

MARCH 2015

# Greenbushes-Balingup Newsletter

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## GREENBUSHES STUDENTS GET OFF TO A GOOD START



There were loads of happy smiles as school students returned to the class at Greenbushes Primary School for 2015.

With the Year 7 students now at High School the enrolment numbers sit at 44 students from Kindergarten to Year 6 at Greenbushes.

Principal Roger Foster said there were three classes for 2015 with Kindergarten and Pre-Primary in one class, Years 1, 2 and 3 in another class and the Year 4, 5 and 6 students combined.

Long-time Greenbushes teachers Toni Candido and Rose Fullston are taking leave for First Term.

Teaching staff have remained stable with Vicki Woods teaching Kindergarten/Pre-Primary, Anne Giblett teaching Years 1,2,3 and Deb Penney and Roger Foster team teaching the Years 4,5,6.

Students travelled to Boyup Brook for swimming lessons in the first few weeks of February due to the closure of the Bridgetown Pool for renovations.

## LITTER PICK UP FOR CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

Parents and friends joined Greenbushes Primary School students for a Tidy Towns litter pickup on Friday March 6. The pickup was part of the nationwide Keep Australia Beautiful Clean Up Australia programme.

## BALINGUP STUDENTS ENCOUNTER THE GIANTS

Students from Balingup Primary School took a bus from Perth and a ferry across the Swan River on Friday February 13 for a magical encounter with "The Giants." The puppets, who were created in the French city of Nantes, visited Perth for the Perth Fringe Festival drawing crowds of hundreds of thousands of people to the city for the spectacle. Balingup students including Declan Kopp ( pictured below centre), were in awe of the "The Giants."



## COOKBOOK FUNDRAISER

Community members are invited to submit their favourite recipes, household hints and stories from the past to the Greenbushes P and C for inclusion in a fundraiser cookbook.

The cookbook will feature recipes and stories about Greenbushes with illustrations by students at the Greenbushes Primary School.

Recipes will include Canapes, Finger Foods, Main Meals, Jams and Pickles, School Lunch ideas, International Cuisine, Special Dietary Requirements (including ideas for Diabetics and people who are lactose intolerant), Desserts, Cakes and Party Foods.

People are also asked to send in household and gardening hints, measurements and temperatures and stories about Greenbushes. The stories will be placed throughout the book between the recipes.

Parents submitting recipes can also have their children draw a picture of the dish which will be included on the same page as the recipe. The P and C is also looking for a Cover Design for the cookbook so send in your ideas.

For more information contact Megan on 97643606.  
All entries must be submitted by the end of Term 1.

## BEING BUSHFIRE READY

Bushfire Ready is a community based program that encourages and supports local residents to work together to prepare their properties and protect their families from bushfires.

The program aims to provide opportunities for neighbours to network, share ideas and information and develop and implement strategies to reduce bushfire risk.

People interested in finding out more about the program should contact their local Shire or go to the Department of Fire and Emergency website for more information.

Getting to know your neighbours is an important step in creating a resilient community that responds effectively in an emergency situation. Communities that work together to identify community concerns and help each other to respond are better prepared in the event of emergencies.

DFES is encouraging people to get involved in the Relationships Australia Neighbour Day on Sunday March 29. This national programme brings people together to create more supportive and tolerant neighbourhoods. For more information about this program and to collect a free E-kit go to [www.neighbourday.org](http://www.neighbourday.org).



### RED CROSS BRIDGETOWN

PRESENTS

## THE 20th QUIZ NIGHT

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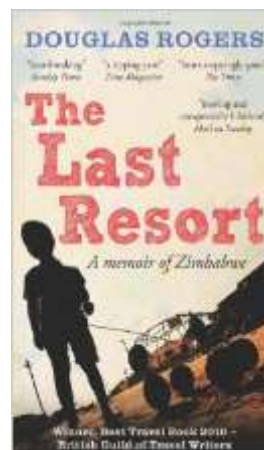
**Tickets \$10 pp/ Tables of 6**

Help Celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the Bridgetown Red Cross at the 20th Quiz Night. Contact Patricia on 97611946 for more details.



