



WESTERN AUSTRALIAN  
COLLEGE *of* AGRICULTURE  
*Cunderdin*

THE PRINCIPAL, STAFF AND STUDENTS  
WELCOME YOU TO

**OPEN DAY 2023**

*Friday 8 September*

# WELCOME

The College facilities are a commercially operating farming enterprise. The dangers on our farm are no different to any other farm, so we therefore request that you refrain from going to areas not listed on the display directory.

Children are to be closely supervised at all times - particularly when close to machinery and animals. Some areas of the farm are closed to the public for Bio Security reasons and asbestos containing material. Please refrain from entering restricted areas.

Your co-operation in complying with these directions is appreciated.

## **COVID -19**

The College has put in place guidelines across the campus to ensure the safety of visitors, staff, and students in relation to COVID-19. Hand sanitising stations are available throughout the College. Please use these when you enter buildings and remember to maintain physical distancing at all times.

## **No Smoking or Vaping**

Smoking and Vaping is not permitted on ALL Government and Department of Education properties, land, and buildings.

## **Biosecurity and our Farm**

Please do not enter the College if you have had contact in the past seven (7) days with livestock or manure in a country that has foot-and-mouth disease. This includes Indonesia, Bali.

To help maintain our biosecurity measures, please complete the visitor sign in book at the entrance or scan the QR Code below.



# CUNDERDIN AG OPEN DAY PROGRAM

8 SEPTEMBER 2023

09.00 AM - 11.00 AM

TRIPLE M LIVE BROADCAST  
(MAIN STAGE)

10.00 AM

GATES OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

11.00 AM

POLL DORSET TRIPLE "C" RAM SALE  
(OLD SHEARING SHED)

11.30 AM

AGCONNECT WA - MY JOURNEY IN AG  
(MAIN STAGE)

11.30 AM - 1.30 PM

LUNCH SERVED IN DINING HALL

12.30 PM - 2.00 PM

SHEARING COMPETITION  
(SHEARING SHED)

2.00 PM

CLOSING CEREMONY

- PRINCIPAL'S ADDRESS, MR MATT DOWELL
- TRADES AWARDS
- SHEARING AWARDS
- DIRECTOR GENERAL'S ADDRESS, MS, LISA RODGERS
- WINNER OF "GUESS THE WEIGHT" OF QUANTUM THE BULL
- WINNER OF "GUESS THE WEIGHT" OF THE BOAR
- COLLEGE PASSPORT WINNER DRAWN
- SCHOOL GROUP SCAVENGER HUNT WINNER DRAWN
- ANNOUNCEMENT OF 2024 STUDENT COUNCIL

TEA/COFFEE AVAILABLE FROM LIBRARY, TRADES, FARM WORKSHOP AND SHEARING SHED.

COFFEE CAN BE PURCHASED FROM THE COFFEE VAN.

WATER AND COOL DRINKS ARE AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE FROM THE VENDING MACHINE IN THE FOYER OF  
THE RECREATION CENTRE.

LUNCH IN THE DINING HALL AT A COST OF \$5.00 PER PLATE.

# COLLEGE DISPLAYS

WELCOME TO THE COLLEGE. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF DISPLAYS FOR YOU TO VISIT. WE SUGGEST THAT YOU USE THE HANDY LOCATION MAP TO FIND YOUR WAY TO THE DIFFERENT SECTIONS.

AREA	MAP NO		AREA
<b>FARM</b>			
<b>FARM WORKSHOP AREA</b>	No. 21	ALL DAY	CROPPING AND WORKSHOP DISPLAY. OUTSIDE - MACHINERY DISPLAY AND TENDER ITEMS. TEA & COFFEE FACILITIES AVAILABLE
<b>CATTLE YARDS</b>	ADJACENT No. 11	ALL DAY	CATTLE WILL BE ON DISPLAY IN THE CATTLE YARDS. COLLEGE CHICKENS WILL ALSO BE ON DISPLAY HERE. CATTLE AI INFORMATION AVAILABLE. "GUESS THE WEIGHT" OF QUANTUM THE BULL COMPETITION.
<b>PIGGERY OFFICE AREA</b>	No. 17	ALL DAY	LIMITED ACCESS – FOLLOW DIRECTIONS DISPLAYED ON THE DAY. PORK PRODUCTION DISPLAY. "GUESS THE WEIGHT" OF THE PORKER COMPETITION.
<b>SHEARING SHED</b>	No. 11	10.00AM  12.30PM – 2.00PM  ALL DAY	SHEARING DISPLAY  STUDENT SHEARING COMPETITION. AWARD PRESENTATION IMMEDIATELY AFTERWARDS AT THE CLOSING CEREMONY.  STUDENT WOOL HANDLING. STUD AND COMMERCIAL STOCK DISPLAY. SPINNING DISPLAY. TEA & COFFEE FACILITIES AVAILABLE
<b>BUTCHER SHOP</b>	No. 10	10.30AM  ALL DAY	SAUSAGE MAKING DEMONSTRATION.  SAUSAGE, PORK STICKS AND FRANKFURT SAMPLING.
<b>TRIPLE "C" RAM SALE</b>	No. 11	10.30AM	OLD SHEARING SHED. BUYERS PLEASE PRE-REGISTER.
<b>FARM BUS TOURS</b> – BOOK YOUR TOUR SPOT AT THE FARM WORKSHOP AS SEATS ARE LIMITED. THE BUS DEPARTS OUTSIDE THE FARM WORKSHOP AT 10.30AM & 11.30AM.			

