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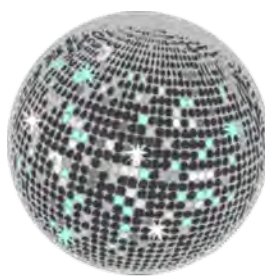
# THE DARDANUP TIMES

A Newsletter for the localities of  
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## Get Ready for Another Dardy Party

*After the success of the Great Gatsby Ball, we've decided to make a themed Dardy Dance an annual event. So get ready for it..... because we are about to go....*

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Inferno!**



## Dardanup Horse and Pony Club Hosts Successful ODE

Dardanup Horse and Pony Club hosted their annual ODE on May 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>, consisting of 3 phases - Dressage, Show Jumping and Cross Country, over 2 days. The event was again a great success with heights ranging from 45cm up to 105cm. A fantastic weekend was had by all competitors. We had riders travel from Perth, Albany and Esperance to attend along with our local riders.

This year introduced the 105cm again after not including it the past few years. The new and updated course brought interest back to this level with plans to further attract higher heights in the future. New jumps have been included across all heights combined with 2 water complexes, making it an exciting challenging course.

Our small but mighty event committee led by Amelia Radford volunteered many hours into making this event happen and getting our XC course looking amazing. Club members put in lots of time in the lead up and across the event weekend making it run smoothly and successfully. It certainly pays off when people make comments on how lovely our grounds are and they didn't know it was here!

Sponsors play a big part in contributing to successful events, we would like to thank some of our generous class sponsors – Piacentini and Sons, GT Fabrication, Horseland Bunbury, All Lift Lifting Services, Farmco Boyanup, WA Country Builders, Equine Therapy Products, Aero Ranger, Boyanup Tavern, Inspirations Paint and Taunton Vale.

Some of our locally placed winning riders include Pippa O'Neill riding Jack in the PC 45cm, Anya Johnston Riding Taunton Vale Calimero in the PC 65cm, Sophie DeBrito riding Tiaja Park Folly in

the PC 80cm and Bronte Adams in the Open 65cm. Winning traveling riders included Bryce Crook in the Open 105cm, Tegan Cook in the Open 80cm and Elizabeth Jones in the PC 105cm and Becky Stride in the PC 65cm.

Here's to making our 2025 event bigger and better.

**Kristen DeBrito**



**Sophie DeBrito From Dardanup Horse and Pony Club  
Won the 80cm Category in the Dardanup ODE**





Recently members of the Crooked Brook Forest Group who have been long time volunteers at CBF were invited by the Dept of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions to celebrate this milestone at a morning tea at Frasers Restaurant at Kings Park along with other longtime volunteers around the State. Everyone was presented with either a 20 or 25 year badge and certificate of thanks. Actually most have been volunteering at CBF for closer to 30 years.

Pictured at rear l to r, Tina Garbelini, Tom Cross, Vicki Robinson, Lynton Gillies, Denise Gillies, Peter Robinson, Rob Dixon, front row; l to r Ross Jarvis, Meryl Jarvis, Jill Cross and Glenda Dixon

## Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival News

The Festival Committee has plans well under way to celebrate our 21<sup>st</sup> Festival. Kids can make a birthday hat designed by Carol Gardiner in the AMD Kids Craft marquee and join in the lunchtime birthday parade led by Perth band Junkadelic. Jeff Woodman and John Cartwright have plans for the 'Bull' in keeping with the birthday theme and the goats ready for racing are going to be suitably attired in their best birthday suits. Expressions of interest coming in steadily from musicians and Tracey Moyle tells us 100 stall applications have been received already. By the way if you see a good stall out there then mention the Festival – Saturday 5 October and all applications are online.

Tracey, Brian Keley, Ken Gardiner and myself had a meeting recently with Walter from Totally Sound to investigate a software package that will allow Tracey to design the Festival layout on a computer which will be transposed onto the oval providing for greater accuracy and less work in marking out for Ken and Brian. That's the plan anyhow. We will need the assistance of 1 of our local surveyors who im sure will be happy to help.

Monique Warnock, new to the Committee and taken on Corporate Sponsorship Officer postion and myself visited all of our sponsors delivering the packages, balloons and Festival biscuits made by Dardanup Delights. We along with the biscuits were well received. Biscuits were delicious thanks Fiona. Most of our sponsors have been with the Festival since its inception and without them and the Shires support the Festival wouldn't have grown to be the much loved and well attended Festival that it is today.

