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Jenny celebrates 60 years in Ferguson Valley



A luncheon organised by Jenny Gardiner's family and Rob and Maureen Webster saw the community come together in the Ferguson Hall to celebrate 60 years that Jenny has lived in Ferguson Valley. Jenny came to live in Ferguson Valley when she married John Gardiner and very quickly became involved in community life whilst farming with John and having 3 children who today all live close. Speeches of adoration were delivered by some of the senior longtime members of our community including Sheila Butcher, Irene Bell, Alan Mountford, Peter Giumelli

and Lesley Gibbs. Others chipped in applauding Jenny as a much loved community member who had cared for many in her 60 years of residence. Jennys family organised a slide show and delicious cake. Everyone agreed it was a wonderful day spent catching up with friends just as Jenny liked.



Changing of the Guard at the Dardanup Post Office

Our family moved into Crooked Brook close to 2 years ago after building our dream home. My husband Scotty spent some of his teen years growing up in Waterloo and loved every minute of it. We love the area and lifestyle it provides. We have a little hobby farm and a teenage boy.

When Terry put the sale sign up, we had to jump on it. Best way to meet the community and be a part of helping the locals. Even though it might take me sometime to fill Terry's shoes, so please bear with us.

I would like to thank Terry for the 11 years of outstanding service he has provided, I'm sure he will have some great stories to tell of the adventures to come. Natalie MacLeod



Eds Note; huge welcome to Natalie and family and equally huge thankyou to Terry for being a fantastic Postmaster and friend to many for 11 years. The Dardanup Residents Assoc plans on hosting a thankyou sundowner for Terry and welcome to Natalie soon after Easter so keep an eye out through the grapevine **Dardanup Anzac Day Services**

Organised by the Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc. Friday 25 April, 2025 Dawn Service – 6am @ War Memorial alongside Shire Office, Little St, Dardanup Main Service – Marching off from the Old Convent Car Park, Ferguson Rd (Please park in Our Lady of Lourdes Car Park and walk across) @ 9am <u>sharp</u>.



Wreaths welcome At the conclusion of the Main Service, . morning tea will be served in the Lesser Hall. <u>Please bring a small plate of</u> <u>morning tea to share</u>. Complimentary Sausage Sizzle served by Dardanup Lions Club.

<u>In the case of inclement weather the</u> <u>Service will be held in the Hall.</u>

Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival News

The Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival Committee recently held their AGM and the following were elected

Chairperson- Jill Cross; Vice Chairperson Kerry Lowe; Treasurer Caroline Vernon; Assistant Treasurer Jessica Zappia-Church; Correspondence Officer Kerry Lowe; Minute Secretary Danelle Allpike

General Committee positions/duties – Corporate Sponsorship – Sue Vernon Grants – Jill Cross and Kerry Lowe Stalls– Tracey Moyle Volunteers – to be filled Safety – Rob Allen, Shayne Griffiths Promotions - Jill Cross, Kerry Lowe and Hayley Lowe Stage Entertainment – Flora Toft Logistics – Ken Gardiner, Brian Keley Tastes of Ferguson Valley Marquee(wine and beer) – Jason <u>Borgomastro</u>, Phil Smith, Emma Brown Merchandise – Mel Gardiner Children's Rides – Tracey Moyle

Dardanup Lions Club News

The club was out in force to give an 'end of ride' lunch to participants in the Black Dog Ride Sunday 16^{th} March. Add to that glorious sunshine weather and a cast of 200 riders together wanting to get the message out – are you OK. You can be!

Our fellow life travellers need to stand ready to help each other through those blips in personal circumstance that sorely test us.



And there are specialist groups and associations that you can call on for help. There are a dozen crisis help outfits listed on the Black Dog Rides website -a call away.

DARDANUP CRICKET CLUB

As our cricket season came to the end, the seniors unfortunately did not make finals & our Juniors had a great time celebrating their successful first season. But the best thing about our season, was watching our great little country cricket club start to grow again. We couldn't be prouder of the Li[®] Bushrangers for taking the field this year & the new senior players that joined us. Results: 15/02/2025 - Juniors Green beat Marist by 35 runs, Cold lost to Donnybrook by 100 runs. Seniors 5th Grade went down to Dalyellup Black 9/243 to 8/176. Juniors final game of the season was 22/02/2025 - Green beat Leschenault Wombats by 17 runs, the team they lost to in their

very fist game of the season! Gold WON their very first game beating Leschenault Dolphins by 37 runs! Well done boys, you played like super stars!! Seniors 3rd Grade 10/132 lost to Eaton 4/231; 5th Grade 10/126 lost to Eaton 10/174, Seniors 01/03/2025 - 3rd grade going down to Hay Park 10/136 to 8/164, 5th Grade also played Hay park & went down 3/73 to 10/69.