**Invites you to go along to the next book club meeting at the**

**Greenbushes CRC on  
Wednesday 18th March  
10am—11am**



If you would like to borrow the book and come to the review, see Fran in the Office.

If you know someone who may wish to come please let them know.



## HIVE OF ACTIVITY AT COMMUNITY GARDEN

This year at the garden we will continue focusing on community engagement and education.

We have been having a great turnout to our monthly **morning teas**. They are held on the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month at 9.30, the next one will be March 7<sup>th</sup>. We always provide the cuppas and ask that you bring a small contribution towards the morning tea. We also encourage you to bring along any surplus fresh produce from your garden if you would like to swap or just to share around.

We often take our veggies over to the roadhouse where **Sharen** generously finds countertop space to display. We want to say a big thanks to Sharen for this and to everyone who has been buying the goods. These veggies have the smallest 'food miles' ever – literally just a 20 metre walk, no fossil fuels required!

**Busy bees** will continue at the garden on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month from 8.30 onwards. We always appreciate help on these mornings to continue the progress of this great community space.

Projects this year include the gabion wall and new garden bed which is well underway and the big ticket item for 2015 is the kid's natureplay area, which will slowly evolve over the year.

We will be having a stall at the **Balingup Small Farm Field Day** on April 18th, selling seedlings, plants, pickles, bee hotels and we will also be doing two talks at the black stump on Native Bees and how to build your own Bee Hotels.

Our workshop with **Peter Coppin** will be here before we know it, as this year seems to already be whizzing along. This is scheduled for the beginning of July, with the date to be confirmed closer to the time. Peter will be here for a few hours to show us everything we need to know about pruning stonefruit trees, nut trees, citrus, grapevines, he'll also be covering grafting techniques and orchard pest and disease management.

It's great to see our members and volunteers at the garden again for another year of fun. Our **AGM** is on the **11<sup>th</sup> March at 4.30**. All positions will become vacant and available for nomination / election. If you would like to become more involved with the garden, this is the perfect opportunity to come along.

**Tracy Lansdell, co-ordinator.**



For more photos and stories about our garden find us on Facebook.



**COMMUNITY GRANT USED FOR GABION WALL**

The Greenbushes Community Garden group acknowledges the fantastic support received from the Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes for the gabion wall project.

We received a grant of \$1,363 to help with the cost of providing soil, weed mat, plants and gabion baskets for the garden.

Gabion walls are wire structures that can be filled with rocks to create retaining walls and this method has been used to create a new feature garden bed along the entrance path to our garden (see pictures above).

Thank you to everyone involved in developing the project.  
**Tracy Lansdell (Coordinator)**



## MINE NEWS

The separate Regulation 17 approval's for Talison Lithium and Global Advanced Metals were published in the WA Government Gazette on 27<sup>th</sup> February. Both companies will jointly manage noise emissions to ensure that the requirements of the approval are met.

SG Mining received the fourth 777 haul truck on site 4<sup>th</sup> March, completing the fleet upgrade.

## BLACK DOG RIDESTHROUGH BRIDGETOWN

The Bridgetown Lions Club will be hosting a bacon and egg breakfast at Bridgetown in the Railway Station Car Park on Sunday March 22 to welcome the Black Dog Ride participants.

The Black Dog Ride last year attracted 600 riders.

The program was established in 2009 to raise awareness about suicide and depression.

The Lions Club breakfast costs \$10 per person with all funds going to the Black Dog Ride cause.



People are welcome to go along and meet with the riders and share breakfast and stories.



**Greenbushes Tidy Towns**  
*South West Region Winner 2014*

## Greenbushes Community LITTER PICKUP

**Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> March 2015**

*Join in the community litter  
pickup and help keep our  
roadsides clear of rubbish*

Meet at rear of  
**Greenbushes Roadhouse at 4pm**  
Children must be accompanied by an adult.  
**Bags provided. Bring own gloves.**

Contact Leonie 0427643065  
for more information.



