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Greenbushes-Balingup Newsletter

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AUSTRALIA DAY HONOUR FOR PAT SCALLAN



Pat Scallan with wife Debbie, son Michael and his partner Hayley, daughter Charne (front) with her two children Amelia and Edwin at the BBQ. Photo by Glen Norris.

The Greenbushes district's new recipient of an Order of Australia Medal says family and community are the things he holds dearest to his heart.

Pat Scallan, who on Australia Day 2015, was bestowed with an Order of Australia Medal in the General Division has been involved in many community projects in his more than 20 years in the district.

He was particularly pleased that the Greenbushes Community Garden Group, for which he is Treasurer, was awarded the Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes' Community Group of the Year.

See inside this edition for more pictures and information about the Australia Day Awards.



BALINGUP HISTORY EXHIBITED AT THE BIRDWOOD PACKING SHED

The Balingup Historical Projects Group is seeking information, memorabilia, photos, trophies or ribbons to display in a new exhibition being planned to showcase the district's Sporting Clubs.

Items can be on loan or donated to the group which will set up the display in the Birdwood Packing Shed (old Patterson's Packing Shed).

The exhibition, currently in the planning stages, will be on show at the end of 2015.

It will include information on sporting activities in the early years of the settlement through to more modern history. Some of the sports featured will be rifle shooting, badminton, tennis, football, golf, hockey, cricket, pony club, horse racing, croquet and bowls.

Since April 2012 the Balingup Historical Projects Group has featured several exhibitions highlighting and celebrating the history of Balingup. The current display is open 10am to 4pm daily at the Birdwood Packing Shed.



Bygone days in Balingup's main street.

To donate items or find out more contact Helen 97641291, Carol 97641418 or Noeline 97641080.

See page 3 of this edition for more information about the activities of the group.

GREENBUSHES FUN RUN—MAY 17

BRIDGETOWN GREENBUSHES SHIRE AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS (continued)

The Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes has awarded the Greenbushes Community Garden group the Community Group of the Year.

Coordinator Tracy Lansdell and several members from the group were at the breakfast BBQ on Australia Day 2015 to accept the award.

In presenting the award the Shire President, Tony Pratico, noted that the Community Garden group had done much to encourage people in the Greenbushes district to participate in workshops, learn new skills and be involved in community activities.

In 2014 the group installed a new pergola area which is the venue for community morning teas each month. The group also hosted a workshop on creating frog ponds which was well attended by people from throughout the district.

The Shire also noted the productive partnerships the group had with the Blackwood Basin Group and the Greenbushes Primary School which led to greater community participation at the garden.

Jenny Dewing was awarded the Citizen of the Year for her work with the Kangaroo Gully Bushfires Brigade and landcare and environment groups. Brendon James was awarded Junior Citizen of the Year for his community service with fire and emergency groups.



South West MLC Robyn McSweeney with award recipients from Greenbushes Community Garden, Tracy Lansdell, Graeme and Sue McArthur, Shire President Tony Pratico, Pat Scallan OAM, Jenny Dewing, Citizen of the Year, Junior Citizen of the Year Brendon James and 2014 award recipient Adrian Elder. Photo by Glen Norris



TERRY REDMAN CONGRATULATES PAT SCALLAN ON HIS OAM

Warren Blackwood MLA Terry Redman says the awarding of an Order of Australia Medal to Pat Scallan is a fitting recognition for a hardworking ambassador for the Greenbushes community.

Mr Scallan was commended for his involvement in many community groups including the Greenbushes Ratepayers and Residents Association, Greenbushes Community Garden group, Greenbushes Discovery Centre, Greenbushes RSL, Grow Greenbushes and St Brigid's Catholic Parish.

"The saying goes "if you want something done ask a busy person" and Pat has certainly demonstrated the accuracy of that quote over his 20 years of professional and voluntary work at Greenbushes," Mr Redman said.

