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Greenbushes-Balingup Newsletter

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CLAY DRAGONS WORKSHOP AT GREENBUSHES



Pottery workshop participants Gaea Anastas (left) and daughter Mya Arbon with teacher Tarlz Leaf from Clay Dragons Pottery.

Supporting a sense of community through art is the aim of a series of workshops being hosted by the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre in October.

People of diverse ages from diverse backgrounds are participating in the workshops which focus on the creation of pottery artworks.

The project, which is being funded by Country Arts Network WA (CAN WA) teaches participants basic skills in pottery through the production of clay masks and decorative clay dragons.

A public exhibition and celebration of the artworks will be held on November 13 at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre.

The workshop facilitators, Tarlz Leaf and Cindy Armanasco from Clay Dragons on the South Western Highway at Mullalyup, have more than 30 years of experience in teaching pottery.

"We have seen the benefits of art in improving the quality of life particularly for people with illness or disability and we have been privileged to teach many people over the past 37 years," said Ms Armanasco.

Greenbushes Community Resource Centre Coordinator Fran Bullock said the CRC was grateful to have received funding for the art project through Country Arts Network WA. See inside this edition for more pictures and information.

COMMUNITY GARDEN ACTIVITIES

Lots of recycled bits of junk have been lovingly created into art pieces to colour our garden.

Freda the frog has been made from old tyres, containers, an old yoga mat, hose and more. We have instructions on how to make one of your own, just come along on our Saturday gardening mornings and we can talk you through it.

We'd like to say a big thanks to Ron Pike for creating the leaves and stems for our bike rim flowers, they look fantastic along the back fence.



Over the weekend of October 11th and 12th we had our garden open for the prelude of the Festival of Country Gardens. We had over 100 people come through to look at our ideas and buy some fresh produce, pickles, and plants and have a cuppa and a chat. Our native bee hotels nearly sold out and lots of the visitors were interested in our Bug-ingham Palace and native garden and frog pond.

Everyone that came through had something positive to say about this community space. We raised over \$500 and this money will go towards creating our children's naturescape play area which we will begin in the New Year.

The garden has become such a nice space to sit and relax and have a chat that we've decided we would like to hold a monthly Community Morning Tea, with everyone from our local and wider community welcome. This will be held on the first Saturday morning of every month at 9.30am.

We will start this on December 6th and carry on through the warmer months. All you need to bring is a small contribution for morning tea – and that could just be simply a carrot to cut up – nothing demanding.

We'd love to see you at the garden soon. Monthly meetings are the second Thursday of every month at 4.30pm and communal gardening days are the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month from 8.30 onwards.

Tracy Lansdell, Co-ordinator.



Photos by Leanne Green.



*To plant a garden is to believe in tomorrow....
Audrey Hepburn*

*Come to our
Garden Party!*

*1st Saturday
morning of the
month.*

BRING

MORNING TEA

To share

From 9:30am

Greenbushes Playgroup

A.G.M



When: 21st November 2014

Where: Cakes by Tasty Edibles
38 Blackwood Rd Greenbushes

Time: 6:30pm



CLAY DRAGONS WORKSHOP PROVES POPULAR WITH COMMUNITY (Cont)



Mollie Hardy (above), Joyce and John Treen and David Williams and Peg Cornwell enjoyed the pottery workshops at Greenbushes.



The response from the community to the Greenbushes workshops had been very satisfying as it is the first course of its type held in Greenbushes," said Ms Bullock. "The fact that we have people from such diverse ages and stages in life is proof that this type of activity is needed in our community," she said.

"We wanted people to learn a new skill, create an artwork and have an opportunity to try something they ordinarily would not have the opportunity to try," said Ms Bullock. "Celebrating the finished product and having the opportunity to exhibit the works to the public will also give a sense of achievement to our participants," said Ms Bullock. Interested members of the public are invited to attend the exhibition at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre between 10am and 12:30pm on Thursday November 13.



