Greenbushes-Balingup Newsletter

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GREENBUSHES FESTIVAL WEEKEND



Stunning shot showing off laser lights cascading onto the Tasty Edibles mural.

TELLING TALES FESTIVAL OF WRITING AND READING



Balingup will come alive on Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 July, 2017 for this year's 'Telling Tales in Balingup'. A fabulous story telling event perfectly suited to children aged 4yrs – 14yrs.

The 2 day event is designed to spark children's imagination and develop skills and confidence around reading, writing and creativity.

The grand parade will be held on Saturday from 12:30pm - 1:30pm and children are invited to dress up in costumes relating to their favourite characters from books.

A host of WA authors and artists will be conducting workshops throughout the weekend.

Contact Helen Christensen on 9764 1291

The blue and green lights herald the start of the Winter Festival and the first weekend in August will see Greenbushes host the Winter Festival Weekend on August 4, 5 and 6.

There will be plenty of activities to choose from - the Art Trail Exhibition and art workshops, the Community Garden morning tea, Memorabilia display at the Catholic Church, the Masonic Lodge will be for visitors. a Gems Workshop at the CRC, an 'Old Time' family dance, an Open Day at Blue Sky Retreat and Laser Mayhem at Maranup Ford, with the annual Wattle Walk on Sunday morning - take a walk to the Schwenke's Dam Wetland Project. The local eateries will be open for evening meals, so get some friends together and enjoy the Greenbushes Winter Festival Weekend. More details are inside this edition, or pick up a Winter Festival programme and see what is on offer.

The 'Bridgetown in the Winter' festival is held over June, July and August, so check out the programme for activities in the coming weeks. Details can also be found on the websites: www.greenbushes.com.au and www.greenbushes.com.au

There is no respect for others without humility in one's self.

Henri Frederic Amiel



Greenbushes Winter Festival Weekend - August 4th, 5th & 6th



Memorabilia display St Patrick's Catholic Church

Cnr Galena & Telluride Streets, Greenbushes

'Christening Gown & photo display'



Fri 4th Aug by appointment

Sat 5th Aug 10:00am to 2pm

Contact Deb 0428643508



'Old Time Dance' at Greenbushes

Dístrict Hall Blackwood Rd, Greenbushes

Saturday, 5th August 8pm to 11:30 pm

Cost Adults \$10, under 16yrs free Contact Tony Pratico

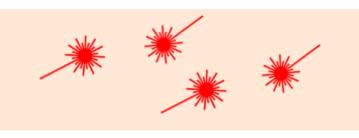
0409 764 401 Bring a plate to share Laser Mayhem @ Maranup Ford Sat 5th & Sun 6th August 12noon to 4pm

Annual Charity Weekend

– Gold Coin donation to

Autism Association of WA

Non-projectile laser combat game. Players of all ages and abilities welcome. Games for under 4 to 84.



Contact 0447 228 112 or www.maranupford.com.au



Greenbushes Winter Festival Weekend - August 4th, 5th & 6th



Open Day

Blue Sky Retreat

Lot 15/509 Huitson Rd, off Maranup Ford Rd, Greenbushes

Sunday, 6th August 10am to 1pm

An Open Day, Swap Meet and Compost Tea demonstration No bookings, Free entry.

10am Swap Meet 11am Morning Tea 11:30am Compost Tea 12noon Tour of gardens



Contact Christine 0419 929 310

blueskyretreat@westnect.com.au www.blueskyretreat.com.au

Greenbushes Wattle Walk Sunday, 6th August 10am to 12noon



Free guided walk to Schwenke's Dam Wetland Project via Greenbushes Pool. Meet at Discovery Centre, 38 Blackwood Rd, 9:45am

Sausage Sizzle lunch and Bush Poetry in Heritage Park after walk for a Gold Coin donation.

Contact Leonie 97825717, 0427643065

Greenbushes Masonic Lodge ○ pen Day



Take a walk inside the Masonic Lodge at Greenbushes, located on the corner of Jephson and Tourmaline Streets.

Saturday 10:00am - 2:00pm

Contact Terry Cooper on 9764 3670 for further details.

Community Shed

Wood Raffle

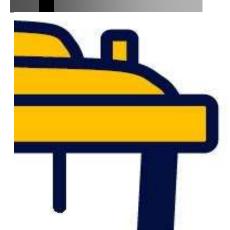
Before July 21st call into the CRC and purchase a wood raffle ticket.

Fund raising for our Community Shed—kindly donated by Noel Holdsworth,
Greenacres Mill



Whether you think you can or think you can't, you're right.

Henry Ford



recyclables accepted & processed (WA)





✓ Cardboard



✓ Glass bottles & jars



✓ Plastics





✓ Newspaper



√ Steel cans & aerosols





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Deadline is the 3rd Wednesday of the month



Solar Cars

Thanks to Woodside Petroleum who have sponsored School Science Awards in previous years. As part of their ongoing commitment to the school with science and technology they provided resources to build solar powered cars.



Kyan and Josh add the finishing touches to "The Kool Machine"

The basic cars were provided with the students having the opportunity to customise their vehicles to suit the group working with them. With the customisation though there were several factors that had to be taken into consideration such as angle of the solar panel for maximum gain and gearing to use the available power. Using the instructions given the students in the senior class had the opportunity to try a build before bringing in the junior class for a shared build.

Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) are a priority for Greenbushes as with many other schools.

However what is very important to note is the amount of reading and language that went into these vehicles as well. Particularly when the older students shared their skills with the younger and assisted them in creating. So in this activity not only did the students get more experience with STEM but they were also able to add English into the mix as well, the topic of solar versus fossil fuels was also discussed by the students.

