Greenbushes-Balingup Newsletter

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BALINGUP MEDIEVAL CARNIVALE SPECTACLE



This year's Balingup Medieval Carnivale was a runaway success with big numbers of people taking advantage of the sunny weather to turn out for the event.

The new arena was a popular spot with its fantastic vantage points for the Jousting and battling of knights (pictured left).

Organisers say the Bonfire was also very popular this year with record attendance by people from across the State.

Check the Photo Gallery on the festival website www.balingupmedievalcarni vale.com.au.

STUDENTS PONDER ELECTRIC FUTURE

Greenbushes Primary School students and community members had the opportunity to see the future of electric vehicles during an ABC radio journey along the "electric highway" in some of the latest model electric cars by Tesla.

The visit to Greenbushes came about because the lithium mine at Talison supplies a third of the world's lithium, much of it used in lithium batteries for a wide range of applications including electric cars.

ABC broadcaster Stan Shaw is pictured during his visit to the school where he recorded students and broadcast the interviews on breakfast radio from the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre on August 18. See inside this newsletter for more news from the school.





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

Greenbushes hosted a Winter Weekend as part of the Bridgetown in the Winter Festival. The weekend included a Morning Tea at the Community Garden, Wattle Walk, Old Time Dance, Christening Gown Display at St Patrick's Church, Open Day at the Masonic Lodge, Laser Mayhem at Maranup Ford, Bush Poetry, Old Time Tales and more.



Sarah Evans held a poetry workshop using "nature" as inspiration at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre.



Don Perks told tales on behalf of Greenbushes Discovery Centre at the Greenbushes Community Garden Morning Tea.



Terry Cooper conducted tours of the Greenbushes Masonic Lodge.





OPEN DAY AT BLUE SKY RETREAT

Sunday August 6, BlueSky Retreat had an open day and swap meet as part of the Winter Weekend in Greenbushes. Twenty five people attended from Waroona, Bunbury, Argyle, Balingup and Greenbushes.

The morning was considered a great success with people taking 'goodies' home, notes on making compost tea as well as attending the demonstration, morning tea with a wonderful Strawberry tart made by Ray Smith and a walk around the property.

The sun also came out for a quick visit... who could ask for more!

Christine King: Blue Sky Retreat







Greenbushes Winter Festival Weekend - Art Trail

The Greenbushes Art Trail Exhibition was a great success during the Greenbushes Winter Festival weekend. We had 70 entries this year and the quality of work was amazing.

Many thanks must go to the hard working committee who dedicate many hours of work to the Greenbushes Art Trail – Shannon Fraser Butler, Caroline Haines, Theresa Hammond and Leanne Green. Thank you also to Mick Latimer and Andy Hardy for helping us set up on Friday afternoon.

A big thank you to our sponsors this year:
Jacksons Drawing Supplies Bunbury, Tasty Edibles, SG
Mining, Patterson Enterprises, Shamrock Sporting Club,
Greenbushes Exchange Community, Talison Lithium
and Global Advanced Metals. Without their support we
could not run the event which is starting to attract artists
from further afield.

This year we have raised almost \$2,000 and it will go towards a sculpture by our local artist Sally Stoneman. The sculpture will be located near the new boardwalk at Schwenkes Dam.

Our raffle was won by Carolyn from Boyup Brook.

The People's Choice Open winner was Kieran Kelly who was a clear winner again with another of his fabulous copper trees.

The Junior People's Choice winner was Lillieanne Hinchy with her lovely felt sculpture of a female Scarlet Robin. The Schools category was taken out by Room 1 of Greenbushes Primary School.

Mick Lattimer's *Wise Owl* sculpture raised \$600 and Sally Stoneman's basket woven from plant fibres raised \$120. Thank you both for continuing to support our Art Trail in this way.

Next year's Art Trail theme will be **Energy** so get your creative juices working!

Leanne Green: Chairperson Grow Greenbushes



Room 1 at Greenbushes Primary School took out the Schools' Category with this photograph.



People's Choice Winning Artwork by Kieran Kelly.



Winning bidder for the Wise Owl Metal sculpture.



Lillie-anne Hinchy's winning Scarlet Robin felt sculpture artwork.







Greenbushes Song—A Celebration of What there is.

In mid-January 2016, at the suggestion of Margaret Candido at a Church service at St Barnabas in Greenbushes, a community singing group was formed.

By focusing on popular gospel music and happy feelgood songs, the Greenbushes Community Singing Group would reap the uplifting, therapeutic benefits of community singing.

With Trevor Riley leading and Felicity Littleton as accompanist and singer, the group has attracted a regular attendance of around 9 singers.

As the Singers' repertoire expanded, there was consensus that the Group needed a theme song; a song which would acknowledge their unique home in Greenbushes and their love of singing.

