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Greenbushes-Balingup Newsletter

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SNAKE AWARENESS WORKSHOP AT GREENBUSHES



As the hot summer weather approaches this heralds the emergence of dangerous snakes.

Talison Lithium sponsored a snake awareness seminar for the community at the Greenbushes District Hall on November 26 featuring snake handler Brian Bush.

Local snake handlers also attended earlier sessions to brush up on their snake catching techniques in the lead up to the snake season.

Snake handler for Greenbushes is Pat Scallan. People who have encounters with snakes in their yards are asked to contact Pat on 0429643508.

Jordyn Cruttwell, Mia Perrin and Katie Bullock attended the snake workshop.

Balingup Seniors treated to day out

Seniors from Balingup were treated to a special day of activities as part of Bendigo Bank Seniors Week in November.

Community members organised fantastic food, activities and dancing for the town's senior citizens as a way of recognising their contribution to the community.

Pictured right are (left to right) are Marjarie Jones, Jeanne Hogarth, Yvette Buxton and Noelene King the organisers.

See inside this edition for more photographs from the event.





COMMUNITY GARDEN ACTIVITIES

We had a morning tea on November 1st for seniors week and had a lovely time with members of the CWA, Stinton Gardens and Retirees.

The garden has become such a nice space to sit, relax and have a chat that we've decided we would like to hold **monthly Community Morning Tea's**, with everyone from our local and wider community welcome.

This will be held on the first Saturday morning of every month at 9.30am. We will start this on December 6th and carry on through the warmer months. All you need to bring is a small contribution for morning tea – and that could just be simply a carrot to cut up – nothing demanding and we'll supply the tea and coffee.

We also express our thanks to the **Department of Local Government and Communities** for providing the funding for us to build the pergola extension on the building. The funding, which totalled \$8,609.70 including GST, was also used to host our Frog Pond Workshops and to construct a new materials storage area at the Greenbushes Community Garden. All of these items have greatly improved the capacity of our group to "grow" our membership and improve the facilities at our patch. Thank you also to the **Blackwood Basin Group** for additional sponsorship for the Frog Workshops earlier this year.

Next year is approaching fast, our first meeting for the year is scheduled for 11th February 2015 at 4.30pm. We will hold our annual AGM on the 11th March and all positions will be re-elected. If you would like to become more involved with the garden, this is the perfect opportunity to come along.

I'd like to say a big thanks to everyone who has come along to the garden to support us over 2014, we've had a fun and productive year. A special thanks goes to our members who have helped in so many different ways to achieve all we have.

Plans for 2015 are already under way with a Nature Play area for the kids, more habitat gardening and a workshop with Peter Coppin on everything you need to know about pruning fruit trees, grafting and natural ways to treat pests and diseases, just to name a few.

Until we see you next in the garden, keep your hands in the dirt and those summer veggies thriving.

Tracy Lansdell,
Co-ordinator.



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GREENBUSHES RSL INSTALLS NEW DISPLAY FEATURING THE EMPIRE FLIGHT TRAINING SCHEME



Greenbushes RSL has installed a new display featuring the Empire Flight Training Scheme from World War II.

Manjimup resident Alice Logan and Vera Harris of Perth donated items relating to Vera's brother Sergeant Owen Kelly. Sergeant Kelly's grandparents lived in Greenbushes and his father was born in Donnybrook and lived in Greenbushes which gave a local connection to the items donated to Greenbushes RSL.

The items, which include pay books, photographs, flight training manuals and tickets and menus from Canadian restaurants and hotels along with Sergeant Kelly's flight "wings," are now on permanent display at the Greenbushes RSL Hall.

The group held an afternoon tea in November to launch the display and meet Owen Kelly's relative Alice Logan. Pictured above left are RSL members Debbie Scallan (right front), Sonia Townsend, Mercedes Bartless and Mary Mills with Alice Logan of Manjimup pictured second from left.



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BALINGUP'S SENIORS EVENT

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BUSHFIRE WARNINGS AND EMERGENCY ALERTS

During a bushfire, emergency services will provide the community with as much information as possible through a number of different channels.



The Bushfire Warning System has three levels of warning. These changes reflect the increasing risk to life and the decreasing amount of time people have until the fire arrives.