JUNIOR WIND-UP

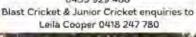
Thursday 27th February the Juniors had their wind-up. We had some award winners from the great season. **CREEN LIL' BUSHRANGERS**: Batting award went to Joseph Williamson for highest runs scored 289. Bowling award went to Casey Ritchie for most wickets taken 20. Sportsmanship awards went to Dylon Lydon & Harris Wheatley. A massive thanks to Sean Williamson for coaching the team this season & Mandy Lydon for taking on the Team Manager. **COLD LIL' BUSHRANGERS**: Batting award went to Riley Della-Vedova for highest runs scored 95. Bowling award went to Harrison Cooper for most wickets taken 17. Fielding award went to Oscar Roberts & Sportsmanship award went to Max Smith. A massive thank you to Ben & Leila Cooper for coaching & managing the team this season Compliance – Rob Allen Small Animals– Marie Griffin Kids in the Kitchen (plus free kids activities)- Zoe Bouteloup Antiques and Collectables - Mike Hall Kids Craft Tent - Marie Griffin, Carol Gardiner Absent Committee members – Helen Widdup, Sharyn and Rebecca Dauti, Ron Farr,

If you are in a protracted hole of a situation there are eight different flavours of assistance you might ask for referral to, to help you out. Go to Black Dog Ride for links.



Not pictured are Clementine 23 and Clementine 24 plus (Poddy Heifers) who came out for display aided by handlers Peter and Greg. Riders are helping to keep in the public's The club appreciate this advocacy for the important conversations about mental health hearts that we do care for the underdog and drifting away souls. **Phil Ottrey**







Dardanup Cricket Club Year 5/6 team at their windup



Dardanup Cricket Club Year 3 / 4 Team at their wind up

Dardanup Senior Citizens Inc News

No meeting was held at the Wells Hall on 18th March as we got out & about on a bus trip! At 8.30am, 21 members boarded the Royal Gala bus for

Augusta, Morning tea on the Augusta foreshore before boarding the Augusta River tour, great commentary by Graham Challis. Lunch at the Augusta Hotel was the only cost for members. Noelene, our bus driver took us to the Lighthouse, waterwheel & Marina before our journey

home. We arrived at the Dardanup Hall at 5pm. A long day but very enjoyable, socialising & getting to know our 2 new members Erika Langwieser & Michael Bell.

On the 15th April we will be hosting Solaris Cancer Care at our meeting.

On the 20^{th} May will be holding a Biggest Morning Tea as a fundraiser for Solaris Cancer Care, 10 - 12pm at Wells Hall. I hope you can all join us. We all know someone who has been impacted by cancer.

New members welcome. Member application forms available. Membership \$15 per year.

Remember to "Take the time to smell the Roses" Revely Gardiner 0408 833 761 <u>Dardanupseniorcitizens@outlook.com</u>

FERGUSON VALLEY MARKETING UPDATE

As the first quarter of 2025 slips by, Ferguson Valley Marketing Board are excitedly planning for the 2025 'Lost and Found' Festival of Events, scheduled to be held 17th to 19 October. Management of the Festival this year has been undertaken by a voluntary committee of local, driven, and enthusiastic community members who are fully engaged to ensure the success and continuous improvement of the festival. Bringing more people to the area to ensure the ongoing success of businesses in our region is our goal . A diverse program of events is being developed bearing in mind different price points, family friendly, music, wining and dining plus outdoor activities & a FREE community event are all being considered. Save the dates in your diary.

Would you like a Ferguson Valley number plate? They are now available through Ferguson Valley Marketing for \$355 per plate excl DOT costs. Visually they have been changed slightly – the latest version is on display at the Post Office in Dardanup and the Visitor Centre. Contact Ebony Harding – <u>marketing@fergusonvalley.net.au</u> – if you would like to place an order. We need a min of 30 plates to make our first order, so grab a number that thats special to you & get in contact with us. All proceeds go right back into the community.

The first of our FVM networking nights for 2025 was at Evedon Lakeside Retreat where we had approx 35 attendees . The hot topic was the Lost & Found Festival, however these nights also provide a platform to highlight the facilities and ambience of our members venues. It also provides an opportunity for discussion amongst business owners who have a common interest in the sustainability of tourism in the Valley.