In August last year, with contribution and confirmation from the Group members, Trevor wrote the lyrics and he and Felicity collaborated on the music. The result was "Our Greenbushes Community Song" which quickly became a favourite of the Group.

The Community Song acknowledges the pioneers, the history, the amazing ecology on the top of the Darling Scarp, the mining industry, and the privilege of life in Greenbushes.

Since its launch a year ago, the Greenbushes Community Song has been sung at a number of community events to enthusiastic acclaim. National Tidy Towns Judge Jill Grant joined in the song at her Community Garden evening event and acknowledged the song as a strong and popular community bond.

The Singers agree that the song is like their local anthem (with a bit of tongue-in-cheek) and they would be very happy if all Greenbushes citizens shared their enthusiasm. The lyrics definitely promote the Singers' commitment to the unique Greenbushes home environment. But perhaps we should let the lyrics speak for themselves.

New members welcome. Tuesdays at St Barnabas Anglican Church 1:30pm—3:00pm.

Verse 1:

Our Community song is a beautiful song That we sing everyday all day long, Where the sky is so near And the air is so clear,

We have Heaven on Earth with us here.

Chorus:

We sing about Greenbushes where we belong Whether we are at work or at play, Yes we sing, we sing, our Community Song, From sunrise to sunset each day.

Verse 2:

Pioneers from the farms worked a new paradigm, Wood and tin from the hills and the grime, And the bounty they reaped, On their fam'lies they heaped, From the past for a future sublime.

Chorus:

Verse 3:

The village we love, where the scarp 'n sky meet, Where our hist'ry lives on in each street, We can walk, we can run, We can dance in the sun, With our lifestyle and health at our feet.

Chorus:

Verse 4:

The trucks on our streets, maybe two, three or four, Changing gears, towing trailers of ore, We ignore or dismiss, In an aura of bliss, Even mine blasts that rattle our door.

Chorus:

Verse 5:

The bees hum our song in the trees and the bowers, To harvest the banksia and flowers, Where the kangaroos bound and the cockatoos sound, While we sit on our v'randahs for hours.

Chorus:

Last Verse 6: (Slow)

Our Community Song is our Greenbushes song, It's our signature song all year long, 'Cause the sky is so near And the air is so clear,

We have Heaven on Earth with us here.



For editorial and/or advertising contact Greenbushes Community Resource Centre Deadline is the 3rd Wednesday of the month

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TIDY TOWNS NEWS

Greenbushes been has selected as a finalist in the Sustainability Environmental West Category of the Australian Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards 2017.



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The projects highlighted for Greenbushes in this year's portfolio entry were the Planet Ark Tree Planting with community and school, the School Bush Block Project, the Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes' initiative to become a "Waterwise Shire" and the Greenbushes Community Garden's moves to highlight Earth Hour and Plastic Free July.

Other towns going through to the finals in this category are Albany, Burekup, Irwin, Kalgoorlie-Boulder and Margaret River.

A team representing Greenbushes will attend the Tidy Towns Awards in Perth on October 20.

Vying for the overall State title for 2017 are Albany, Cocos-Keeling Islands, Jurien Bay, Kalgoorlie-Boulder, Margaret River and West Arthur.

The Tidy Towns Committee would like to thank everyone who assisted with projects during the past year and remind people to keep the ideas flowing for next year.

Good luck Greenbushes!



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WATTLE WALK



The Greenbushes Discovery Centre hosted a successful Wattle Walk as part of the Winter Festival Weekend in August.

A good number of people enjoyed the walk from the Greenbushes Pool to Schwenke's Dam and across the new boardwalk on a perfect sunny day.

The new walk trail from the Greenbushes Pool to Schwenke's Dam and return has been developed by the Blackwood Basin Group.



DONNYBROOK HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS LEND A HAND



Donnybrook High School students studying horticulture have assisted with replanting native species on the verges of Maranup Ford Road in Greenbushes.

Teacher, Rachel Seton, said the students were gaining valuable practical experience and assisting with replanting an area which had been cleared of non native species for a road realignment to facilitate the Talison Mine expansion.

Pictured are Kate Foster, Angela Pua, Jaymond Chilcott and Glenn Mountford.



LINGA LONGA MOUNTAIN BIKE EXPERIENCE

Linga Longa is aiming to become the ultimate Mountain Bike experience in Western Australia. With a primary focus on gravity, the trails range from smooth and flowing trail to tight steep technical single track. Custom built trails by Three Chillies Design and Construction and hundreds of volunteer hours, Linga Longa Bike Park boasts diversity from the rocky and raw 'point it down' type trails of Huggies, Rake 'n' Ride and Edge of the World, to fun and flowy trails namely Valley of Dreams and Boxers Blast, to the trail aptly named Mr Enduro which pretty much sums up all of the elements of Gravity Enduro in one trail. Situated on the edge of a freshwater lake, now with cafe by Tasty Edibles and camping amenities available, Linga Longa Bike Park is the place to be!