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<b>TRADES</b>			
<b>TRADES</b>	No. 23	ALL DAY	<p>DISPLAY OF STUDENT PROJECTS, PROGRAMS, AND FACILITIES.</p> <p>VISITORS CHOICE AWARD DISPLAY IN FURNISHING AND ENGINEERING.</p> <p>CUBBY HOUSES AVAILABLE FOR TENDER ARE ON DISPLAY IN CONSTRUCTION.</p> <p>OTHER TENDER ITEMS AVAILABLE ACROSS TRADES.</p> <p>ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITOR'S CHOICE AWARDS AT CLOSING CEREMONY.</p> <p>TEA &amp; COFFEE FACILITIES AVAILABLE</p>
<b>CLASS</b>			
<b>LIBRARY</b>	No. 3	ALL DAY	<p>DISPLAYS, ACTIVITIES AND STUDENT WORK SAMPLES.</p> <p>STAFF AND STUDENTS AVAILABLE FOR QUESTIONS.</p> <p>MEET REPRESENTATIVES FROM MURESK INSTITUTE, CURTIN UNIVERSITY, EDITH COWAN UNIVERSITY AND MURDOCH UNIVERSITY.</p> <p>TEA &amp; COFFEE FACILITIES AVAILABLE</p>
<b>RESIDENTIAL AND WELLBEING</b>			
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<b>DORMITORYS OPEN FOR INSPECTION</b>	HOW LINTO MOYLE	ALL DAY ALL DAY ALL DAY	VARIOUS DORM ROOMS
<p>PLEASE NOTE: TOILET FACILITIES ARE LOCATED INSIDE THE <b>RECREATION CENTRE</b></p>			

