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# THE DARDANUP TIMES

A Newsletter for the localities of  
Dardanup • Crooked Brook • Ferguson • Wellington Mill • Dardanup West • Waterloo • Paradise • Henty

## Local Volunteer Bushfire Brigades Gear Up for the Upcoming Fire Season

Dardanup's 8 bushfire brigades have been busy preparing for the coming fire season. September 23<sup>rd</sup>, Kings birthday long weekend, we had Dardanup's 8 bushfire brigades along with Brunswick, Eaton and Bunbury Fire and Rescue brigades, Incident Control Van and DFES staff to conduct a Rural Urban Interface (RUI) at Dardanup West. This was to look at the preparedness of the community, check if our fire trucks can access property drive ways, whether the truck has space to turn around and get access to water tanks to safely defend a structure without risking the safety of our volunteers. This exercise gave us the opportunity to refresh our volunteers on radio communications and logging and recording radio traffic during the exercise.

Brigades have also been doing driver training, ie, four wheel driving and on road emergency driving.

Bushfire Preparedness is important at this time of the year. Perfect time to get your property in order, helps us to help you. If we can't get a full size fire truck onto your property, because of over grown trees and other obstacles we are unable to protect your property in the event of a bushfire. We need at least 4 meters wide

and 4 meters high, for our largest fire trucks to enter your property. Clear zones around your homes and sheds, so in the event of a fire impacting your property our firefighters can safely defend your property. All properties should have some practical firefighting equipment to protect themselves in the event we can't send a fire truck to help because either it is too late to enter safely or simply not enough fire trucks to go around. Fire breaks need to be clear and accessible. Have a plan to leave early if you are not prepared to stay and actively defend your property. Have an Emergency kit. Keep up to date with ABC radio and Emergency WA. Get your Bushfire Preparation TOOLKIT from your local brigade, DFES office and will be available at the Bull and Barrel at the Central Bushfire brigades stall on the oval.

For property owners needing advice on property preparedness, consider contacting your area FCO.

Keep up to date with the Shire of Dardanup fire prevention order, you will find this on the shire website under fire management.

**Chris Hynes**

**Shire of Dardanup Chief Fire Control Officer**

## Local Volunteer Bushfire Brigades Feature at the Festival

Dardanup Bushfire Brigade Cadets have been in full training every week and to give them some experience in dealing with the public they are organising the Dog High Jump Competition at the Festival. Great effort Cadets Dardanup Central Bushfire Brigade volunteers will be on the oval at the Festival giving our young Festival visitors the opportunity to use some of the fire fighting equipment and offer fire prevention measures to their families. West Dardanup, Central and Waterloo Brigades will be in charge of fire safety at the burning of the "Bull". The Festival Committee appreciates the support of our Brigades.

### **Firebreaks & Fire Prevention Measures**

Fire prevention measures must be completed and all properties (including residential, commercial, industrial and vacant land) cleared of fire hazards on or before 30 November each year to reduce the risk of fires during the bushfire season. Properties must remain free of hazard until the close of the Restricted Burning Period.

Shire of Dardanup Rangers commence property inspections on 1 December each year to ensure all properties comply with the Fire Prevention Order hire of Dardanup advises property owners each year by way of advertising in the local newspaper, website and mailing of a reminder postcard.



### **West Dardanup Bushfire Brigade Sporting New Shirts**

The West Dardanup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade was one of the recipients of Wespine's first round of community grants earlier in 2023, with a successful application for new shirts and jumpers for the brigade volunteers. Recently the Brigade held an awards presentation night, where the members were issued with their new clothing which is embroidered with both the Brigade and Wespine logos.

As we all know, the Brigade makes a valuable contribution to our local community and Wespine is pleased to be able to provide the volunteers with their new clothing.

**Claire Overheu**  
**Executive and Communications Coordinator**  
**Wespine**

## Congratulations To Wellington Mills Volunteer Bushfire Brigade

From the Shires website

The Shire of Dardanup would like to congratulate the Wellington Mills Volunteer Bushfire Brigade, who have been nominated in the 2023 DFES Firefighting Team Achievement Awards! This award acknowledges a volunteer brigade, team or task force who together, have made a real difference in their community over the past 12 months.

Wellington Mills were nominated for their outstanding contribution to community preparedness in 2022/23. The awards took place on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> September 2023 at the WAFES Conference with brigade representatives FCO Keith Higham and Captain Ian Bridge in attendance. Both Keith and Ian were fantastic representatives for the community, Shire of Dardanup and the South West Brigades and we thank them for their attendance and professionalism.