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(cold meat, salads and dessert)

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Contact Helen at the Tavern on: 9764 1830

Sweeps | Chocolate Wheel | Best Hat prize | Best Dressed prize

| Entertainment |

Group Bookings are welcome

Sleeping Angels Baby Bereavement Peer Support

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

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

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

The next two sessions will be held on Tuesday November 20 and Thursday December 11.

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

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

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



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date for
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the 20th day of
each month.

TELETHON DAY SUCCESSFUL

Margaret Candido of Greenbushes has hosted her Telethon Fundraiser Open Garden Day at Greenbushes.

The event raised \$457 on the day – and donations have since added \$75 bringing the total to \$532 to be rung through on Telethon Day.

There were 23 prizes in the raffle and winners are listed below.

"Thank you to Greenbushes for supporting me in raising money for Telethon over the years" - Margaret.

- 1 – Marlene DaRonch – Shadehouse
- 2 – Lyn Perks – Dressing Gown & Slippers
- 3 – Shirley Williams – Pot & Voucher
- 4 – Roberta – Basket (bc???)
- 5 – Margaret Candido – Wine
- 6 – Aileen – Cannister Set
- 7 – Becky – Post Office Hamper
- 8 – Julie Crook – Comm Bank/ West ?????
- 9 – Helen Boyd – Basket (Avon)
- 10 – Phyllis Jones – Coffee Cup & Make Up Bag
- 11 – Phyllis Jones – Bookmark & Pot Mit
- 12 – Jill Hesketh – Rose Coffee Cup & Bed Socks
- 13 – Jill Hesketh – Wine Rack
- 14 – Heather – Penguin Garden Ornament
- 15 – Phyllis Jones – Flannelette Pillow Cases
- 16 – Lori – Time Out ?????? (bc???)
- 17 – Carol Jackson – Calvin Klein Bag
- 18 – Monica – Make Up (bc???)
- 19 – Judy Bolton – Wattle Ridge
- 20 – June (bc???) – Spice Rack
- 21 – Mercedes – Bankwest Bag
- 22 – Judy Bolton – Bracelet
- 23 – Judy Bolton – Black Bag

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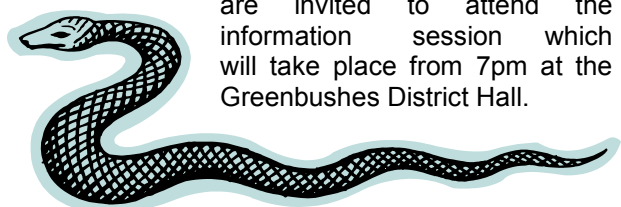
The advent of summer has seen increased snake sightings in and around Greenbushes.

To help raise public awareness Talison Lithium has sponsored a free community snake handling workshop and information session with snake handler Brian Bush on Wednesday November 26.

Brian Bush established his snake information and handling business in 1987 and has been busy educating people around Australia about the many and varied species of snakes that make their home here.

There are 80 species of snakes in Western Australia, some harmful and others harmless, but all are protected species.

Interested members of the public are invited to attend the information session which will take place from 7pm at the Greenbushes District Hall.



Calling All **VOLUNTEERS**

Staff are calling for volunteers to come in and help out with the various activities and duties at the ever busy Greenbushes CRC.

Whether you're a computer wiz, or just like to talk to people, it doesn't matter...any help is welcomed help.

Call Fran or Darcey for more information on 9764 3575 or email: admin@greenbushescrc.net.au

TIDY TOWNS BID FOR GREENBUSHES

Greenbushes is gearing up for the Keep Australia Beautiful 45th Tidy Towns State Awards to be held in Perth on November 21.

Eight communities are vying for the 2014 award to be announced by Western Australian Environment Minister Albert Jacobs. The finalists are—Greenbushes, Three Springs, One Arm Point, Toodyay, Southern Cross, Exmouth, Albany and West Arthur.

A large contingent from the Greenbushes community will travel to Perth for the awards including representatives from the Greenbushes Tidy Towns Committee, Greenbushes Community Garden and Blackwood Basin Group.