Thanks to Ms Penney for "driving" the solar cars project.

Roger G Foster



Principal, Greenbushes Primary School ** roger.foster@education.wa.edu.au

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The starting line for "The Greenbushes 500!"

L-R: Chris, Emily, Gypsy, Rachael, Ethan, Josh & Kyan.

Balingup Tennis Club



Balingup Tennis Club has been idle over the past 2 years due to a lack of members and therefore, not enough help or money to care for and maintain the 6 grass courts.

We have recently held an extraordinary meeting and our committee are now keen to encourage our local and surrounding community members to once again join us to try and get our club active again.

Our committee members are as follows:...

President - Doreen Shorter

Secretary - Noelene King

Treasurer - Sue Pember

A members form is currently being developed. Even though the courts are not suitable for playing on at the moment, we would like anyone interested to become a member for \$10 just to get our club up and running again. Until we have members, we will not have the support and manpower to get our club back to what it was.

Anyone interested please contact Andrew Scott who will be in charge of new memberships on 0428641197.

GREENBUSHES COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWS

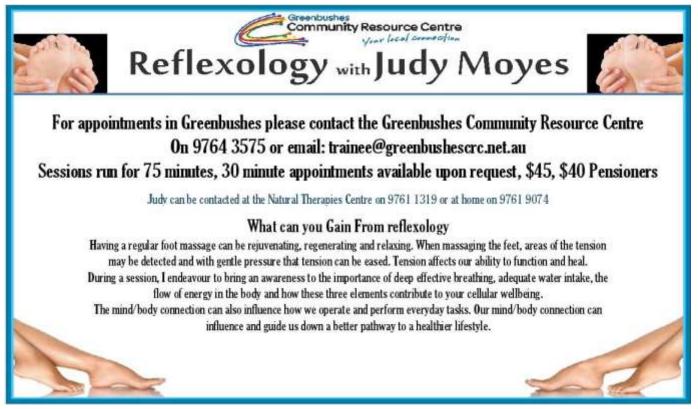
Our **Plastic Free July** morning tea is on the 1st from 9.30am onwards. Here is a compilation of the top 20 tips from our attendees last year and the ways they were already reducing their reliance on plastic.

- 1. Take your own shopping bags.
- 2. Make small drawstring bags to purchase your fruit and veggies or purchase boxes of produce.
- 3. Make beeswax material wraps for kids lunches or to cover bowls and leftovers in the fridge.
- 4. Line your bin with newspaper.
- 5. Refuse straws, plastic cutlery and plastic plates.
- 6. Take your own takeaway coffee cup or even better, dine in and take 10 minutes timeout.
- 7. Refuse plastic drink bottles take your own stainless steel water bottle.
- 8. Avoid all beauty products with plastic exfoliating microbeads.
- 9. Avoid fleece material as this sheds 1000's of micro-plastic fibres with every wash.
- 10. Don't release balloons into the air for events they have to come down eventually.
- Take your own containers along to the butcher, they can weigh them before weighing your meat.
- 12. Buy bread from a bakery that's not wrapped in plastic or make your own.
- 13. Refuse to buy fresh produce wrapped in Styrofoam and gladwrap.
- 14. Grow your own fresh herbs (grow your own everything you can).
- 15. Buy food in bulk and take your own drawstring bags or glass containers to purchase them in.
- 16. Make your own cleaning products & body products the internet is full of recipes and ideas.
- 17. Buy garden products like compost in bulk, pitch in with neighbours or friends to reduce costs.
- 18. Grow your own seedlings from seed. Make seedling pots out of newspaper.
- 19. Make your own pasta, biscuits, yogurt, cheese etc (make your own everything you can).
- 20. Save all of your larger glass jars for storing leftovers.

Whilst some of these are easy for us to achieve, there is still an enormous amount of plastic that is unavoidable. The main thing is to focus on what is possible to avoid and not what you can't. **Plastic Free July** can also be an opportunity to have a conversation with retailers and let them know you want to purchase plastic free and why - if others do the same then hopefully together we can make a change.

To sign up for the challenge and for more great tips visit the website: www.plasticfreejuly.org

Tracy Lansdell Co-ordinator







MINE NEWS

The Construction contract with MSP Engineering for the new Chemical Grade Plant was signed at the beginning of June.

The first stage of works (civil earthworks and drainage) was awarded to BJ Catalano who has commenced activities on site. With the increased activity we have also received a number of visits from our owners and associated businesses.

Our production from the existing plants continues to increase in line with our budget.

It was great to see the completion and successful opening of the Schwenke's Waterbird Project on June 10. The efforts of the Blackwood Basin Group and local volunteers over the past 4 years have produced a wonderful community asset for passive recreation. The historical display of past mining activity in the Schwenke's Dam area was of great interest and particularly appreciated by members of the Schwenke family. It was pleasing to see so many of the Schwenke family attend the official opening.

Greenbushes Tidy Towns

Tidy Towns continues on with Greenbushes hosting the judges on 29 June for the 2017 State judging. The weather was kind to us on the day with clear skies and sunshine, although we desperately needed some rain.

The judges were very impressed with the many projects on offer – the Community Shed, painted benches with message in the main street, Community Garden, Bush Block weed management project adjacent to the Primary School, the Schwenke's Wetland project completion and boardwalk, Pool mural, free camping area and Little Library, highway and attraction signage upgrades, the new Memorial Wall at the Cemetery and many more small projects too numerous to mention.