The brigade was one of three finalists and faced some fierce competition, with the award eventually won by the Fitzroy Fire and Emergency Services brigade.

Congratulations Wellington Mills Volunteer Bushfire Brigade and thank you for helping our community stay bushfire prepared!



L to R, DFES Commissioner, Rob Doherty, Keith Higham and Ian Bridge all from Wellington Mills Volunteer Bushfire Brigade and Jodie Hanns, MLA Collie-Preston

## Knits and Knots Group Create Gifts For 1<sup>st</sup> Nations People



L to r Diane Gribble, Terry Trigg, Ann Shilcof, Glenys Keagan, Nicky Ward, Margaret Selby, Lois Doherty with all the knitted gifts

Knits and Knots members Ann Shilcof, Diane Gribble, Judy Higgs, Kerry Hemsley, Nicky Ward and Terry Trigg have been very busy recently creating 4 Baby Beanies, 3 Ear Warmers, 36 Indigenous Colour Beanies, 12 Beanies/scarf sets,

13 lap rug and blankets all to be hand delivered by Kennedy Baptist College Murdoch students. Dianes grandchildren attend this school if you are wondering the connection.

Eds Note; Great effort Knits and Knots and students. Jigalong can be very cold so I'm sure the community will appreciate your efforts.

**Making the journey to Jigalong Community as part of their Newman Tour, above are 15 year 11 students from [Kennedy Baptist College Murdoch](#) and their teacher Mr Murray Dunstable who will distribute items to the Community School**



## Ferguson Valley Wineries Take Off Awards At The Geographe Wine Show

St Aidan Wines owners Phil and Mary Smith were delighted to win Wine of Show with their 2023 Sauvignon Blanc Semillon. This wine also won Best Geographe White Wine and Best White Blend. The "Zena" Liqueur Muscat, named after Phil's 102yo mum won Best Fortified Wine and their 2022 Tempranillo was also awarded a Gold Medal.

Willow Bridge Estate were awarded Best Geographe Red and Best Cabernet with their 2021 Coat of Arms Cabernet Sauvignon. The 2022 Gravel Pit Shiraz was awarded a Gold Medal and they rounded out the evening by being presented Most Successful Producer and Excellence in Winemaking for the dynamic duo, Kim Horton & Dougal Herd.

Green Door Wines picked up the awards for Best Geographe Red Blend and Best Alternate Red Varietal for their 2022 Spanish Steps GSM and Gold Medal for the 2022 Amphora Tempranillo. Other awards of note on the evening were Oakway Estate who won Best Geographe Sparkling for the NV Am'arie Always and Best White Varietal for the 2023 Trocken Scheurebe.

Smallwater Estate won Best Rose and Vineyard 28 Best Sweet Table Wine for their 2023 Moscato Rosa.

Congratulations to all award winners!

All results available at [www.geographewine.com.au/wine-show-2023/2023-results/](http://www.geographewine.com.au/wine-show-2023/2023-results/)

Julie Lawrence



Phil and Mary Smith from St Aidan Wines Accepting Their Award At the Geographe Wine Show



## Act Belong Commit Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival

### Volunteers Needed

The Festival is a big job to organise for our volunteer Festival Committee and we need your help on Thurs 5 Oct and Fri 6 Oct 9.00am—5.00pm. Morning and afternoon tea and lunch provided, meet at the Clubrooms on Wells Recreation Park; help for a couple of hours, high school students welcome. If you would like to help for a couple of hours on Saturday then please contact Jane Field (email [avalonjane@me.com](mailto:avalonjane@me.com)) who is the Festival Volunteer Coordinator and volunteer your assistance. Remember many hands make light work! Sunday—cleanup!

### Festival Parking

Tell your friends and family to take the stress out of finding parking this year and park at the Dardanup Equestrian Centre, follow the signs, 2kms out of town, pay our wonderful Dardanup Equestrian Centre Committee \$5( cash) for parking ( it's their fundraiser) and get on the free shuttle bus which will drop you off at the Festival. The buses will run from 9.30am—5.30pm. How easy is that!

## Dardanup Lions Club News

Lions Eye Health Programme schools eye screening. After ascertaining the local interest was there the club now has the right mix of members and town volunteers to launch a future screening at the Dardanup Primary School. 12<sup>th</sup> September: training day was held at the Dardanup Sports Pavilion, the club agreed to pay the national join up fee of \$4 per member which covers promotion, administration, materials and provided equipment able to be borrowed to run a screening. The four instruments used are; Spot vision screening camera, LEA vision chart (using child recognised objects), Colour vision test charts and a depth perception test apparatus. Thanks to the members and locals who have volunteered their time to help this cause.

