

## About Tammin

Tammin is located 184km east of Perth on the Great Eastern Highway. The Shire of Tammin including the settlements of Bungulla and Yorkkrakine has a total population of 450. The Shire covers an area of 1087 km<sup>2</sup> and is bounded by the Shires of Kellerberrin, Quairading, Cunderdin and Wyalkatchem. The economy of the Shire is primarily agriculture based. A constant flow of vehicles travel through the middle of the township along the Great Eastern Highway. The traveller and visitor are well catered for with all necessary services.

Tammin is recognised as a world class leader in landcare. This is evident in the work carried out at the Tammin Alcoa Landcare Education Centre (TALEC), the South Tammin Catchment Group and further reflected in the development of Kadljininy Kep, which features a unique, and impressive hydrology model. The community appreciates a Mediterranean type climate with temperatures ranging from 0°C in winter to 40°C plus during the summer period. The average yearly rainfall is 370mm, which mainly falls in winter.

The Tammin region provides outstanding opportunity for a 'Bush Change' with affordable land for both housing and business. Favourable conditions exist for skilled trade-workers and industry and both are encouraged to establish in the area. Facilities are available to cater for the majority of sports played in country towns with town-members enjoying an enriched social life as a consequence.

Senior citizens are also well catered for with ten, two bedroom units available in a village concept.

## History

Tammin was first settled in 1893 by John Packham and the town of Tammin was gazetted in 1899. The name "TAMMIN" means grandmother or grandfather according to the "Descriptive Vocabulary of Aborigines of WA" written by G F Moore. Other theories of involvement of the town title are that Tammin was named after the 'Tamma', a small animal that once inhabited the area or the 'Tamma Bush' that grows throughout the district.

## Attractions

**Tammin Alcoa Landcare Education Centre**  
In 1990 a unique landcare education project was developed in Tammin. The Tammin Alcoa Landcare Education Centre (TALEC) is located in the old railway barracks approximately 300 metres from the centre of town. TALEC is dedicated to the study of the issues surrounding land degradation and the solutions of sustainable land management practices. The centre offers innovative education programs and hands on learning experiences to all visitors including students, teachers and the wider community. The centre also contains bunk style accommodation facilities with 21 bedrooms, a dining room, lounge and fully equipped kitchen. Private bookings are available. For further information contact the centre on (08) 9637 1416 or email [talcec@westnet.com.au](mailto:talcec@westnet.com.au)



### Hunts Well

One of many watering points founded by Surveyor Hunt, this well was used by prospectors and others en route to the Goldfields. This historical site still welcomes travellers to the area with scenic surrounds and picnic facilities.

### Charles Gardner Reserve

Charles Gardner Reserve is located just 14 kilometres South of Tammin and encompasses 600 hectares of natural vegetation. The reserve is ablaze with the colour of wildflowers during spring and winter and contains a wide variety of species, some of which are not found anywhere else in the State.

### Wheat Silos

The huge vertical grain silos, located in the centre of town dominate the skyline of Tammin. The total capacity of the silos is 25,900 tonnes. The first block of 10 cells was constructed in 1960, with the second block of 5 cells being completed in 1966.

## Accommodation



### TALEC

The dormitory style accommodation has 21 rooms each containing a bunk bed (2 beds). Continental Breakfast can also be arranged. The centre has a fully equipped kitchen, dining room, lounge and shared toilet and shower facilities. Ph: (08) 9637 1416, Fax: (08) 9637 1415, Email - [talcec@westnet.com.au](mailto:talcec@westnet.com.au)

### Tammin Hotel

Enjoy country hospitality and service and a delicious home cooked meal. Open 7 days a week. Accommodation available. Total of eight units (6 x Twin Share - 2 x Doubles). Phone: (08) 9637 1004



### Kadljininy Kep - Tammin Hydrology Model and Amphitheatre

Officially opened in April 2005 Kadljininy Kep combines an outstanding educational feature (hydrology model) with the most peaceful and comfortable outdoor recreational area (amphitheatre). The hydrology model aims to educate visitors to the area about the causes and effects of the salinity crisis facing much of Western Australia's rural regions, while offering plausible long term solutions. It essentially comprises two sub-models. The first model shows an undisturbed environment where all systems are considered to be in equilibrium. This model comprises an undulating, fully natural vegetated landscape where ground water levels are kept in check by the transpiration of the trees. The second model, depicted by extensive clearing, displays how ground water continues to build, causing water logging of ground surfaces with salt laden water. This model represents the farming environment.