# LOCATION MAP

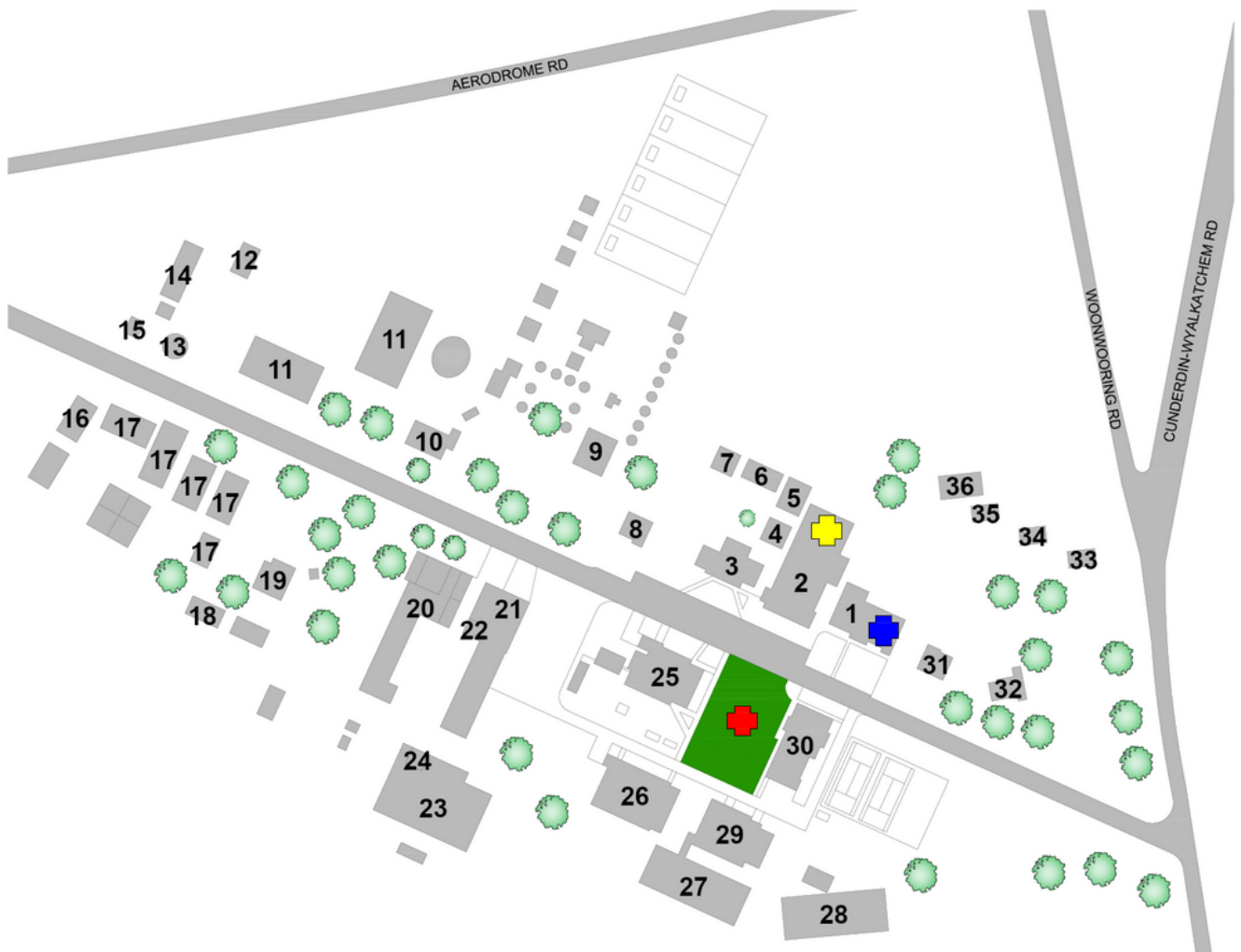
## WA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE - CUNDERDIN SITE PLAN



### Legend:

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|---------------------------------|---|
| 1. Administration & Residential | 19. Student Car Compound                                    |
| 2. Recreation Centre            | 20. Classroom 7, Egg Room, Chaplain,<br>School Psychologist |
| 3. Library / Classrooms 1 & 2   | 21. Farm Workshop / Office                                  |
| 4. Classroom 4                  | 22. Classroom 6   |
| 5. Classroom 3                  | 23. Trade Training Centre                                   |
| 6. Science Lab                  | 24. Trades Classroom  |
| 7. Classroom 5                  | 25. How Dormitory   |
| 8. Class Staff Office           | 26. Linto Dormitory   |
| 9. Gardener / Cleaner Building  | 27. Moyle Dormitory   |
| 10. Abattoir & Butchershop      | 28. Morton Dormitory  |
| 11. Shearing Sheds              | 29. Weller Dormitory  |
| 12. Super Shed                  | 30. Dining Room / Kitchen                                   |
| 13. Liquid Fertiliser Tank      | 31. College House 5   |
| 14. Machinery Shed              | 32. Principal's Residence                                   |
| 15. Chemical shed               | 33. College House 1   |
| 16. Header & Air Seeder Shed    | 34. College House 2   |
| 17. Piggery                     | 35. College House 3   |
| 18. Poultry Shed                | 36. College House 4   |

-  Muster Point
-  Command Centre
-  Safe zone



# PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS

Students interested in studying at the WA College of Agriculture, Cunderdin in 2024 and beyond can obtain a promotional brochure from the Administration Office or the Wellbeing/Residential marquee.

We are still interviewing applicants for Year 11 in 2024.

Interviews for Year 11, 2025 will be commencing in Term 4, 2023.

Applications can also be submitted via our website:  
[www.cunderdinag.wa.edu.au](http://www.cunderdinag.wa.edu.au)



# SHEARING TEAM

The College wishes to thank the following donors for their continued support of our Shearing Team

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Livestock & Land - Kellerberrin  
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**2023 SHEARING TEAM**



# **WA COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE, CUNDERDIN COLLEGE BOARD 2023**

THE COLLEGE BOARD COMPRISES REPRESENTATIVES FROM COMMUNITY, PARENTS, AND STAFF.