Past Lions, Lions Ladies, awardees of Lions recognition plaques and widows of Lions plus present Lions are invited to a special Lunch to celebrate fifty years of Lions in Dardanup. It will be on Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2023, of a three course alternate drop menu and at a cost to everyone of \$50 per head. Limited supply of beer and wine and soft drinks included at this one off, which will be at Evedon Park Resort.

**Phil Ottrey**

### Thank You to Retiring Councillors

Thanks to the following Shire Councillors who are returning this month after serving this community for many years. Cr Perks - 8 years; Cr Robinson – 12 years; Cr Dow – 5 years and of course Shire President Mick Bennett who has served for something like 30 years.

### Giant Puppet Making Workshops

If you would like to help make some giant puppets that will be paraded before the lighting of the Bull at this years Festival, then come along to the Dardanup Hall from Monday 25th September – Friday 6th October, 9.00am – 6.00pm. Join us any day and stay for as long as you like. BYO food and drinks. No cost. Ages 10 and above. Under 12s will need parental assistance. Help from high school students and adults most welcome. Working with W.A. puppetry artist Karen Hethey. Enquires to Jill 0418281201, [jill.cross@bigpond.com](mailto:jill.cross@bigpond.com).

### Road Closures

Locals are reminded that Ferguson Rd between Charlotte and Recreation Rd and Little St between Ferguson Rd and Doolan St and Recreation Rd between Ferguson Rd and the Fire Shed will be closed to general traffic from 7.00am – 9.30pm on the day of the Festival and Little St between Doolan and Hayward St and Doolan St will be closed to general traffic from 7.00am- 6.00pm.

**Follow the Festivals Facebook Page for all the latest News**

## Farewell Chris

*Much loved community member Chris Commons is leaving Dardanup to be with family on the east coast after about 20 years living in Dardanup. Chris has been a longtime member of the Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc, Knits and Knots and always assisted with Dardanup Anzac Day Services and folding the Dardanup Times for countless years. We will miss you Chris and wish you well with your new adventures.*

### Wespine Grants Open

Wespine's second round of grants for 2023 are now open – please go to the Wespine website for more information or to apply <https://www.wespine.com.au/community-grants/applications/> Applications close Sunday 15 October.

### Dardanup Senior Citizens News

Our last meeting was held on the 19th September in the Lesser Hall due to damage to Wells Hall. 18 Members attended. We welcomed Joyce & Terry Chapman as members recently. Our October meeting will be on 17th & our Christmas Dinner on the 28th November. Mahjong lessons are available to all residents & is sponsored by the Shire of Dardanup. Please ring Revely for details.

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Contact:

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Ferguson Valley Open Garden Trail**  
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## Trains Back On the Track Through Dardanup?

The recent meeting on 20 September in the Dardanup Hall organised by mining company Talison Lithium and the South West Development Commission to discuss a proposal to recommission the Greenbushes to Bunbury Railway Line was well attended by the community.

The rail line hasn't been used for more than 15 years however a \$6.6 million feasibility study has been funded by the State Government and Talison Lithium to investigate the possibility of trains once again travelling on the track between Greenbushes and Picton or the Port, acknowledging the potential growth in the lithium industry and the opportunity to reduce the number of trucks using South Western Highway.

They are hoping to finish the feasibility study mid next year and if going ahead, then operational 12 - 18 months after that.

The Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc wants to ensure the safety of this community with regards to trains travelling through the town and across many crossings in the localities. There will be 1 train every 3 hours – 4 trains travelling to Picton and 4 travelling back to Green bushes in a 24 hour period.

At the very least I think we should expect Flashing lights and boom gates on all crossings in the Shire, Railway line fenced all the way from the Catholic church to the Vets and complete remodeling of the Venn, Boyanup /Picton, Ferguson Rds intersection.

The DDRA intends liaising with the Shire Council and stakeholders on this issue and will keep the community informed on our progress.



Our organization depends on volunteers, and if you can spare some time, and would be interested in joining us, we would love to hear from you. Call our office on 97 957487 on Tuesday or Wednesday mornings (our riding days ) or our Administration on 0439 923 314 email [admin@rdaasw.org.au](mailto:admin@rdaasw.org.au) Or come in and visit us at 746 Bussell Hwy GELORUP SW Equestrian Centre

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## **Catholic Parish of Dardanup~Boyanup**

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**and we remember our loved ones and**

**pioneers who have gone before us.**

**BYO chair.**



I love this time of year, our local Jarrah forest is a riot of colour as we enter 'Kambarang' the Noongar season from October to November. The fruit tree blossoms are fading and the

trees have begun to dress in their best greens ready for the warmer months. The weeds are wild and I am very busy in my vegie patch.