All the grant applications have been submitted and we await the outcomes – Lotterywest, Regional Events and Healthway. Just to give you the tip, as of 2025 Healthway will not be sponsoring one off events such as our Festival so that will mean a loss of \$15,000.00. The Committee will certainly be looking for extra sponsorship next year.

Caroline Vernon has taken on Treasurers job this year with past Treasurer Julie Hazelden offering tips when needed. Julie is also assisting Flora Toft who has joined the Committee this year coordinating the 2 stages and Jess in her 2<sup>nd</sup> year on the Committee has taken on Minute Secretary duties and doing a magnificent job. Phil Smith has returned to the Committee after being the inaugural

Chairperson in 2003 to organise the Tastes of Ferguson Valley marquee. Good on you Phil. Of course its not only the sponsors that make the Festival a success but the hardworking and professional Committee. This community is fortunate to have such a great bunch of volunteers.

Im sure you all have the Festival date on your calendars – Saturday 5 October and you can help us by spreading the word. **Jill Cross**



Andrew Templeman from Doral and Jill Cross. Doral have been major sponsors of the Festival for 21 years



Jill Cross with Aaron Depiazzi from TJ Depiazzi who have sponsored the Festival for 21 years



Tim Partridge from AMD Chartered Accountants with Jill Cross and Monique Warnock. AMD are longtime Festival sponsors

## Dardanup Playgroup News

This last month at Dardanup Playgroup we have been doing lots of outdoor play as well as arts and crafts. The kids had a blast experimenting with different techniques and letting their creativity flow. Big thanks to a generous community member who dropped off butcher paper – it's been a hit with the kids, who've been making the most of it with their artistic endeavours.

We started off May with a nod to all the amazing moms out there. The kids got hands-on with some cookie making and crafting to show their love and appreciation. It was a sweet and heartwarming way to celebrate Mother's Day together.

We continue to welcome new members of the community, which has been so lovely. We are at the Community Centre on Little street every Wednesday 9.30 - 11.30 during term so come down as have a coffee and a play.

**Hayley Panzich**

**Budding Artists at Work**



## Dardanup Heritage Collective News

Did you know that the current townsite of Dardanup is located within the traditional country of the Wadandi, Kaneang and Wilman people, three of the Nyoongar language groups? This country is made up of the Collie River from its source to the Leschenault Inlet and includes the Preston River, the Ferguson River, the Brunswick River, the Harris River, and all other waterways that flow into these.

'Nyoongar' means 'a person of the south-west of Western Australia.' The Nyoongar people, (also known as Bibbulman) lived in balance with the natural environment. Their social structure was focused on the family. Family groups occupied distinct areas of Nyoongar Country. It is estimated that the Nyoongar population, prior to the arrival of Europeans, was between 6,000 and tens of thousands. To read more about the Nyoongar people go to: [dardanupheritagecollective.org.au](http://dardanupheritagecollective.org.au) and using the Search (top right corner), and type in "Nyoongar".

Janice Calcei



c. 1870 - A Nyoongar woman and her children speaking with Henry Prinsep

## Ferguson Valley Visitors Centre News

It's been a steady month for visitors - helped of course by the lovely summer weather we've been having - where's Autumn? Where is the rain? Oh we do have the leaves & the Claret Ash trees along Ferguson Road are beautiful. Speaking of Claret - there are lovely healthy burgundy/black geraniums in rustic handmade (by Sue Williams) pots left over from Mothers Day for sale at VC. Plus interesting and diverse gifts - honey, olive oil, wooden cheese boards, tee shirts, FV linen tea towels, beautiful range of artisan cards, gnomes, scarves, jewellery and knitted essentials. Your one stop local gift shop indeed.

AND of course, we have heaps of information about easily accessible places you probably didn't even know about. Come in & we'll plan a local tour for you!!

Our Artist of the month continues to be Denise Gilles & her gorgeous printed work.

We look forward to seeing you.

Libby Pardoe

Eds Note; some of the VC vollies head north chasing the sun at this time of year leaving the VC short staffed so if you would like to assist for a few hours once per month then pop into the VC and check it out. If it suits you then you will directed to Gae for further info.