ADVICE

Be aware and keep up to date. A fire has started but there is no immediate danger.

WATCH AND ACT

Put your preparations into action—do not wait and see.

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The assigned emergency alert number 0444 444 444 will be displayed on the message reader or caller identification.

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Sleeping Angels Baby Bereavement Peer Support

A new group has been established in the Bridgetown—Greenbushes area to provide support for mothers who have lost babies (from conception to two years).

The aim of the group is to provide support and share thoughts and feelings in a confidential manner.

Sessions will take place from 1pm to 3pm in the playgroup building at the Bridgetown Family and Community Centre.

The next session will be held on **Thursday December 11**.

Children under five are welcome to go along with their mother.

Please note the group does not aim to provide a counselling role but offers a peer support role by mums supporting other mums. Information on counselling is available.

For more information contact Karen Browne on 97612001 or email btcommunity@westnet.com.au

AGM GREENBUSHES CRC COMMITTEE

The Greenbushes Community Resource Centre held its Annual General Meeting in November with Chris Milford re-elected as Chairman for a further term. Vice Chairman Don Perks was also re-elected. Committee members are Rosemary Bailey, Didith Atkin, Debbie Walsh, Jill Christian, Marion Arrowsmith, Vicky Henderson and Fran Bullock (Coordinator).

FESTIVE CELEBRATIONS

The festive season brings with it celebrations.

The Greenbushes Community Christmas Tree Party will be held at the Greenbushes Primary School on December 6.

The Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes Christmas Party will be held on December 12 at Memorial Park.

All Welcome!



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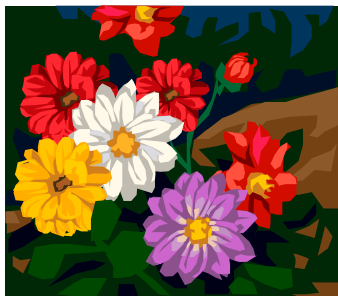
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Visit as many of the nominated locations as you can and answer the rally questions for your chance to win.

The Rally runs throughout January 2015 and it's up to you if you want to visit lots of places in a day, or one location each day. Designed to be flexible, you can complete the Rally in a day on your own, as part of a romantic weekend getaway, or take the whole family for a few weeks holiday!

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BOYUP COUNTRY MUSIC 30 YEARS OLD

The Country Music Club of Boyup Brook would like to encourage the community to go along and celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Boyup Brook Country Music Festival, presented by Live Lighter.

It is one of Western Australia's most popular family camping festivals, which takes place from 12th-15th February. This is a great opportunity to indulge in some great country music under a galaxy of stars. It's so much more than just a one-night concert, it is a phenomenal experience of country music and hospitality held over a few days and nights. The Festival is a very large community owned festival, and numerous fringe activities and events.

The Festival is a friendly celebration of country music in a hassle free bush land site. The Music Park is a wonderful festival venue, with mature river gums situated on the banks of the beautiful Blackwood River. Over the four days the venue comes alive with music on the main stage and around the town. Over the past 30 years the Country Music Festival has presented some fabulous local, national and international artists.

The Country Music Club of Boyup Brook is bringing another fabulous line-up together this year which includes Cody-Lee from Easton WA who was a contestant on The Voice Australia, Troy Cassar-Daly, Ray Kernaghan, Tanya Kernaghan, Amber Joy Poulton, Tom Maxwell, Connie Kis Anderson, Magnificent Seven, Marie Hodson, Billy Higginson and the Pale Moon Riders from WA, Courtney Conway (WA), Steve Hill (WA), Brian Letton, Fitzroy Xpress (WA) and Kate Hindle.



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GREENBUSHES Ratepayers and Residents BBQ

The Thomson Park Playground was the venue for the 2014 Greenbushes Ratepayers and Residents Association end of year barbecue and wind-up.

It was fitting that the town's main civic celebration was held at the venue of one of the town's biggest new projects for 2014. Several years in the making, the new playground is now complete and was officially opened in August.

The end of year event provides an opportunity to thank individuals and community groups for their contribution to the town over the previous 12 months.