Now is our prime planting period in the vegie patch and sometimes we can get a bit over enthusiastic and plant everything at once. It is helpful to remember that what you plant now will be ready at Christmas time. a plentiful supply is good but a glut in peak holiday season can be overwhelming! This is when a plan for succession plantings helps to keep your garden productive but not unmanageable. Yes, there are thousands of ways to use zucchini but I'm not sure everyone wants to receive them as Christmas gifts...

What is *Succession planting*? It is a strategy where you stagger sowing seeds or seedlings so that you have plants maturing at different times. For quick growing crops it can be planting some weekly or fortnightly, with other crops it can be planting twice in one season. This technique works for any sized garden. If you love your summer salads a great tip to remember is *Leafy greens can be planted with everything* and are great used as 'space fillers' and act as living mulch.

**Plant once per season.** Crops that take a long time to grow are generally only planted once and will mature with one extended crop for the entire summer season. These include Tomatoes, Eggplant, Chilli, Capsicum, Pumpkin, Sunflower, Luffa, Melons, Squash, Pumpkins & Silverbeet. Investigate your varieties - how many days to maturity do they need? Make sure you have enough days for your pumpkins to cure on the vine if you want to keep them for storage next winter. It helps to plant a few different types of tomatoes so you get a season long harvest. There are early, mid and late fruiting types.

**Plant Twice per season.** Crops that have a shorter time to maturity can be planted twice and this will extend your harvest through into the autumn months. These crops include Zucchini, Corn, Dwarf Beans, Climbing Beans, Snow peas, Cucumbers, Gherkins, Beetroot and Carrots. Generally I plant one lot in September/October and the other just after

Christmas. Mulch well. Choose a sunny, sheltered position. Soaking the seeds before planting will speed up germination. Planting both dwarf and climbing beans/peas will give you a longer harvest period. I plant my next succession crop once the first lot begins to flower.

**Plant every 2-4 weeks.** Quicker growing crops such as Lettuce, Asian greens, Cress, Rocket and Coriander can be planted every 2-4 weeks to allow for a continuous harvest. They prefer a sheltered, cool, shaded position or will 'bolt' in the heat. If you are looking to grow smaller amounts but have a consistent supply then seedlings are a great option. They are quick growing and great fillers, just pop in a punnet each week. Seed packets are a cheaper option long term for Leafy crops such as rocket and lettuce, simply scatter seeds in gaps of other plantings. Let a few plants go to seed at the end of the season and you won't need to buy seeds again. What can we plant in October? *Just about everything!*

Leaf crops - Amaranth, Lettuce, Mustard, Silverbeet, Fennel, Celery, Watercress, Purslane, Rocket, French Cress, Sorrel, NZ spinach, Chicory, Cabbage, Chinese cabbage

Root & onion crops - Beetroot, Radish, Kohlrabi, carrot, Parsnip, Scorzonera, Turnip, Celeriac, Daikon, Potato, Leeks, Spring Onions, Yacon, Yam/Oca, Jerusalem Artichoke

Legume crops - Dwarf Beans, Climbing Beans, Snow peas, Asparagus pea

Curcubit & Solanum family - Cucumber, Luffa, Sweetcorn, Gourd, Melons, Pumpkin, Squash, Marrow, Zucchini, Tomato, Capsicum, Chilli, Tomatillo, Eggplant, Okra, Rosella, Sunflower.

Herbs - Globe Artichoke, Asparagus, Basil, Buckwheat, Coriander, Strawberry plants, Dill, Borage, Nasturtium, Oregano, Sage, Cape Gooseberry, Mint, Tarragon, Lemon Balm, Edible Chrysanthemum, Parsley, Rhubarb, Rosemary and Summer savoury

Happy Gardening!

Next Sustainable Living Workshop at the Dardanup Hall is on Thursday 12th October, 10-11.30am. **Topic: Composting made easy.** Learn how to increase soil fertility and soil health in your backyard. We will explore a variety of options to help reduce your food waste and convert your scraps into something useful. **Bookings essential ph:**

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**Session 1** : Introduction to Mindfulness and Mental Fitness: What anxiety/stress are (Eustress and Distress), how it shows up differently for different people. How the brain works with thought and emotion.

