



## Camp Kulin.

### A note from Tanya Dupagne.

It's been a busy first half of the year for the Camp Kulin team. We began with our 2019 Summer Season, which saw 221 campers and 72 camp counsellors from across the state attend camp.

We ran over 20,000 minutes of activities, our volunteers donated over \$225,000 of their time and we prepared over 6,000 meals (that's over two tonnes of food). Kulin was the second highest town in WA over summer for number of campers attending camp, and we had five Kulin/former Kulin young people as camp counsellors.

During term one we were fully booked for school leadership camps, with 14 schools attending. In April we ran two camps, a regional kids camp and our annual camp for teens with Type 1 Diabetes, run in conjunction with the Type 1 Diabetes Family Centre. This camp is a huge one, with a 21 person leadership and medical team to ensure the campers receive round the clock medical care. We ran our Aspire Inspire Ladies Camp in May, which was attended by women from right across the state, including Kulin. This was a chance for these ladies to take time out to concentrate on themselves, develop leadership and communication skills, and see what their children learn while they are at camp.

We have also provided support for families in Kulin, funded by the Kulin **Community Bank®** Branch. We are very grateful for this sponsorship as it means families that need access to services, someone to speak to, support for their children or general support are able to receive it. Now that sports season has started, we also have the office open on days we are in town so local kids can come in to see our staff.

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## Kulin District High School Swimming Carnival.

On 8 March 2019 it was the annual Kulin District High School swimming carnival, where every year we present the Kulin **Community Bank®** Branch shield to the faction winners.

This year it was Freebairn Flyers over the Jilakin Rockets by the small margin of 11 points. Congratulations to the 23 individual record winners of the day as well. Jocelyn presented the shield to the Freebairn Flyers faction captains Charlotte Reader and Lucy Scadding.



### Championship winners:

- Boys under 10 – Champion: Deacon Mullan  
Runner up: Tadhg McInnes
- Girls under 10 – Champion: Caelyn Frantom  
Runner up: Molly McInnes
- Boys under 13 – Champion: Van Jasper  
Runner up: Jaxon Argent
- Girls under 13 – Champion: Stella Mullan  
Runner Up: Nadia Bull
- Boys 13 & over – Champion: Khenan McLeish  
Runner Up: Cruz Williams
- Girls 13 & over – Champion: Anastasia Pajic  
Runner Up: Shayley Rennie



## Wagin Woolorama.



On Friday 8 and Saturday 9 March 2019, some of our team headed out to Wagin Woolorama to help out in the Bendigo Bank tent. On Friday we had Tom Murphy, Business Development Manager and Michelle Tyson, Customer Service Officer and newest member to our team. On Saturday Jocelyn Owen, Branch Manager and Dani Olyett, Customer Service Officer and Marketing Liaison joined the team in the tent to take on the crowds at the Woolorama.

Friday night finished off with a bang with a Sundowner and across both days there was a competition for all to enter for their chances to win a DJI Mavic Pro Drone. We are so excited to announce that one of our own Kulin residents Braden Young was the winner! Congratulations!

Kulin **Community Bank®** Branch would love to thank everyone that came out to Wagin Woolorama and came into the tent to visit us.



## Lake Grace Zucchini competition.

On 30 March 2019 the Lake Grace Country Women's Association held a Zucchini competition.

Suzanne Reeves from the Lake Grace CRC took us through the process of what the gardeners went through to get their zucchinis to the day:

Local gardeners were letting their zucchinis have the run of the veggie patch as they tried to get them to keep on growing.

CWA were hopeful of some entries and our local gardeners didn't disappoint. It was wonderful also to have a young gardener, Chase Kuchling, bring along his carefully tended zucchini. Apparently the pre-primary children last year germinated and grew their own zucchini seed, Chase took his home and popped it in the garden and voila!

There were plenty of stories of the one that got away but the winner on the day was Caroline Richardson with her massive 10.5lb (yes we went old school with the vintage scales) 24.5" whopper. Coming in runners-up positions were Mrs Michelle Slarke and Stephanie Lay who were just pipped at the post. The winner took home \$50 while the runners-up received \$25 each. A big thank you to Kulin **Community Bank®** Branch who supplied the cash prizes.



For the children's division Chase Kuchling took home \$25 for biggest zucchini, while Torah Robertson also received \$25 for the prize for the best table centrepiece using a zucchini.