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

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## SPORTS EXHIBITION AT BALINGUP

On March the 21<sup>st</sup> the Balingup History Group will be launching its new exhibition based on the sporting clubs in Balingup from 1898 – 1960.



The exhibition is open every day 10am to 4 pm in the back of the Old Packing Shed and entry is by donation.

Have your name recorded on a plaque and placed on a square of pressed tin and become a Friend of the Historical Group for the cost of \$35.

This helps the committee continue the collation of Balingup's History.

## BALINGUP FIELD DAY—25 YEARS OLD

The Balingup Small Farm Field Day is celebrating its 25 year anniversary in 2015 on April 18.



Since the first event in 1991 the volunteer based team has been showcasing all aspects of small farming practices including landcare, animal husbandry, growing fruits and vegetables, crafts from natural products, equipment for farms and entertainment for children such as Kids in the Kitchen cooking.

Gates open at 9:00am and the fun continues through until 4:30pm. Entry costs \$10 for adults and children under 16 years get free entry if they are accompanied by an adult.

Profits from the Balingup Small Farm Field Day are directed back to the community through the Balingup Progress Association.

For more information go to [www.balingupsmallfarmfieldday.com.au](http://www.balingupsmallfarmfieldday.com.au)



## "CLUB B" EVENTS FOR MARCH

The Club B programme is up and running for 2015 at the Silver Chain Community Centre in Bridgetown.

New members are most welcome to attend. The gatherings are informal and cost \$5 which includes morning tea.

On March 13 artist Jan Dedman will present on the large screen her presentation "A Picture Paints a Thousand Words."

On Friday March 20 there will be a group sharing session—"What World Citizen would you like to invite to Club B as Guest Speaker—and why?"

On Friday March 27 Songwriter singer Mary Myfanwy Evans will give a preview of her new album "Another Morning of Music with Mary Myfanwy."

Sessions take place between 10:00am and 12:00pm.

There will not be any session on Friday April 3 (Easter Friday) due to the Public Holiday.

All Silver Chain clients and members of the community are welcome to attend. For more details contact Edna on 97612707.



**9:30AM TO 12:30PM**

**ENTRANCE FEE \$5 for door Raffle  
LUNCH WILL FOLLOW BINGO**

**EVERY 2ND THURSDAY  
of the MONTH  
12th March— 12th Nov**



**Call Molly Baxter 9764 3739**

## GRANTS NOW OPEN

The Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup's Community Grants Scheme is now open.

Groups within the Shire are invited to apply for funding for projects that will benefit the local community.

Minor grants of up to \$500 are available if group's do not have matching funding. For grants between \$500 and \$5,000 a matching 50-50 cash component is required.

There are also Youth Grants, Donnybrook Amphitheatre Events and Support for the Arts Grants available along with grants for building maintenance on Shire owned buildings.

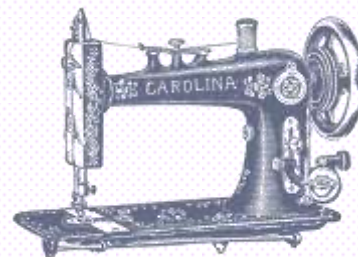
The council is also able to consider financial requests for projects that fall outside the Community Grants Scheme. These requests must be submitted in writing to Council and will be considered as part of the budget process.

All applications for the Community Grants Scheme and Budget Requests must be submitted by Monday April 27.

For more information and to obtain an application form and guidelines contact the Community Development Officer Helen Gamble on 97804220 or email [hgamble@donnybrook.wa.gov.au](mailto:hgamble@donnybrook.wa.gov.au)

## EXPRESSIONS of INTEREST

**Do you use a sewing machine or want to learn?**



**Would you like to be part of a friendly group sharing dress making skills and make clothes using a sewing machine?**

**If your answer is YES, please contact Meghan on 0417 113 181 and express your interest.**

**Planned to be held at Greenbushes CRC for a nominal weekly fee, time & day to be set**



**NOT A CRAFT CLASS! "DRESS MAKING"**

## COMING UP APPLES—WITHOUT CODDLING MOTH

Western Australia is one of the very few apple producing regions of the world that is currently free of the devastating "coddling moth" and to keep it that way we all need to remain vigilant. Please monitor your fruit trees frequently and if you see something unusual report it by telephoning 1800084 881 or email [info@agric.wa.gov.au](mailto:info@agric.wa.gov.au).