Full details about Linga Longa Bike Park can be found at www.lingalongabikepark.com





TRUE GRIT EVENT ON AGAIN

True Grit is coming to Donnybrook on October 28 and 29.

True Grit is the Australian designed military style obstacle course. The Donnybrook-Newlands military style obstacle course is 10km+ in length, involving over 30 obstacles. The course is designed to test mental strength and endurance by utilising unique obstacles tailored around the vegetation and terrain of the land.

True Grit co-founder, Adam McNamee explains that "True Grit aims to deliver a truly unique experience to those that participate, and the Donnybrook course is one of the best in Australia."

To get fit for the event people can go along to Grit Club every Monday evening at 6pm at Donnybrook Recreation Centre.

The Grit Club group fitness training caters for people of different levels of fitness.

Anyone interested in finding out more about the Grit Club training program can contact Donnybrook Recreation Centre on 9731 1822.



Grit Club participants at Donnybrook Recreation Centre - L-R Deb Brealey and Dean Taffe with Instructor Tamara Organ



BALINGUP FRIENDS OF THE FOREST UPDATE

The Balingup Friends of the Forest group is looking towards the future in hosting a Community Meeting at the Community Shed in Balingup on September 2.

The group was recognised as the Best Community Group in the Shire of Donnybrook-Balingup last year and is looking forward to gathering more support for projects in the future.

Past achievements include establishing and caring for the Racecourse Flora Reserve, liaison with Government to create a Conservation Park in Kerr Forrest off Grimwade Road, achieving Reserve Status for Balingup Rapids and preserving approximately 63 hectares of Munro Forest from logging.

Contact Jenny de Garis for further information on 97562085.

NON RECYCLABLES CONTAMINATE GREENBUSHES COMMUNITY RECYCLE SKIPS



The July and August editions of the newsletter have featured lift out posters of what can and can't be recycled in your green and yellow kerbside recycling bins and the skips at the Community Co-Mingled Recycling skips at the Greenbushes School.

Unfortunately, despite clear signage at the community recycling skips people are still putting non-recyclable items in the skips. A picture of the most recent items dumped in the bins is featured on this page. Please take care not to contaminate the recycling skips!

GENERAL HOUSEHOLD WASTE DISPOSAL IS AVAILABLE EVERY SATURDAY BETWEEN 10 AM AND 1 PM AT THE SHIRE TRANSFER STATION IN THE ALLEY BEHIND THE ROAD BOARD BUILDING.

RESIDENTS CAN DISPOSE OF WHITEGOODS AT THE GREENBUSHES TRANSFER STATION ON THE LAST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH.



Pat's Patch...Cr Pat Scallan

The budget was approved last month and a modest 4.85% rate increase was maintained, mainly to meet general increases in utilities.

A budgeted item, which will affect the Shire's expenditure, is the reduction in Regional Road Group funding from the State Government. If the cuts are relative to the previous allocations, the Shire could lose up to \$66k (equivalent to a 1.5% rate rise). As the detail of the funding cuts is not yet known, Council has decided to address this as part of the half year budget review. This could mean a reduction in some of the planned road works, which will be pushed out of this year's budget cycle.

WINTER

I would like to congratulate everyone involved in presenting and supporting our Winter Festival weekend, which was another great success.

SPORTS COMPLEX



The rectangular field at the sports complex is undergoing a topsoil and fertiliser programme and the reticulation system is being reinstated to accommodate this year's junior summer soccer season. This will improve the facilities and establish this area for long term hosting of any of the

Shire's rectangular sports events. Once in place we will look at reticulating the old cricket oval, which is also used for soccer activities at this point in time.

PARKS

The Shire is continuing to look for volunteers for the "Friends of Jarrah Park" to assist in the general maintenance and de-weeding of this iconic visitor destination. Any people interested in this project should contact me or the Shire to be included on the activities distribution list.

TRAILS

The Shire's trail plan is out for public comment, so if you have any interest in our trails, or future trails and want to have a say in what is being developed, how and when, please make a submission.

ROADWORKS MARANUP FORD

The Shire, together with Talison, will be carrying out some road works on Maranup Ford Road over the next few months till the end of this summer, to install slip lanes for construction vehicle access. Longer term, next summer, a slip lane into town will be constructed to allow passing of the trucks going up the hill into town and upgrading the road pavement, which is in need of repair. Please be patient during these works and contact me if you have any comment, or issues.