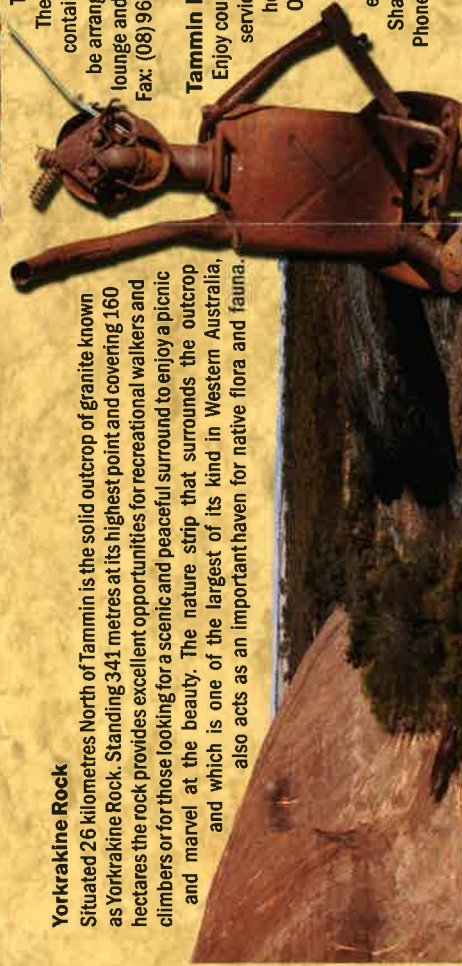
The amphitheatre provides a cool relief in the heat of the wheatbelt. The Shire of Tammin welcomes all to enjoy a picnic or BBQ on the shaded grass slopes that are surrounded by running water. Visitors can layout a rug and enjoy dinner under the stars or maybe take in one of the many outdoor performances held throughout the year. Details of events held throughout the year can be obtained by phoning the Shire of Tammin on 9637 1101 or by visiting the website at [www.tammin.wa.gov.au](http://www.tammin.wa.gov.au) This magnificent venue, which can easily hold up to 800 guests is able to be hired for private functions including weddings and fundraising events.

### Lord Kitchener Plaque

A commemorative plaque marks the spot where Lord Kitchener addressed the troops at the completion of their training and prior to being sent overseas. The plaque is located approximately 4 kilometres down Barrack Road.

### Yorkkrakine Rock

Situated 26 kilometres North of Tammin is the solid outcrop of granite known as Yorkkrakine Rock. Standing 341 metres at its highest point and covering 160 hectares the rock provides excellent opportunities for recreational walkers and climbers or for those looking for a scenic and peaceful surround to enjoy a picnic and marvel at the beauty. The nature strip that surrounds the outcrop and which is one of the largest of its kind in Western Australia, also acts as an important haven for native flora and fauna.



## Services

Peak Service Station & Shopping Centre Open 24 hours for all your fuel and grocery requirements. Meals are also available.  
Ph: (08) 9637 1200

Tammin Postal Agency  
Phone: (08) 9637 1104

R & J Independent Rural Supplies  
Phone: (08) 9637 1234

Coolinda Centre - Recycled goods  
Phone: (08) 9637 1077

F111 Engineering  
Phone: (08) 9637 1069

## Railway Station

Tammin is serviced daily by the 'Prospector' train service. The railway station is located in the centre of town. Timetables and Bookings are available at the Tammin Post Office.  
Phone: (08) 9637 1104

## Events

Tammin annually hosts a number of cultural, musical, artistic and theatrical events. For further details visit the events page on the Tammin website at [www.tammin.wa.gov.au](http://www.tammin.wa.gov.au) or phone (08) 9637 1101.



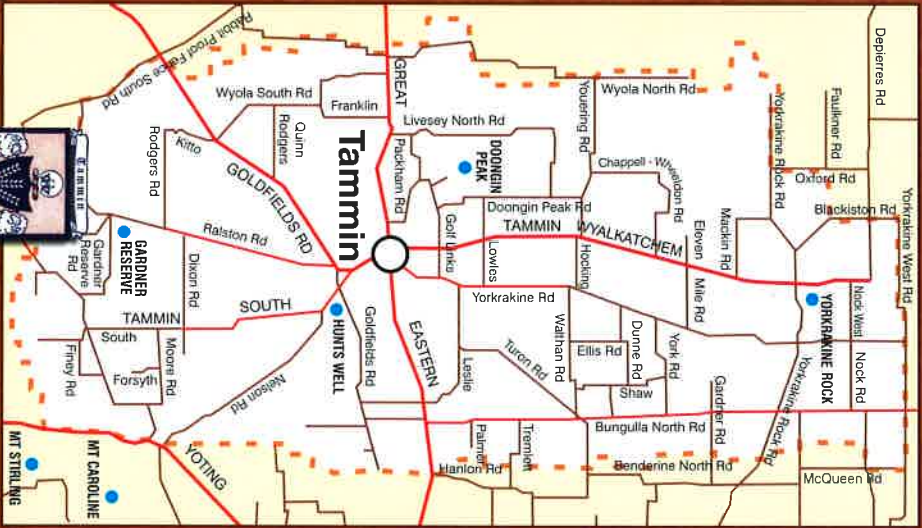
## Banking

The Tammin Post Office is an agency for the Commonwealth Bank.  
Phone (08) 9637 1104