GRAHAM COOPER (CHAIRPERSON), MATT DOWELL (PRINCIPAL), KRISTINE VAN (RESIDENTIAL  
MANAGER), YVONNE BOPP (MANAGER CORPORATE SERVICES), KELSEY BERBARI (ASSOCIATE  
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## **AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

MEMBERS OF THE AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE OFFER VALUABLE ADVICE ON CURRENT  
FARMING PRACTICES AND IMPLEMENTATION OF SOUND AGRICULTURAL POLICY.

ANTHONY SNOOKE (CHAIRPERSON), MATT DOWELL (PRINCIPAL), DANIEL DE BEER (FARM MANAGER),  
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## **P & C COMMITTEE**

MEMBERS OF THE P & C COMMITTEE

**2022-2023**

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**2023 - 2024**

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# 2023 STUDENT COUNCIL

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SETH WHITE, COREY CHILDS



# HISTORY OF THE COLLEGE

The Western Australian College of Agriculture (WACoA), Cunderdin owes its existence in large measure to the efforts of the late Mr. Steve Lundy. He convinced the Government of the day that Cunderdin was an appropriate place to establish an Agricultural School, using the RAAF land and facilities already existing there.

On 9 February 1959 the Education Department opened the school with an enrolment of 20 students. The original area, of some 384 hectares, was increased when the "Warrigal" property of 358 hectares, situated close to the Cunderdin township, was purchased.

The dormitories, How House, Weller House, Linto House, Moyle & Morton are named after staff members who have made significant contributions to the development of the College. In 2011 Moyle & Morton Dormitories were opened giving an additional 36 beds, with all dormitories air conditioned by 2012.

Following the Report of the Advisory Committee on Agricultural Education (McDowell Committee) the College became separate from the Town School and was renamed Cunderdin Agricultural College in 1984.

In 1996, the College purchased a further 445 hectares (known as Baxter's land) which adjoins our property on two sides. This land was previously leased to the College from 1990 - 1996. This purchase brought the total land available to the College to 1,585ha. In 2000 the College purchased a further 529ha from Fiegert's.

In 2016 the College was successful in securing an additional 1100ha of arable land that included the Greyhome and Jenzen blocks. The College now has a total of 4023ha of which 2516ha is arable. \$1.7 million in funding was sourced from Royalties for Regions with the Department of Education supporting the remaining funding required. A Trades Centre designed by College staff specifically to cater for the workshop needs of students was completed in February 1996. Also completed in February 1996, was the extensive Student Recreation Centre, which replaced a dilapidated building that existed from pre-war days.

In September 1999 the College was independently validated to achieve Registered Training Organisation (RTO) status. This qualification allowed the College to deliver and assess national competency-based Training Packages.

WACoA, Cunderdin is part of the five residential Agricultural Colleges consortium badged together under the one banner in 2000. Additionally, WACoA, Cunderdin is part of the Wheatbelt Education Region. The current model allows the College to retain 60% of the farm income generated for onsite operations with the remaining 40% forwarded to Central Office. Funding returned to Central Office can be used for both farm equipment purchases by the Agricultural Colleges and distributions to other schools within the state that run an agricultural programme.

In 2019 the College was one of only five secondary institutions to receive funding to enable it to expose students to new and emerging technologies which will greatly enhance their learning program in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) subjects. The College's profile as a leader in STEM programs is reflected in the Internet of Things technology on farm and being selected as a STEM Pioneer School.

The College continues to go from strength-to-strength with the continual acquisition of modern vehicles, machinery, and infrastructure to provide the latest educational outcomes. The Trade Training Centre additions were completed in 2014 seeing an extension to the existing Trades Building. It also included a new Farm Workshop, offices and a new weaner grower shed in the piggery. More recent infrastructure improvements include 5 piggery dome shelters, a piggery office, finisher shed and construction of cattle yards.

The College has won numerous major awards including the State and National winner of the Vocational Education and Training Excellence Awards. The College has also been a winner and finalist in the WA Secondary School of the Year Awards. In 2018, 2019 and 2020 our College topped the state with 100 per cent of the Year 12 students achieving a WACE. In 2021, Year 12 graduate, Charlotte Crossen was announced as the Beazley Medal recipient.

The College has also been nominated as a finalist for the DTWD WA Training Awards in the 'Small RTO of the Year' category in both 2022 and 2023 with this year's winners announced September 14 (wish us luck!).



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