MINE NEWS with Steve Green

Civil works for the new process plant continue with the piling works commencing in last week of August.



Production was above budget in August with the Chem grade plant running well. The back section of the TG Plant was shut for a planned 2 week maintenance program, including the installation of a bag house. While this work occurred, the front section of the plant was used to produce additional SC6.0 production.

Trevor Stallard celebrated his 10 year service award on August 29. Congratulations to Trevor on his commitment and contribution to processing at the Greenbushes Operations.

Welcome to Leanne Wardell-Johnson who has commenced in the Laboratory and to Husein Al Shakarji our new Graduate Geologist.

I would like to invite community members to book to attend our Open Day on Sunday October 8. This year we will be showcasing our expansion project.

MINE OPEN DAY

SUNDAY OCTOBER 8



Free guided bus and walking tours of the Greenbushes Mining Operations.

Marquee display at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre.

BOOKINGS ARE ESSENTIAL. NO WALK- INS ALLOWED.

CALL the MINE ADMINISTRATION OFFICE 97825700 TO BOOK



CRC Coordinator's Column

WINTER COMPETITION - July to September

From July to September period we are running a competition on our Facebook page.

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 share one of our events with your friends on Facebook.

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 may be used in most retail outlets displaying the Community Cash Voucher sign within the Shire of Bridgetown-Greenbushes.

Buy Local, Shop Local, Support Local



The Community Resource Centre is currently seeking expressions of interest from community members who may wish to join our Management Committee. No experience is necessary. Please contact Angie Cornish on 9764 3575 for further details.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

GREENBUSHES COMMUNITY

WEDNESDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2:30 PM

RESOURCE CENTRE

ALL WELCOME

Venue: Greenbushes CRC Blackwood Rd.

A Lotterywest Grant writing workshop is being organised for early October at the CRC, please watch this space for final dates and further information.

If you are interested in attending please email admin@greenbushescrc.net.au or call our office on 9764 3575.



Community Shed - update

The Shed is moving along now with the purchase of some larger pieces of equipment and a second busy bee to complete the cladding, build cupboards and organise the outside area ready for delivery of our storage container. A big thank you to all those who turned up to help, without you we would still only have an empty shed! And of course thanks to Lotterywest for the grant funding.

Fundraising - Our recent wood raffle raised just over \$660.00, drawn by the Honourable Terry Redman and won by Anne Giblett who kindly donated the wood to one of our local seniors in greater need. These funds are earmarked for much needed consumables for the shed. Thank you to all those who helped sell tickets and those who purchased tickets or donated towards our fundraising.

Watch this space for dates of our Grand Opening...... It's getting closer!







Community Resource CRC Coordinator's Column

On Tuesday 21st November the CRC is hosting a suicide prevention, half day training session.

This workshop is suitable for professionals and members of the general public wanting to make a difference.

- Learn four basic steps to create a life-saving connection.
- Suitable for anyone 15 years or older.
- How safeTALK works.
- Interactive workshop.
- Workbooks provided to participants.

This workshop is being offered at a reduced cost to participants, delivered by Shelley O'Brien, Suicide Prevention Coordinator, south West Community Drug Service, St John of God.

Please call the CRC on 9764 3575 or email admin@greenbushescrc.net.au to make a booking. Lunch included.

You could help save a life.

SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Where do all the weeks go! Yes it's that time of the year again, September / October school holidays are looming upon us.

Once again the CRC has a number of events suitable for all ages available during the school holidays.

Please see the flyer within the newsletter for further details, or call us on 9764 3575 for further information. Numbers are limited so book in early.



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.

BEAUTICIAN

Did you know we now have a beauty therapist working from the CRC?



Renay is now taking appointments for:

- Waxing * Shellac
- * Facials
- Tinting * Pedicure
- * Pedicures * Manicures

Help her provide services to our local community - for an appointment please call 0400741882.



WANT TO LEARN SOMETHING NEW?

MAJONG is held at the CRC on Mondays 10:00am until 2:00pm.

Bowen Therapy

Do you suffer from back pain, muscular or skeletal pain and dysfunction? Then make a booking to see Brian, available for Bowan Therapy Wednesdays at the CRC.

For appointments or further information please contact Brian on 0408 813 495

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.

Community Resource Centre

tour local connection

CRC Coordinator's Column

COMING UP @ the CRC

- 26th September 6th October, School Holiday Programme.
- 13th September CRC, AGM from 2.30pm.
- 9th October Meditation session 9.30am -11.30am \$5 includes morning tea.
- Each Monday, Dru Yoga, 9.30am -10.30am \$2. An easy relaxing class.
- Each Wednesday, 3.30pm 4.30pm Afterschool Coding.
- Each Tuesday, knitting group 10.00am -12pm \$2 per session.
- Second Sunday Croquet in the Park, 9am followed by a coffee.
- Thursday weekly, Quilting & Sewing group, 1pm 4pm \$2. Machines available.
- Book club meets on the 3rd Wednesday of each month, 10am 11am. New members welcome.
- Fourth Wednesday of each month Community Shed Committee meeting 3.15pm.
- Fourth Friday Croquet in the Park 4pm followed by a sundowner.