I would like to thank everyone involved in any of the community groups and businesses with any of these projects for the time taken to make Greenbushes a great community to live in.

Tidy Towns volunteers recently carried out another litter pickup along our stretch of South Western Highway, from the railway line at Hay Road to Forest View Road. In total, 76 bags of litter were collected. A little more than usual, however, litter was collected over a greater distance.





Greenbushes Belles 1st Birthday

During May last year a community meeting was organised by Ann Marie Stallard to discuss the possibility of forming a new CWA branch in Greenbushes. It was agreed that the Greenbushes Belles would be formed with a non-traditional evening meeting time to allow for women who worked or had young children at home.

On June 23rd 2016, the Greenbushes Belles held their inaugural AGM, office bearers were elected and the journey into the world of CWA commenced. The aim of CWA is to improve the well-being of all people, especially those in country areas by promoting courtesy, cooperation, community effort, ethical standards and the wise use of resources.

On Saturday 24th June 2017 the Greenbushes Belles held a function to celebrate their first birthday. The RSL Hall looked fantastic with blue and white decorations and blue lights. Ann Marie Stallard took out the prize for having the oldest CWA Cookbook (published in 1955). The Belles catered for the evening themselves and what a feast it was! With 50+ people attending, a fantastic evening of fun and laughter celebrated the Belles many achievements in their first year.





Left: Ann with her book & prize.

Fundraising cake stalls, wood raffles and \$100 notes have been well supported by our community - thank you. Friendship nights have been well attended as were our workshops on natural soap making, knitted slippers and lip balm making. All these products went towards our "Bliss Bags" which were gifts for women in need. Henri Nouwen House were very grateful for the number of bags we were able to give them to pass on to their clients who are in need of something special in their lives. Some of our members are also crocheting sleeping mats for the homeless out of recycled plastic shopping bags. We hope to be able to give these to the Salvation Army for distribution. The Belles have also volunteered at the Blues Festival, participated in Mini Golf and the bench painting project, held a Lymes Awareness night and ran a cupcake decorating workshop to name but a few other things.

It's fun, it's fantastic and if anyone would like to join the Greenbushes Belles, they meet on the 4th Thursday of every month at 7pm and have "Chill n Chat" nights/workshops/presenters on the 2nd Thursday of every month. Contact Karen Browne for more information on 0408 301 002.

Pat's Patch...Cr Pat Scallan

Winter has arrived, so please ensure you are prepared.....Has your flue been cleaned? Are your gutters cleared? Are your fans reversed from summer settings? Have you enough wood supply? On the positive side, the shortest day has come and gone, so more daylight hours will be available.

On the Shire front, we are still finalising the budget for next year and the following years for the Business Plan. This includes finalising the consolidated Asset Management Plans.

The Strategic Plan will be out soon for public comment, so if you have any comment please let me know.

The Bridgetown Winter festival has commenced with a number of activities planned, so keep a close lookout for what is being advertised. Also keep in mind our Greenbushes Winter Festival weekend, which is scheduled for the first weekend in August 2017. A lot of effort goes into organising these events, so please support them and spread the word.

I would like to pass on our condolences to the Jackson family and friends for the recent passing of Peter. It has been a very difficult year and our prayers and best wishes are extended to all.



Greenbushes Belles function at the R.S.L Hall.





CRC Coordinator's Column

Greenbushes Community Shed - Update.

The Greenbushes Community Shed (GCS) would like to thank Grow Greenbushes, Greenbushes Community Grants, Hon Colin Holt, and Global Advanced Metals for their generous cash donations towards the start-up of our shed.

Funds have enabled the purchase of cladding and insulation for the shed, putting us that much closer to an opening date. A busy bee and BBQ on Friday 30th June almost completed the cladding, with Grant, our Chairperson returning on Monday to complete the job. Thanks to all those who turned up to help on the Friday, we had a laugh whilst working away and enjoyed a nice lunch. GCS would also like to thank Talison Lithium for their generous contribution towards the shed, without which alternative premises would need to be secured.

Please contact the CRC on 9764 3575 if you have any tools, wood or other items to donate to the Shed, or for membership details. Workshop times and dates have not yet been decided, which means any member of the community thinking of joining the Shed should contact the CRC and advise of their preferences.



Thanks to a \$15,000 Lotterywest Grant for the purchase of a sea container, for storage purposes, along with some basic woodwork equipment, the GCS may expect to commence operation in the not too distant future.



Our Community Shed Bus Trip, funded through a grant provided by Linkwest as part of their Neighbourhood Week grant funding, was a huge success. The day started at Greenbushes CRC heading to Donnybrook.

Donnybrook Men's Shed was a great example of how a Shed can grow from humble beginnings and develop to meet the needs of its members. After coffee, cake and a catch-up with members it was off to Cowaramup for lunch.

Next stop Cowaramup Bull Shed. Their shed offers men only days and mixed days, where men and women may attend together. This is a very large shed with over 100 members, offering woodwork and metal work spaces. The committee felt that having a mixed shed enhanced their services and worked well for both groups as they all brought different experiences to the shed.

The trip exceeded our expectations on many counts, with our members realising the potential of the shed experience, what can be achieved and the value of a shed within a community.

I feel certain another bus trip will need to be organised for next year.



July 2017

Mentoring Scholarships

Women entrepreneurs of all diversities create incredible social and economic impact. Under the mentorship of Australia's great male and female business leaders, the opportunity for growth and success is outstanding.