St Johns 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Course To Be Held In July

Mary Smith, Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc Committee member is once again organising a St Johns 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Course to be held on **Tues 30/Wed 31 July** of an evening at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms. Costs not known as yet but if you are interested could you please register with Mary as places will be limited. Its very important that members of our community have 1<sup>st</sup> aid training when we are some distance from medical assistance.

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The Ferguson Valley Marketing Board (FVMB) was invited by the South West Development Committee to participate in a workshop to help identify the future direction of initiatives to encourage tourism into the South West. This included how initiatives relevant to the Ferguson Valley and the Shire can dovetail into the *WA Visitor Economy Strategy 2033* (WAVES 2033). WAVES outlines a new vision for Western Australia, 'to be recognised as a world-class destination that immerses people in its unique cultures, communities and environment.'

The guest speaker was CEO of Dome Cafes, Nigel Oakley, who spoke at length about how Dome is not just a coffee house but rather a destination where customers were welcomed to simply enjoy some time out. The key message was Dome is marketing an experience valued by their customers rather than marketing a coffee. I found this an interesting perspective for the hospitality industry; the development, sale and supply of an experience that leverages a product rather than hospitality being solely focussed on a product. Dome are selling an experience! This is a small but critical different point of view, and one that supports and encourages immersive based tourism.

With this key point in mind participants were asked to workshop and develop a vision statement/tag line that reflected immersive based tourism. Our suggestion of the tag line "Imagine, engage and be part of the story" was very well received.

Immersive based tourism is very much what the Lost and Found Festival is based upon and we continue to be excited about what the 2024 Festival will deliver. Plans are firming and we now have 17 events confirmed.

**Save the Date of October 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup>, you won't want to miss this festival.**

The new FVM Prospectus went out to current members as well as more than 30 prospective new members. This included micro and small businesses not directly involved in the tourism sector but who provide services to that sector. Our Early Bird discount offer on membership was well received with almost all renewing members taking advantage of this cost saving initiative. Any business that has not received a prospectus and would like to know more about the services on offer please email [Marketing@fergusonvalley.net.au](mailto:Marketing@fergusonvalley.net.au). FVM, as one of the a keynote speakers will soon be representing the hospitality sector at the Tourism and Hospitality Job Expo in Bunbury on 6<sup>th</sup> June. The workshop is funded by Tourism WA and is designed to attract mature aged workers back into hospitality roles. Many of our members need additional staff (often seasonally), such as pickers, restaurant, bar, cleaning and gardening services. The workshops will run in both Perth and the South West. Finally, you may have heard us on the Travel Show at Edith Cowan University on Friday 17<sup>th</sup>. We were invited to join Rhonda Wilkie for her live lunch-time session to showcase attractions in the Ferguson Valley. We spoke at length about the wine, food, accommodation and activities and services across the valley, plus the many different types of day trippers who visit the valley.

Until next month.....

**Sue Williams – Chair, Ferguson Valley Marketing**

## Dardanup Veterinary Centre News

Dardanup Veterinary Centre is proud to announce the launch of our new webpage. As a team we wanted to make our website welcoming and user friendly for our clients. Our new website allows you to meet the team and see all the services we offer at our practice. We also have some articles that have a lot of great information to read, such as helping your pet have a good experience at the veterinary hospital or helping your pet with anxiety. Our new webpage makes it easy to book an appointment right from the site. We also have a large range of foods that can be tailored for your pet's specific needs and products to enhance your pets' day to day living. Delicate care is one of the pet foods we carry in hospital. It is Australian owned and made and has a variety of different products to match your pet's dietary needs. Recently we have been seeing a lot of allergy dogs coming into hospital and Delicate care has made their food to suit their needs, with special hypoallergenic diets that allows your pet to have a range of food to choose from. Why do we use and recommend certain foods well for example dental treats and diets have a larger size and are a firmer biscuit that is designed to taste great and make chewing necessary to minimize teeth tarter. In the Delicate care range the dental foods are also hypoallergenic. "Puppy" Diets are high in energy and protein for growth and vitality. They are also very balanced with calcium and phosphorus to ensure healthy development and avoid eg rickets (soft bones) and hypertrophic