KEEP THE DATE FREE

- 8th October Open day at the CRC, sausage sizzle, cake sales, raffle fundraising.
- 1st November Optometrist Graham Shipway.
- 21st November Suicide awareness workshop.

Call in and see us with your ideas about what we could offer the community.



Angie Cornish Coordinator

Sophie Wilkinson-Knight Trainee





Life is 10 percent what happens to you and 90 percent how you react to it... Charles R Swindoll



GROW GREENBUSHES NEWS

With the cold and wet winter we have been experiencing this year, Grow Greenbushes has decided that for the winter months we will change the location of our meeting to the Greenbushes CRC function room so that we can be a bit cosier.

Everyone is welcome to attend out meetings on the first Thursday of the month (except December and January) at 7.30pm. Our September meeting will be at the CRC and we will have representatives from Auswest coming to update us on their current status.

The recent wet weather has filled Schwenkes dam and it is great to see that the boardwalk recently installed by the BBG can be put to good use.

This area will become a great draw card for people visiting Greenbushes.

A big thankyou to everyone who helped organise, or who



participated in, our Greenbushes Winter Weekend! A great time was had by all who attended the various events. We have had lots of comments on our laser lights this year and thanks go to the BGBTA for organising them for us. Thank you also to Talison for replacing the lights on the pine tree in Heritage Park.

The Tour of Margaret River cycling event is on again this year with Greenbushes being the end point of Stage 2 at Thomson Park.

This will be on November 11th between 10.30 and 12pm. It is expected that there will be 800 riders plus spectators and we have a group planning food and entertainment for the day.

If you would like to be involved in any way please contact Debbie Walsh on 9792 5741.



A bouquet to Talison and the BGBTA for our winter lights.



To those people who insist on speeding down Blackwood Road.

Leanne Green Chairperson Grow Greenbushes

LEARN AND PLAY GREENBUSHES



Enjoying meeting and playing are (left to right) Tess McGinty, Chelsea Woodall, Ella Little, Jonathon Player, teacher Krystal Kraichoo and Noa Phillips and Suzanne Woodall.

Parents and young children are invited to attend Early Childhood Meet and Play Time at the Greenbushes Primary School on Thursdays during school term.

The sessions are held between 9am and 11am and parents must be present.

For more information contact the Greenbushes Primary School on 9764 3535.







Blackwood Biosecurity Inc.
invites you to a
free Rodenator Rabbit Warren
Destruction Demonstration
at Little Church cottage, 25 Brooke Street,
Balingup (behind the oval) on Monday 18th
September, 2017 at 9.30 am.



Please let us know if you would like to attend: email projects@blackwoodbiosecurity.org.au

or phone Sheila: 0475 774 558

Wild rabbits are a serious and expensive environmental and agricultural pest and their numbers are rising again after being impacted by several strains of Calicivirus in the last 12 months.

Biological controls need to be supported with complimentary methods such as poisoning, shooting, and habitat removal.

Warren ripping is one method and in difficult sites such as rocky areas, bushland and small properties, so is the *Rodenator*.

In Balingup we will demonstrate how we first use a *smoker unit* (made from a modified leaf blower) to blow baby oil smoke throughout the warren. This allows us to identify all warren openings, which can then be closed in with soil. The portable *Rodenator R3* unit is then used to deliver a concussive force throughout the warren, through the detonation of oxygen and LPG. The concussive force is sufficient to humanely control rabbits and collapse the warren structure (depending on soil type and warren depth).

Warren destruction can provide a long-term benefit especially if supported by removal of above-ground harbour such as rock and rubbish piles.



TOUR OF MARGARET RIVER ROAD CYCLE RACE

Greenbushes will be the venue for a Stage Finish of the 2017 Tour of Margaret River Road Cycle Race on Saturday November 11

World class cyclists Marianne Vos, Robbie McEwen and Luke Durbridge are participating in the event which is Australia's largest road cycle race for teams and the only cycling Pro-Am event in the country. It is the ultimate experience for amateur cycling teams.

The tour is a multi-stage race held over three days and caters for a broad range of abilities. There is also an opportunity for a break-away ride with Voss, McEwen and Durbridge.

Grow Greenbushes is coordinating a "market day" atmosphere at the tour finish on Saturday November 11. The group is seeking musicians and general stall holders (not food or beverage) to help create a fantastic atmosphere for the 600 or so competitors and support crews. Interested stall holders should contact Debbie Walsh on 97825741.