This year's recipients of awards were The Greenbushes Tidy Towns Committee, Greenbushes Primary School, Blackwood Basin Group, Greenbushes Community Garden, Greenbushes RSL, Greenbushes CRC, Greenbushes Community Chest and Tasty Edibles, the Pink Fun Run Committee, Leanne Green, Lydia Perenzin, Barry Boyle, Rob and Gill Hesketh, Jackson King, Margaret Candido, Felicity Littleton, Fran Bullock, Ron Adair and Debbie Walsh.



Recipients of certificates (left to right) above Rob Hesketh, Felicity Littleton, Gill Hesketh, Ron Adair, Fran Bullock, Don Perks, Rosemary Bailey, Belinda King, Danielle King, Angela Winter, Tracy Lansdell, Amanda Smith, Barry Boyle and Shannon Fraser-Butler (front). Below pictured is the crowd at the R and R barbecue.



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Greenbushes CRC

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Cost \$10.00 Inc Tea/Coffee

Registrations at the CRC by Wed 4th Dec please



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CRC Coordinator's Column



Seniors Week Trip – 10th November – What a success! We took 18 Greenbushes Seniors to Bunbury for a day trip, with our first stop being the Dolphin Discovery Centre.

As much as we would have liked to swim with dolphins, we instead went on an Eco Cruise around the Estuary where we saw a Pod of frolicking Dolphins.

The Bunbury Seniors were then kind enough to invite us to their club for an afternoon of music, singing and dancing.

The day was thoroughly enjoyed by all thanks to a grant from COTA for Bendigo Bank Seniors Week and to Lance Chambers who generously volunteered to drive the bus.



Operation Christmas Child – this year, alongside Margaret Candido and the Greenbushes CRC Craft Club, we were able to complete 52 boxes to help contribute to the more than 100 million shoe boxes that are packed each year throughout Australia and New Zealand by schools, businesses, communities, families, churches and many other people willing to give to a worthy cause.



Operation Christmas Child boxes are given to millions of children around the world, these shoe boxes may only be filled with small, everyday items but to these children it brightens their world to receive such a simple gift and to know that they are loved and that there is hope.

We have 'tracked' our parcels, so when they reach their destination, we will be notified. Last year our boxes were received in Vietnam.

We are always looking for donations and help with our Operation Christmas Child. If you wish to be involved next year, pop in and have a chat to Fran.

WELCOME: We welcome our two new committee members Vicky Henderson and Marion Arrowsmith! Thankyou to Shirley Tindal-Davies for her contribution while on the committee in 2013-2014.

SUCCESSFUL EXCEL TRAINING HELD AT GREENBUSHES CRC IN NOVEMBER

An EXCEL course was held at the Greenbushes CRC in November with employees from the local mining operations and from Manjimup CRC attending to learn new skills. If community members have ideas for future training courses in computer applications or other areas please contact the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre on 97643575. If there are sufficient numbers interested in a course it can be arranged.



DON'T FORGET OUR LIFE SIMULCAST OF SYMPHONY IN THE CITY ON DECEMBER 13



CRC Coordinator's Column



Experience Being an Artist — After holding three successful workshops, we held an exhibition of all the finished artwork at the CRC in our Conference Room on Thursday 13th November.

These workshops were designed to allow a diverse range of people to express themselves through art, to learn new skills and to enhance the quality of life for people in a rural community.

Thank you to Country Arts Network WA (CAN WA) for funding our workshops and we hope that these workshops can become something that happens on a regular basis. Thank you to all attendees for your support and well done on your masterpieces.



Christmas Closing Times — Greenbushes CRC's last opening day this year will be Wednesday 23rd of December. We will then re-open on the 5th of January 2015.

For any people required to report to Centrelink or contact them, Bridgetown CRC will open on selected days to allow for Centrelink Access plus you can do it via your phone.

Please see Centrelink notices for change of reporting dates and payment dates over the Christmas break on our notice boards.

Extended Library Services — we have extended our Library here at the CRC and have heaps of new books, DVD's and audiobooks for you to borrow!

There are also 2 cases full of swap/exchange books for you to browse! Don't forget that we can also order in books from Bridgetown Library, if Bridgetown don't have it, we can then look further and receive it through an Inter-Library Loan. So come in and have a browse!

Greenbushes CRC Staff, Committee and Vol-

unteers wish everyone a happy and safe

Christmas and a joyful New Year

Remember, it does not matter how slowly you go, as long as you don't stop.