osteodystrophy (often excess minerals causing "micro fractures" and creating tendency for deviations of limbs) Weight control biscuits are low on energy but filling- for those overweight pets or for dogs requiring low fat diets (eg might of have pancreatitis or liver issues) Allergy diets take the form of biscuits like Hills Z/D that are milled so fine the protein cant cause an allergic reaction. Alternatively some proteins in foods especially chicken and beef are much more commonly causing allergies then example kangaroo, Duck, Fish or pork. Feeding a single protein source of one of those foods with carbohydrates can help food allergies a lot. It can also sometimes help contact allergies because reducing the overall possible allergies means dogs (particularly) can handle other allergies better. There are also kidney diets for dogs and cats suffering kidney disease and diets for cats and dogs with urinary crystal to help minimize and dissolve crystals.

It is also that time of year when as you are driving around Dardanup and possibly other areas Cape Tulip weeds in paddocks are flowering and looking beautiful-BUT they are deadly toxic to cattle sheep and horses especially if they are not familiar with them; they cause diarrhoea, staggers and sudden death. Watch out for these at present when they can be easily identified.

Eds Note; this article supplied at the end of last year by our wonderful Dardanup Vet team was missed for inclusion by me. Better late than never!



June marks the beginning of the Noongar season *Makuru*.

Traditionally these are the coldest and wettest two months of the year

with frequent storms. Finally, we've had some long awaited rain! The long range forecast is for 'near normal' rainfall, so fingers crossed everyone can fill their rainwater tanks and recharge the soil moisture levels.

The winter months are a great time for observation, reflection and planning. Following this prolonged dry, why not have a really good look at how your garden has performed. What lived/died and is there anything you can change to make the space more efficient and resilient moving forward? We aim to have productive gardens but they also need to be cost effective. Do you need to catch more rainwater over the winter to help offset the water bills? Can you make your garden beds more productive and would adding a few perennial crops give you year round harvests to help keep grocery bills down? Could a well placed wind break or 'Fedge' (Food producing Hedge) slow the winds and create a better microclimate? Where were the hot spots in summer and could a deciduous tree be planted for useful summer shade?

Are you thinking about expanding your orchard or designing a food forest? Now is the best time to plant Natives and Bare rooted trees as they are in stock at most nurseries. Check for varieties that are suitable for your area. Remember to double check fruit trees for their pollination and chill hour requirements before you purchase. Edible Perennials need a bit of care and maintenance this time of year. Now is the time to lift, divide and plant out Herbs such as mint & chives, rhubarb crowns and globe artichoke suckers. It is also a good time to plant out asparagus crowns and berry canes. Cane berries such as Raspberries, Boysenberries and Thornless Blackberries are best grown in pots to avoid them suckering and 'taking over' your garden. They are vigorous and can be difficult to dig up, especially if they are the thorny varieties. Now is the time to prune & tie up existing plants to keep them productive and under control. They all prefer it if you enrich the soil with compost, blood and bone then mulch well. If you are growing hardy Mediterranean herbs in pots, winter is a time when we can 'kill them with kindness'. They don't like wet feet, so a simple way to help them drain freely is to place a brick under the pot or turn the pot saucer

upside down. This is also useful for other hardy perennials such as your Geraniums.

Brassicas are abundant this time of year, don't forget that the stems and young leaves are also edible! Once you harvest the main Broccoli head, give the plant a feed and within a week or so it will start to produce side shoot 'florets'. You can keep picking these for months as long as you don't let any go to flower. Fertilise your garlic and winter veg every couple of weeks with a soluble Seaweed or Fish emulsion tonic. Remember that higher Nitrogen % is good for leafy vegies but not your root veg. Check your labels carefully, more is not better. You can alternate with your homemade weed or comfrey tea.

*Check on your Pumpkins.* If you have a few stragglers in the vegie patch pick them now, they won't ripen any further. Immature ones can be eaten first (delicious in a curry) and if you pick them with a 5-10cm piece of stem this will help to prolong their storage time. Pumpkins are best stored in a cool, dark place. Make sure they are on their side to reduce any moisture pooling at the stem and it is a good idea to rotate them occasionally so there aren't any rotten bits. The cold temperatures slow down growth significantly, so it is best to only plant quick growing crops or advanced seedlings in your vegie patch. *What can I plant in June?*

Leaf crops: Asian greens, Cress, Lettuce, Mustard greens, Witlof, Chicory

Brassica crops (seedlings only): Broccoli, Cabbage, Kale, Spinach

Root crops: Radish, Potato (frost free only)

Legume crops: Broad Beans, Snow peas, Peas

Onion family: Onions, Salad onion, Potato onions, Tree onions

Edible Perennials: Artichoke, Strawberry plants

Happy Harvesting!