The first sign of coddling moth is a hole in the fruit plugged with excreta of the lava inside. The lava or grub is white to light pink in colour with a dark brown head and it feeds on the insides of the fruit heading for the core.



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## 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*

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

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Other catering	Upon Quote	Upon Quote

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## CRC Coordinator's Column



**Craft Club** – There was an appeal in the Preston Press asking for donations of knitted or crocheted poppies for a project the RSL want to do in making a large sign to celebrate the 100 year anniversary. The Greenbushes Craft ladies knitted 31 in a couple of weeks and Marion kindly dropped them off. Look forward to seeing some photos in due course. We are now thinking about making some small knitted or crocheted poppies for sewing them to a small rosemary wreath for our RSL in Greenbushes. If you would like to donate thin red wool we'd be happy to receive it!

**Easter School Holiday Program** – we will have a wide range of events on for the children over the two weeks; see the advertisement within. Please register your children as soon as you know your plans to help me plan the supervision. Thank you.



**Beginners Facebook** – we have had some requests by community members who would like to learn how to use Facebook community buy/sell pages and see their friends and families profiles. So on 25<sup>th</sup> March we invite you to come along to an event so see what it's all about.

You do not have to be a Facebook user now; just come and see what it is and if you have an iPad, tablet, laptop, bring it – or you can use our PC's if you'd like to. There is a nominal fee of \$15 which includes morning tea. Please see the advert within the newsletter.

**New Dressmaking Club** – we had a strong response to our expressions of interest advert last month and our inaugural session was on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February. This group is about dressmaking, using sewing machines and maybe smocking. It's not knitting or crochet, or hand crafts, embroidery etc. If you are interested in coming along please call Meghan on **0417 113 181**.



**Seniors First Aid – FREE**; we had a wonderful turnout for this free workshop given by Erica from St. John's in Bridgetown.

Thank you to those who attended and remember the useful methods of taking care of yourself to reduce falls and how to respond to injury.



**'Live' Opera Simulcast** – don't forget to book your place for our special screening of the Opera on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March – dress up for a night out! See advert in the newsletter.

*Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss on 2<sup>nd</sup> March*



Fran Bullock | Coordinator  
Heather-Lee Willis| Trainee



## RALLY IN THE VALLEY HIGHLIGHTS REGIONS ATTRACTIONS FOR VISITORS

Greg Schmidt from Wheelers Hill, Victoria was the winner of the inaugural Rally in the Valley tourist trail event.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Chance Draw Winner drawn by Nannup Shire CEO Jim Kelly, was Bernadette Taylor from Moora.

Approximately 100 people explored the Blackwood Valley Region as part of Rally in the Valley, from as far afield as Wheelers Hill, Victoria, Esperance, Moora, and more locally Mandurah, Manjimup, Leschenault and of course the Blackwood River Valley towns.

The post event surveys indicated that all enjoyed the experience and positive comments were made. Comments included things like "Awesome! Great fun", "Kept the kids entertained with something different to do",

The Blackwood River Valley Marketing Association, who hosted this event, are looking forward to next year's Rally in the Valley and would like to thank the South West Development Commission their support of this event.



*Greg Wheeler and his partner Anica holidaying in Greenbushes*

It is acknowledgement of the BRVMA's role in promoting the Blackwood River Valley as a premium tourist destination.

THE BRVMA would also express thanks to Australia's South West, Preston Press and Talison (Pat Scallan) for their assistance with maps for the Rally.



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## GREENBUSHES FUN RUN REGISTRATIONS OPEN

Registrations are now open for the Greenbushes Fun Run which takes place on 17 May 2015.

To register people can go to the blueChipTiming website and follow the links through the calendar page. Alternatively people can register through the following hyperlink: <https://secure.onreg.com/onreg2/front/step1.php?id=2686>.