"As the local member of Parliament for the Bridgetown and Greenbushes areas, I have encountered Pat Scallan in both his professional and volunteer roles, each of which he is devoted to and each of which links him closely with his community.

Mr Redman said that as the General Manager of Talison's Greenbushes lithium mine, Pat Scallan had played a key role in ensuring the mine supported community activities and projects.

Mr Redman said this example highlighted the important role that employers, companies and industries with the right ethos could play, not only in providing employment opportunities but in building stronger communities.

"Pat's professional community involvement carries over into his non-professional life where he commits hours of his time to his duties as a Bridgetown-Greenbushes Shire councillor and to many other community involvements," said Mr Redman.

"He has a very strong commitment to Greenbushes and is an active advocate on the community's behalf. I commend him for his work with and for the people of Greenbushes and share the community's pleasure in this special acknowledgement of his efforts."

Do not go where the path may lead, go instead where there is no path and leave a trail...
Ralph Waldo Emerson.

BRIDGETOWN GREENBUSHES SHIRE AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS (continued)



Community members enjoying the barbecue breakfast at the Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes Australia Day Barbecue 2015. Photos by Glen Norris.

BALINGUP HISTORY IN SAFE HANDS WITH ACTIVE HISTORY GROUP

The Balingup Historical Projects Group is working hard to gather and display the fascinating history of the town with the long term aim to create a permanent museum to showcase the district's thriving past.

The current exhibition on display is on "Education of Balingup" and the many small schools around the district.

Information spans the period from 1898 to 1960. Some of the photos on display need identifying and anyone with information about the photographs in the current exhibition is asked to contact the group.

People can visit the exhibition in the Birdwood Packing Shed (old Patterson's Shed) between 10am and 4pm daily.

Since 2012 the group has been building historical exhibitions about Balingup which reflect the town's history through various themes.

The first exhibition was held in 2012 and focused on Birdwood Avenue of Honour. When the Balingup Lions Club first began researching Birdwood Avenue of Honour there were only two original plaques under the old oak trees.

It was from this project that the group discovered there were many young men from the Balingup District who were killed during World War 1.

Fifty two young men from the district, taking in Kirup, Mullalyup and Balingup lost their lives. This was a huge loss to these small towns and many names from the same family can be found on the memorials illustrating the impact on the district.

With all the research into those families, the Balingup Historical Project Group felt it was a great opportunity to begin collating that information and have an exhibition to coincide with the re-dedication of Birdwood Avenue.

The group is still seeking information and photos on military service of people who lived in Balingup.

Other themes for future exhibitions will be: Social life of Balingup, Picture Theatre and old Balingup Houses, Italian Settlement. Any information or copies of photographs of these topics would be greatly appreciated.

Contact Helen 97641291, Carol 97641418, Noelene 97641080



GREENBUSHES ART TRAIL ON AGAIN

Artists are advised that this year's Greenbushes Art Trail will embrace the theme of "Street Murals."

Artists are invited to submit their proposals for "Street Murals" via the entry forms available from Tasty Edibles and the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre. Entry costs \$10.

The judges will select five entries for the shortlist. Those five people selected are asked to be available on April 25 to commence their "Street Murals" in Greenbushes on a prepared surface located within the townsite.

The winning entry from the selected five will be chosen by "People's Choice" ballot. For more information contact Shannon at Tasty Edibles on 97643361.



MINE NEWS

On January 12 the Albermarle Corporation, a specialty chemical manufacturer headquartered in Baton-Rouge Louisiana, completed a \$6.2 billion acquisition of New Jersey based competitor Rockwood Holdings, who held a 50% shareholding in Talison Lithium. This transaction will not impact on the Talison operations or the Joint Venture arrangements that are in place with Rockwoods and Tianqi.

The past month has seen the processing plants achieve production rates in line with forecast, and meeting the current shipping schedule.