The next Sustainable Living Workshop is on Thursday 13th June, 10 - 11.30am at the Dardanup Hall. Topic: **Introduction to Permaculture** - Quite the buzz word at the moment, but *What is it?* So much more than just Organic Gardening! Come along for an overview of Permaculture and its Principles. Learn how to use this design tool to create positive change in any aspect of your life, garden, home and work. Bookings essential ph: **9724000** or on the website [dardanup.wa.gov.au/events](http://dardanup.wa.gov.au/events)

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Our Year 5 & Year 6 students recently participated in The Science & Engineering Challenge and Discovery Day organised by the Rotary Club of Bunbury Leschenault. This event was run by the University of Newcastle with the aim of making students aware of the role of science and engineering in the world around us. Sixteen primary schools participated.

**Feedback from some of our students:**

Sam: It should be a regular event and we should do more science excursions.

Adam: The bridge building challenge was really exciting and difficult at the same time.

Reggie: Our challenge task involved electricity and magnets to trap marbles. Tricky but fun.

Dylan: You had to use your brain a lot and it was a lot of fun.

Cooper: Our challenge was amazing because we made balsa wood aeroplanes and tested for distance and accuracy.

Logan: We had to connect power to the infrastructure buildings on a board. It was a fun challenge.

Amelie: Our challenge involved building a tower to support weights. We used paper straws, cardboard, and tape. It was an awesome day.





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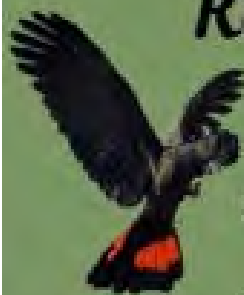


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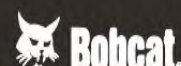
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## Our Lady of Lourdes - Dardanup

Our mothers were celebrated at our annual Mother's Day Breakfast in May. We were blessed with a wonderful turnout and lovely weather, with the much-needed rain holding out until after the breakfast.



## Wespine News Wespine Managing Director Transition

Wespine is pleased to announce the appointment of Charlie Perkins as Managing Director following an extensive recruitment process. Mr Perkins will commence on July 1, replacing Patrick Warrand, who will retire after seven years in the role.

Mr Perkins brings experience in operating industrial businesses alongside extensive knowledge of the finance, chemicals, energy, fertiliser, recycling, metals and transport sectors. He joins most recently from Sims Corporate Development, based in New York, where he was the Director of Business Development and Mergers and Acquisitions.

Prior to this, he was the General Manager of CSBP Fertilisers in Perth from 2013 to 2018 and General Manager of CSBP Chemicals (Ammonia Ammonium Nitrate and Sodium Cyanide) from 2009 to 2013.

During his time with Wespine, Mr Warrand oversaw a significant improvement in safety to become the benchmark for the industry nationally, lead the company through the difficulties of COVID

including the transition to a post COVID operating environment, oversaw the development of the Staxa import business and the introduction of the new technology such as the continuous drying kiln.

“Having the responsibility to lead the growth of Wespine and represent the business has been a highlight of my career,” Mr Warrand said. “Wespine has a terrific and dedicated team who are committed to the business and its customers and I’m incredibly proud of the many achievements of the past seven years. I’m sure there will be many more to come under the guidance of Charlie and I wish him every success in future endeavours.”

Eds Note; Big welcome to our community Charlie and we thank Patrick for his support our community groups through the Wespine grant programme and Wespine’s sponsorship of the Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival. Wespine has contributed funding as well as supplying pine for the much loved fire sculpture for about 20 years. Huge feat. We wish you well in your retirement Patrick.

## Work is underway to upgrade the nbn Fixed Wireless network in the Shire of Dardanup

Work has continued on upgrades to the **nbn** Fixed Wireless network in the Shire of Dardanup with work to upgrade the Dardanup, Dardanup West and Burekup towers getting underway next month. The upgrade will benefit households and businesses across the South West region, providing faster speeds and extending the coverage of the **nbn** Fixed Wireless network.