ROOM HIRE



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
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**That money talks,
I'll not deny
I heard it once, it
said 'Goodbye'.**

- Richard Armour

HISTORIC HERO HONoured IN CEREMONY AT GREENBUSHES CEMETERY



Local volunteer bushfires members Dave Malatzky, Steve Twigg and Matt Boyle joined South West MLC Robyn McSweeney, Reverend Paul Cannon, Acting Superintendant South West Geoff Stewart, local officers I/C Ben Ducker, I/C Jay Pereira, S/C Mike Smith and S/C Alicia Golik with former Police Commissioner Brian Bull.

A graveside ceremony was held at Greenbushes Cemetery on October 4th to honour a policeman who died in 1930 in the aftermath of fighting a fierce bushfire that threatened the town.

Constable Francis Hubert Norman was posted to Greenbushes in 1929 and quickly became a respected and well liked member of the community. It was almost 12 months to the day when he died after falling ill the day after fighting the bushfire.

The Western Australian Police Historical Division researched information about Constable Norman and organised the ceremony as part of a campaign to ensure all unmarked graves of former officers are identified and recognised.

Acting Police Superintendent South West, Geoff Stewart, representing police commissioner Karl O'Callaghan, said it was an absolute honour to recognise Constable Norman.

Greenbushes RSL President Ron Adair spoke about Constable Norman's war service and emphasised his dedication to country and community through his war and police service. Bridgetown Greenbushes Shire President Tony Pratico also addressed the gathering and gave an insight into what the town would have been like during the time Constable Norman was serving in the district. He also paid tribute to the man who ultimately gave his life in service to the town. Former Police Commissioner Brian Bull was also present at the ceremony which was open to the public.

Constable Norman's son, Ernest William Francis Norman and grandson Mark followed in his footsteps by serving as police officers. Mark Norman attended the service and said he was proud to be present at the service which recognised his grandfather.



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TENNIS LESSONS START WITH A BOUNCE

Greenbushes Sports Complex will be a hive of activity on Tuesdays through to the end of term with more than 20 youngsters participating in a free tennis coaching programme run by the Greenbushes Ratepayers and Residents Association.

Bunbury tennis coach David Simmonds is teaching two groups – one for children aged five to eight years and a second session for students aged nine years and over.

The first lessons were held on Tuesday October 21 with a good turnout of players keen to learn new skills.

The programme is being funded by the Department of Sport and Recreation's Community Participation Programme and aims to get more young people off the couch and into sport. As part of the 2014 programme young people also participated in inflatable squash coaching and mini-gym in Terms Two and Three.

Greenbushes Ratepayers and Residents Association Vice President Pat Scallan said the group was pleased to see the multi-purpose courts at Greenbushes Sports Complex being used on a regular basis. "We have been hosting social tennis for the past couple of seasons since the completion of the refurbished sports courts and through this free coaching programme we are hoping to increase our numbers," he said.



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CRC Coordinator's Column

Book Club and Film Review

October saw our Book Club read Stieg Larsson's 'The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo' and also watch the original movie to do a combined Book & Film Review. From combined opinions and reviews it was clear that the movie helped to tie up loose ends left by the book, and that both the book and the film were powerful on many levels. November's book is 'That Deadman Dance' by Kim Scott. **New members are always welcome!** Our Bookclub meets every 3rd Wednesday of the month between 10am & 11am. Call 9764 3575 for more information.



Extended library services – the size of the library is now 100% bigger, contains many new books encompassing biographies, large print fiction, fiction, monthly magazines, children's books and DVD's plus adult DVD's to borrow. There are also 200 swap/exchange books available. **Don't forget, if you want to request a book that we don't have, then we can help you with that as well.**



Seniors Week 2014 – to celebrate Seniors Week 2014 we are going to be "Dipping Your Toes in the Water & on the Dance Floor!" Doesn't that sound fun!? We have received grant funding to take seniors from Greenbushes and surrounds to Bunbury for a day trip,

where we will visit the Dolphin Discovery Centre and then join with the Bunbury Senior Citizens group for an afternoon of dancing and singing accompanied by LIVE music! **Bookings are essential as spaces are limited.** Contact myself or Darcey on 9764 3575 to book your spot.