On 16th January, Peter Eveson celebrated 20 years of continuous service at the Greenbushes Operations. Over the 20 year period Peter has held various positions in the production and shipping sections, currently holding the position of Lithium Shipping Coordinator.

LONG TABLE LUNCH PLAN

Balingup Chef and proprietor of the Taste of Balingup Café Restaurant Katrina Lane is bringing nine of Western Australia's great chefs together with the region's best produce for the Balingup Long Table Lunch.

The lunch will take place Saturday February 7.

Tickets cost \$160 and are available at www.tasteofbalingup.com.au or contact Katrina on (08) 97641344.

CHILDREN NEED SUPERVISION AT THE POOL



Parents are being urged to ensure their children are supervised when playing at the Greenbushes Pool.

Greenbushes Ratepayers and Residents Association Vice President Pat Scallan said he had noted there were many children at the pool over the Christmas New Year period pool without a parent or guardian.

He said parents needed to be aware that children playing unsupervised around water could sustain an injury or drown if they experienced difficulties while playing at the pool.

"Parents need to be aware where their children are and what they are doing to ensure they are safe," said Mr Scallan.

"If there are young children at the pool they are not necessarily going to be able to help out in an emergency," said Mr Scallan.

According to Royal Life Saving Society of Australia research 266 people drowned in Australia from July 2013 to June 2014. Of these 81 percent were males (215 people) and 19 percent females.

Among children, the highest percentage of drownings (40percent) occurred in children aged 15 to 24 years. Ten percent of drownings occurred in children aged 4 to 10 years and 8 percent were children aged 0 to 4 years.

Alcohol is one of the biggest contributing factors to drownings in Australia.

For editorial and advertising contact Greenbushes Community Resource Centre 97643575 or admin@greenbushescrc.net.au. The closing date for submissions for the newsletter is the 20th day of each month.



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HEATHER LEE - NEW TRAINEE




Heather Lee Willis has been officially signed on as the new trainee at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre.

Glen Trigg from the Apprentice and Traineeship Centre based in Bunbury travelled to Greenbushes to complete the paperwork with Ms Willis who commenced work at the CRC in January.


Ms Willis has lived in Greenbushes for more than four years and is working part time at the Shamrock Hotel in addition to her traineeship. She is Treasurer for the Shamrock Sporting Club.

The Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes Presents
The Summer Movie Festival



The Croods (PG)
(98min) Mild Themes
Greenbushes' Thompson Park
Friday, February 20th
Arrive 7:30pm for an 8pm start
Adults ~ \$5.00
Under 16s ~ \$2.00
Family Pass (2 adults & 2 children) ~ \$10.00
BYO Picnic, drinks, & blankets
Children must be supervised by an adult
Movies may be cancelled if inclement weather is forecast
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There is a range of broadcasts, including opera simulcasts, on offer in February and March.

All people need to do is call the CRC and book a place and the video broadcast will be set up in a comfortable room at the CRC premises on Blackwood Road Greenbushes.

On February 11 at 11:05am Dr Ryan Reynolds will present an inspiring talk on how the human spirit overcomes adversity. The talk will focus on how the community of Christchurch in New Zealand rebuilt "social amenity" in the wake of the devastating earthquakes the city sustained a few years ago.

If you can't make this session it will be repeated on February 19 at 11:00am and February 29 at 11:10am.

Dr Erica Smyth from the Keep Australia Beautiful Council will discuss how communities can motivate individuals and groups within their towns to get involved in projects of benefit. She explains that creating a positive community culture takes effort and needs people working together. These sessions are available on February 11, 18 and 25. Interested people are asked to contact the Community Resource Centre to enquire or book a place.

On March 6 the Greenbushes CRC in association with WESTLINK will offer the opportunity for people to view a live simulcast of the WA Opera Company's Opera in the Park production of "The Barber of Seville". This simulcast starts at 8pm. People are asked to take their own drinks and nibbles. Bookings are required. To book a place contact the CRC on 97643575,

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"CLUB B" EVENTS FOR 2015

Community members are welcome to attend the programme of interesting speakers being hosted by Club B in Bridgetown in February.