The \$750 million investment in the **nbn** Fixed Wireless and **nbn** Sky Muster satellite network - \$480 million from the Australian Government and \$270 million from **nbn** – is on track to be completed by December 2024.

When complete, the investment will expand the reach of the existing **nbn** Fixed Wireless footprint by up to 50%, as well as enabling two new high speed fixed wireless plans – Fixed Wireless Home Fast and Fixed Wireless Superfast. The additional capacity and reach available on the upgraded

network will also enable approximately 120,000 existing Sky Muster satellite-only premises to access **nbn** Fixed Wireless for the first time.

Work has begun to enable the upgrades, including **nbn** introducing new technology and replacing some hardware on our fixed wireless towers.

The tower upgrades will mean some planned outages that may impact homes and businesses and their ability to use their **nbn** service while the work is underway. **nbn** will take all reasonable efforts to minimise service interruptions, however there are occasions where towers will be taken offline.

The tower works will not impact **nbn** Sky Muster satellite services.

Impacted homes and businesses should be notified of any outages via their retail service provider.

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## Dardanup Senior Citizens News

We held our Meeting at Wells Recreation Hall on 21<sup>st</sup> May with 19 Members attending.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> June we are going to the Green Jade for lunch. Members to pay for own lunch but carpooling available. Members enjoyed playing Bingo after the Meeting. Winners were Heather Rowson, Eunice Bailey, Pat English, Olive & Ann Kirkpatrick, Anne Verbrugge & Rob & Revely Gardiner.

Membership fees are due 30<sup>th</sup> June, \$15 per Member. Payment to Pat Britza.

New Members very welcome or join us for a visit.

Next Meeting 18<sup>th</sup> June at Wells Hall 9.30am. Contact Revely 0408833761

**Reverly Gardiner**

### Mahjong - all residents welcome

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month 1.30 to 3.30 pm.

Dardanup Shire Office in Dardanup. Contact Revely 0408833761

## Shire of Dardanup Events

### Adult Programs

\*Bookings essential. Please visit [www.dardanup.wa.gov.au/events](http://www.dardanup.wa.gov.au/events) for more information or to make a booking.

### **Sustainable Living Workshops: Introduction to Permaculture\***

Quite the buzz word at the moment, but what is it? So much more than just organic gardening! Come along for an overview of Permaculture and its Principles. Learn how to use this design tool to create positive change in any aspect of your life, garden, home and work. Bookings essential.

#### **Dardanup Hall (Adults)**

Thursday, 13 June, 10.00am – 11.30am

### **Tech Bytes\***

Are you confused by how to use the features and functions on your mobile phone, tablet or laptop? Join us for coffee and a friendly

discussion about using your mobile device, tablet and laptop. Book now and get the answers you need, one cup at a time!

### **Eaton Community Library**

Wednesday, 5 & 19 June, 9.30am – 10.30am

### **Discover Your Family History\***

Discover Your Family History is a monthly discussion group to help you uncover the secrets of your family and local history. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced genealogist, this is the perfect place for you to explore and learn more about your past.

### **Eaton Community Library**

Thursday, 20 June, 5.30pm – 7.00pm

Please see Shire Website for ALL events including

Little Jigglers

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## Delving Into Operations At The Bankia Rd Waste Transfer Station

General waste(that's everything we dump from our wheelie bins or trailers into the big bins) is sent off-site for disposal at the Cleanaway Landfill site next door. Green waste( heaps at the back of the Transfer Station) and cardboard is sent off-site for processing into compost.

### Household Hazardous Waste

Guidelines for the disposal in our region of Household Hazardous Waste – **which includes items like paint, pool chemicals and pesticides** – are being tightened by regulators to ensure improved environmental outcomes. As a result of these changes, our Banksia Road Transfer Station is no longer able to accept items categorised as Household Hazardous Waste. These items can be delivered to the Stanley Rd Waste Facility at Australind. No charge for small quantities.