In partnership with the Office For Women, Inspiring Rare Birds is providing 100 scholarships for emerging or established female entrepreneurs throughout Australia to embark on a mentorship with a high calibre mentor.

The mentoring program provides high calibre mentors to entrepreneurs seeking to advance their personal and business development by way of one-on-one mentoring. Entrepreneurs embark on a 12 month journey with their mentor, spending four hours per month together.

















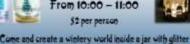
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Come along to these crafty winter workshops at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre in the July School Holidays

Winter Landscape Jar Art

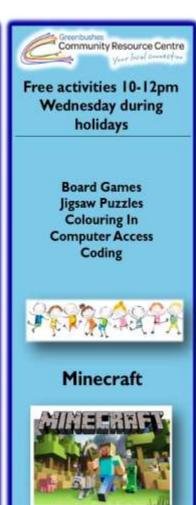




and and soft candle light to bring your world to life!

For more information or to hook your place please call 9764 3575 or email: trainee@greenbushescrc.net.au





Subject to availability \$5 at other times

Movie Mornings

Thursday - 6th & 13th July 10:00am - 12:00pm









Gold coin donation Includes Popcorn!

For more information or bookings please contact the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre on 9764 3575 Or email: trainee@greenbushescrc.net.au

Zentangle Gem Prawing Class

Saturday 5th August 2017 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Members \$20 - Non-members \$30 - Pensioners \$15 Afternoon tea provided

Learn how to draw a realistic gem and new tangles to enhance your gems

For more information or to book your place please call 9764 3575 Or email: trainee@greenbushescrc.net.au





Poetry & Creative Writing Inspired by Nature

Saturday 5th August 9.30am-11.30am

Cost is \$10 per person with all proceeds donated to the Art Trail 2018

Rhythms and rhymes:

Capture the natural world in poetry with creative writing tutor Sarah Evans. This two-hour workshop is suitable for beginners and those wishing to kick-start the muse. Just bring along a notepad, pen and plenty of enthusiasm! Great thoughts speak only to the thoughtful mind, but great actions speak to all mankind.

Emily P. Bissell

Greenbushes-Balingup Newsletter via email

If you would like to receive an emailed copy of the Greenbushes-Balingup Newsletter please email me at coordinator@greenbushescrc.net.au

If you have a post office box in Greenbushes or Mullalyup you will still receive a printed copy.



Centrelink Access point

Did you know the Greenbushes CRC is an Access Point for the Department of Human Services? You can access your accounts, report, fax documents, use the direct contact telephone and computer. Information brochures are also available during office hours.

CRC Coordinator's Column





For a full Westlink program guide please check our website or contact trainee@greenbushescrc.net.au

Programs for July include Cover to Cover, Destination WA, Garden Gurus Autumn, Healthy tips for a

healthier you, Our State on a Plate, Sweet & Sour 2016, Top of Down Under and Woodworking Masterclass Plate Rack Episode 6. Viewing is available at the CRC during office hours Monday to Friday.

Independent advice about connecting to the NBN

Are you looking to make the switch to the National Broadband Network? If so, you may benefit from attending a <u>free presentation</u> by the South West's independent NBN advisor.

At each seminar, <u>Mike Hendry</u> will provide handy tips about transitioning to the NBN, and equip you with the questions you need to ask providers when starting the process of getting connected.

The position was created to ensure impartial advice is available to local businesses and not-for-profit organisations.

COMING UP @ the CRC

- Wednesday 5th, Optometrist.
- School holiday program during the holidays, see advertisement.
- ♦ Sunday 9th, 9:00am Croquet in the park.
- Thursday 27th Healthy Cooking @ Balingup Primary School.
- Friday 28th, 4:00pm Croquet in the park followed by a sundowner.
- ♦ Each Monday, Dru Yoga, 9.30am-10.30am \$2. An easy relaxing class. New sessions available after school holidays.
- Each Wednesday 3.30pm-4.30pm Afterschool Coding.
 Except during School Holidays.
- Each Tuesday, knitting group 10.00am-12pm \$2 per session
- Each Thursday, Quilting & Sewing group, 1:00pm-4:00pm \$2. Machines available.
- Book club meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 10am-11am. New members welcome.
- 4th Wednesday of each month Community Shed Committee meeting 3:15pm.
- AUGUST 5th Creative Writing & Zentangle workshop, see advert for further details.





A grant from the Department of Regional Development has enabled the CRC to upgrade the centre with a re-sand and seal of the jarrah flooring. An amazing transformation and it's back to looking like new. Apologies for any disruptions, but we envisage returning to normal by the start of the school holidays.



CROQUET IN THE PARK

If you are interested in learning how to play croquet, or would like to have a game, please join us @ the Cricket Oval in Greenbushes on the 4th Friday from 4:00pm or 2nd Sunday of any month from 9:00am.

Contact the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre on 9764 3575 to register your interest.

Lessons are available, followed by morning tea at the CRC in the airconditioning to cool off!

RECYCLING

Don't forget to drop your small batteries, printer cartridges, old mobile phones and Nespresso pods into the CRC for recycling. If we are closed please drop at the door.



CRC Coordinator's Column

From Volunteer to Staff Member

Many of you may already know or have met Terry Somerton, our Technical Support Officer and back-up Administrative support who commenced at the CRC as a volunteer around 18 months ago. Terry's technical expertise, friendly and helpful nature and many other administrative skills have secured him a paid position within our office one day a week. His technical assistance is still free for one hour to all members, with a nominal charge thereafter. Training and assistance with Excel, Word, Publisher, the internet, email etc. is still available on a Wednesday between 10am and 2pm, one on one, bookings essential.