ON Friday February 6 Richard Whitfield will present his journey "Wandering Around Australia" on the big screen.

On Friday February 13 there will be a group sharing session entitled "Has Coming Towards the End of Your Life Changed Your Outlook?"

On Friday February 20 Geoffrey Bourgault will present a talk entitled "My Life as a Musician." Mr Bourgault, who plays clarinet is producing the Blackwood Valley Chamber Music Festival.

The final speakers for February are Ray and Bronwen Murphy who will be taking people on a pictorial journey to India with their presentation "Elephants and Spices of India."

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AGM FOR RATEPAYERS GROUP

The Greenbushes Ratepayers and Residents Association Inc will hold it's Annual General Meeting on Thursday March 5.

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CRC Coordinator's Column

New staff – As you may have seen in the local newspapers there are some changes with personnel at the CRC. At the last committee meeting on Monday 19th January we enjoyed a farewell lunch for Darcey and welcomed our new Business Cert 111 Trainee, Heather-Lee Willis, and Bookkeeper Helen Thistlethwaite; we took some photos to update the webpage! Darcey has commenced her position as Coordinator at Wyndham on 27th January and is settling in well.



Management Committee – almost everyone together this past month but just a reminder of which community members you can engage with about ideas, initiatives, outputs and outcomes for the community CRC to Chairperson is Chris Milford, Secretary is Debra Walsh, Treasurer is Didith Atkin, committee members are Jill Christian, Don Perks, Marion Arrowsmith, Rosemary Bailey and Vicky Henderson; Ex-officio Fran Bullock. We have been developing a 3-5 year strategic plan in readiness for the business plan for fiscal 2015/16.



Committee pictured above -Vicky Henderson and Didith Atkin absent.

Assisting Our Seniors – Helen has had more than 10 people book and come in for 1-2-1 in the first three weeks of the extended service offering. Please book an appointment at the CRC if it's not a quick question!

Seniors First Aid – FREE; just recently we have had some of our friends sustain falls and injure themselves pretty badly which is not only terrible for them but difficult for those who care for them. St John's Ambulance have very kindly offered a FREE 2 hour session on **Tuesday 24th February** to work through ways of taking care of yourself to reduce falls and how to respond to injury. Please come and join us.



Operation Christmas Child – through the huge generosity of Australians and New Zealanders, a record number of 320,841 children in Thailand, Cambodia, Vietnam, Vanuatu, Samoa, Papua New Guinea and Fiji were blessed with a gift-filled shoebox, which gave them and their parents great joy and the knowledge they are cared for by people they have never seen. The residents of Greenbushes-Balingup community supported us sending 52 boxes last October with shipping supported by Talison Lithium, and donations from boxes in IGA and



Library books – by the time you read this we will have exchanged 250 books for new ones – some not even been on the shelves at Bridgetown yet! Best beat Ann Holmes into the library as she'll have read these within next couple months! There is a wide selection of audio books, videos for adults and children, plus large print books. We now have 4 large shelves of 'drop and swap' paperbacks too.



CRC Coordinator's Column



Recognition – There have been many positive comments and shout-out by visitors to the CRC about the excellent customer service and positive attitude of Sharen Pettersen at the Roadhouse on a continual basis. Not only is the store open very early and shuts late, everyday of the week, Sharen continually provides consistent and generous assistance to everyone who comes in. **“Thank you Sharen, and for making a big difference”**. Please take the time to show your appreciation next time you’re in the Roadhouse.

‘Just throwing cash away’: Consumers warned off extended warranties following court decision.