### Free drop-off is available for the following items:

- Car batteries- recycled
  - Used motor oil (up to 40L)- sent to Wren Oil for recycling
  - Clean Drum Muster containers - pre-cleaned agricultural and veterinary chemical containers. Recycled into re-usable products such as wheelie bins, road signs, fence posts and bollards
  - Scrap metal – steel, aluminium, copper, brass, stainless steel, mixed metals- recycled
  - Small items of e-waste (toasters, kettles)- recycled, see below
  - Fluoro tubes and household batteries
- Building rubble - must only include bricks, cement and limestone. No contamination with ceramic tiles. This building rubble can only be small loads from household renos, not from a commercial builder.

### Items that aren't free when you drop off:

Mattresses - \$55.00. Parts of the mattresses are recycled into carpet underlay, springs and metal recycled and some of the synthetics go into landfill

Fridges/ Freezers and Air-conditioners – \$20.00.

The Shire will degas and all metal parts recycled.

To see fees and charges for tyres and other special waste please go to the Fees & Charges page on the Shire website.

## E-waste Recycling

We all have a responsibility to manage our waste better, including the rapidly growing stream of e-waste we produce. E-waste can contain hazardous materials and should be collected and recycled correctly to prevent harm to the environment and human health. Maintaining a convenient and cost-effective e-waste drop-off service puts the Shire of Dardanup in a positive position ahead of the State Government's commitment to banning of e-waste disposal to landfill by 2024.

Drop-off of most small e-waste items (kettles, toasters) for recycling is free of charge. However large items that measure over 1m in length, width or depth will attract a \$10 per item fee to assist with the cost of processing and transport for recycling.

One exception to the 1m rule is pedestal fans which often measure over 1m in height however are lightweight and will not attract a \$10 fee for drop-off.

Matt Meijer from E-Recovery who previously provided our E-waste collection services in Eaton and Dardanup is now based at the transfer station and continues to be engaged by the Shire to assist with processing of the waste stream to maximise recycling of the materials and avoid landfill disposal.

Once processed, eligible e-waste will be transported by the Shire to Total Green in Welshpool which is the recognised National Computer and Television Recycling Scheme product stewardship provider for Western Australia.

**Matt advises that in the last 6 months a 20 foot sea container has been transported to Total Green for recycling. Well done everyone!**

### Recycle shop

The Recycle Shop (currently open air) has been a feature at the site since 1998. Second hand, pre loved and recycled items salvaged from households before they end up in landfill can be purchased by the public at a very reasonable price. There is always a range of weird and wonderful items to view.

### Household recycling

The site has a number of co-mingled recycle bins for the drop off of household quantities of recyclable items. Rural residents or residents who have accumulated excess recycling can place recycling into the bins provided. Directions as to what can go into the bins in on the bins. Generally, items must be clean, rinsed and have lids removed. Bottles, cans, paper and cardboard are accepted



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## Community Open Day attracts over 600 people

From the Shires website

Thanks to everyone who came along to the Shire of Dardanup's Community Open Day on Saturday, 4 May to celebrate the new Library, Administration and Community Building. The event saw over 600 people attend and enjoy tours of the two-story building, which features the Eaton Library, Council Chambers, Administration Centre, as well as a Café and state-of-the-art Make-It Space which will open to the public later this year.

Attendees were treated to a sausage sizzle, coffee van, children's activities and face painting.

The feedback has been positive and much appreciated from everyone at the Shire - thank you!

## Farewell

Farewell to Shire of Dardanup Manager of Community Services Cassandra Budge.

Cassandra has been at the Shire for 2 years and in that time has been very supportive of our community groups so we thank her for her efforts and wish her well in her new position which will take her closer to home and family.



## What's on In Dardanup

- 4 June – Mens Welfare Group – 2pm at Wells Rec Park Clubrooms
- 12 June - Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival meeting, 7.00pm at Wells Rec Park Clubrooms
- 12 June – Mahjong at the Shire office, Little St 1.30-3.30. Beginners welcome
- 13 June - Sustainable Living Workshop at the Dardanup Hall, 10 - 11.30am Topic: **Introduction to Permaculture** - Come along for an overview of Permaculture and its Principles. Bookings essential ph: **9724000** or on the website [dardanup.wa.gov.au/events](http://dardanup.wa.gov.au/events) Productive Perennials - Bookings essential ph: 9724000 or on the website [dardanup.wa.gov.au/events](http://dardanup.wa.gov.au/events)
- 14 June – Ferguson Hall Sundowner, 6pm, see poster this edition
- 18 June - Mens Welfare Group – 2pm at Wells Rec Park Clubrooms
- 18 June – Dardanup Seniors, 9.30am at Wells Rec Park Clubrooms
- 23 June - Boyanup Farmers Market, 8am
- 26 June - Mahjong at the Shire office, Little St 1.30-3.30. Beginners welcome
- 20 July – Community Dance @ the Hall organised by the Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc
- 30/31 July- St Johns 1<sup>st</sup> Aid Course at Wells Rec Park Clubrooms

