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Dardanup Senior Citizens Organised Successful Fundraiser



L to r, Reverley Gardiner, Dardanup Seniors Secretary; Hayley Tuck from Solaris and Pat English, Dardanup Seniors President

We held our fundraising Morning Tea to support Solaris Cancer Care on the 20th May with 60 people attending, raising \$1384.95. Thankyou to the Shire of Dardanup for providing assistance with catering costs. Our members excelled in supplying a large assortment of delicious savoury & sweet dishes. Door prizes supplied by Dardanup Health & Wellness Centre with a Remedial Massage & a Physiotherapy session. Thank you very much. Thank you to the business's who donated the Raffle prizes - Dardanup Butchering Co, Dardanup Heritage Park, Dardanup Tavern, Dardanup Bakery & Sylv's Kitchen in Bunbury, Boyanup Pharmacy, Dardanup Rural, Starr Gardiner & of course our own Members.



Dardanup Community Enjoying the Morning Tea

Our Committee all worked very well together, setting up and the final clean up with Olive, Ann & Eunice in charge of catering, Rob on all the heavy lifting and vacuuming, Joyce on the raffle table and Gwen Wells supplying table decorations. We thank you all. Music on the day was supplied by Tabu, thank you for donating your time.

A big thank you to our Community for your ongoing support.

We have some good news! Chair Yoga will recommence in July. More details to follow.

Membership will be payable on 30th June, \$ 15 per Member. Member application forms available.

Remember to "Take the time to smell the Roses"

Email Dardanupseniorcitizens@outlook.com

Revely Gardiner

Shire of Dardanup News

Back-to-back success: Best Practice entity in financials

For the second consecutive year, the Shire of Dardanup has been recognised by the Office of the Auditor General (OAG) as a Best Practice entity in financial reporting for the 2023/24 financial year. The accolade comes from the OAG's annual Local Government Financial Audit Results report, which reviewed the financial reporting practices of 135 local governments across Western Australia.

Shire President Cr Tyrrell Gardiner said the significant achievement highlights the Shire's continued excellence in financial management that reflects the professionalism, integrity and dedication of the entire organisation.

"To be recognised as a Best Practice entity for a second year in a row is a big deal — it reflects our organisation's consistent

commitment to the highest standards of financial governance," he said.

"This outcome is not just a win for our Finance and Governance team, but for our entire Shire. It's a shared success that every staff member and community stakeholder can be proud of."

The Shire congratulates the other 19 Western Australian local governments recognised for Best Practice, in their 2023-24 Financial Reporting year.

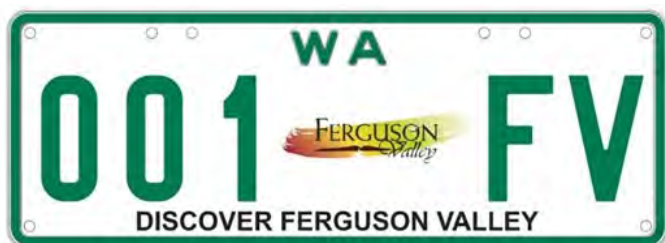


Director of Corporate and Governance Natalie Hopkins with Shire President Tyrrell Gardiner with the Audit Report

FERGUSON VALLEY

What a busy month May was for us.

The Mothers Day flowers at the Visitor Centre was a great success and we had sold out by 9am on Sunday morning. Thank you to everyone who supported us in this initiative. The flowers were rich in colour, the bunches substantial in size and great value. We have already placed our order with the local grower for next year and are excited that the Mothers Day flowers sale will be an annual event. Lost and Found festival 2025 is also a key activity with grant funding secured and event programming underway. There is still much to be done but we are steaming toward finalising the events program of the 17th, 18th and 19th October so please put these dates in your diary and keep an eye out for our social media launch. Sale of Ferguson Valley licence plates is progressing and we are on our way to securing the initial 30 requests needed before we can submit our first order to DOT. If you are think about securing a FV licence plate it is an easy process, just start by emailing Marketing @fergusonvalley.net.au with your licence plate number of choice. **The numbers are 001-999 & cost \$355.00.**



We have finalised our new merchandise designs thanks to the skills of a local talented designer who has developed a range of fresh new designs such as the design below

We are currently preparing to place orders for other first range of new tourist and gift merchandise which should be available at the Visitor Centre in July.