SHOULD you buy an extended warranty? No, you probably shouldn’t. Australians are being warned to think twice about paying for an extended warranty when buying household goods such as white goods and electronics. Under Australian Consumer Law, consumers may be protected beyond the manufacturer’s warranty period without the purchase of an extended warranty. Consumer group Choice has likened them to throwing money down the drain. “What we’ve found when it comes to extended warranties is in very few cases are they worth the money,” said spokesman Tom Godfrey. “Under Australian Consumer Law, consumers have rights to refund, repair or replacement, and really spending money on extended warranties is just throwing cash away. “The other thing to suggest is if you are tempted by an extended warranty, it’s really important to read the terms and conditions carefully to make sure you’re getting value for money.”

The call comes after two companies were this week ordered to pay penalties of \$200,000 each for misleading consumers. Consumer guarantees apply even after any warranties have expired. The Federal Court on Tuesday ordered Fisher & Paykel and Domestic & General to pay the fines for making false or misleading representations in letters sent to customers between January 2011 and December 2012 asking them to purchase extended warranties. Story by frank.chung@news.com.au Read the full story here: <http://www.news.com.au/finance/money/just-throwing-cash-away-consumers-warned-off-extended-warranties-following-court-decision/story-fnagkbpv-122720061793>



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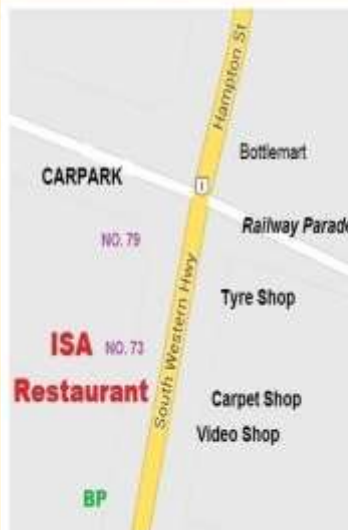
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The Bridgetown-Greenbushes Shire
Presents

The Summer Movie Festival

	<h2 style="text-align: center;">Saving Mr. Banks</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">Friday, Feb 6th - Bridgetown Memorial Park</p> <p>It took Walt Disney 20 years to obtain the rights to P. L. Travers' book 'Mary Poppins'. He only managed to convince the uncompromising author of his movie adaptation when he reached into his own complicated childhood and discovered the truth about the ghosts that haunted Mrs. Travers. Starring Tom Hanks & Emma Thompson (128 min) Rated PG - Mild Themes</p>
	<h2 style="text-align: center;">The Croods</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">Friday, Feb 20th - Greenbushes' Thompson Park</p> <p>Caveman Grug and his family are forced to leave their home after an earthquake. The situation becomes more complicated for Grug's family when his eldest daughter, Eep, falls for a quirky and imaginative nomad named Guy. Guy's search for 'tomorrow' is at odds with Grug's reliance on the traditions of 'yesterday'. Starring Nicolas Cage and Emman Stone (98 min) Rated PG - Mild Themes</p>
	<h2 style="text-align: center;">Life of Pi</h2> <p style="text-align: center;">Friday, March 6th - Bridgetown Memorial Park</p> <p>After a shipwreck, young Pi finds himself stranded on a lifeboat with one other survivor - a ferocious Bengal tiger named Richard Parker. Bound by the need to survive, the two are cast on an epic journey. Starring Suraj Sharma (121 min) Rated PG - Mild Survival Themes</p>

ADULTS - \$5.00, Under 16s - \$2.00 & Family Pass (2 adults & 2 children) - \$10.00.
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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.

The BBG team had a restful and festive break over the summer and we are raring to go with the activities planned for stage 4 of the Project. Workshops, planting days, feral animal and weed control, dam modifications, black cockatoo nesting box construction and installation, and fauna surveys will all be happening in the coming months, so please join our mailing list by emailing bbg2@westnet.com.au, or follow us on Facebook to find out how you can get involved! It is an exciting time of on-ground development in new areas that will all contribute to enhancing the biodiversity and functionality of our wetland ecosystem.