This year's event will feature a category for people aged 16 years and under as well as adults aged 17 to 49 and veterans from 50+.

People can opt to tackle the 5 km (approximate distance) walk/run or the 10 km (approximate) run. The course is set through forest surrounding the Greenbushes townsite.

It will commence and end at the Greenbushes Sports Complex on the northern side of town just off the South Western Highway. There will be market stalls and displays at the Sports Complex to add to the festival atmosphere.

Funds will go to Breast Cancer Network Australia. There will be a mini field of women assembled in association with the Greenbushes Fun Run.

People interested in setting up a market stall at the event should email : [pinkfunrun@talisonlithium.com](mailto:pinkfunrun@talisonlithium.com).  
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**For more confidential details**

## Assistance with Care and Housing for the Aged



Are you a senior having difficulty maintaining your tenancy? Are you unsure of what community services may be available to enable you to stay independent in your own community?

Australian Red Cross Assistance with Care and Housing the Aged Programme (ACHA) can provide practical support and information to help with your concerns.

Please contact us to discuss, or if you would like more information on Red Cross's work with isolated older people go to the website.

For more information call Michelle or Amanda  
97266700 or 0478321222  
[www.redcross.org.au](http://www.redcross.org.au)

CRISIS CARE COMMITMENT

## DONNYBROOK SHIRE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

The Donnybrook Shire is busy planning a school holiday programme for Easter.

The holidays will kick start with the Donnybrook Apple Festival—Harvest and Arts which will take place at Egan Park on April 4 and 5. There will be holiday programmes in place for two weeks until the Balingup Small Farm Field Day on April 18. Keep an eye out for the activities in your school newsletter.

## TALISON AND QUBE TO VISIT BALINGUP SCHOOL

Talison Lithium and Qube (formerly Giacci) will bring a big rig to Balingup Primary School on Tuesday March 17 to raise awareness about road safety around trucks.

Students will be able to get a close look at the large trucks which cart product from the Greenbushes Mining Operations to Bunbury each day. The programme seeks to educate about safety around large road trains.

## NEW REGIONAL ARTIST DEVELOPMENT FELLOWSHIPS OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

Regional artists and arts workers are invited to apply for up to \$30,000 to develop their professional skills and gain experience in the national and international arts landscape.

Federal Arts Minister Senator George Brandis announced funding for five Regional Artist Development Fellowships, part of the Australian Government's commitment to supporting professional regional artists and promoting a vibrant, creative life in Australia's regions.

Artists in our regions encounter additional barriers to city-based artists in accessing opportunities to develop their arts practice on a professional level.

These fellowships will provide artists and arts workers with new and valuable experiences that not only support their career but also deliver long-term benefits to the cultural life of their communities.

The five fellowships are:

The *International creative development fellowship* (\$30,000) which is open to regional artists to support a placement or experience outside Australia to develop creative practice.

The *Indigenous creative development fellowship* (\$20,000) which is open to Indigenous regional artists to support a placement or experience outside their region (including international, metropolitan or other regions) to develop creative practice.

The *Young artist creative development fellowship* (\$15,000) which is available for regional artists aged between 18 and 26 to support a placement or experience outside their region (including international, metropolitan or other regions) to develop creative practice or support their career path.

The *Institutional fellowship* and *Indigenous institutional fellowship* (\$30,000 each) will each support a placement for a regional artist or arts worker at an Australian arts institution. The placement could include formal training, mentoring with institutional leaders or a work placement.

Regional Artist Development Fellowships are administered by Regional Arts Australia. For more information visit [www.regionalarts.com.au](http://www.regionalarts.com.au).

Applications close at midnight on Friday 17 April 2015.

## WESTLINK BROADCASTS

Westlink has a Community TV initiative which results in the broadcasting of a number of programmes of interest to the community.