If you have an event to add please email [jill.cross@bigpond.com](mailto:jill.cross@bigpond.com)

## Dardanup and Localities Clubs and Meetings

- 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 Environmental Action Group – 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of the month, 5.30pm, contact Sec for further details 0418 281 201
- 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
- Eaton/ Dardanup Football Club(Soccer) – winter season
- Ferguson Hall Committee– 1st Fri of the month @ 5pm, prior to the sundowner. For Hall booking Robyn Jones, 0468 576 950, email [bse7@bigpond.com](mailto:bse7@bigpond.com)
- 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.
- Ferguson Valley Marketing- 3rd Thursday of each month, 5.30pm at the Thomas Little Hall
- Henty Riding Club – meets Wednesdays and other days at the Dardanup Equestrian Centre
- 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 Aids 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- Please get in touch with the Secretary for meeting details. Gina 0407238485
- 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
- Mahjong - Every fortnight on Wednesdays 1.30pm to 3.30pm at the Dardanup Shire office in Dardanup Revely 0408 833 761



## Dardanup Lions Club News



The fitness improving container counting team - Glenn Trigg and Geoff Brandli

For some time now a small crew of Dardanup Lions (I'm there but behind the camera) have been going down to the can counting facility in Donnybrook to help count the bulk lot can collection.

These are bulka bags and solu bins that count more than 500 containers. They are left in store quantities dumped at the shed whilst the "quick and small" run tables work the "car run" small claims. We don't know what the future holds for the scheme facility in its current form but it has been a major source of funds since we got the option to join in and help for a donation back for our work. It was negotiated by and we thank Allen Mountford for having set up the arrangement. We have been helped a great deal by donations of containers collected around the town by Kerry Thomas and also given by the Dardanup Pub.

Last word on the scheme – **PLEASE remove the caps from your used containers** it makes counting so much easier.  
**Phil Ottrey**

## Boyanup Farmers Market



Wow what a very busy market day in April great to see lots of regular customers and visitors too. Lots of stall sold out mid morning, so don't be too late for your fresh produce. Long standing stall holder Malcolm of Third Pillar Oil was our lucky raffle winner. Mandarins are back in season, so our regular mandarin stall Capel Seedless Mandarins were back in May and hopefully joining us in June too, along with Capel River Avocados a brand called bacon, joining us from now until summer, when the next type are ready. We have fundraising wood raffles booked for June to August markets, if any other club is keen for our May market, please contact us. Look forward to seeing you at our next market on 23<sup>rd</sup> June, 2024 or any fourth Sunday of the month.

**Tanya Williams**  
Market Manager

Malcolm with his Raffle Prizes

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### Old Coast Road Bridge Fishing Platform Fully Open

From the Shires website

The popular Old Coast Road Bridge fishing platform is now fully open with final works completed last week. Shire of Dardanup President Cr Tyrrell Gardiner said a section of the fishing platform was temporarily closed for maintenance, following a structural assessment last year. Cr Gardiner said the temporarily restricted section was now open to the public with all fencing removed, a welcomed milestone for the local anglers and outdoor enthusiasts.

"We know how popular this fishing spot is for the locals, and visitors, and the Shire has been working with structural engineers and contractors to ensure the platform is now fully open to the community," Cr Gardiner said. "It's been a long summer with plenty of fishing taking place on the platform and we're excited to restore this beloved community asset so it can be enjoyed for many more years to come."

Cr Gardiner said the structural works included extra bracing of the structure with the addition of two jarrah sections and the installation of an additional steel pile which enables the entire structure to be opened to the public.



Young fishing enthusiasts Sophie and Hudson White check out the Shire of Dardanup's Old Coast Road Bridge fishing platform, which is now fully open to the public.