A big undertaking each year is our membership renewal. The membership prospectus for 2025-26 was released in May and was well received. As happens every year there were a few business who dropped, a few new businesses joined and others adjusted their membership levels.

With the Association Membership refreshed we will forge ahead and reskin and bring up to date the 5 large tourist maps that are spread around the valley so please keep an eye out for the soon to arrive new, refreshed maps.

And finally Gnomesville Pop up. Our trading permit for 25-26 has been re issued and we are now able to operate for a maximum of 5 hours each day. This extra hour of operation each day allows us to open during the high traffic times and thus better service visitors to our valley. We have now set up an on line Pop up volunteer roster and invite any of our community groups to provide some volunteers at the pop up. Those interested in more details please email Sue Chair@fergusonvalley.net.au or call on 041883 4455. **Sue Williams**



Travel Tales With Phil and Leanne



Discover Japan

Our travels led us to Japan this year, a last-minute decision, but an amazing one. We landed in Tokyo, the largest city we have ever seen by far. Miles of concrete buildings and highways. The major roads were all above the ground, often 4 storeys of roads. Mind blowing! In Tokyo we visited the Skytree, the tallest tower in the world, and got a 360 degree view of Tokyo, so many tree lined roads and even still some

cherry blossoms were out. We also visited our first of many Buddhist Temples, originally founded in the 7th century, and an incredibly busy market shopping district, and enjoyed a stroll around the Hamarikyu Gardens. From Tokyo we caught the bullet train to Odawara, cruised across Lake Ashi and braved a cable car for views of the surrounding hills and lakes, apparently!!!, the only thing we saw was drizzling rain and cloud cover all day. So, no views of Mt Fuji at all, all day. One of our major highlights was lost in the clouds.

We travelled onto Takayama, a beautiful place and enjoyed a stroll through the morning markets, a museum, and other very old architecture. Then headed onto Shirakawago, a UNESCO-listed village with steep thatched roofs and cherry blossoms. Onto Kyoto, and to a Zen Temple and incredible zen garden with fifteen stones, cleverly arranged so that one rock is always hidden from view. Fifteen is considered the number of perfection; just as no individual is perfect, viewers are unable to see all the stones, reminding us of one's imperfect and limited perspective.

We then drove to Nara and fed the sika deer, who have learned to bow to visitors, and insist you feed them! And then into the mountains to experience the beauty of Mt Koya, the heart of Shingon Buddhism, and Japan's largest cemetery, before heading to Osaka. Here we walked around the Osaka Castle and strolled the extremely busy Dotonbori district before our final evening.

Throughout the tour we also were a little crafty making washi paper, decorating a pair of chopsticks with gold leaf, we attempted origami and the rituals of a tea ceremony. Japan is such a mountainous country, so many tunnels, and spectacular views everywhere we went. We unfortunately didn't see any cows, but Phil has a new 'cow' shirt! It was a fantastic tour and we have learnt so much of Japan and how steeped it is in history and culture. We had a wonderful time.

Phil and Leanne Depiazzi

Eds Note; Amazing adventure Phil and Leanne, thanks for sharing. Feel free everyone to share your travel tales with our readers, jill.cross@bigpond.com



Upcoming dates for free Chair Yoga classes funded by the Shire of Dardanup, 1 - 2pm, held at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms. June 3 & 17; July, 1 & 22; August 5 & 19; Sept 2 & 16

Ferguson Valley Visitor Centre New

The Ferguson Valley Visitor Centre (FVVC) is housed in the old State School operating 1896 - 1971 in Ferguson Road in Dardanup township and open daily 9.30 am – 3.30 pm. Winter hours will be 10 am – 2 pm from June. A visitor this morning identified himself in the 1954 class group photo and very pleased to see the building being used and maintained!

Thank you to the Community and FVVC team involved in the successful Mothers Day Flowers Promotion with so many Mums receiving fresh Chrysanthemums straight from the Grower in Collie. A great idea from Heather who also orchestrated the pick-up and delivery to the FVVC. Thank you.