Daytime showings are available for "Charlie's Kitchen" in which everyday people are invited to cook their delicious home style meals in front of the camera. Day time showings are also available for a programme on an Artificial Reef Project at Jurien Bay. A programme with a country flavour is "Loving Life in the Country" with Rosalie Daw from Ravensthorpe. Other shows of interest are "Harvesting at Babakin" and the March "Best Country Towns" sees Russell Goodrick visit the wheatbelt town of Kalannie. "Sweet and Sour" is a community orientated panel show that is also available for day time screenings through Westlink Broadcast. Times are March 26 at 10:30am, March 27 at 2:30pm or March 29 at 12:00pm.

## RURAL IN REACH 2015

Family and domestic violence can impact us all, regardless of cultural background, age, gender or geographical location.

The Rural In Reach panel will discuss the experience of family and domestic violence in Australia as well as some options for keeping ourselves and our children safe.

This broadcast will be screened on FRIDAY MARCH 20 at 12:00pm.

This is a new programme for 2015. Contact the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre for more information or to book a session.



# 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.

## Dam modification

Dam modification is now complete along Spring Gully Road and the areas with sufficient water have been revegetated with mature clumps of rushes (*Baumea articulata*).

These clumps were dug out from the active mine site and included the plant's complex root system or rhizome which, past experience indicates, will help the plants to reproduce and further revegetate the site.

The site will also see thousands of native seedling being planted in the coming months with paperbarks, Jarrah, and Marri among many others.

Works will be starting at Charnley's shortly, which is an area to the north of the Greenbushes Pool near Dumping Gully.

The plan here is to modify the water-bodies so that water can be held longer and areas will be ripped so that vegetation has a greater chance of establishing and reproducing.

Shallow wading areas and deeper pools will be created to provide a diverse range of habitats for native fauna.

## 1080 Baiting

1080 baiting for rabbits and foxes is planned for the month of March on the active mine site and at Schwenke's Dam.

Dog walkers and people with pets are advised to be extremely cautious in the area as pets that consume poisoned carcasses can die from secondary poisoning. Using a lead or avoiding the area is the best approach to keep your animals safe.

There is a one page poster inside this edition of the Greenbushes Balingup Newsletter with more information about the 1080 Baiting Programme in March 2015.

## Fox Shoot

The Blackwood Basin Group along with the Bridgetown-Greenbushes Biosecurity Group organised a Red Card Fox Shoot recently. 11 foxes and 6 rabbits were shot by one landholder, which was a great effort. Unfortunately, we didn't get as many registrations as we had hoped but we plan to run another event next year.

Don't forget that the BBG has a number of fox and feral cat traps available free of charge (small deposit required) for those of you who can't or choose not to bait or shoot feral animals.

These traps are more successful in places where cheeky foxes are used to enclosed man-made structures such as sheds, chook pens, and under houses.



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



**Australian Government**



## Blackwood Basin Group Update

### Floating Islands

The Waterbird Committee is made up of members representing a number of stakeholders; Talison Lithium, Department of Parks and Wildlife, WaterCorp, Ratepayers Association, and the local Shire.

After a recent productive meeting a several committee members helped to plant and install 4 artificial islands supplied by committee member Bernie Masters.



These islands are made from recycled materials and have been planted with native wetland seedlings whose roots can work their way down into the water column.

The islands were then covered in bird netting to prevent the seedlings from being pulled out.

The whole process was filmed and a short video will be ready to watch on Facebook and the BBG website soon.

In 6 months to a year the plants will have grown through the bird netting and into a floating mass of habitat for waterbirds with its own protected nursery pool area in the middle ready for chicks to explore.

### Greenbushes Wetland Invertebrate Project

Our welcoming, hardcore band of volunteers continue to meet every Tuesday at the Community Garden Centre to collect, identify, store, and catalogue the bugs and other invertebrate fauna that are found at the site.

Well over 300 specimens have been collected to date and we are building up quite a picture of the various water-bodies that make up the project site.

At present there is an abundance of Blue Skimmer Dragonflies on and around the water who often perch on a spot just above the water before flying off and returning to the same spot. Females can be seen dipping their tails into the water while flying to deposit eggs.

New members are welcome to come along and help out in any way they can. It's a great way to learn about the natural environment and the connections between land, water, plants, and animals.