Fran Bullock | Coordinator
Darcey Yates | Trainee



Microsoft Word Training

Greenbushes CRC is looking for expressions of interest to hold a **Microsoft Word One Day Training Course** in the new year.

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TIDY TOWNS FINALS IN PERTH



Greenbushes represented the South West in the WA Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards in Perth in November.

Representatives from community organisations including the Tidy Towns Committee, Community Garden, School and Blackwood Basin Group attended the awards ceremony in Perth. Pictured above are (left to right) Terry Cooper, Belinda Cooper, Elizabeth Cooper, Tracy Lansdell, Per Christianson, Joby Rand and Leonie Eastcott.

Although Greenbushes did not pick up any awards at the State Finals the group is proud to have been selected as the South West Regional Finalist in the awards.

The town of Toodyay was selected as the WA Tidy Town of the Year and will now represent our State in the National Awards.

Seventy one communities entered the 2014 Tidy Towns Awards with a combined total of 9,900 volunteers contributing 139,000 hours to community projects across WA.



Bridgetown Meeting Thursday 7.30pm
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MINE NEWS

Congratulations to the Mining Department, which includes the Talison Mining Department, SG Mining, Action Drill & Blast and Orica, for achieving 5 years without a lost time incident on 30th October 2014.

Service anniversaries celebrated in the past month were Ray Hoes 20 years continuous service and Ray Samsa 10 years continuous service at the Greenbushes Operations.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT AT BUNBURY

Balingup's Erica Jones will perform with the Junior South West Opera Company in the popular Christmas Choral Concert on Sunday December 14 at 2pm at St Boniface Church in Bunbury.

Performers from the South West Opera Company will also feature in the Concert.



To find out more or to book tickets call 0419214338.

THE LEGO MOVIE ON SHOW AT GREENBUSHES

If you are looking for something to do in the school holidays with the children then go and see a movie at Greenbushes. The Lego Movie will be shown at Thomson Park on Friday January 9 at 8pm. Gold coin donation for entry. Sponsored by the Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes



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WAR MEMORIAL PLAQUE GRANT

Greenbushes RSL is all set to proceed with a project to replace aged and damaged plaques on the town's War Memorial following a successful funding application to the Australian Government's Anzac Centenary Programme.

Federal Member for O'Connor Rick Wilson has announced funding of \$4,000 has been allocated to Greenbushes RSL for the works saying that it would enable communities to support the Centenary celebrations at a local level.

"By giving communities the opportunity to secure funding for projects that preserve the stories of local service men and women we are ensuring those memories are around for future generations," said Mr Wilson.

Each electorate across Australia received \$125,000 to distribute to community groups and ex-service groups.

The \$4,000 allocation will support the Greenbushes project which has also been granted Lotterywest funding of \$ 12,000 through a grant application by the Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes on behalf of the RSL and a further \$2,000 from the South West Development Commission.

The project will see the replacement of the current tarnished brass plaques with new bronze plaques. The RSL also sought input from the community including a call for people to put forward corrections and additions to the war memorial.

Work is expected to commence on the replacement of the plaques

REMEMBRANCE DAY AT GREENBUSHES



*Back Left to Right: Rachael Potter, Jess Bunter, Christopher Bennett, Kyan Ellement, Emily Wells, Seth Shaw, Maddox Lansdell
Front Left to Right: Paige Ridley, AJ Walker, Ethan Davies, Kailee Bugg, Gypsy Barton, Lynus Butler, Ella Bunter and RSL President Ron Adair.*

Showery weather led the Greenbushes RSL to re-locate the 2014 Remembrance Day Commemoration Service from the War Memorial to the District Hall.

Students from the Primary School joined with community members to commemorate the special day. The origin of the tradition of the poppies was highlighted along with the origins of the Remembrance Day commemoration itself. After the showers eased the students placed flowers on the War Memorial with RSL President Ron Adair.



Call 9764 3575 for information

Assisting Our Seniors

EVERY WEDNESDAY

2:30pm—4pm

- The committee of the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre aims to increase the participation of Senior Australians in the digital world by ensuring they have access to the latest computing technology and training to increase their confidence and skills.
- *You'll find the answers to questions on just about any topic you can think of on the internet*
- What is Emailing & how does it work? What is this SMS or texting thing that everyone is talking about? Can I take photos on my mobile phone?
- The answers to these questions are quite simple. If you're prepared to put aside your fears about technology, you can open up a whole new world of information sharing and learning as well as having fun in the process.

