

Find Help For

- Accommodation
- Alcohol and Drugs
- Counselling
- Crisis Support
- Employment

- Every Day Necessities
- Financial
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- Medical
- Men's Support Mental Health
- Women's Support
- Youth Support





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DESERT BLUE CONNECT

IMPROVE YOUR MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING



10 TIPS TO HELP YOU STAY MENTALLY HEALTHY

Reach out, connect and be a friend



Connect with people who bring out your best self and enrich your life. The quality of our personal relationships has a great effect on our wellbeing. Put time, effort and energy into building strong relationships and reap the rewards.

Embrace nature

Being amongst nature is great for our soul, whether it's the bush, beach or backyard. Feeling connected to the great outdoors offers a sense of freedom, fresh air and adventure, plus the soothing natural elements around us are healing for weary minds.

Organise your day

Being disorganised can build stress and anxiety. You may be able to avoid some of the triggers and learn to prepare for or manage others. A balanced, organised lifestyle can help you manage stress better. Take time to organise and plan your life to avoid being constantly in a frenzy.

Go for a walk and move your body

There is no better medicine than exercise. It's not always easy to put on the joggers and head out for a walk - it takes motivation. But once you've made that effort, the reward is huge. Exercise clears your head and places you outside the environment that is causing you concern. Plus it's good for both mind and body!

Take time out

Allow yourself some unfocused time each day to refresh; for example, let your mind wander, daydream or simply watch the clouds go by for a while. It's OK to schedule 'do nothing', to your day! You deserve some peaceful and calming time to yourself.

See the funny side of life

Laughter is a wonderful medicine. Life isn't all work and no play. We get stuck in patterns and sometimes need to break out and ask ourselves - when did I last have a good laugh?



Learn something new

Embarking on a challenge to meet a goal or leaning a new skill or hobby, whether at work or at play, improves your mental fitness and may be a great way to meet like-minded people. Learning is achieving and with it comes a great sense of accomplishment and improved self esteem.



When your car runs low on fuel - you fill it up. When you run low on fuel make sure you do the same. Sleep is a great reviver. Late nights drain the energy reserves. Top up whenever you can.

Eat healthy

Have an early night



Rest and exercise have limited use if you aren't eating well. Take time to plan your diet and cook meals that are nutritious and full of energy. Rushing around almost always results in "fast food" choices. Cooking can also be a therapeutic and creative process - you can get your kids involved too!

Ask for support

This can be as simple as asking a friend to babysit while you have some time out or speaking to your doctor (GP) about where to find a counsellor, peer support group or community mental health service. Everyone's life journey has bumpy bits and the people around you can help. If you don't get the support you need first off, whether it's from a professional, friend or family member, keep asking until you do.













Western Australian Association for Mental Health

FIND COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORTS **NEAR YOU:**

waamh.org.au/support

Emergency services: 000 | Lifeline: 13 11 14 | Kids Help Line: 1800 551 800

Mental health emergency response line: 1300 555 788 (metro) or 1800 676 822 (Peel)



FAMILY & CARER SUPPORT



COUNSELLING SERVICES



PERSONALISED SUPPORT



INDIVIDUAL ADVOCACY



MUTUAL SUPPORT & SELF-HELP GROUPS



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ALCOHOL & OTHER DRUGS SERVICES



MENTAL ILLNESS PREVENTION



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SERVICE COORDINATION



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YALGOO WA 6635

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Mobile Phone: 0448779241

YALGOO NURSING POST



Visit's Yalgoo once a month

To know exact dates keep an eye out for the flyers or contact the Yalgoo Health Centre on **08**) **9962 8600**



Dr Carter

Diabetic Educator—Julie

Kidney Doctor—Jenny

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YALGOO CARAVAN PARK

The Yalgoo Caravan Park is situated in the main street of Yalgoo (Gibbons Street) which is a comfortable six hours drive north of Perth or just two hours east of Geraldton. We have first rate facilities to suit all travelers including; motel style unit accommodation for singles, couples or families, large powered or unpowered caravan sites and drive through sites big enough to suit the largest RV. Pets are welcome to this clean and friendly park.

One of the best features of the Yalgoo Caravan Park is its central location to the many attractions in the region. Within a short distance from the park you can experience a wildflower wonderland from late July to September, visit one of the smallest Dominican Chapels built by Monsignor Hawes and see majestic Wedge Tail Eagles, kangaroos or emus in their natural environment. For the convenience of our visitors there is a tourist information Centre situated in the Caravan Park.

The Yalgoo Caravan Park offers travelers a full range of on-site facilities including:

- Rammed earth units and self contained chalets to accommodate all types of travelers
- Drive through sites for the largest bus, motor-home or caravan
- Shady large sites with concrete slabs
- Modern camp kitchen with fridge, microwave, 2 hotplates, toaster & electric jug
- Laundry with washing machine & dryer
- Ensuite style bathrooms
- Sullage dump point
- Water access
- BBQ's
- **Tourist information Centre**
- Pet friendly
- Telstra mobile reception in town
- Shady, grassed and level tent sites
- Pension discount available.

Address Gibbons Street, Yalgoo

0472 830 088 **Phone**

Email cpark@yalgoo.wa.gov.au

The Yalgoo Caravan Park is Open for Business

Book Online Now (Units Only)









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YALGOO CARAVAN PARK PRICE LIST

Unpowered Sites	
Daily - Adult including Pensioners (Each)	\$16.00
Weekly Charge at Five (5) nights	\$160.00
POWERE SITE - up to two (2) persons per night	PRICE
Daily - up to two (2) persons per night	\$45.00
Weekly rate charged at Five (5) nights	\$180.00
Pensioner, Senior Discount on Powered Sites only (Daily Rate)	\$40.00
Pensioner, Senior Discount on Powered Sites only (Weekly Rate)	\$160.00
PULL THOUGH BAYS - UP TO TWO ADULTS	PRICE
Daily—up to 2 adults	\$50.00
UNITS & HOUSE (PER NIGHT)	PRICE
Self Contained 2 Bedroom Rammed Earth House	\$200.00
Rammed Earth Ensuite Unit	\$140.00
Rammed Earth (No Ensuite) Unit	\$90.00
LAUNDRY & SHOWERS	PRICE
Dryer Hire per Load	\$5.00
Dryer Hire per Load Washing Machine Hire per load	\$5.00 \$5.00

For Extra people please Contact the Yalgoo Caravan Park 0472 830 088 of by emailing cpark@yalgoo.wa.gov.au.

Showers for Non-Park Residents Per Person Per Day

\$5.00





Country Ambulance Benefit Fund

One in five West Australian ambulance users requires transport outside the metropolitan area every year. In country Western Australia, St John Country Ambulance Cover is administered by the local St John Ambulance Sub Centres.

For those who reside in regional or remote Western Australia, the cost of your ambulance service is covered if you have comprehensive Country Ambulance Cover. This includes as many emergency or necessary non-emergency transports you, or one of your family members, require.

Within WA, St John Country Ambulance Cover will protect you for ambulance cover 24 hours a day, 365 days of the year.

Country Ambulance Cover Application Form (7 day qualifying period)

For current year pricing, p or contact your local sub		er.stjohnambulance.c	com au
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COMMUNITY SURVEY

If you have any Ideas that could benefit our community please feel free to let us know, whether it's activities, workshops or something you would like to see in the near future.