Greenbushes Primary School Update





Electric Vehicles

The ABC South West team called into the school with a sporty Tesla to find out the students' thoughts about the future of vehicles and transportation. Everyone enjoyed the chance to get a first hand look at the battery powered car.



Auction for Winning Artwork

The school's award winning artwork is up for a silent auction. Call in and see the work at the Greenbushes Roadhouse and make a bid!



The Sound of Music

Music teacher Louise Hodge has commenced at the Greenbushes Primary School. She is teaching the students simple notation, rhythm and beat and choral music.



Daffodil Day

The main street of Greenbushes was lit up with bright daffodils as part of the school's Daffodil Day activities recently.



Bat Box Building

Thank you to Norm Wells, Emily and Declan's Grandfather, for helping Room 3 build "Bat nesting boxes that will be hung in the "bushblock".

Thank you also to the Bridgetown Grumpy old Men for their assistance in cutting and predrilling the timber for these houses. They look great as you can see from the photos and I am sure the bats who choose to use them as a home will love them.

Roger Foster : Principal.



Greenbushes Primary School Update



What is STEM? Why is STEM important in the classroom?

STEM stands for Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics. It isn't just a grouping of different subjects, it is a campaign to develop the deep scientific, mathematic and problem-solving skills that our students are going to need to be competitive in the workforce. By introducing this way of thinking in the early years, we are laying the foundation for our future leaders.

What does STEM look like in the classroom?

- Students working together to solve a problem.
- Inquiry-driven lessons that spark student curiosity.
- Less direct instruction and more inquiry-based learning.
- Engaged students who are buzzing with excitement.

There are multiple solutions to a problem and students are encouraged to understand that failure is a part of learning.

The STEM process is guided by the Engineering Design Process.

Ask – What is the problem? Are there any challenges?

Imagine – Brainstorm ideas and pick the best one! **Plan** – Make a list of materials and draw a labelled diagram.

Create - Follow your plan. Create a model if possible. Test it! Does it meet the goal?

Improve - Did it work? Can you make it better? What could be done differently?

Share - Is the problem solved? What changes need to be made? What do others think?

Room 1 students participated in rotational STEM activities each morning during Science Week 2017 with teacher Anne Giblett. Activities included:

Button Tower building
Help Jack Escape the Giant
Racing Cars
Pyramid of Cups
Build a Raft
Build a Chair
3D Cube
Wind Powered Boats
Marble Mazes
Basketball Holder
Foil Eiffel Towers



Chelsea Bennett and Declan Wells



Above: Shenae Woodall and Ollie Kraichoo and Below: Edyn Hardy, Tessa Scovell and Leah Woodall.





Plant of the Month

Bossiaea aquifolia:

Common Name: "Water Bush"

The name "Water Bush" probably came from the plant being an indicator of water nearby.

Bossiaea aquifolia is one of the "Water Bushes", and likes Eucalypt woodland or forest, sandy lateritic or even clay soils.

Because the plant belongs to the Pea Family (FABACEAE), the plant shows as a typical "Pea" flower.

If I had a dollar for the amount of times people have referred to these flowers as "Egg and Bacon", I would be quite wealthy.

The flowers can be orange and red or maroon to brown, and at present, some excellent samples can be seen at the early stages of the new track to Schwenkes Dam.

The leaves are very interesting – almost heart shaped, prominently spine tipped, with an irregular teethed margin (prickly).

I have noticed, walking around this area, that there are species with sharp, prickly leaves and others that have softer leaves. This is not that surprising, as there are 2 subspecies recorded in the South West. For any students who may be reading this article and were present at the "Seed and Fruit" workshop at the Primary school on August 17th, the fruit of this plant are pods (Legumes).



BINGO

Stinton Gardens Function Centre

Second Friday of the month 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

COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWS

Spiders might freak you out, but they are a source of fascination and admiration for Queensland honorary researcher and author Robert Whyte. We are thrilled to have a workshop with Robert as part of the Blooming Wild Festival and to celebrate his newly released book 'A field Guide to Spiders of Australia' with the CSIRO.

Mr Whyte will be chatting to us about the making of his book, the important role of all spiders in our ecosystems, common ones in our area, how to safely catch and identify spiders, and much more. Robert's aim is to alleviate people's fear of these fascinating creatures.

This workshop ties in beautifully with our gardens continual education on how to protect and care for backyard biodiversity. We hope after this workshop whenever you see a spider you'll be reaching for your camera and not your shoe!

The workshop is during school holidays on Wednesday October 4th from 10am to 12pm. It is open to all ages, but we are asking parents accompany their children. A small morning tea will be provided and Robert's book will be for sale on the day. It's a gold coin donation entry fee. Please call Tracy on 0400 976 434 to register for catering purposes.