We invite you to regularly attend the Community Resource Centre for a straight forward information and answers session on computers and technology related gadgets

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Blackwood Basin Group Update



The Priority Bittern and Waterbird Biodiversity Enhancement Project, coordinated by the Blackwood Basin Group (BBG), has continued to make progress with lots of action at the site. The four year project, funded by the Australian Government, aims to create a wetland haven at Schwenke's Dam, Greenbushes, to attract critically endangered waterbirds.

Open day success

A big thank you to all those who attended the recent Waterbird Project open day held at Schwenke's Dam. The event was very well attended and a great time was had by all.

BBG Chairman Dr Per Christensen started the day with an overview of the Project which was followed by a 'Welcome to Country' performed by one of the area's traditional custodians, Wardandi man, Zac Webb. Zac then took the group on a 'bush-tucker tour' of the site where participants learnt how the local indigenous population used native plants and animals. Attendees even tried some bush tucker themselves, with the kids particularly enjoying chewing on the sweet liquid found in Grass Tree fronds while listening to Zac. We also learnt that dried Marri sap can be crushed into a powder to treat all manner of tummy problems. Licking your thumb and putting it into the powder gives the perfect sized dose for your needs.

After Zac's walk the group then took part in some Cockatoo nest-box monitoring with BBG Project Officer Joby Rand. The 10 nest-boxes, which were constructed by Boyup Brook District High School, have been installed around the wetland in trees selected by Cockatoo expert Tony Kirkby. Science and Woodwork teacher Garry Frost and Head Girl Georgina Fairbrass spoke about the value of being involved in the Project. Participants then went to a couple of nest-boxes and checked the chew posts for evidence of activity. We also tapped the trees with a stick to see if 'anyone was home'; lastly, after a technical hitch, we used the 'camera on a stick' to look inside the nest-boxes on the wifi screen to check for any eggs or chicks. Unfortunately, we found no evidence of breeding this time, although we will continue monitoring and give the local Cockies time to find these comfy nests.

Once a delicious lunch, provided by local café Tasty Edibles, had been devoured, the group then collected bugs from an area of undisturbed forest. Specimens collected included a black and white striped spider, a particularly brightly coloured centipede, and a leaf-shaped cricket. All specimens collected were preserved and will be identified, measured, photographed, and entered into the Greenbushes Wetland Invertebrate Project database.



Edyn Hardy examining a bug collected at the open day



Collecting bugs from the undisturbed forest



Zac Webb's bush tucker/medicine walk



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Blackwood Basin Group Update



The children were also given a poster and a collectable sticker that show some of the interesting bugs that have been found at the Project site. Over time, more posters and stickers will be produced that will hopefully depict more and more diverse species that a mature wetland will attract.

The finale of the event was a wildflower walk hosted by the extremely knowledgeable Felicity Littleton. Participants were wowed by Felicity's knowledge and humour with many commenting that the highlight of her talk was seeing a Leopard Orchid in bloom. Many cameras were pulled out at the sight of this spotted wonder.

Project Officer Joby Rand says "the BBG would again like to thank everyone who attended and we look forward to running a similar event next year. We are already working on ideas for how to improve the event for next time".

Get involved

Community engagement is key to the success of this project. We are on Facebook and are keeping our followers up to date with photos and posts of our activities! Like the Blackwood Basin Group's Facebook page today for updates on programs and workshops running in your local area in the coming months. If you're not on Facebook, you can contact the BBG office on 9765 1555 or email bbg2@westnet.com.au to register your interest in our email updates network or to receive our quarterly hard copy newsletter.

For any further information or to be involved in the project, please contact Joby Rand on 9765 1555 or email bbg2@westnet.com.au.



Felicity Littleton showing participants one of the many wildflowers on display



Children trying bush-tucker (left) and checking cockatoo nest boxes using a "camera on a stick" method (below left)

Photos and text by Joby Rand.