Networking nights are just one of the benefits of FVM Membership. These include, amongst others, representation on the Ferguson Valley Website and the 'FV map' which is widely circulated for distribution at neighbouring Visitor Centres plus Visitor centres such as Perth city centre and Swan Valley, Hills Centre at Kalamunda, Fremantle, Mandurah, Busselton, Margaret River etc. the 'FV map' is included in a distribution circuit throughout one hundred venues in Margaret River and surrounds including Busselton Airport. The time to consider membership is right now as memberships run from 1 July to 30 June – there are several levels and choices. Contact Ebony Harding – <u>marketing@fergusonvalley.net.au</u> – for a prospectus and an explanation of the full raft of benefits.

Ebony Harding



New Timber Product Wrap for Wespine

Wespine is thrilled to unveil its new timber product wrap, now making its way along South West highways! This eye-catching design features artwork by local artist Melissa Riley, commissioned as part of Wespine's Reconciliation Action Plan. Incorporating elements from her stunning "Pine Notes" artwork, it reflects Wespine's commitment to celebrating and honouring Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples culture.

Lent & Easter Church Services Catholic Parish of Dardanup ~ Boyanup

Stations of the Cross 6pm every Friday evening during Lent

Palm Sunday (13th April) 9am Dardanup Please note: no Vigil Mass on Saturday 12th April

Holy Thursday (17th April) 7pm Dardanup Good Friday (18th April) 10am Stations of the Cross 3pm The Passion of the Lord Dardanup Easter Vigil Mass (19th April) 7.30pm Dardanup Easter Sunday (20th April) Mass of the Resurrection 9am Dardanup



Shire of Dardanup National Finalist for Sustainability Award

The Shire of Dardanup's Library, Administration and Community Building has been honoured as a national finalist in the 2025 Urban Development Institute of Australia (UDIA) Awards for Excellence. Representing WA in the Sustainability category, the building was recognised for its innovative, environmentally responsible design at the awards ceremony in Brisbane on 19 March 2025.

Shire President Tyrrell Gardiner said being named a finalist among Australia's most forward-thinking projects was a proud moment for the community.

The building previously won the State Sustainability title at the UDIA WA Awards in 2024 and two awards at the IPWEA Awards for Excellence.

Constructed as the fourth all-timber build by the Shire, the facility showcases the Council's commitment to sustainable construction and environmental stewardship.

Community Meetings thank you

A big thank you to everyone who attended our recent Community Meetings in Burekup, Ferguson Valley, Dardanup, and Eaton. Your time and valuable input are truly appreciated, and we encourage all residents to join us again next year.

We were especially thrilled to see such a fantastic turnout at the Dardanup meeting — it was the biggest of the year! Thank you to everyone who came along and engaged with us.

While these annual forums are a great opportunity to find out what's happening at the Shire and ask questions, remember that you don't have to wait for next year to reach out. We're here to listen and help all year round.



February Ordinary Council Meeting outcomes

The Shire of Dardanup considered several key matters at its Ordinary Council Meeting on Wednesday, 26 February 2025, including plans to explore replacement options for a local footbridge, updates to a draft policy on strategic water tanks, and responses to community-raised motions on urban canopy and landscaping.

Key decisions from the meeting included:

Council to explore options for footbridge replacement

The Shire of Dardanup Council resolved to explore alternative options for replacing the timber footbridge between Pratt Road Lookout and Watson Reserve.

Council has requested that Shire staff investigate potential replacement designs and costings and bring these options back for review.

Further updates will be provided once replacement options have been presented to Council.

Revised draft policy on strategic water tanks endorsed

Council endorsed a revised draft Local Planning Policy for the provision of strategic water tanks for firefighting purposes in non-reticulated areas.

The decision follows the identification of an administrative error in the previously endorsed 2024 version of the policy during the community consultation process.

As a result, Council resolved not to proceed with the 2024 version and instead endorsed an updated 2025 draft policy for public consultation.

The revised draft policy aims to ensure the community is properly informed and can provide feedback before a final version is considered.

Council responds to electors' motions on urban canopy and Ferguson Road landscaping

Council also endorsed actions in response to two motions raised by electors at January's Annual Electors' Meeting. Council resolved to include in the review of the Council Plan an action to develop a policy encouraging an Urban Canopy Strategy for the Shire. This will be considered as part of the 2025/2026 budget deliberations.