### 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](mailto: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](mailto:bbg2@westnet.com.au).*



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**Bridgetown Greenbushes Biosecurity Group Inc**

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**'Narrow Leaf Cotton Bush' seed is taking flight!**

Narrow- leaf Cotton Bush produces numerous light fluffy seeds that are easily dispersed by water and wind. The seeds are taking flight now!

- Remove and dispose of seedlings, seeds and plants before they spread
- Dispose of flowering plants into plastic bags to reduce the spread of seeds
- Take care when purchasing fodder and be wary of buying infested hay for livestock
- Do not cultivate Cotton Bush as a garden plant
- Any time is a good time to control Cotton Bush, if you have an infestation please control it now

Now is a good time to identify plants, please report sightings to BGBG by phone, e-mail or Facebook



**The Barber of  
Seville Rossini**

**8pm FRIDAY, MARCH 6th 2015**

**Act1: 8pm-9:30pm (Approx 90mins)**

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## **Notice of intention to Lay 1080 poison at Schwenke's Dam and the active mine site including the Southampton and Austins Dam areas, Greenbushes**

The Blackwood Basin Group and Talison Lithium (or licensed contractor) intend to lay 1080 poison baits at Schwenke's Dam and the active mine site including the Southampton and Austin's Dam areas for the control of foxes and rabbits. We intend to commence baiting in March, 2015 and complete the baiting program in April, 2015.

Please be advised that 1080 is highly toxic. The consumption of an animal that has ingested a lethal or sub-lethal dose of 1080 poses a serious risk of secondary poisoning to humans and other species. Taking of carcasses, removal of hides, and shooting or trapping animals (for human or animal consumption) is prohibited during the baiting period and for at least 14 days after the completion of the baiting program.

Please ensure children and other persons in your care are restricted from entering the site of baiting. Please restrain your pets, working dogs, and stock to avoid the possibility of poisoning through direct baiting or through eating 1080 poisoned animals.

If you would like further information about this proposed baiting program please contact the BBG on the number below. Alternatively, you can speak to a Biosecurity Officer at the Department of Agriculture and Food WA (DAFWA). More information about the use of 1080 is available from DAFWA's website: [www.agric.wa.gov.au](http://www.agric.wa.gov.au)

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## Pat's Patch... *Cr Pat Scallan*

The Bridgetown Pool is on track to be completed for the 2015-16 summer season following council's endorsement of the design plans for the project.

The plans were received on February 24 and approved by council two days later.

Community members can view the plans at the Bridgetown Library.



**For editorial and/or advertising  
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## Small Landholder News

Now is the time to start preparing for the cooler weather of Autumn and Winter.

Weed control at this time of year is all about planning. Before the break of season it is important to give some thought to winter weed control. From last year's paddock records you should have a good idea of what weeds were present in the pasture and it is also useful to consider what the paddock will be used for and the weed burden that may be present.

Ensure any fallen or unmarketable fruit is removed or destroyed to reduce pest and disease and maintain baiting programs for Mediterranean fruit fly.

If you own livestock it is important to practice good hygiene when working with your animals. Infectious diseases that are able to be transmitted between animals and humans are known as zoonosis. To reduce the risk of catching diseases like scabby mouth, Q Fever and leptospirosis from cattle and sheep, wear gloves where possible and do not handle animals with lesions without wearing gloves.

*Jodie Whitfield, Manager Small Landholder News*

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### 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

March 3, 17 & 31

April 14 & 28



GREENBUSHES  
WINTER FESTIVAL—  
COMING SOON



## Church Times

### ANGLICAN CHURCH

#### Greenbushes St Barnabas

Holy Communion 2nd Sunday

At 12:00pm

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

Contact: Parish Office 97611031

Contact: Rectory (Rev Paul Cannon) 97611066.