**Session 2**: Resilience strategies. • How our brains perceive change, our thoughts are the key for success. • Mindfulness tools to help when we feel not ok.

**Session 3**: Getting to know me Part 1.: Relationships with others, celebrating our differences (building self-esteem and confidence).

**Session 5**: Bringing it all together: My personal reminders of what works for me to build my mental fitness.

**Session 4**: Getting to know me Part 2: My talents and strengths, awareness of self (focus on self-esteem and confidence).



### FEEDBACK FROM YEAR 6 STUDENTS TO ABBEY PIGGOTT

*I definitely think that the Year 5 students will love having you just as much as we did. You were wonderful and patient. I would love to have you again and always will thank you.*

*It was a great experience. I have been using it at home when I'm mad or being annoyed with my sister. It really helps and I believe more people need to do this.*

*I loved every one of the activities and they will help me in the future. It was so much fun. I always went calm straight away.*

*It is the best thing to do to stop getting angry. You really loosen up and enjoy the time. I highly recommend everyone does it.*

## Shire of Dardanup News

### Storm Damage to the Wells Recreations Park Clubrooms

The Shire of Dardanup would like to advise that the recent storm events have unfortunately caused damage to the Wells Recreation Building in the Dardanup townsite.

Staff are working to clean up the debris as quick as possible.

The Shire of Dardanup are also working with the local community, affected community groups and relevant insurers to ensure the damage is assessed and repaired as quickly as possible.

Our team is working with the Bull and Barrel Festival Committee to ensure the event can go ahead with minimal disruption.

Ongoing work to restore roads and clean-up areas affected by the storms will continue throughout the Shire along with assessments being carried out where needed. We encourage residents to take care on the roads.

### Shire of Dardanup Green Waste Collection

The Shire of Dardanup will be conducting a Green Waste collection for residential properties in the townsites of Eaton, Millbridge, Burekup and Dardanup, between the following dates:

**Monday, 16 October - 21 October 2023**

We will collect:

- Tree and shrub cuttings up to 2 cubic metres
- Maximum length 1.5m  
Maximum diameter 200mm

We cannot collect:

- Lawn clippings or roll on turf
- Green waste placed in bags or boxes
- Hard waste including timber
- Stumps

Excessively large piles of green waste (greater than 2 cubic metres) All green waste must be placed on the verge prior to 6.00am of the first collection day. Council is unable to provide exact collection days or times.

100 per cent of the green waste collected is recycled into compost. Please keep all waste clear of reticulation, water mains, electrical domes, footpaths, street signs and street corners.

The property owner is responsible for maintaining the waste piles in a safe condition and in a manner that does not cause litter.

Waste shall only be placed on the owner's property. Uncollected material remains the responsibility of the property owner/occupier to remove.

Streets will only be serviced once. Green waste placed out AFTER the collection date or not collected remains the responsibility of the owner to remove.

## Important Shire Information

The verge-side bulk green waste collection is scheduled for 16-20<sup>th</sup> October, Shire wide. The Shire permits waste to be placed on the verge no more than 7 days before, this would be the 9<sup>th</sup> October. This will keep the town tidy for the Festival and prevent early tipping, which is not permitted through our Thoroughfares Local Law.

### REMINDER TO DRIVE SAFETY THROUGH ROADWORKS

The Shire of Dardanup has issued a reminder to the community to please exercise additional caution and patience when travelling through local roads works associated with construction of the Bunbury Outer Ring Road (BORR).

Shire of Dardanup CEO André Schönfeldt said of particular concern was the safety of drivers and Shire work crews on rural road Dowdells Line in Henty, near Dardanup.

Road closures and detours in the area associated with construction of the BORR by Main Roads WA contractor South West Gateway Alliance, had increased the amount and type of vehicles using Dowdells Line. This was accelerating deterioration of the road in places.

"Dowdell's Line is a narrow, rural road but has now become a major thoroughfare," Mr Schönfeldt said.

"Our works crews are seeing increasing frustration from motorists in the area who are not adhering to speed limits.

"For the safety of road users and our work crews, I urge the community to please drive carefully in accordance with the signs and conditions of the road."

Mr Schönfeldt said the Shire was continuing to work with Main Roads and South West Gateway Alliance on appropriate solutions for improving safety and access in the area for the remainder of the BORR construction period.

### SEVEN CANDIDATES TO CONTEST ELECTION

Seven candidates will compete for six vacancies on the Dardanup Shire Council during the October 21 Local Government Election.

Nominating for a position on Council in ballot order are:

- Courtney Brennan
- Stacey Gillespie
- Tony Jenour
- Mark Hutchinson
- Jack Manoni
- Annette Webster
- Taneta Bell

You can view their full profiles on the Council Elections page of the Shires website website.