Additionally, Council directed the Chief Executive Officer to investigate the landscaping options outlined in the original 2018-19 road plans for Ferguson Road and to present these options for Council's consideration in the 2025/2026 budget.

Postal vote supported for 2025 Local Government election Council unanimously endorsed the appointment of the Western Australian Electoral Commissioner to conduct the 2025 Local Government Election on 18 October 2025.

Council also confirmed that the election will be conducted as a postal election, ensuring accessibility and convenience for voters.

Council's next Ordinary Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 26 March from 5pm at the Council Chambers. All welcome. <u>EVENTS:</u>

FREE Cyber Aware Program

Received a suspicious text, call, or email and wondered if it's real or a scam?

In today's digital world, staying safe online is crucial! Join our FREE Cyber Aware Program (CAP) to enhance your cyber awareness, recognize potential threats, and protect your personal information. Started Monday, 17 March through to 28 April, the program runs every Monday from 1-2.30pm at the Eaton Community Library. The sessions are open to all ages and will be led by experts from IT Black Spot.

You'll learn how to manage online risks, identify and avoid scams, strengthen your online security, and adopt safe internet practices. Whether you're new to tech or want to improve your skills, this free program will provide practical, valuable insights to keep you safe online.

Contact the Library on (08) 9724 0000 or email

events@dardanup.wa.gov.au

YouthFest heading to Eaton this year

YouthFest 2025 is coming to Eaton on Saturday, April 12th, from 10 AM to 1 PM.

Organised by the Shire's Youth Advisory Group (YAG), this event celebrates Youth Week WA.

After successful events in Burekup and Dardanup, we're excited to host it at Glen Huon Oval and Eaton Skate Park, with activities also at Eaton Library and Mick Bennett Make-It Space.

Enjoy free entertainment, amusements, markets, and food trucks, all aligned with this year's theme: "Our Threads, This Place, Your Moment."

Keep an eye on the Shire's website and social media platforms (Facebook and Instagram) for updates

Cleanaways Application to Dump PFAS Contaminated Waste at their Landfill on Banksia Rd

Submissions from the community to DWER need to be submitted by 3 April. If you need assistance with your submission please email <u>deag6236@gmail.com</u> and a template will be forwarded.

Why risk future contamination of our underground water and PFAS contaminated dust blowing from Mt Rubbishmore onto Dardanup 3kms from the landfill? Act for your community and future generations! Go to the Dardanup Envrionmenatl Action Group facebook page for more info.

Boyanup Farmers Market Stall of the Month – The Forrest Kitchen: - Gluten-Free Goodness

The Forrest Kitchen is a small, home-run business dedicated to producing fresh, healthy, and delicious gluten-free food. Janine and Keith are passionate about sustainability, they use locally sourced, nitrate-free, organic and pastured ingredients. Each product is crafted with love, ensuring it's not only tasty but also wholesome. The Forrest Kitchen offers a monthly market menu, featuring a variety of quiches, soup in winter, biscuits, slices, cakes and much more, as well as tasting boxes for those eager to sample their creations.

Their commitment to quality and flavour makes them a favourite among those who seek nutritious food without compromising on taste. Be sure to try and enjoy food that's good for you at The Forrest Kitchen at our next market day on 27th April, 2025. **Tanya Williams**





Well done to Mary Smith, on the right, who coordinated Clean Up Dardanup Day on behalf of the Dardanup Residents Assoc. Julie Lawrence, Clean Up Dardanup stalwart assisted Mary to clean up Ferguson Rd. Thankyou to the Shire for picking up all the bags of rubbish and thanks to all the rural residents for participating and keeping our verges clean and tidy. Some of the locals and their dogs recently graduated from dog training (aka owner training) after attending classes organised by K9 Connections held at Wells Recreation Park of a Monday afternoon during school terms. Cathy Miller and her dog Dixie won a prize in musical dog bobs which everyone enjoyed including the dogs.