School Holiday Program – what a success! With the CRC buzzing with children throughout the first two weeks of October we were able to provide a range of activities to keep the kids occupied! Including cupcake baking, soccer workshop, craft and card making, pottery workshop (combined adults & children) and the ever popular minecraft. It was great to see many of the kids returning to us again from previous school holiday programs, it definitely makes us happy to know that kids are enjoying our activities and that they want to come back!

Experience Being an Artist – With our last workshop held on the 30th of October, all pottery works are now finished. The workshops were combined with our school holiday program to allow the interaction of adults and kids in an environment that is new for them all. Thank you to Cindy and Tarlz from the Mullalyup Clay Dragons for their help with this workshop.

Artwork 'Viewing' – also in celebration of Seniors Week 2014, we will be holding an Artwork Viewing on the 13th of November, where all the artwork from our 'Experience Being an Artist' workshops will be on display here at the Community Resource Centre. It is a **Gold Coin Donation** and includes **Morning Tea**, from 10am to 12:30pm.



VET AFFAIRS – update your DVA financial information online - DVA introduced a new on-line self-service portal "MyAccount" in May 2012. More than 20,000 clients are now using this system being able to do business at a time and place that suits them. If you would like to take advantage of this online service we will be happy to assist you at the CRC. We have many of the DVA leaflets and information booklets in reception too.

Have A Go – Bridgetown – Have a Go Day is about encouraging over 50's to come and try a range of sporting and recreational activities that encourage active ageing in a fun and safe environment. The bus will be running from Greenbushes CRC the morning of the 13th of November, please register here at the CRC to save your spot on the bus! For more information about the Have A Go Day, contact the Shire of Bridgetown Greenbushes Recreation Centre on 9761 2966, to book a seat on the bus call Greenbushes CRC on 9764 3575

Remember

What the mind can conceive, it can achieve!

See you soon!

Fran Bullock – Coordinator

Darcey Yates - Trainee

OUR HOLIDAY FUN!

Cooking cupcakes, playing Mine Craft, Soccer, cake baking, Pottery plus arts and crafts!



Making mosaics, hanging out with friends, having heaps of fun at Greenbushes School Holiday Program!!!



Greenbushes Aged Community Committee

The Greenbushes Aged Community Committee held their AGM on 8th October and said goodbye to outgoing members Grey & Jeannie Egerton-Warburton, Tom Barrett and Jan Roney. Incoming Chairperson, Steve Green, thanked these members for their commitment to the aged community in Greenbushes and in particular at the Stinton Gardens Estate. He also welcomed new committee members Shannon Hartwell and Fran Bullock.

Steve Green was elected as Chairperson, Fran Bullock as Deputy Chairperson, Leanne Green as Secretary and Shannon Hartwell as Treasurer. Heather Cusack remains social coordinator with Pat Cusack, Jill Christian, Sue McArthur, Marlene and Naldo DaRonch as committee members.

Anyone interested in putting their name down for a unit at the Stinton Gardens Estate should contact Steve Green on 041 992 3663.

Seniors Week



"Dipping Your Toes"
in the water and on the dance floor

Greenbushes CRC is inviting all seniors from Greenbushes and surrounds to join us in celebrating Seniors Week 2014.

What: Trip to Bunbury to visit the Dolphin Discovery Centre and to join with the Bunbury Senior Citizens Group for an afternoon of dancing and music.

When: 10th November 2014, bus leaving Greenbushes CRC at 9:15am returning around 4:30pm

Cost: \$5/person, all other expenses covered

Spaces are limited so **bookings are essential**

Contact Greenbushes CRC for bookings and more information

9764 3575 | admin@greenbushescrc.net.au

Open: 9am - 2:45 Mon, Tue, Thur, Fri | 9am—4pm Wed



Microsoft Excel Training

Greenbushes CRC is holding a:

Microsoft Excel One-Day Training Course

Course will cover the basic uses of Excel and also go more into the workings behind Excel and how Excel can be used for Business and Personal.