Terry also runs our after school Coding from 3.30-4.30pm during the school term. So far the students have been utilising Code Monkey, but with most of them conquering the program we are moving on to 'Modding' Minecraft, this program will help develop student's coding skills. Afternoon tea is provided, the session is fully supervised, spaces limited. Please contact the CRC or call in and talk to Terry for any additional information.

Food Sensations

The Greenbushes CRC in collaboration with WA Country Health's Michelle Spargo delivered a Food Sensations workshop at the Greenbushes Primary School during June. Students prepared a variety of food, Zany Zucchini Dip with vegetable sticks, Beefy Boy Bonanza, Sweet & Sour chicken and Oaty Bites which they enjoyed along with the teachers for a lunchtime extravaganza.

Students learned the importance of hygiene and food preparation, including handling sharp knives, the importance of collaboration and team work.



The younger group were set to work identifying healthy foods and why our body needs them, the older students comparing calories, fat and sugar contents of fast food as opposed to home cooked meals. This left the children with the realization of just how much added unhealthy ingredients are in the fast food options.



WINTER COMPETITION

For your chance to win one of 4 x \$50 community vouchers to be spent at any participating retail outlet in Greenbushes or Bridgetown, like our Greenbushes Community Resource Centre Facebook page, or for our current Facebook friends, share one of our events with your friends on Facebook between 1st July and 30th October.



Community Vouchers are available for purchase at the Greenbushes CRC. If your club, business or community group is looking for a prize, present, gift or thank you, then please consider purchasing a voucher and keeping business local.

Vouchers maybe utilised in most retail outlets displaying the Community Cash Voucher sign.

Buy Local, Shop Local, Support Local



GROW GREENBUSHES NEWS

At our last meeting of Grow Greenbushes there was lots of discussion about whether Greenbushes should have a green waste dump. The general consensus is yes. Grow Greenbushes is now working with the Shire to see how best this can be achieved/managed. Any suggestions or comments are still welcome.

There was also a great deal of discussion about the decreasing numbers of students at Greenbushes Primary School. Concern was expressed about the negative comments that are circulating on social media, particularly about the school closing, which is detrimental to both the school and our Greenbushes Community. The school is an important asset for Greenbushes and Grow Greenbushes representatives have met with the Principal and teachers to see how we may support the school and the teachers at this time. We are also communicating with the Regional Office of the Education Department about this matter. So far we have been assured that the school will not be closing. I would ask that people don't continue to circulate unsubstantiated, negative gossip.

With the recent media conversation about the "war on waste", see page 4 for what items are recyclable so that you can help do your bit. Some of our businesses will soon have Keep Cups for sale with "Discover Greenbushes" on them. Take away coffee cups are one of the big 4 single use throw away items. Make sure you come to the Community Garden's **Plastic Free July** morning tea on the 1st of July to learn about other simple ways that we can be more sustainable and plastic free.

Everyone should have seen our Winter Festival lights by now. The new green lights on the tree in Heritage Park are fabulous and the laser lights around Tasty Edibles, the Discovery Centre, Community Garden and Exchange Hotel have received lots of favourable comments. Don't forget to pick up your *Bridgetown in the Winter* brochure to find out what events are planned for the Greenbushes Winter Weekend 4th-6th August. The Greenbushes Art Trail is on again this year with the theme of "Nature" so why not grab an entry form from Tasty Edibles and have a go?



Good luck to Greenbushes with the Tidy Towns 2017 judging visit on Thursday 29th June. Leanne Green, Chairperson

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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 Spring Gully Road 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

The open day held on Saturday 10th June was a huge success, a fitting celebration to four years of hard work, passion, and dedication by the team, the partners, and the community.

People came from far and wide to attend, most notable the Schwenke family who came to see their namesake get a new lease of life as a wetland. Josh Whiteland wowed the gathering with his welcome to country and opening music, then led a walk later on through the walk trails stopping to tell us interesting history about the plants and their uses.

Schwenke's is a model of what can be done when a mining company and conservationists work together and is the first of hopefully many such collaborations in the transformation of disused mining pits into vital wetland habitats for endangered bitterns and other wildlife.

The boardwalk, which was funded by the South West Development Commission Royalty for Regions, was officially opened to walkers by Warren Blackwood MLA Terry Redman.

We could not have hoped for a better day with Makuru holding off for a little while longer to give us perfect weather for an outdoor celebration. Of course, now we need the skies to open up and help our plants grow strong.



Josh Whiteland from Koomal Dreaming

captivating the guests with music.

Schwenke Family: Dianna Buchanan (Schwenke), Helen Schwenke, Rod Ash, and Jenny Ash (Schwenke).



Josh leading a walk and talk





Per Christensen, Blackwood Basin Group Chairman, demonstrating a Bittern call.





Blackwood Basin Group Update



Mature Melaleuca Planting

With a little money left in the revegetation budget we decided that both Schwenke's and the community deserved a final gift from the project to make up for four years of disruptions.

With the help of some wonderful volunteers the trees were planted and happy in the ground ready for the open day.

Ellenby tree farm in Perth grows these magnificent Melaleuca pressiana trees to a stage where they can be planted straight in the ground and look like they've been there for decades. Danny Farquhar from DR and ML Contractors went above and beyond in helping us get them in the ground, coming back for a second day when the trees were bigger than expected.



Mavis and Brooke with the newly delivered Melaleuca Pressianas.

Thank You

This project was a long and intricate journey, full of surprises and joy. There is no way this could have been accomplished with such success without you, the community who supported us every step of the way.