As no one in the adult division elected to create a centrepiece using a zucchini the \$50 allotted to this was split into five \$10 prizes. Taking those home were Glenda Slarke with her butternut pumpkin that wanted to be a zucchini when it grew up, Suzanne Reeves with the smallest zucchini, Nat Gambuti with her lovely display of vegetables, Stephanie Lay with her fabulous yellow zucchinis and Elsie Bishop for her chilli plant.

It wasn't just all about the zucchini; we had a fabulous array of craft on display, thank you to the ladies who did this. Morning teas were also being served with tables set up outside to sit at, enjoy the refreshments and have a chat. There were also plants on sale.

Thank you to those who donated so much on the day – \$407 was raised that will be put toward the playground.

We are happy to advise this will be happening again next year so get ready to see if you can grow the biggest zucchini.





## WA Bendigo State Conference.

The week of 18 March 2019 Chairman Derek Young, Branch Manager Jocelyn Owen and Inaugural Chairman Graeme Robertson attended the 2019 State **Community Bank®** Conference. This year it was held in Geraldton and there was so much that happened over the few days they were there and so many sights to get out and see around the town. As part of the conference there were a few paintings presented painted by Phil Doncon. He takes the inspiration from the different towns and combines them into one beautiful painting.

The painting on its own (below left), Bendigo commissioned, included Cranbrook, Tambellup, Goomelling and Kulin **Community Bank®** branches with influences from Bendigo city.

Second painting being held on stage (below middle), Bendigo commissioned and painted by Phil Doncon – it's a painting of the Geraldton **Community Bank®** Branch with influences of the ocean and Bendigo city, this painting was presented to the Geraldton **Community Bank®** Branch for their 10th birthday this year.



## People in Business Sundowner.

On 12 February we invited everyone to join us for a Sundowner to discuss the challenges and successes of running a business in Kulin.

The night started off with the new Shire CEO Garrick Yandle introducing himself to everyone and having a chat about what plans he has in store for the Shire. Jocelyn Owen, Bank Manager, split everyone into two groups and asked them to brainstorm; Challenges, Successes and Opportunities, of running a business. The groups came up with some valuable points and it was a very successful brainstorming session.

With collaboration of the Kulin Community Resource Centre we have committed to bringing several workshops, training sessions, networking sundowners, signage for local businesses, welcome packs for new residents and lots more. We are very excited for the events that are to come this year.

## Kulin Men's Bowls Day.

This year on 6 April 2019, Kulin hosted a Men's Bowls Day. There was 80 bowlers from across the Wheatbelt and at least 12 people there to run the kitchen, bar and help run the day. We had teams from Biningup, Collie, Mundaring, Kalamunda, Westonia, Merredin, Bruce Rock, Narembreen, Wickiepin, Kondinin, Yealering as well as Kulin locals making up

a few of the teams, everyone was in teams of four and there was a staggering 20 teams that joined in on the day. It was the perfect day for bowls and a lovely sunny day kicking off at 8.45am and finishing around 5.00pm.



### Winners for the day

First: Kalamunda

Second: Merredin Civic

Third: Narembreen



## Sponsorships.

Donations from January to June 2019 totalling approximately \$16,840.

**Camp Kulin Charities Inc –**  
Local Reach Program

**Kulin Kondinin Football Club –** Junior football jumpers

**Country Women's Association of WA –**  
Lake Grace – Zucchini growing competition

**Kulin Bowling Club –**  
Mens Open Day

**KK Hockey Club Inc –**  
Game Day Sponsorship

**Kulin District High School –**  
Canberra Camp Sponsorship

**Shire of Kulin –** Contribution towards Community Bus



## Kulin District High School Enterprise Project.

**A note from principle Jamie Mawer.**

Each year for several years now Kulin **Community Bank®** Branch sponsors Kulin District High School to bring to the town and our students people who can give them opportunities they would not be otherwise be able to experience. Most recently, students have been able to learn about drones, dance, building fire pits in metalwork and chests in woodwork, graffiti, gymnastics, musical composition using computers with programs and apps with fantastic names like Sausage Fattener, Music Goodizer and Fruity something or other, jewellery and signwriting.

As well as providing experiences these students do not get during the normal school day, this programme recognises the value of the school and keeping secondary students in it. The programme gives parents another reason to keep their children in town, which is good for us all.

Having chosen from the possibilities offered, students are more motivated, positively engaged and find themselves focused on producing fine work. During the school assembly the day after the programme closes, students present their new skills to the whole school and parents, even if taking the heavy firepits to the undercover area is an engineering feat in itself!



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