Cost includes comprehensive take-home manual and certificate

Please contact Greenbushes CRC to register your interest

MINIMUM OF 6 PEOPLE NEEDED

Date: TBC

Time: 9am—4pm

Approx. Cost: \$310/person

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**Bridgetown Meeting Thursday 7.30pm
Henri Nouwen House
16 Hester Street Bridgetown.**

Call 0452621978 or 0422236181

For more confidential details

It's not that I'm so smart....it's just that I stay with problems for longer.

Albert Einstein.

Farm Planning Workshops

The Department of Agriculture and Food, Western Australia's (DAFWA) Farm Planning Workshops offer a range of opportunities for farm businesses. These complementary workshops assist all members of the farm business to build on their skills and provide them with an opportunity to maximise their profits no matter the current economic climate.

The Farm Planning Workshops include:

- **Plan, Prepare and Prosper**
- **Plan, Prepare and Prosper Refresher**
 - **Planning for Profit**

Farm businesses throughout the State are encouraged to register for free farm planning workshops.

Contact:

Terry Asher

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MINE NEWS

Congratulations to the Crusher and Lithium Processing Operations Team for achieving 1,000 days without a lost time incident on 11th October 2014.



Several Service anniversaries have been achieved in the past month. Stella Iacopetta and Greg Kennedy both celebrated 10 years continuous service and Tim Hingston 20 years continuous service at the Greenbushes Operations.

Thank You

Megan Moran and The Exchange Hotel Greenbushes would like to thank all who supported their Ladies Afternoon Tea event on the 26th of October

SHREDDED PAPER AVAILABLE AT GREENBUSHES CRC



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

CRISIS CARE COMMITMENT

GREENBUSHES ART TRAIL SUNDOWNER AND PRESENTATION



Tasty Edibles hosted a sundowner and presentation as the finale to the 2014 Greenbushes Art Trail and Exhibition in October.

Most of the artists who exhibited work in this year's exhibition were at the event including category winners who received their prizes .

The new guidelines for the 2015 exhibition are now available from Tasty Edibles Café.

Next year there will be the opportunity for people to put forward designs for town murals. Judges will then select entries that will be painted on large format plywood in the town's central business area. For more information contact Shannon and Luke at Tasty Edibles.

FIRST AID CLASSES AT THE GREENBUSHES CRC



More than 25 Talison Lithium employees participated in First Aid courses delivered by Medic One at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre in October.

Grant White from Medic One was the course presenter over the two days which saw the participants attain "Provide First Aid" qualifications necessary in the workplace.

Pictured as Kerstin Smith and Samantha Yurisich who have finished their one day course which included CPR and Anatomy.



Call 9764 3575 for information

Assisting Our Seniors

Commencing 19th November 2:30pm—4pm

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

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

Sessions include:

- simple explanation
- plenty of time for note taking
- easy to follow computer advice
- on-line safety guidelines

Free

Blackwood Basin Group Update



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

Open Day

The Blackwood Basin Group (BBG) invites the local community to come along to our Waterbird Project Open Day on November 15. The event promises to be a fun packed, hands on experience of this exciting project for all the family.

Activities will include; Cockatoo nest-box monitoring, bush-tucker and medicine walk, wildflower walk, bug collecting, and much more.

Morning tea and a hearty lunch will be provided, so come along and see what we've been busy doing. "This is your chance to see and experience the activities that go into creating a wetland haven for waterbirds," says Project Officer, Joby Rand.



The event will take place at Schwenke's Dam, Greenbushes on Saturday, November 15 and run from 9:45am to 2pm. Please RSVP the BBG on 9765 1555 or bbg2@westnet.com.au for catering purposes.

Greenbushes concept planning- second workshop

By the time of going to press the BBG will have held the second Concept Planning Workshop where the local community had their say on the draft concept plan for the natural areas in and around Greenbushes.