The Blackwood Basin Group would like to thank each and every one of you for your commitment to your environment, it is no wonder the National Tidy Towns named Greenbushes the winner of the Community Action and Wellbeing award.

I am honoured to have been a part of this journey.

Felicity Littleton's Plant of the Month

Hybanthus floribundis

Common Name: Shrub Violet

On a drab, grey wintery day this small shrub can be a welcome discovery.

It has sweet little pale blue flowers in the typical shape of a violet flower. Naturally it belongs to the VIOLACAEA family.

The plant can be found on sand or lateritic soils in heathland, shrubland, or woodland.

I read that it flowers in winter but in fact I notice that it flowers for quite some time, from April to November.

It is described as a herb or shrub up to 1.5m. It is a very pretty plant.



Photo by Brooke Janitz

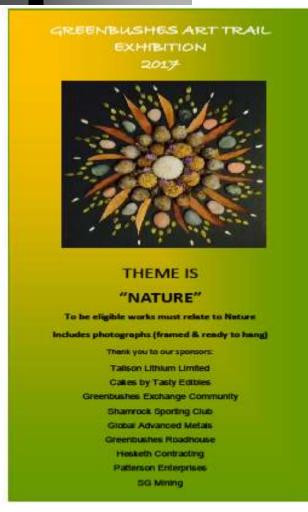


Danny Farquhar planting the paperbarks.



The finished effect of the mature planting.





BINGO

Stinton Gardens Function Centre

Second Friday of the month Starting Fri 14th July

From 9.30am, \$5 entry, \$1 Raffle



Come and enjoy a morning out Bring a shared lunch Everyone welcome

Contact Heather Cusack for details. 9764 3653

ENTRIES OPEN FOR ART TRAIL

The Greenbushes Art Trail is on again this year, coinciding with the Greenbushes Winter Weekend – Friday 4th to Sunday 6th August. This year's theme is "Nature" and may include photography as long as the photo is mounted/framed and ready to hang. Get your entry forms from Tasty Edibles.

Judging will be by people's choice voting throughout the exhibition for 3 categories –

Juniors (\$50) – children under 12 years of age Adults (\$1,000)

School (\$200 voucher from Jackson's Drawing Supplies) – new category this year sponsored by Jackson's Drawing Supplies and Tasty Edibles.

The exhibition will open on Friday night from 6pm to 8pm in the RSL Hall. Come along and enjoy the fantastic array of local art on display, drinks and nibbles will be available. Art work will also be displayed in Tasty Edibles over the weekend.

We will have a raffle for the Art Trail this year featuring work from Caroline Haines, Sally Stoneman, Jo Aflerick, Bruce Smith, Jacqueline Lahne and the Firebird ladies from Nannup. Tickets will be available from the various businesses in town so keep an eye out for it and be in it to win it!



Mick Lattimer has also kindly donated one of his pieces for silent auction again this year. The "Wise Owl" is a magnificent sculpture made from scrap metal. Make sure you get your bid in! The bidding sheet will be available from the various businesses in town so keep an eye out for it.

There will also be a number of workshops run over the weekend so don't forget to get your booking if you are interested as places are limited. You can make your booking for any of the workshops through Shannon at Tasty Edibles – 9764 3361.

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WANTED TO BORROW AND DISPLAY!

St Patrick's Catholic Church is looking to borrow and display Christening Robes and/or photos relating to the event, for our display on the Greenbushes Winter Festival Weekend (Saturday August 5).

It would be lovely if some of the articles are related to our local churches here in Greenbushes but any will be welcome! Please contact Deb Scallan on 0428 643 508 if you can help.





ENTRIES OPEN FOR ART TRAIL cont...

Saturday 5th August

Sarah Evans – Creative natural poetry. Saturday 5th August 9.30-11.30am at the CRC. \$10 per person.

Sally Stoneman – Basket Weaving. Saturday 5th August 10am – 1pm in the Roadboard building. \$60 per person.

Teresa Hammond – Life Drawing. Saturday 5th August 2-4pm at "The Shed" opposite Tasty Edibles. Easels, charcoal and butcher's paper available, but bring your own materials if you prefer. \$20 per person.

Sunday 6th August

Caroline Haines – Workshop with the kids – building something from natural objects. Sunday 6th August 10am – 12 noon in the Roadboard building. \$2 per person.





Teresa Hammond – Life Drawing. Sunday 6th August 2-4pm at "The Shed" opposite Tasty Edibles. Easels, charcoal and butcher's paper available, but bring your own materials if you prefer. \$20 per person.

Proceeds from the Art Trail this year will go towards a sculpture by our local artist Sally Stoneman. It will be located near the new boardwalk at Schwenkes Dam.

The mural on the Greenbushes Pool toilet block is now completed! Local artist, Caroline Haines, was commissioned with the proceeds from last year's Art Trail to jazz the toilet block up with some scenes depicting things to see and do around Greenbushes. It looks fantastic! Thanks Caroline.

Thanks also to Pat Scallan and Steve Green for hanging Caroline's art work on the toilet block.

Caroline said "The inspiration for my artworks was to portray the colours from nature onto the walls, I used the trees to support the paintings as I felt the branches signified the community and family spirit of Greenbushes by reaching out and bringing the town together."

Make sure you go down and have a look. We have already received many positive comments from visitors.



Caroline in front of the pool toilet's mural she created.



Caroline with her War Memorial painting.