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**Shire of Dardanup Events****Tronox Spring Out 2023**

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This year's program includes free exciting activities such as the much-loved giant inflatable obstacle course, rock climbing wall, X5 parkour, go karts, dodge ball, knock-em nerf game, mini and SNAG golf, inflatable connect four, under 5's bouncy castle, food trucks, entertainment and much more!

**Eaton Foreshore**

Sunday, 22 October, 9.30am – 12.30pm

**Discover Your Family History\***

Discovering your family history can be a fun and fascinating journey. Our Discover Your Family History workshops and discussions provide all the tools you need to unlock your family secrets in no time at all - so what are you waiting for? Book now!

**Eaton Community Library (Adults)**

Tuesday, 17 October, 5:30pm – 7pm

**How to Use Your Mobile Phone\***

Are you confused by all the features and settings on your mobile phone? Join us for coffee and a friendly discussion about using your mobile device. Book now and get the answers you need, one cup at a time!

**Eaton Community Library (Adults)**

Wednesday, 11 & 25 October, 9:30am – 10:30am

**Lego Club\***

Unleash your child's creative potential with Lego Club! With different themes and challenges each week, they'll learn problem-solving, teamwork, and bond with other kids in the process. Book now!

**Eaton Community Library (All ages)**

Tuesday, 10, 17, 24 & 31 October, 3:30pm – 4:30pm

**Toddler Time: Stories & Rhymes\***

Introducing Toddler Time: a fun way to nurture your child's learning and imagination. At Toddler Time, we believe in the power of stories to shape our children's minds. Book now!

**Eaton Community Library (0-5 years)**

Thursday, 12, 19 & 26 October, 10am – 10:30am

**Little Jigglers\***

A magical world of discovery! Let your child explore their creativity, imagination and social skills with weekly Little Jigglers sessions presented by Jo Jingles. Bookings essential.

**Dardanup Hall**

Monday, 9 & 23 October, 10:30am – 11am

**Burekup Hall**

Monday, 16 & 30 October, 10:30am – 11am

**Tiny Wigglers\***

Tiny Wigglers provides an environment that encourages parents of 0-3 year olds to read, sing and play with their children — helping them develop a love for literacy that will stay with them through life. Bookings essential.

**Eaton Community Library (0-3 years)**

Tuesday, 10, 17, 24 & 31 October, 10:30am – 11am

**Toddler Time: Sensory Storytime\***

Join us for stories, songs and explore the sensory play stations.

**Eaton Community Library (0-5 years)**

Thursday, 19 October, 10am – 10:30am

**Scribblers Festival: Golden Feather Hunt**

Join the hunt at Eaton and Dardanup libraries to find a feather hidden throughout the Junior and Young adult section. Keep a special eye out for a Gold, Silver or Topaz feather to claim your prize. Happy Hunting!

**Eaton Community Library (0-18 years)**

4 September to 27 October

**World Mental health day with Headspace\***

Join the team from Headspace Bunbury on World Mental Health Day Tuesday 10th of October for understanding mental health and a healthy headspace workshop for youth aged 12-25.

**Eaton Community Library (12 years-25 years)**

Tuesday, 10 October, 5pm – 6pm

**Poetry Open Mic Night with Andrew Macleod: Eaton Community Library Chapbook Launch\***

Join us to celebrate the launch of our very own Chapbook! Come along and listen to the writers bring their poems to life.

**Eaton Community Library (Adults)**

Thursday, 5 October, 4:30pm – 6:30pm

**Southern Ports Festive Auslan Choir 2023\***

The Shire of Dardanup, in partnership with Southern Ports and Lauren Jones from Hope CODA (Child of Deaf Adult) Services is excited to provide you with an opportunity to be a part of the 2023 Southern Ports Festive Auslan Choir. The one-hour sessions will be delivered over eight weeks each Monday from 4:30pm – 5:30pm. What can you expect to learn?

- The signing of basic words
- Fingerspelling
- The signing of 3 songs with a festive feel

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**Eaton Recreation Centre (Meeting Room)**

From Monday 23 October 2023.

**Life Hacks: Resumes and Interview Skills**

We have our very own Shire of Dardanup Human Resource Team ready to teach you some great tips on getting your first job! Come and learn from the pro's, some great tips and tricks to start or spruce up your resume, learn some key things to do in an interview and learn about how to get into the workforce, whether for a part-time job or for your future career. Must be 13+ years to attend.