Many ideas have been generated, some of which could be funded through the Waterbird Project and could come to life sooner rather than later. There have been some very exciting developments in this area and a much fuller debrief will be provided in the next issue so make sure you grab a copy.

The plan is due to be completed by the end of the year, after which copies will be available for the community and on the BBG website. Thanks to everyone who has been involved so far and contributed their worthy ideas and opinions!



Litoria moorei

Aquatic survey

The Murdoch University Freshwater Fish Group recently made the trip down to Schwenke's to see what aquatic life exists in the Dam. "The guys had a lot of mostly good news," says Project Officer, Joby Rand. "The Dam is home to self-maintaining populations of the endemic Western Minnow and Western Pygmy Perch, Oblong Turtles and Koonac, as well as lots of native glass shrimp."

Redfin Perch was not detected, which is great news as this species is a voracious predator of juvenile crustaceans and native fish. Anyone who has caught this pest species in Schwenke's is urged to contact the BBG so that we can fully establish whether the species is present or not.

The bad news is the abundance of Eastern Gambusia. This aggressive North American fish species was introduced to WA as a way to control mosquito numbers, even though native species do a better job of this. Eastern Gambusia attack the fins of native fish and compete against them for food and territory. The theory on why the native fish are doing so well, despite this pest's presence, is the large beds of macro-algae along with the rushes that form part of our revegetation program which provide terrific hiding places for the natives.



Western Pygmy Perth measuring

Blackwood Basin Group Update



Cockatoo roost sites

Cockatoo roost sites are trees that Black Cockatoos use to spend the night in and sleep.

These sites can be recognised by spotting the tell-tale signs such as a concentration of droppings on the ground and plants beneath the tree, and also the presence of downy feathers on the ground that show that preening is occurring.

BBG Chairman, Dr Per Christensen, his grandson Angus, and Project Officer Joby Rand recently spent a morning identifying, tagging, and recording the GPS location of roosting trees on the south side of Schwenke's Dam.

Eighteen trees were marked and mapped with the aim of comparing the site to other known roosting areas. The data could also be used to see if there is any interaction between roosting and breeding trees/sites.

In the future the BBG plans to run educational field days for the community to learn how to identify, record and report roost sites to then be able to take part in the Great Cocky Count in April.

The more data we have on these birds, the greater chance we have of protecting and improving these vital habitat pockets. Stay tuned for more information on these events in the future!

Free fox and feral cat traps for community use

After running the feral control workshop that included tips and techniques on trapping, the BBG has loaned out a number of fox and feral cat traps free of charge.

Local community members have already had success with these but we still have some traps left in the office.

Contact the BBG to put a trap on your patch.



FIND US ON FACEBOOK

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.

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



Australian Government

Waterbird Project Open Day

November 15, 9:45am - 2pm

Schwenke's Dam, Greenbushes



You are invited to join the Blackwood Basin Group for a fun packed, hands on experience of the Waterbird Project at Schwenke's Dam Greenbushes

Activities include;

- Cockatoo nest-box monitoring
- Bush-tucker & medicine walk
- Wildflower walk
- Bug collecting
- Free morning tea & lunch provided

Contact the BBG at bbg2@westnet.com.au or 9765 1555 to register your interest



Australian Government

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Pelvic Floor Awareness Seminar

Greenbushes CRC

Thursday 6th November
10.00am – 11.30am

Anxious about a weak bladder or bowel? Are you pregnant or had a baby? Do you have prostate problems? Or a history of back pain or abdominal surgery? Suffered trauma or injury to back or pelvic area? Are you suffering with asthma, hay fever, overweight or a smoker?

Come and find out if you are at risk; what are the pelvic floor muscles; why are they so important to your health and well-being; can you make them stronger? All this and more.....come along and learning just one thing can make a huge difference.