Tammin has a National Bank which is open on Thursdays 9:30 am to 12:00 noon 12:30pm to 2:30 pm  
Phone: (08) 9637 1109

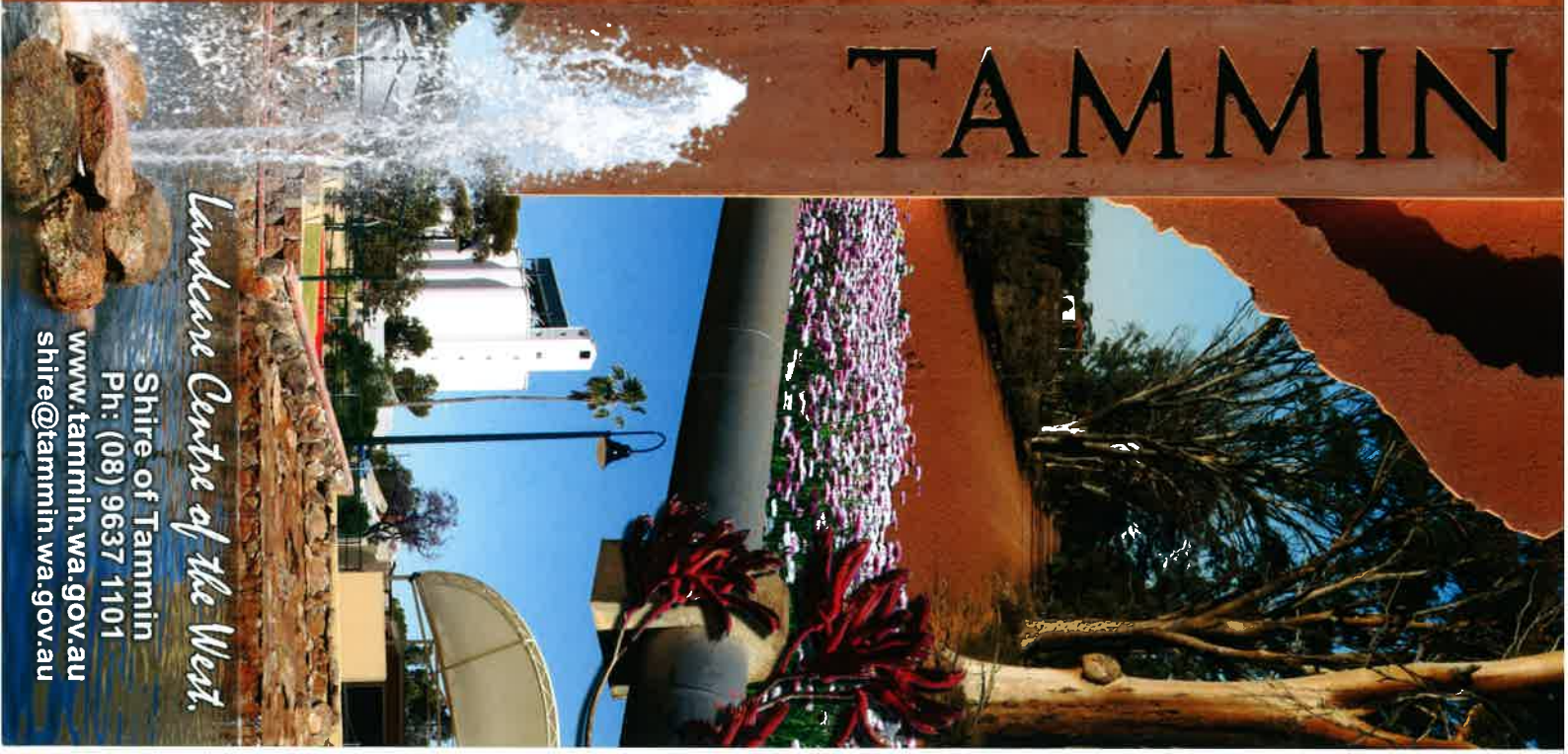
For your convenience an automatic teller machine is situated at the Peak Service Station, which is open 24 hours.

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**Tammin Art Prize** - held annually on the last weekend in October. Since 1986, artists from all over Western Australia have been exhibiting their work in the annual Tammin Art Prize. Features of the show include photography, sculpture, art and craft exhibitions and a unique section dedicated to local residents. A special presentation is set up by the Tammin Primary School. Opening of the Tammin Art Prize is on the Friday evening and viewing is complemented by wine, cheese and musical entertainment. Further viewing occurs on Saturday till mid afternoon in combination with devonshire teas and children's workshops.

**Tammin Achievement Night** - held annually on the last weekend in June. Local residents and ex-residents are recognised for their achievements in the community for the previous year. Areas of recognition include sporting, academic and community.

**Carols by Candlelight** - held mid December. Held in the amphitheatre. Carols by candlelight is a non denominational 'community get together' that also recognises and acknowledges the work of volunteers in the community.