**Shire of Dardanup - Eaton Council Chambers**

Wednesday, 4 October, 11.00am – 12.00pm

**Sustainable Living Workshops: Composting Made Easy\***

Learn how to increase soil fertility and health in your backyard. The workshop will explore a variety of options to help reduce your food waste and convert your scraps into something useful.

**Dardanup Town Hall**

Thursday, 12 October, 10.00am – 11.30am

**Chair Yoga**

Yoga can help slow down the ageing process by maintaining muscle softness and flexibility, keeping the mind alert and awake, encouraging relaxation and strengthening muscles and joints. Classes are free to attend, and no online registration is required.

**Eaton Recreation Centre**

Tuesday, 17 October, 1.00pm – 2.00pm

### POPULAR AUSLAN CHOIR TO RETURN FOR 2023

This free AUSLAN course is comprised of one-hour sessions that will be delivered over eight weeks each Monday from 4:30pm – 5:30pm at the Eaton Recreation Centre (Meeting Room).

The course commences Monday 23 October 2023.

All participants will receive a free Auslan Choir t-shirt. Must be aged 7+ to participate.

What will you learn?

- The signing of basic words
- Fingerspelling
- The signing of 3 songs
- A bucket-load of festive fun!

For more information or to register visit our website.

## New Exercise Classes Start in Dardanup

Exercise Classes suitable for all ages, fitness levels, abilities, and injury status are held at the Wells Recreation Centre on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays.

At 9am we have a Core Focus work out, based on the floor using our body weight to target a wide range of core muscles and at 10am a Functional Movement class aiming to improve our strength, flexibility and balance.

At 7:30pm on Thursdays with have a HIIT (or a cardio type) work out to really get your blood pumping!

Cost - \$20 per casual class \$15 for bulk purchase (Concession card holders \$15 and \$10)

Crystal runs the classes. She is a mum of 4 and have been a personal trainer for 3 years with previous experience in individual care. She has lived in Dardanup for 4 years and loves our community, and helping people achieve their lifestyle goals. She looks forward to delivering fitness classes in a safe comfortable environment for people of all ages, abilities, regardless of fitness and injury status. To book in or ask questions, please call us on 0498 740 262, or if online is more convenient for you head to our website [www.dardanuphealth.com.au](http://www.dardanuphealth.com.au)

Eds Note; Well done Taneta and Crystal and lets get Dardanup active

## What's on In Dardanup

- 1 September- Ferguson Hall Spring Sundowner, 6pm see poster for details  
 3 October – Mens Welfare Group – 2pm at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms  
 7 October – Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival  
 12 October - Next Sustainable Living Workshop at the Dardanup Hall, 10-11.30am. **Topic: Composting made easy.** Learn how to increase soil fertility and health in your backyard. We will explore a variety of options to help reduce your food waste and convert your scraps into something useful. **Bookings essential ph:** 9724000 or on the website [dardanup.wa.gov.au/events](http://dardanup.wa.gov.au/events)  
 13 October – Ferguson Hall Sundowner with the Resonators, see poster this edition  
 14 October - Green Door Gigs - Gemma Louise from 12.45pm. No tickets required but call the cellar door to make a booking.  
 16-21 October – Shire of Dardanup Green Waste Collection  
 17 October – Dardanup Senior Citizens meeting, 9.30am at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms  
 17 October - Mens Welfare Group – 2pm at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms  
 21 October – Shire Council Elections  
 22 October - Boyanup Farmers Market, 8am  
 22 October – Tronox Spring Out Festival, see poster this edition  
 28/29 October – Ferguson Valley Open Gardens, see poster this edition  
 3 November – Ferguson Hall Quiz Night, see poster this edition, For ticket sales visit [Ferguson Hall Quiz Night - Sticky Tickets](#)