"It's really important people know most spiders around their home are harmless and do such a good job of keeping your house clear of cockroaches, flies, mosquitoes and others" Robert Whyte

Tracy Lansdell Co-ordinator







The Boyup Brook Country Music Festival is a Festival steeped in the local community.

Dedicated volunteers from Boyup Brook have, for the last 32 years; given their blood, sweat, and a few tears, to make it the iconic Country Music Festival of Western Australia it is today!

The Festival is moving into its third year of a three-year successful funding application through Tourism' WA's Regional Events Scheme (RES), which is jointly funded by the Department of Regional Development through its Royalties for Regions program. This funding helps to grow our audiences with strong marketing campaigns and bring visitors to the region, helping to boost the local economy.

Country Music enthusiasts from around the state and further afield make the trek to Boyup Brook for fun filled days and star filled nights.

Visit the web site $\underline{www.countrymusicwa.com.au}$ for further information or phone 0897651657.



A Walk on the Blooming Wild Side with Felicity Littleton

When: October 1, 2017 Time: 10am-12pm.

Where: Greenbushes Community

Garden Building,

Blackwood Basin Conservation Office. Blackwood Road, Greenbushes.

Felicity Littleton is a qualified horticulturalist, conservationist and former TAFE lecturer with a passion for native flora. Her depth of knowledge is incredible and wildflower enthusiasts will not be disappointed.

10am Felicity will meet participants in the Blackwood Basin Conservation Herbarium and Flower Pressing room where examples of local native flora will be displayed. Approximately 10.30am Carpool to meet at Greenbushes Natural Pool and Boardwalk Carpark for the guided wildflower walk. The walk will conclude at approximately 12pm at the Greenbushes Pool car park.

Participants: The walk will cover undulating ground, gravel paths and bushland adjacent to conservation waterways. It is recommended for people to wear waterproof walking shoes and to bring a water bottle. A 'medium' level of fitness is recommended.

Fee: The event is free but a donation towards maintaining the Herbarium and Pressing Room would be greatly appreciated.

Bookings are not required.

For further details contact Christine King 0419929310, email: blueskyretreat@westnet.com.au



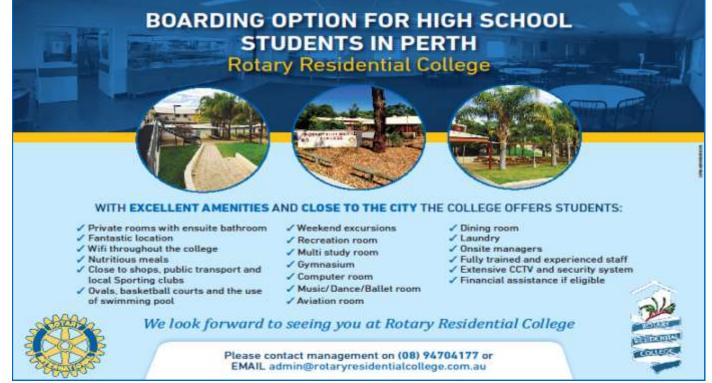
BALINGUP RECREATION CENTRE



GENTLE EXERCISE FOR THE OVER 55'S AND ANYBODY THAT JUST WANTS TO MOVE

Classes are structured to include stretching, low impact aerobics and muscle work, all carried out in a friendly environment to familiar music. Information and assessment session

Wednesday 6th September 9.15am – 10.45am (includes 45 minutes of beginners exercises) Group Exercise instructor Angela Winter 0409686695





NARROGIN AG COLLEGE OPEN DAY

The Western Australian College of Agriculture at Narrogin will hold an Open Day on September 15 from 9am to 3pm.

For more details contact Wendy Hogg on 98819736 or email wendy.hogg@education.wa.edu.au.

WINE AND FOOD DELIGHTS



Despite a dire weather forecast, the 9th annual Taste of the Blackwood Festival drew an appreciative crowd of visitors to the Bridgetown Town Hall on Saturday, 12 August.

Stallholders from all over the Blackwood Valley were proud to present a diverse selection of local products including fruit juice, cheese, chocolate, olive oil, soap and artworks; along with award winning wines, ales and ciders.

Local presenters entertained audiences with a wide selection of free workshops on topics such as how to make African style biltong, growing medicinal herb gardens and the ever popular favourite, Making Sourdough Bread.

Coordinator Keri Tripp said "It was great to have some new producers attend this year along with our regulars. Visitor feedback was fairly consistent, in that they've very much enjoyed the event and would like to see it continue with even more stallholders and workshops. We will be happy to work towards this for next year's festival!"



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.