MERRY CHRISTMAS



Monitoring Cockatoo nest-boxes using the 'camera on a stick'



This project is supported by the Blackwood Basin Group, through funding from the Australian Government.



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TRUCK SAFETY AND AWARENESS SESSION AT GREENBUSHES



Talison Lithium and Qube combined to present a truck safety awareness session at Greenbushes Primary School in November.

Students were given the opportunity to sit in the truck driver's seat and see all the new technology in the cab including the sleeper compartment, cabin cameras and plush seat.

After walking around the big rig and counting the tyres the students were presented with caps and tee-shirts to remind them of the truck safety message.

Talison and Qube have carried out truck awareness sessions in Greenbushes, Kirup and Balingup which are towns along the route of product haulage to and from Greenbushes and Bunbury.

NEW PEDESTRIAN ACCESS PATH TO THE GREENBUSHES POOL NOW IN PLACE

Pedestrians, including people with prams or on gophers now have a new way of getting to the Greenbushes Pool which does not include using the road.

The Greenbushes Ratepayers and Residents Association has liaised with the Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes and the Department of Parks and Wildlife to mark out a route for the path.

Local residents Rob and Gill Hesketh carried out the work to clear and compact the pathway which will offer an alternative route to the pool for people on foot or bicycles. Talison Lithium has funded signage for the path. No vehicles or motor bikes are permitted on the new pedestrian pathway.



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SCHOOL BUSHFIRE AND EMERGENCY PLAN IN PLACE



Greenbushes Primary School students and staff will evacuate to the District Hall across the road in the event of bushfires and emergencies.

Principal Roger Foster said the school was recognised by the Education Department as being located in an area that carried fire risk due to surrounding State Forest and the no-through roads. As a consequence the school had consulted with the Department of Fire and Emergency Services and the Education Department to draw up a comprehensive Bushfire and Emergency Action Plan.

Mr Foster said students and parents were advised that the evacuation centre was located in the nearby District Hall and students had carried out emergency drills to practice evacuation of the school. He said community members were also urged to complete their own bushfire action plans for their properties should there be a repeat of the dangerous fires of recent years.



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Pat's Patch...Cr Pat Scallan

As the festive season fast approaches we can reflect with pride on the improvements made to community facilities in Greenbushes.

In recognition of the hours of volunteer labour and effort that is put into making our town a great place to live the Greenbushes Ratepayers and Residents Association held its annual barbecue wind-up and thank you to volunteers. There were many worthy recipients of Certificates of Appreciation presented this year to groups and individuals. Thank you to all who have contributed to the growth and well- being of our town over the past 12 months, especially with the excellent achievement of Greenbushes being judged the winner for the South West Region in the Keep Australia Beautiful Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Competition for 2014.

Unfortunately, there are still a few instances of vandalism occurring, including damage to the District Hall, which basically means that the community has to foot the bill for repairs. Please keep an eye out and if you see or know of any vandalism occurring, please do not hesitate to contact me and I will address it.

All residents are invited to attend the Shire Council meeting to be held in Greenbushes on Thursday 18th December 2014 at the Community Resource Centre, 46 Blackwood Road, commencing at 5:30pm.

I wish everyone a safe and enjoyable Christmas and New Year.



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Christmas Day—Thursday—CLOSED
Boxing Day—Friday—CLOSED
27th December—Saturday—CLOSED
28th December—Sunday—CLOSED
31st December—Wednesday—OPEN
1st January—Thursday—CLOSED
2nd January—Friday—OPEN.
Return to normal roster of Wed, Fri, Sat and
Sun 10am-2pm.

Church Times

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Greenbushes St Barnabas

Holy Communion 1st, 2nd Sunday
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3rd, 4th & 5th Sunday Morning Prayer at 11:00am

Balingup

Eucharist every Sunday at 9am
CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE
7:30am at Greenbushes/Extended
Communion

UNITING CHURCH

Greenbushes

2nd Sunday each month 2:30pm

CATHOLIC CHURCH

New times from February 2014

Balingup

1st Weekend Saturday 6:30pm
2nd Weekend Sunday 10:30am

Greenbushes

3rd Weekend Saturday 6:30pm
4th Weekend Sunday 10:30am
5th Weekend Sunday 8:30am
(5th Sun is Liturgy of the Word/Holy
Communion)

CHRISTMAS EVE

6pm Children's Mass—St Brigid's Bridgetown
8pm Mass—Sst Thomas More Nannup
9:30pm—Mass at St Patrick's Greenbushes

CHRISTMAS DAY

9:30am Mass—St Mary's Boyup Brook.