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- Dardanup Community Choir- every Monday, 7pm @ the Ferguson Hall, Helen 0422 095 870  
 Edible Gardening Group – 2nd Saturday of the month at 9.30am, ph Ros 0408949160 or Leanne 0418781121  
 Cardinal Junior Football Club - winter  
 Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival Committee – 7.30pm, 2nd Wednesday of every month, Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms  
 Dardanup Cricket Club( Junior and Senior) - summer  
 Dardanup Horse and Pony Club – meets 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month at the DEC  
 Dardanup Lions Club – 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, 6:30pm at the Dardanup Tavern  
 Dardanup Playgroup – every Wednesday of school term, 9.30am – 11.30am @ Dardanup Community Centre  
 Dardanup Shire meetings – every fortnight on Wednesday @ Eaton. ph 97240000  
 Dardanup Senior Citizens – 3rd Tues of the month @ the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms, 9.30am – 11.30am.  
 Dardanup Social Dance – 1st Saturday of each month, Dardanup Hall, 8pm, \$12 ea, supper to share.  
 Dardanup Sporting and Community Clubs – 7.00pm, bimonthly at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms  
 Dardanup Tennis Club – every Saturday from 9.00am, beginners welcome  
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 Ferguson Hall Sundowners – 1st Friday of the month @ 6.00pm, BYO drinks and nibbles.  
 Ferguson Valley Visitor Centre Volunteers- 1st Tuesday of each month @ the VC Centre, 9.30am.  
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 Joshua/ Crooked Brook Sundowner – 2nd Friday of the month, 7.00pm at the Fireshed.  
 Knits and Knots Group – Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, 1.00 -3.00pm @ the Dardanup Shire office  
 St Aidans Church, every 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, 9am, all denominations welcome.  
 SW Rose Soc – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month, 10.00am, @ Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms  
 SW Veteran Car Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms.  
 Wellington Mill Sundowners – last Friday of the month, 6 – 8pm @ the Fireshed  
 Wellington Mills Community Association- 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7.30 pm, Wellington Mills Fireshed  
 Dardanup Central Bushfire Brigade training @ the Fire Station, Recreation Rd, 5.30pm every Wednesday  
 Ferguson Valley Mountain Bike Club – 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month at the Wells Rec Park Clubrooms, Mark, 0408 331 447  
 Mens Welfare Group – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday, 2-5pm at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms , Ray 0417 932 898



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Our Market day is always held on the 4th Sunday of each month except the 3rd Sunday in December, our next market is 22<sup>nd</sup> October, 2023

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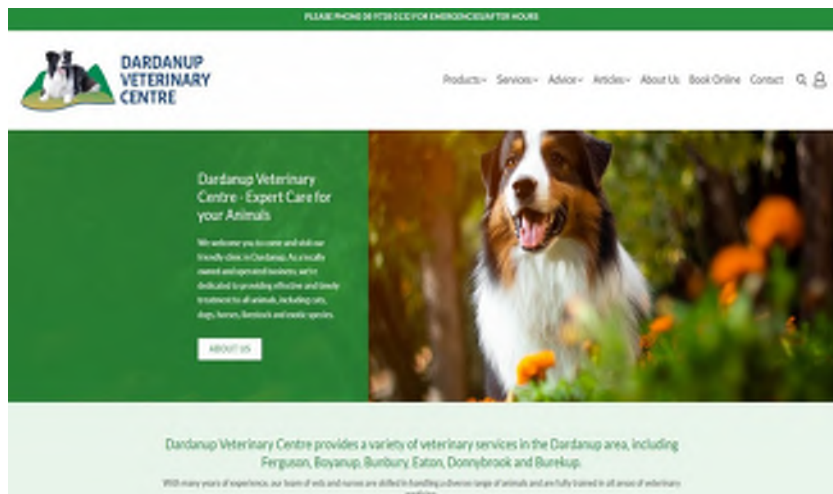
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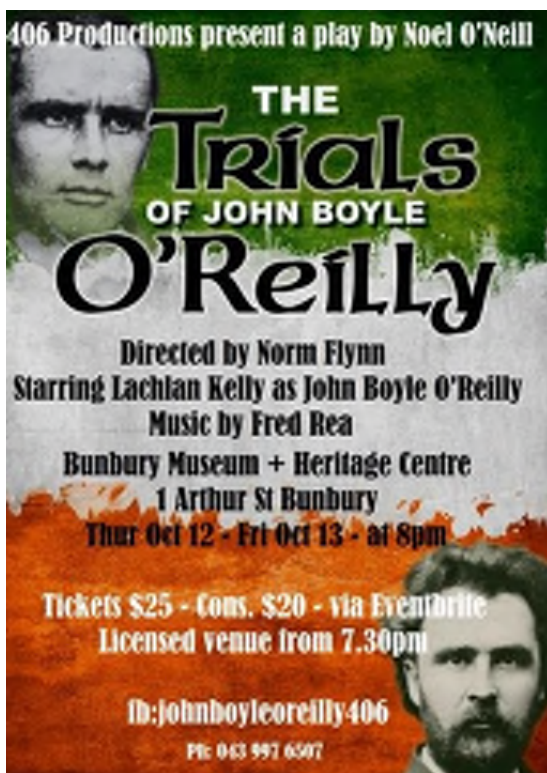
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