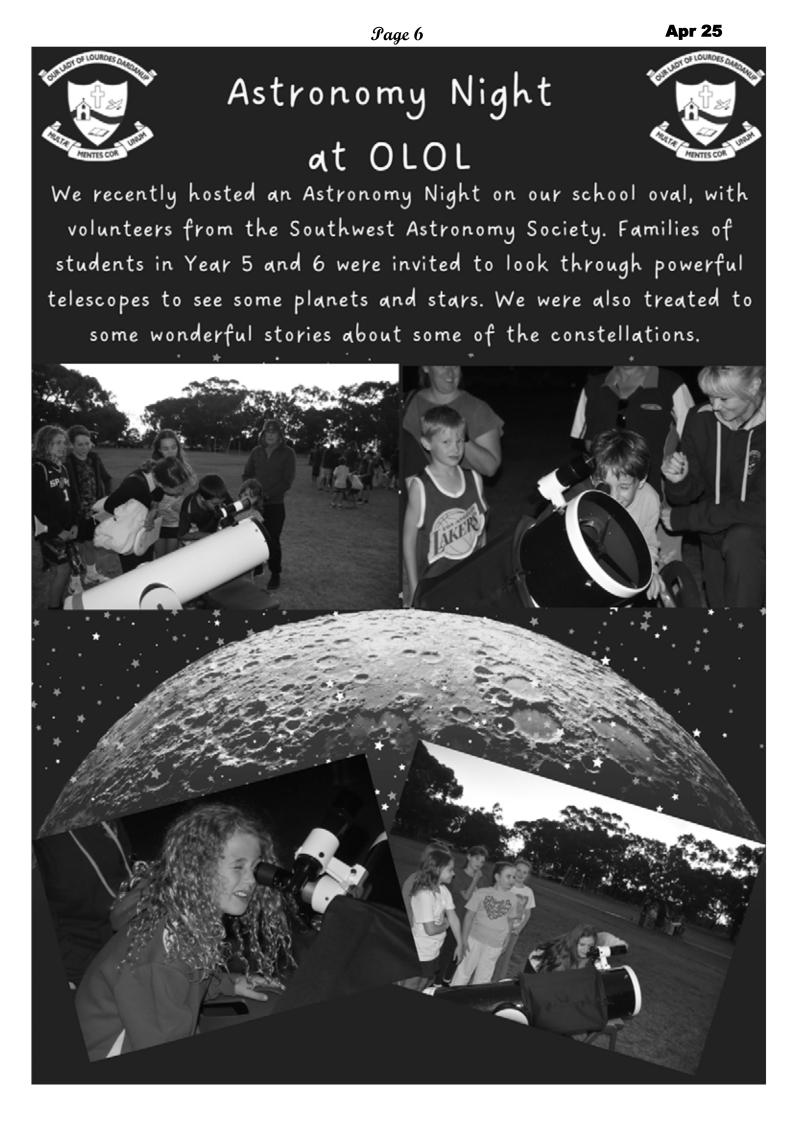
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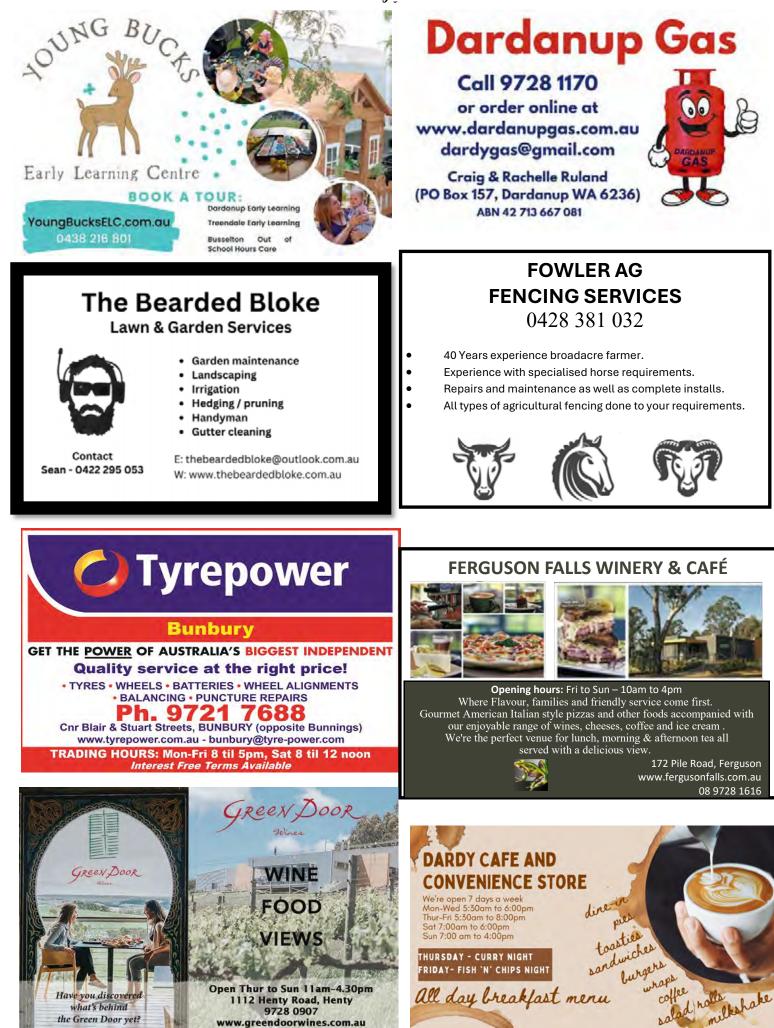
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This edition focuses on our new STEM teacher, Ashlee Kujawski, and the programs running this term. Ashlee has a passion for science and engineering as well as enjoying the Ferguson Valley surrounds.