SHIRE OF BRIDGETOWN GREENBUSHES

The Bridgetown Greenbushes Shire Council Meeting
for December will be held at Greenbushes

DATE: 18 December 2014

TIME: 5:30 pm.

VENUE: Greenbushes CRC Blackwood Road Green-
bushes.

**ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND AND SEE COUNCIL IN
ACTION**

Event or Group	Venue	Time	Day of the month	Contact
Greenbushes Aged Community Committee	Stinton Gardens Function Centre	1.30pm	2nd Mon of the month	Leanne Green 0419005224
Greenbushes Community Garden Committee	Community Garden Building	4:30pm	2nd Wednesday of the month	Tracy Lansdell 9764 3414
Greenbushes Discovery Centre Committee	Discovery Centre	4:30pm	4th Tues of the month	Center 9764 3883
Greenbushes Retirees Committee	RSL Hall	11:00am	3rd Tues of the month	Heather Cusack 9764 3653
Balingup Men in Sheds	Balingup Community Centre	7:00 pm	Last Tues of the month	Mike 9764 1080
Balingup CWA	Balingup CWA Centre		Meetings 2nd Tuesday and gardens/crafts on 4th Tuesday	Wendy 9764 3525
Community Resource Centre Management Committee Meeting	Community Resource Centre	2:30pm	Third Monday each month	Fran Bullock 9764 3575
Balingup Playgroup	Primary School Art/Music Room	9.30 to 11.30am	Every Thursday during school term	Katie 9764 1507
Greenbushes Playgroup	Old Court House Greenbushes	9.30am to 11.30am	Every Tuesday	Karen Browne 0408 301002 /97612001
Balingup Progress Association	Balingup Community Centre	7pm	1st Wednesday of month	Noelene King 9764 1080
Grow Greenbushes	Greenbushes CRC	3:15pm	Mondays	Fran Bullock 9764 3575
Greenbushes CWA	CWA Rooms	10am crafts 1pm Meeting	2nd Thursday of the month	Molly Baxter 9764 3739
Greenbushes Ratepayers & Residents and Tidy Towns	Road Board Building	7.30pm	1st Thursday of the month (except Dec and Jan)	Don Perks 9764 3632
Balingup Lions Club Meetings	Community Centre Balingup	7:00pm	Every Second Thursday	Chris 9764 1814
Greenbushes RSL	RSL Hall	3.30pm	3rd Friday of the month	Pat Scallan 0427643508
Community Resource Centre Book club	Greenbushes CRC	10:00am-11:00am	3rd Wednesday of each month	Fran Bullock 9764 3575
Community Resource Centre Craft Club	Greenbushes CRC	10am-12pm	Every Tuesday	Fran Bullock 9764 3575
Shamrock Sporting Club	Shamrock Hotel Greenbushes	5pm	Last Sunday of the month	9764 3512
Balingup Tennis Club Social Evening	Balingup Tennis Club	5:00pm	Friday evenings	Tanya 9764 1060
Greenbushes Social Tennis	Greenbushes Sports Complex	5:30pm	Every Monday	Leonie Eastcott 9782 5717

DECEMBER DIARY DATES

6	Community Christmas Tree Party
6	Community Garden Morning Tea
9	Pelvic Floor Sessions CRC
11	Sleeping Angels Support Mtg
16	Greenbushes Primary School End of Year Concert.
18	Shire Council Mtg Greenbushes CRC. All welcome to attend. 5:30pm start.

JANUARY

12	Grow Greenbushes and Pink Fun Run
9	The Lego Movie Thomson Park 8pm



GREENBUSHES CRAFT CLUB

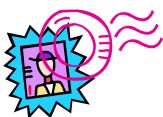
This group meets at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre (CRC) on Tuesdays at 10am-12pm.

GREENBUSHES CRC BOOKCLUB

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- RURAL IN REACH—CONTACT THE CRC FOR THE 2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS OR CHECK THE NOTICEBOARDS.
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