Happiness has to be a mix of the rough and the smooth, the aches and pains as well as the joys of life.

Oliver Burkeman









FIRST AID TRAINING

For year 8 and 9's
Tuesday 3rd October
Greenbushes Community Resource Centre
Fully Certified Course

TIME: 8:30am - 5:00pm **COST**: \$95 per person Usually \$175

Payment and registration by no later than September 25th 2017

Angela Winter 0409686695 Zooropa4@bigpond.com



CLUB B BRIDGETOWN

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

<u>FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 1</u> – SPEAKER – BETH ASKEW "THE ROSE CENTRE"

> <u>FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 8</u> – DISCUSSION – "A STORY FROM YOUR CHILDHOOD"

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 15 - RICHARD WITTENOOM "ANYTHING IS POSSIBLE"

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 22 – MORNING TEA AT NELSON'S HOTEL

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 29 – MOVIE "THE INDIAN"

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



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 aluminium 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



LOCAL SERVICES DIRECTORY





Souwest Glass Service



www.souwestglass.com.au 24 HOUR 7 DAY EMERGENCY REPAIRS Steve Hawkins

Glazier - Glass and LeadLights PO Box 248 Greenbushes WA 6254

> P (08) 9764 3663 F (08) 9764 3387 M 0428 953 753 stevehawkimy@westnet.com.au

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













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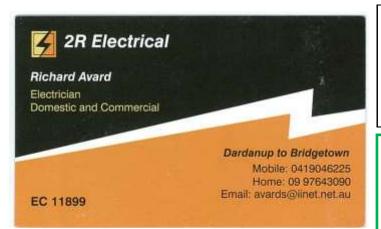


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Rick 0429084108





Greenbushes Community Resource Centre



Ticketing and information for Trans WA & South West Coach lines. Book your next trip at the CRC

RURAL IN REACH

CONTACT THE CRC FOR THE 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS OR CHECK THE NOTICEBOARDS.

VESTLINK 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.





We have a Video Conferencing room available for hire, equipped with laptop & TV and video conferencing equipment

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



Community Notices



Monday 10am - 2pm GREENBUSHES CRC



Additional Players Wanted

Gold coin donation

No previous experience necessary

For more information email

trainee@greenbushescrc.net.au or call 9764 3575



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

veek.

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.



CLOSING DOWN SALE

SALE 2007 & 2008 Cabernet Sauvignon Clean skins \$60.00 carton.

Get in quickly as Stock is Limited Limited time only

97643375 or email vickyh@reachnet.com.au





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
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	1st Wednesday of the month	Noelene 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
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



SEPTEMBER Diary Dates

Switzerland –a Westlink broadcast of the Black Swan Theatre Company Production at the CRC.

2 Balingup Friends of the Forrest Meeting.

6 & 12 Blooming Wild Photo Workshops at Greenbushes CRC with Phillip Williams.

13 Greenbushes CRC AGM, New members welcome.

18 Rodenator Workshop with Blackwood Biosecurity Group (rabbit control).

26 Sept-6 Oct Greenbushes CRC School Holiday Programme.

28 Rock Art Workshop at Greenbushes CRC.

Coming up in October

1 Walk on the Wild Side Wildflower Walk with Felicity Littleton.

4 Spiders workshop at Greenbushes Community Garden with Robert Whyte.

6 Bug Hunt at the Greenbushes Community Resource Centre.

8 Greenbushes Mine Open Day BOOKINGS REQUIRED.

9 Meditation at the Greenbushes CRC.

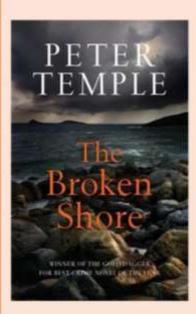
28 & 29 True Grit Event Donnybrook.





Invite you to come to the next Book Club meeting at the Greenbushes CRC

On Wednesday the 20th of September 10am - 11am



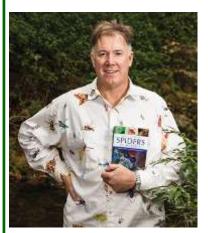
If you would like to review last month's book come to the meeting.

And if you'd like to read this book call in and borrow a copy.

> The Broken Shore By Peter Temple

Greenbushes Community Garden Workshop

SPIDERS WITH ROBERT WHYTE



As part of the Blooming Wild Festival

Greenbushes Community Garden is hosting a workshop with Robert Whyte.

Learn about the importance of spiders in our ecosystems, how to safely catch and identify spiders and much more.

This workshop is open to all ages. Morning Tea provided



WHEN: Wednesday October 4

WHERE: Greenbushes Community Garden

TIME: 10am - 12pm

COST: Gold coin donation to the garden



To register call Tracy on 0400976434