Year 6: Students are managing their own class pets—small ecosystems in water bottles filled with soil and mixed seeds.



Year 1: Students planted bean stalks, looking at how to care for plants and our environment.

Year 2/3 : Students are discovering animal habitats, making sure animals have what they need to survive.

Year 4: Students are designing 3D food chain models. Exploring food chains in our Nature Play area.

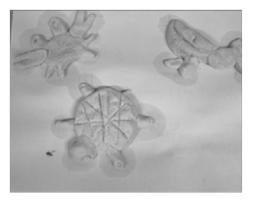


Year 4/5: These students are working on a camouflage project and have placed camouflaged butterflies they designed in different areas. Hope you can spot them around the STEM room! Butterfly shape in the French flag!!





Year 3: Students have created animal models using salt dough, which are currently drying in the STEM room. They have painted their backgrounds for their dioramas.



Dardanup Heritage Collective News The Dardanup Repertory Club

The Dardanup Heritage Collective is putting together the history of some of Dardanup's clubs. If you would like to contribute, please contact us through the web page.

Dardanup once had an active repertory group in the years roughly between 1951 – 1961. These dates likely coincide with the owners of the Saveway Store (in a building once next to the Hotel), Ron and Esme Blythe being in Dardanup. They feature in most productions over these years.

Shire of Dardanup Workshop

Discover your Family History

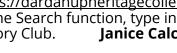
Unlock Your Family Secrets - Discovering your family history can be a fun and fascinating journey. Our Discover Your Family History workshops and discussions provide all the tools you need to unlock your family secrets in no time at all. Share Ideas & Exchange Knowledge. We believe in the power of knowledgesharing. That's why we encourage our members to come together, discuss their successes and challenges in tracing their roots, and even share their genealogy research with each other.

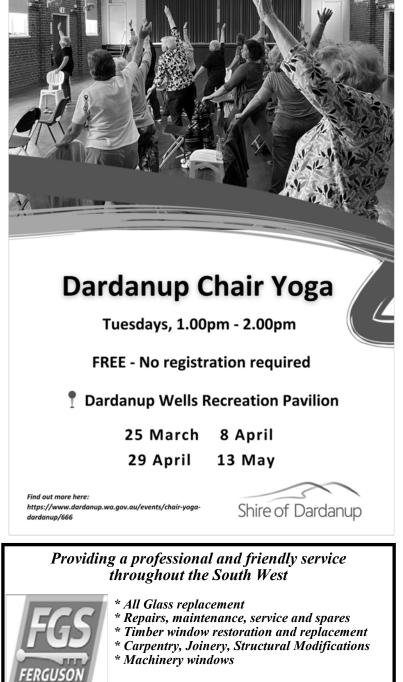
Check out the upcoming workshops:

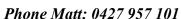
APRIL 17th, 2025, 5:30-7:00 pm, Eaton Community Library

What did your family DO? Occupations and how research & use them. It is all very well to know that someone was a railway worker or weaver, but how can that help us understand our family tree and find missing relatives. This session will give you some ideas of how to use the information you already have and where to find more.

10 programmes of performances are available from this time and give a wonderful insight into entertainment of the time. The variety of community members involved also highlights the activity as one that was widely enjoyed by those performing in plays, the producers and those supporting each production. Not to mention the audiences who attended! To read more and to download the programs, go to: https://dardanupheritagecollective.org.au/ and using the Search function, type in Dardanup Repertory Club. **Janice** Calcei







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April is the beginning of the Noongar season **Djeran**. Autumn is here, the morning air is cool and the Magpies song has changed.

Take advantage of the warm days to help along the growth of your newly planted Autumn and Winter crops.

April is a busy month for both planting and pruning / tidying up in the garden. Healthy soil means healthy crops. If you haven't done it already, get busy preparing your soil. Feed the soil microbes by adding compost or aged manure, some rock dust and/or vermicompost (from your worm farm). Remember that your Brassica crops are 'hungry' and will need enriched soil to give you a good harvest. During the colder months, extra applications of fertilisers and tonics take longer to be effective, so good soil preparation now will save you time and effort during winter.