Dam modification

Dam modification work is underway along Spring Gully Road, as many of you would have noticed. The area was infested with weeds and many Eastern States species of plants which have now been removed while as many native, endemic plants as possible were kept. The aim is to add greater value to the waterbodies to create habitat that can support a diverse range of creatures.

Planning for revegetation is also underway and we are hoping to revegetate much of the area as soon as possible using mature plant stock that will see dramatic changes over a short space of time. Planting with mature chunks of reeds and rushes can rapidly create habitat for a range of creatures and can improve revegetation success rates as well as having a greater visual impact. The area will feature numerous pools, islands, and logs that will create a range of habitats suitable for waterbirds and other animals.

Cockatoo nesting boxes

Just before the Christmas break the Bridgetown District High School constructed 10 Cockatoo nesting boxes which have since been installed at the Waterbird Project site. These nesting boxes have been installed high in the tree canopy and the nesting box design has been refined to increase the chance of breeding. Boyup Brook District also visited the site to monitor the first 10 nesting boxes that they constructed; unfortunately no evidence of breeding was found but the students enjoyed strolling around the bush and seeing their hard work out there in nature.



Boyup Brook Country Music Festival

To celebrate 30 years of the Boyup Brook Country Music Festival, the BBG has put together a window display incorporating a wetlands and country music theme for our office in Boyup Brook.

The display (pictured above) features two frogs, two bitterns, and a kangaroo as "The Blackwood Basin Band" playing country music. If you come to the festival, which runs from 12-15 February, be sure to check out our display!

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



Australian Government

Blackwood Basin Group Update



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.



I've been Bittern by the Waterbird Project



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Fox Shoot

The Blackwood Basin Group along with the Bridgetown-Greenbushes Biosecurity Group is organising a Red Card Fox Shoot tally for Sunday 22nd February.

Local landholders are asked to shoot for foxes, rabbits, pigs, and feral cats on their properties on the night of Saturday 21st February then meet at a central location with the carcasses for the tally on Sunday morning where a free BBQ breakfast will be provided and prizes will be given out. The event promises to be a great chance for landholders to get together and celebrate their feral animal control and share a few tall stories.

Contact Joby Rand at the BBG on 9765 1555 or email bbg2@westnet.com.au to register your interest and to find out more details.



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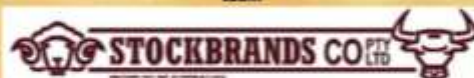
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GREENBUSHES GEARS UP FOR FUN RUN 2015

Greenbushes is gearing up to host another Fun Run and Festival in 2015.

The event will take place on Sunday May 17 with funds going to Breast Cancer Network Australia. Major sponsors this year are Talison Lithium, SG Mining, Global Advanced Metals and South West Development Commission.

Registrations can be made through the blueChiptiming website www.bluechiptiming.com.au.

The run will start at the Greenbushes Sports Complex with the route traversing forest around the town.

For enquiries about the Greenbushes Fun Run 2015 email PinkFunRun@talisonlithium.com.

The inaugural Greenbushes Fun Run was held in 2014 with more than 240 people participating (last year's event pictured right) in the event.

There are categories for Open Men (17-50), Open Women (17-50), Junior Men (U16), Junior Women (U16) and Veterans Men and Women (50+).

The Greenbushes Fun Run committee and GROW Greenbushes will be working to develop associated activities with the run including market stalls at the sports ground during the event.

People interested in setting up a stall at the event are asked to send an email to PinkFunRun@talisonlithium.com.au.



Strength does not come from physical capacity. It comes from an indomitable will

Mahatma Ghandi

MARRON WORM SPECIES IDENTIFIED

The Department of Fisheries has identified a "mystery worm" found in marron caught in the Grimwade Large Dam.

The cyst like growths were found in marron caught in the dam recently prompting the Department to issue a warning to people not to consume the marron and to take care not to use nets dropped into the Grimwade Large Dam on other waterways.