CLUB B PROGRAMME FOR FRIDAYS IN JUNE

June 2—Watch the movie "RED DOG"

June 9—Sharon Williams author of "NATURE V NURTURE"

June 16—Nerolie Lyle from Parkinsons WA

June 23 Morning Tea at Emporium Bistro Bridgetown

June 30—Australia All Over Talk with George Stuart

10am to 12pm \$5 per session Lunch available for \$9

ENQUIRIES: Danni Roberts 0447713368 or Sue Hill 97612124, or email danni.roberts@silverchain.org.au



WINTER FESTIVAL WEEKEND SOON

Greenbushes is planning a host of events for the Winter Festival Weekend on August 4, 5 and 6.

The fun activities will commence on Friday August 4 with the official opening of the Greenbushes Art Trail and Exhibition at the RSL Hall. The exhibition will then be open to the public over the weekend.

Local hotels will be open for dinner on Friday evening -Tasty Edibles will be doing pizza and the Greenbushes Roadhouse will serve fish and chips.

On Saturday the Community Garden will host morning tea from 9am until noon and the Discovery Centre has organised Storytelling sessions on Saturday, in the morning at the Town Square / Community Garden and again in the afternoon at the Heritage Park.

St Patrick's Catholic Church will open with a Memorabilia Display between 10am and 2pm featuring Christening gowns and photographs. The Greenbushes Masonic Lodge will also be open to the public on Saturday.

Greenbushes CRC will host a Zentangle Workshop on Saturday from 12:30 to 3:30pm and there will be other art activities over the weekend which have been organised as part of the Art Trail and Exhibition. For more information about the Zentangle Workshop contact the CRC on 9764 3575 and for Art Trail information contact Shannon Fraser Butler at Tasty Edibles Café 97643361,.

The popular Laser Mayhem will feature at Maranup Ford on Saturday and Sunday. Call 0475228112 for details.

On Sunday the annual Wattle Walk will be held in the morning 10am - 12noon, walking via the Greenbushes Pool to Schwenke's Dam where Blackwood Basin Group staff will be on site to provide information on the "Waterbird Project". A sausage sizzle lunch and bush poetry will follow in the Heritage Park. There will also be an Open Day at Blue Sky Retreat.

Go to www.bridgetowninthewinter.com.au or www.greenbushes.com.au for more details.

Greenbushes-Balingup Newsletter via email

If you would like to receive an emailed copy of the Greenbushes-Balingup Newsletter please email me at coordinator@greenbushescrc.net.au

If you have a post office box in Greenbushes or Mullalyup you will still receive a printed copy.



BALINGUP STUDENTS TO LEARN SOME NEW HEALTHY FOOD TRICKS. CRC and FOOD SENSATIONS COMBINE AT THE SCHOOL: NOVEMBER 2017









Where: New BALINGUP Fire Station (off Brockman Street)

When: Thursday 13th July, 2017

Time: 9am to 12pm (light lunch provided)

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: Phone Sheila: 0475 774 558 or Tracy 0499 336 465

Email: admin@blackwoodbiosecurity.org.au

Hear from leading pest experts about the latest strategies communities can use to manage invasive animals.

Including Darren Marshall, Senior Pest Animal Management Officer with the Queensland Murray-Darling Basin Committee, who will share his ground breaking, no nonsense, down to earth approach.

IF YOU HAVE INVASIVE PEST PROBLEMS, WE WANT TO HEAR ABOUT THEM.

DON'T MISS THIS WORKSHOP











OPENING HOURS

Monday: 9:00am - 5:00pm Tuesday: 9:00am - 3:00pm Wednesday: 9:00am - 5:00pm Thursday: 9:00am - 3:00pm Friday: 9:00am - 12:00pm

Closed Public Holidays



We are now a recycling point for Nespresso capsules

Reduce, Reuse and Recycle

The Greenbushes C.R.C. has joined the Nespresso recycling system to help reduce the impact of waste and ensure aluminium coffee pods are recycled.

Aluminium capsules recycled with Nespresso are sent off to a specialist recycling plant where the aluminum is separated from the residual coffee. The coffee is then sent to a composting facility to be transformed into compost, while the aluminium is recycled into new aluminium products.



Exchange Hotel - Greenbushes

22 Blackwood Road, Greenbushes

08 9764 3509

Dine in: 6:00-8:00PM Dine in 7 days

Take Away 5:30-7:30PM Last orders 7:15PM Take Away 7 Days-Drinks & Food

Roast every Sunday 5:30—7:30PM

Shaded Beer Garden

Accommodation Available

See website for more details: www.exchangehotelgreenbushes.com.au



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Steve Hawkins

Recycle your batteries, printer cartridges and mobile phones at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre.









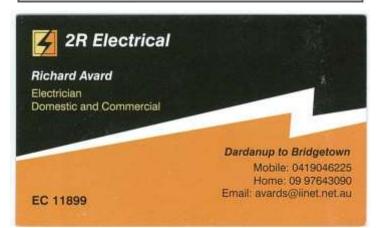




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Video Conference / Meeting Room	CRC Members	Non Members
Per hour	\$12	\$20
Half day	\$33	\$45
Full day	\$45	\$90
After hours (per hr)	\$20	\$25
Tea/coffee	\$2.00/head	\$3.00/head
Morning OR afternoon tea	\$4.00/head	\$5.00/head
Other catering	Upon Quote	Upon Quote

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9764 3575



RURAL IN REACH

CONTACT THE CRC FOR THE 2017 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.

