

Shire News

Shire of Dardanup Newsletter



Shire of Dardanup President Cr Tyrrell Gardiner (far right) and Jodie Hanns MLA (far left) with the 2024 Citizens of the Year Award nominees and recipients (from left) Josephine Holland, Robert Doherty, Shelby Gray, Chelsey North and Kiara Roworth. Absent: Daniel Fry as he was assisting with the Burekup Australia Day Breakfast Event.

Nominations open for citizens awards

It's time to start thinking about someone you know who is doing amazing things in the Shire.

You can nominate them for the 2025 Community Citizen of the Year Awards, which celebrates the positive impact of individuals and groups who are engaged and committed to our Shire.

Whether they are a nominee or recipient, it's a time to celebrate their outstanding contribution, because we're all part of the story.

Recognising local heroes for over 20 years, the awards are made up of four categories:

- Community Citizen of the Year (for individuals over 16 years).
- Young Community Citizen of the Year (for individuals aged 16-30 years).
- Senior Community Citizen of the Year (for individuals aged 65 years and over).
- Active Citizenship (for community groups or events).

Nominations can be made for contributions to education, health, fundraising, voluntary services, business, sports, arts, the environment, social inclusion or any other area that enhances the wellbeing of our community.

For the full criteria, visit www.citizenshipawards.com.au/criteria

Shire of Dardanup President Cr Tyrrell Gardiner reflected on the inspiring winners of the 2024 Community Citizen of the Year Awards, acknowledging their outstanding contributions to the community.

The winners included:

- Kiara Roworth – Inclusive dance school founder.
- Robert Doherty – Volunteer firefighter leader.
- Josephine Holland – Lifelong volunteer and fete organiser.
- Dardanup Residents Association – Centenary celebrations champions.

"Thank you to our 2024 winners and nominees for your incredible efforts," Cr Gardiner said.

"Now, it's time to nominate those who deserve recognition in 2025."

Nominations for the 2025 Community Citizen of the Year Awards open until 31 October 2024 and can be submitted by clicking the link: www.citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate/

Updates:

RoadWise Council ribbons

The Shire has been acknowledged as a RoadWise Council under WALGA's RoadWise initiative, marking a milestone in its efforts to enhance road safety. The Shire received two Ribbons for key initiatives like Road Safety Audits, Black Spot monitoring, and participation in the Road Safety Vanguard's program. This recognition, reflects our proactive approach since joining the program in April 2024.

Push to amend Cat Act

The Shire, in partnership with the Shire of Esperance, submitted a proposal at WALGA's AGM on 10 October, securing 87% support to amend the Cat Act 2011. The proposed changes would give local governments more control over wandering cats, addressing the impact on wildlife and communities. It calls for WALGA to develop a model law with control provisions for local adoption once the Act is updated.

Disaster risks survey

Take 15-20 minutes to complete a survey on disaster risks and preparedness in WA, covering topics like bushfires, storms, and future readiness: https://eaecu.au1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_3gTrAEWa0u0iIVU
Your responses are confidential. Funded by the Natural Disaster Reduction Fund and approved by ECU Ethics. Contact reval@ecu.edu.au

Golden Feather Hunt is on

The Golden Feather Hunt returns to the Eaton Community Library. Until 25 October, over 15,000 feather-shaped bookmarks are hidden in children's and young adult books across participating libraries in WA, including special edition Fuchsia Feathers. Prizes include an e-reader, VIP Festival experience, and signed book pack by sharing their decorated feathers on social media.

Bigger, better Tronox Spring Out Festival on Sunday

The Shire of Dardanup's signature annual event, Tronox Spring Out Festival, is back bigger and better this Sunday, 20 October along the picturesque Eaton Foreshore from 9.30am to 12.30pm.

Celebrating with National Children's Week, this much-loved festival, now in its ninth year, offers a fun-filled, free day for families with amusements, entertainment, market stalls, and food trucks.

The event will feature free amusements for all ages, including:

- Miniature train rides.
- Inflatable obstacle course.
- Climbing wall, go-karts, and dodgeball.
- Highland cow meet-and-greet.
- Bouncy castle, soft play area, and sensory zone.
- Face bling station and craft activities.

Attendees will also enjoy a vibrant entertainment lineup with:

- Bluey and Bingo meet-and-greet.
- Eco Faeries roving performers.
- A didgeridoo performance by Shayne Taylor.
- Dance showcases from Connie Vidos School of Dance.
- DJ sets by Dan White and live acoustic music from Clay Mildwaters and Evviva Doddy.



A child enjoying the go karts at last year's Tronox Spring Out festival. This year's will be held on Sunday, 20 October from 9.30am-12.30pm at the Eaton Foreshore.

New to this year's event is a dedicated artisanal market area, providing a unique shopping experience with a variety of handmade goods and treasures.

Shire President Cr Tyrrell Gardiner said the festival has become a cornerstone of community connection, bringing families together for a day of fun and celebration.

"We are proud to host such an inclusive, family-friendly event that continues to attract thousands of visitors from across the region," Cr Gardiner said.

This year's festival goers can win one of two worm farms. To enter, visit the Eaton Community Library display or the Shire's info stall at the festival and drop your name and phone number into the draw.

Now one of the largest free events in the region, the festival's popularity continues to grow, thanks to its ongoing partnership with Tronox.

Last year's event saw more than 5,000 attendees, with overwhelmingly positive feedback from participants.

Council Meeting dates for 2024

The 2024 Ordinary Council Meetings for the Shire of Dardanup will be held from 5pm on the following Wednesdays:

23 October 18 December
20 November

The next Audit and Risk Committee meetings will be held at 2pm on Wednesday, 11 December.

If you'd like to comment on an item in the meeting agenda, please email records@dardanup.wa.gov.au or drop off a written comment at: Shire of Dardanup, Administration Centre – Eaton 1 Council Drive, Eaton WA 6232. Comments are submitted at least 48 hours before the meeting.

Green Waste Collection starts 28 Oct

From Monday, 28 October to Saturday, 2 November 2024, the Shire of Dardanup will conduct its Spring Green Waste Collection.

Here are the details you need to know:

Accepted items:

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

Items we cannot collect:

- Lawn clippings or roll-on turf.
- Green waste in bags or boxes.
- Hard waste including timber.
- Stumps.
- Excessively large piles of green waste (greater than 2 cubic metres).

Important guidelines:

- All green waste must be placed on the verge by 6am on the first collection day. Exact collection days and times cannot be provided.
- 100% of collected green waste is recycled into compost.
- Ensure waste is clear of reticulation, water mains, electrical domes, footpaths, street signs, and street corners.



Green Waste Collection:

28 Oct-2 Nov 2024



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- Property owners are responsible for maintaining waste piles safely and ensuring they do not cause litter.
- Waste should only be placed on the owner's property. Uncollected material remains the owner's responsibility for removal.
- Streets will be serviced once. Green waste placed out after the collection date or not collected must be removed by the owner.

For further assistance, contact our Customer Service Team at records@dardanup.wa.gov.au or call (08) 9724 000.