The Department of Fisheries says the worm belongs to a large group known as 'Trematodes' which are commonly found in aquatic species such as turtles and crayfish. Until now there has not been a reported incidence of this worm in Western Australian marron.

The Department is further investigating the worm but says there are not any reported incidences of human health dangers relating to the "Trematodes".

For the latest information contact the Department of Fisheries WA at www.fish.wa.gov.au.



Microsoft Word Training

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

Please register your interest via
Phone 9764 3575

Email admin@greenbushescrc.net.au
or in person at 46 Blackwood Road, Greenbushes
and also your current knowledge level for Microsoft Word

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Pat's Patch...Cr Pat Scallan

Council will be commencing budget considerations for the 2015-16 year in the next couple of months. This is the time to advise your councillors of any projects or issues that you would like to see included in next year's budget. You can also clarify the progress of items of interest on the Council's 5 year plans, which are updated each year for areas such as roads, pathways, community facilities and services. Please do not hesitate to contact me on 0427643508, should you wish to discuss any items of interest.

Swimming Pool Community Fundraising Advisory Committee

I would like to encourage interested members of the community to submit an application to participate as a member of the Swimming Pool Community Fundraising Advisory Committee. This is a great opportunity to take part in a major community project. Applications must be submitted to the CEO on or before 21st February 2015.

Community Grants

A reminder that the deadline for the Shire's Community Grants programme is Friday 27th February 2015. Application forms are available on the Shire's website.

**For editorial and/or advertising
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97643575

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Community Notices

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Saturday 7th February 12pm onwards

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Enquiries
to
Don Perks

9764 3632



AUTHOR VISIT

**Linda J Bettenay will visit
Greenbushes on April 16.**

The author of "Secrets Mother's Keep" has released a new book called "Wishes for Starlight." A story set in the 1900s exploring themes relating to Aboriginal heritage and life in the Perth Hills region.

10am—11:30am
THURSDAY
APRIL 16

GREENBUSHES CRC

For more information or to
book a place call Fran or
Heather -Lee on 97643575.



Church Times

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Holy Communion 1st, 2nd Sunday

At 12:00pm

3rd, 4th & 5th Sunday Morning Prayer at 11:00am

Balingup

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Greenbushes

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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)

GREENBUSHES TO BRIDGETOWN SHOPPING RUN

The Community Bus "Rosie" shopping run service operates on alternate Tuesdays from Greenbushes to Bridgetown and return. This service is available at the cost of \$7.50 return to anyone living in Greenbushes.

The bus departs from the Greenbushes Roadhouse at 9am and leaves IGA for the return journey at 11:30am.

For more information contact Julie Pike at the Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes Community Services Department on 97611261.

DATES

February 3 & 17

March 3, 17 & 31

April 14 & 28



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

FEBRUARY DIARY DATES

5	Annual Electors Mtg Bt-Gb Shire
7	Greenbushes Pool Reunion.
7	Balingup Long Table Lunch
12-15	Boyup Brook Country Music Fest
20	"The Croods" Movie Thomson Park Gb
21/22	Community Fox Shoot
24	Free First Aid Class Greenbushes CRC

March 7 Barber of Seville

May 17 Greenbushes Fun Run



GREENBUSHES CRAFT CLUB

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

GREENBUSHES CRC BOOKCLUB

Meets on the third Wednesday of each month at the Greenbushes CRC. Join this group for a great read and book discussions.

WHAT ELSE IS AVAILABLE AT THE CRC

- RURAL IN REACH—CONTACT THE CRC FOR THE 2015 CALENDAR OF EVENTS OR CHECK THE NOTICEBOARDS.
- WESTLINK BROADCASTS ON A RANGE OF TOPICS. SEE THE CRC FOR A FULL LIST OF TOPICS AND BROADCAST TIMES.

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