GREENBUSHES CRC LIBRARY

CALL IN TO THE CRC AND CHECK OUT THE SHELVES IN THE LIBRARY WHERE YOU'LL FIND A GREAT SELECTION OF BOOKS. THERE ARE EVEN PAPERBACKS AVAILABLE TO SWAP. IT IS ALSO POSSIBLE TO ORDER BOOKS FROM THE BRIDGETOWN LIBRARY BY SEARCHING THE ONLINE CATALOGUE AT THE CRC.



Community Notices





C hurch Times

ANGLICAN CHURCH

Greenbushes St Barnabas

Sunday Morning Services each week at 11:00am.

Eucharist 2nd Sunday of the month at 11:00am

Contact: Parish Office 97611066 Contact Rev. Canon Karon Austin 0402141896

Balingup—St Peter's Church Jayes Rd. Eucharist 1st Sunday at 9am. Services held each week.

Contact Ms. Simone Payne for more details on 97641885.

UNITING CHURCH

Greenbushes

2nd Sunday each month 2:30pm

CATHOLIC CHURCH

Balingup

1st Sunday (Sat Vigil) 6:30pm 2nd Sunday 10:30am

Greenbushes

3rd Sunday (Sat Vigil) 6:30pm 4th Sunday 10:30am

5th Sunday 8:30am (Lay Liturgy)

BRIDGETOWN TO GREENBUSHES SHOPPING BUS RUN

The community bus ROSIE continues to operate on alternative Tuesdays from Greenbushes to Bridgetown and return.

Departing from the Greenbushes Roadhouse at 9:00am COST: \$8 per person

For more information contact Rebecca Redman at the Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes on 97611555.

Wise sayings often fall on barren ground, but a kind word is never thrown away.

Arthur Helps



Event or Group	Venue	Time	Day of the month	Contact
Greenbushes Aged Community Committee	Stinton Gardens Function Centre	4.00pm	2 nd Monday of the month	Leanne Green 041 900 5224
Greenbushes Community Garden Committee and Morning Tea	Community Garden Building	8:30am	1 st Saturday of the month Busy Bee 2 on the 3 rd Saturday of the month	Tracy Lansdell 9764 3414
Greenbushes Discovery Centre Committee	Discovery Centre	2:30pm	4 th Tues of the month	Leonie 97 825 717
Greenbushes Retirees Committee	RSL Hall	11:00am	3 rd 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	From 1:00 pm	Meetings 2 nd Tuesday and gardens/crafts on 4 th Tuesday	Wendy 9764 3525
Community Resource Centre Management Committee Meeting	Community Resource Centre	2:30pm	3 rd Wednesday of each month	Coordinator 9764 3575
Balingup Playgroup	Primary School Art/Music Room	9.30am to 11.30am	Mondays \$2 each Session	Krystal 0475069251
Greenbushes Playgroup	Old Court House Greenbushes	9.30am to 11.30am	Every Tuesday	Kayla Brunckhorst 0400 612 263
Balingup Progress Association	Balingup Community Centre	7:00pm	1 st Wednesday of the month	Noelen e King 9764 1080
Greenbushes Community Shed	Greenbushes CRC	3:15pm	4 th Wednesday each month.	CRC Coordinator 9764 3575
Greenbushes BINGO	Stinton Gardens Function Centre	9:30am Bingo 1:00pm Meeting	2 nd Thursday of the month	Heather 97643653
Greenbushes CWA Belles	CWA Rooms	7:00pm	4 th Thursday of the month	Karen Browne 040 830 1002
Grow Greenbushes	Road Board Building	7.30pm	1 st Thursday of the month (except Dec and Jan)	Leanne Green 041 900 5224
Greenbushes Tidy Towns Committee	Road Board Building	6:30pm	1 st Thursday of the month (except Dec and Jan)	Leonie Eastcott 97 825 717
Balingup Lions Club Meetings	Community Centre Balingup	7:00pm	Every 2 nd Thursday	Chris 9764 1814
Greenbushes RSL	RSL Hall	3.30pm	3 rd Friday of the month	Pat Scallan 042 764 3508
Community Resource Centre Book club	Greenbushes CRC	10:00am to 11:00am	3 rd Wednesday of each month	Coordinator 9764 3575
Community Resource Centre Craft Club	Greenbushes CRC	10:00am to 12:00pm	Every Tuesday	Coordinator 9764 3575
Shamrock Sporting Club	Shamrock Hotel Greenbushes	5:00pm	Last Sunday of the month	9764 3512
Greenbushes Community Singers	St Barnabas Church	1:30pm to 3:00pm	Tuesdays	043 733 8350

July Diary Dates

1	Plastic Free July Morning Tea at Greenbushes Community Garder
3	Mole Scan at the CRC.
5	Optometrist at the CRC.
5 - 14	School Holiday Program.
3 - 9	Telling Tales in Balingup.
)	Croquet in the Park.
19	CRC Book Club.
21	Closing date for entries in the Greenbushes Art Trail Exhibition.
23	Greenbushes Community Singers free concert.
26	Greenbushes Community Shed Committee meeting.
7	Healthy Cooking at the Balingup Primary School

4:00pm Croquet in the Park followed by a Sundowner.

Coming up in August

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4, 5 & 6 Greenbushes Winter Festival Weekend Activities.



It's That Time Again Sunday July 23rd I FREE CONCERT I

GREENBUSHES COMMUNITY SINGERS

WHERE: St Barnabas Anglican Church, Stanifer St, Greenbushes

WHEN: 10 a.m. to 10:45 a.m., Sunday morning, July 23rd

COME ALONG, SING ALONG, OR JUST LISTEN AND ENJOY

QUESTIONS ?? CONTACT TREVOR 0437 338 350