If you haven't started planting your favourite longer season Brassicas (Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Cauliflower & Kale) now is the time! They take between 12-20 weeks before harvest so find some healthy seedlings and plant them 50cm apart. Fill in the spaces around each seedling with faster growing crops such as asian greens, beetroot, lettuce, radish, rocket and spring onions. This maximises the yield from your space and gives you something to eat while you wait for the brassicas to mature.

An interesting faster growing relative is Kohl Rabi, it develops a swollen stems/bulb above the ground, can be eaten raw in salads or cooked like a turnip, also the leaves are delicious. There are green and purple/red skinned varieties (both are white inside) and make great companion plantings with celery, lettuce, spring onions and beetroot. Plant them 15cm apart and you can start harvesting the 'bulb' from 10 weeks. Best grown in the cooler months, you can stagger sow the seeds for continued cropping until late spring. They are hungry crops but don't require very deep soil so even suitable to plant in pots!

Peas need a trellis for support, even the dwarf varieties. They have fine tendrils that like to 'grasp' hold of the trellis, so chickenwire or jute netting works well. Sugar snap and Snow pea varieties are great for producing less waste as you can eat the whole pod. Dwarf varieties grow 0.5m-1m tall and mature

in less than 60 days. Tall varieties grow between 1.5-2m tall you start picking from 70-80 days. Best planted as seeds directly into the bed (5cm apart) they enjoy a sunny spot that is well drained. Regular picking encourages more flowers and gives you more peas! A trick for keeping a continual harvest is to plant your second lot of pea seeds once the first lot begin to flower.

Parsnips are one of my favourite root vegies and really easy to grow if you have fresh seed. They take 100 days to mature and benefit from frost or cold temperatures for better flavour. They can be slow to germinate so be patient and you can plant a fast growing crop of radish in the same spot. If you are wanting a few to go with your Christmas dinner then consider planting some in the garden soon.

If your summer crops are finishing fast and the garden is looking a bit empty then grab a few packets of quick crops like radish, rocket, mizuna, pak choi and lettuce. Punnets give you a 2-3 week head start on the seeds. Even faster are sprouts pea, broccoli and cress can give you a harvest in less than two weeks.

What to plant in April?

<u>Leaf crops</u> - Celery, Cress, Collard greens, Chicory, Endive, Lettuce, Mizuna, Choi Sum, Gai Lan, Pak Choy, Chinese Cabbage, Mustard greens, Rocket, Spinach, Silverbeet, Radicchio, Witlof and Corn salad. <u>Brassica crops (seedlings only*)</u> -Broccoli, Broccoli Raab, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Cauliflower and Kale. <u>Root crops</u> - Beetroot, Carrot, Radish, Daikon, Celeriac, Kohlrabi, Parsnip, Salsify, Swede, Turnip. <u>Legume crops</u> - Broad Beans, Snow peas and Peas. <u>Onion family</u> - Garlic, Leeks, Spring onions, Onions, Potato onions, Tree onions and Shallots. <u>Herbs</u> - Artichoke, Bay, Chives, Coriander, Fennel, Lemon Balm, Mint, Rosemary, Oregano, Parsley, Rosemary, Sage, Thyme and Burdock.

Enjoy the cooler weather and Happy planting!

The next Sustainable Living Workshop is on Thursday 10th April at the Dardanup Hall. Topic: **Introduction to Seed saving**. One of your superpowers as a gardener! Giving you the ability to save money and increase yields at home. Come along as we delve into the wonderful world of seeds and learn how to get started saving your own. We will focus on the differences between Heirloom, Open pollinated and Hybrid seed. Why diversity is important and which ones are the easiest ones to get started. Bookings essential ph:9724000 or on the website <u>dardanup.wa.gov.au/events</u>





Congratulations to

Don and Rosemary Baskott celebrating their 70th wedding anniversary on 12 April

<u>What's on In Dardanup</u>

1 April – Mens Welfare Group – 2pm at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms

4 April - Ferguson Hall Sundowner, 6pm

4 April – Dardanup Art Spectacular Opening Night, 7pm @ the Dardanup Hall, details re ticket purchases in this edition

5/6 April – Dardanup Art Spectacular Trail, 10am – 4pm, various venues in Dardanup and Ferguson Valley