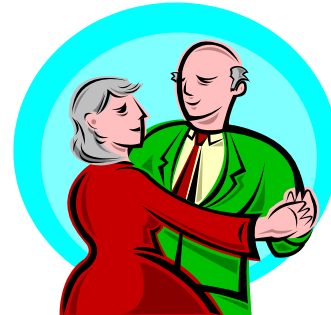
Cost \$10.00 Inc Tea/Coffee

Registrations at the CRC by Wed 5th Nov please
Enquiries to Angela 0409 686 695

Suitable for Men and Women

Celebrate Seniors Week

Please join the
Balingup Country Women's Association
for an **Afternoon High Tea Dance**
at the **Balingup Town Hall**
Tuesday 11th November
1.30pm - 4.00pm



An afternoon of Old Time Dancing and singing.
With entertainment by the Balingup School Children.

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GREENBUSHES AND BALINGUP FOODBANK DONATIONS APPRECIATED



South West MLC Colin Holt has thanked people in Greenbushes and Balingup for their donations of food for the 5th annual Foodbank run.

Foodbank delivers four million meals to 55,000 people in Western Australia each year, generally on a monthly basis. Seventeen thousand school children also benefit from the programme which supplied around 60,000 emergency meals this year.

Mr Holt said any donations, large or small, of non-perishable food items were most welcome.

To donate to Foodbank or find out more contact the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre on 97643575 or the office of the Hon. Mr Colin Holt on 97241181.

Darcey Yates (pictured left) at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre is happy to take donations from people wishing to provide non perishable food for Foodbank.



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Controlled burns are being carried out in the bush blocks adjacent to the Greenbushes Sports Complex as of Tuesday, 28th October. Further controlled burns will hopefully be carried out in the New Zealand Gully area in the coming weeks.

Illegal rubbish dumping - Further instances of rubbish dumping in bush areas have been observed recently. I would ask that everyone be vigilant in reporting any illegal rubbish dumping to the Shire Ranger, or myself on mobile 0427643508.

Bridgetown Swimming Pool redevelopment is out for re-tender to try to obtain more competitive rates, so work can begin this summer.

Blackwood Marathon – another very successful Blackwood Marathon was held on Saturday, 25th October. This is a great local event that brings around 700 participants into our Shire. Congratulations to all of the Greenbushes participants.

Trails development Trail header and safety information signs have been erected on the canoe trail at Maranup Ford Bridge. A new access gate and picnic table has also been installed.

A successful **Golden Horseshoe event** was held on Saturday, 13th September. Horses and riders traversed local bush and farmland areas in a cross country style event. In 2015, the Oceans to Oceans mountain bike event is scheduled for 2nd to 9th May. It is hoped that sections of this event will include a route through Greenbushes.

Damage to walk trails – some damage has occurred to the trail environs and trail signs. Again, please be vigilant and report any damage to the Shire Ranger, or myself on mobile 0427643508. We do not recommend motorcycles using these trails due to these trails being designated walk trails and the risk of impacting on local walkers.



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Balingup

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Greenbushes

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Balingup

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3rd Weekend Saturday 6:30pm

4th Weekend Sunday 10:30am

5th Weekend Sunday 8:30am

(5th Sun is Liturgy of the Word/Holy
Communion)

Hon Colin Holt MLC

Member for South West Region

Mobile Electorate Office

Thursday November 13, 2014 at 12pm - 1pm
Greenbushes Community Resource Centre

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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

NOVEMBER DIARY DATES

4	Melbourne Cup Lunch Balingup
6	Pelvic Floor Class
10	Seniors' Week Dolphins GB
11	Balingup CWA Dance
13	CRC Pottery Celebration/exhib
13	Colin Holt Visit (Appts)
14	B'town Have a Go Day
15	Schwenke's Dam Open Day BBG
19	Assisting Seniors GB CRC
19	Excel Training GB CRC
20	Food Photo Tales due Tasty Edibles
20	Sleeping Angels Support Mtg
21	GB CWA Christmas Fair
22	Playgroup AGM Greenbushes
25	Discovery Centre AGM 4:30pm
26	Snake Handling with Brian Bush Greenbushes
28	R&R End of Year Celebration 6pm

December

6	Children's Christmas Tree
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