#### Balingup

Eucharist every Sunday at 9am

### 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)

The Balingup Historical Group Presents

## GHOST WALK

Saturday 21st March

Bookings Essential

Phone Helen on 9764 1291

\$10 per person, includes supper



8:00PM, 8:15PM & 8:30PM

Approx 2 hour Walk

Bring torch and sensible footwear

*Proceeds help support this Project*

Event or Group	Venue	Time	Day of the month	Contact
<b>Greenbushes Aged Community Committee</b>	Stinton Gardens Function Centre	1.30pm	2nd Mon of the month	<b>Leanne Green 0419005224</b>
<b>Greenbushes Community Garden Committee</b>	Community Garden Building	4:30pm	2nd Wednesday of the month	<b>Tracy Lansdell 9764 3414</b>
<b>Greenbushes Discovery Centre Committee</b>	Discovery Centre	4:30pm	4th Tues of the month	<b>Center 9764 3883</b>
<b>Greenbushes Retirees Committee</b>	RSL Hall	11:00am	3rd Tues of the month	<b>Heather Cusack 9764 3653</b>
<b>Balingup Men in Sheds</b>	Balingup Community Centre	7:00 pm	Last Tues of the month	<b>Mike 9764 1080</b>
<b>Balingup CWA</b>	Balingup CWA Centre		Meetings 2nd Tuesday and gardens/crafts on 4th Tuesday	<b>Wendy 9764 3525</b>
<b>Community Resource Centre Management Committee Meeting</b>	Community Resource Centre	2:30pm	Third Monday each month	<b>Fran Bullock 9764 3575</b>
<b>Balingup Playgroup</b>	Primary School Art/Music Room	9.30 to 11.30am	Every Thursday during school term	<b>Katie 9764 1507</b>
<b>Greenbushes Playgroup</b>	Old Court House Greenbushes	9.30am to 11.30am	Every Tuesday	<b>Karen Browne 0408 301002 /97612001</b>
<b>Balingup Progress Association</b>	Balingup Community Centre	7pm	1st Wednesday of month	<b>Noelene King 9764 1080</b>
<b>Grow Greenbushes</b>	Greenbushes CRC	3:15pm	Mondays	<b>Fran Bullock 9764 3575</b>
<b>Greenbushes CWA</b>	CWA Rooms	9:30am Bingo 1pm Meeting	2nd Thursday of the month	<b>Molly Baxter 9764 3739</b>
<b>Greenbushes Ratepayers &amp; Residents and Tidy Towns</b>	Road Board Building	7.30pm	1st Thursday of the month (except Dec and Jan)	
<b>Balingup Lions Club Meetings</b>	Community Centre Balingup	7:00pm	Every Second Thursday	<b>Chris 9764 1814</b>
<b>Greenbushes RSL</b>	RSL Hall	3.30pm	3rd Friday of the month	<b>Pat Scallan 0427643508</b>
<b>Community Resource Centre Book club</b>	Greenbushes CRC	10:00am-11:00am	3rd Wednesday of each month	<b>Fran Bullock 9764 3575</b>
<b>Community Resource Centre Craft Club</b>	Greenbushes CRC	10am-12pm	Every Tuesday	<b>Fran Bullock 9764 3575</b>
<b>Shamrock Sporting Club</b>	Shamrock Hotel Greenbushes	5pm	Last Sunday of the month	<b>9764 3512</b>
<b>Balingup Tennis Club Social Evening</b>	Balingup Tennis Club	5:00pm	Friday evenings	<b>Tanya 9764 1060</b>
<b>Greenbushes Social Tennis</b>	Greenbushes Sports Complex	5:30pm	Every Monday	<b>Leonie Eastcott 9782 5717</b>

## MARCH DIARY DATES

6	Barber of Seville Live Simulcast CRC
6	Life of Pi Movie Night B'Town
6	World Day of Prayer Gb Uniting Chch
9	Tidy Towns Community Pick Up
13	Bridgetown Red Cross Quiz Night
17	Talison Qube Truck Visit Balingup
18	Greenbushes CRC Bookclub
21	Ghost Walk Balingup
21	Balingup Historical Display– Sports
25	Beginners' Facebook CRC Greenbushes

**May 17 Greenbushes Fun Run**

**April 18 Balingup Field Day**

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### 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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