8 April - Chair Yoga, free, sponsored by the Shire of Dardanup, 1-2pm at Wells Rec Park Clubrooms

9 April – Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival meeting, 7.30pm @ Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms

10 Åpril – Shire of Dardanup Sustainable Living Workshop @ the Dardanup Hall. Topic: Introduction to Seed saving. Bookings essential ph:9724000 or on the website <u>dardanup.wa.gov.au/events</u>

12 April – Youthfest at Eaton, 10am - 1pm, see advert this edition

13 April – Lions Hearing Bus @ the Dardanup Hall, for appts see main advert this edition

15 April - Mens Welfare Group – 2pm at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms

27 April - Boyanup Farmers Market, 8am

29 April- Chair Yoga, free, sponsored by the Shire of Dardanup, 1-2pm at Wells Rec Park Clubrooms

29 April – Stroke Awareness presentation organised by the Dardanup Lions, 7pm @ Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms, see add this edition

20 May – Dardanup Seniors Biggest Morning Tea @ Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms, 10-12

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 4th Sunday of the month at the DEC Dardanup Lions Club – 2ndand 4th Tuesdays of each month, 6:30pm at the Dardanup Tavern Dardanup Environmental Action Group - 1st 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 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 Aidans Church, every 3rd Sunday, 9am, all denominations welcome. SW Rose Soc -2^{nd} Sunday of each month, 10.00am, @ Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms SW Veteran Car Club -1^{st} 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- for upcoming meeting details please contact Sarah, sarahhennigankeen@gmail.com Dardanup Central Bushfire Brigade training @ the Fire Station, Recreation Rd, 5.30pm every Wednesday Ferguson Valley Mountain Bike Club -1^{st} Wednesday of the month at the Wells Rec Park Clubrooms, Mark, 0408 331 447 Mens Welfare Group -1^{st} and 3^{rd} 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

If youhave an event to add please email jill.cross@bigpond.com



The Dardanup Residents Assoc recently held their Committee meeting at St Aidans. Firstly, we welcomed our new Secretary, Jess Palazzolo and new Committee member, Tracey Wheat and we look forward to what they will bring to the Committee. Hot on the agenda was organising the 2 Dardanup Anzac Day Services and encouraging residents to support DEAG in opposing Cleanaways application to dump PFAS contaminated waste at their Banksia Rd site by either writing to Jodie Hanns MP Collie Preston or emailing DEAG if assistance required to complete the submission to DWER. Other matters discussed was the need for a community meeting with MRWA to discuss the Discovery Rd/ Wilman Wardandi intersection which many in the community have raised as unsafe. The DDRA will keep the community updated on the date of the MRWA community meeting. In the meantime if you have concerns about this intersection please email <u>dardanupresidentsassociation@gmail.com</u> and we will compile a record for MRWA and local politicians.

Crooked Brook Forest Group Says Thankyou to Volunteers

Our "Thank You" social night was a wonderful night and a great success. We even had great weather and no mozzies.

Thanks to all those who were able to be there to enjoy this night and we really hope to see you again at our next social night.

Thanks to Brian and Wenda Barrett for doing all the shopping and getting it prepared for us to enjoy. Thanks to Wenda and Norma Hurst for the yummy salads.

Thanks to Tom Cross and Andrew White for barbecuing the meats. And to everyone else who helped on the night – thank you !!

From the feedback received so far - everyone seemed to have a great night. Thanks to Meryl Jarvis for the fantastic photos- really appreciate you taking them on the night.

Thankyou to DBCA for providing some funding towards the food in appreciation of the work volunteers do at CBF.

Tina Garbelini Secretary CBF

CBF Thankyou to Volunteers Evening



Phil and Mary Moving On After 25 Vintages

Phil and Mary Smith have sold St Aidans Winery and Café which they started 33 years ago to Jason Borgomastro. St Aidans is a much loved venue in our community, hosting events, weddings and family gatherings not to mention producing award winning wine. Thankyou Phil and Mary for your generosity, dedication and hard work in making St Aidans a place we have all thoroughly enjoyed visiting and I'm sure under Jasons guidance that won't change. Lucky for us Phil and Mary will be building down the road so won't be leaving our community.





The Shire has employed Timeless Restorations to repair the crumbling bricks at the 1986 built Old State School, home of the FV Visitor Centre. Seen here is Nicolai in action







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Wells Recreation Club Rooms
10:00am 12:00pm
Tuesday 20th May 2025

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TIME: 7pm

DATE: 29th April 2025

VENUE: Wells Recreation Centre Dardanup

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