Textile Artist Lenore Fairfield is delighted to be back as Artist of the Month. The several gentlemen, who have asked that Lenore “make something for men” are encouraged to drop by and try on Lenore’s 60cm black hand felted pure merino wool Jackaroo/cowboy hat. Adorning the hat is an Australian made plaited stock-whip style leather hat band. Gentlemen may also like to try the black large size hand felted merino wool gloves or the black and white merino wool and viscose scarf also on display at the Visitors’ Centre.

Robyn Jones

Ken Fairfield Modelling A black merino wool and silk Jackaroo/ cowboy hat



Dardanup Heritage Collective News War Service Personnel

The Anzac ceremony at Dardanup this year featured the story of Basil Gibbs from Ferguson. Born in 1899, Basil commenced school at Ferguson in 1895, finishing his formal education in 1903 to work on his family’s farm, *Sunny Corner*.

Basil was 26 when he enlisted with the army in August 1915, where he was noted as a logger/ timber worker. He would have worked on the farm seasonally and supplemented the family income at the nearby Wellington timber mill. His records show he was at Blackboy Hill Camp and Helena Vale Camp before sailing on the *SS Medic* on 18 January 1916, arriving in Marseilles, France two months later.

Basil was killed in action at the Battle of Flers in November 1916. Over a hundred years later, his death is still deeply felt by descendants of the Gibbs family. His story, recounted by Steve Gibbs, is partly told through his letters home to family.

For this story in full go to: dardanupheritagecollective.org.au . Use the Search button (top right), and type in “Basil Gibbs”. There are a great number of enlisted personnel who have been associated with Dardanup over the years. To find the list, type in “War Service Personnel”.



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Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival News

This year's theme is "Off and Racing", symbolising our Committees enthusiasm to deliver another fantastic event. Expect highlights such as billy cart races, plus classic children's games like egg-and-spoon races and gumboot tossing. Im sure even the "Bull" will be Off and Racing. We have got some cute animals lined up for the TJ Depiazzi Down on the Farm Arena and making its 1st appearance at the Festival is the Instrukta Safety Truck where you can climb inside this huge truck that's equipped with touch screens, virtual reality head sets and much more. Can't wait for that!

Sue and Jill have been visiting our loyal sponsors delivering a cookie made by Dardanup Delights and our usual balloons and Sponsors package. We are delighted to announce we have 2 new corporate sponsors on board already and we look forward to welcoming back all past sponsors. As mentioned previously Heathway no longer sponsors the Festival so we have to find \$15,000 to cover our Festival expenses to deliver the fantastic event that everyone looks forward to. If you are a business that may be interested in sponsoring please don't hesitate to email sponsors@bullandbarrel.net.au

We have a variety of levels of sponsorship and some fantastic opportunity's to promote your business and support a wonderful community event. Last year our local community groups raised nearly \$20,000.

Stallholder applications are out so if you see a food, trade or market stall out there that you would like to see at the Festival then please pass on the Festivals details.

Puppet workshops with Karen are on again the 2nd week of the Sept/Oct school holidays making smaller puppets so younger children will be able to participate and carry their own puppet in the parade before we burn the bull.

Saturday 11 October is the date, spread the word and don't forget to follow our facebook page!



Wespine 2024 In Review

Wespine is pleased to announce the release of its sixth community update, providing an overview of our business in 2024.

This year's highlights include:

- Celebrating a record 250 consecutive safe production days, demonstrating our ongoing commitment to the safety and wellbeing of our team.
- Investing in targeted training and development for our team, resulting in improved skills, productivity, and employee engagement across the business.

- The opening of the Shire of Dardanup's new Library, Administration and Community Building, including the Mick Bennett Make-It Space, which Wespine proudly sponsored. Continued promotion of timber as the ultimate renewable material for environmentally responsible construction.

We are extremely proud of our team's achievements and would like to thank the local community for your ongoing support.

To read the full report please visit <https://wespine.com.au/wespine-2024-in-review/>

Dardanup Environmental Action Group News

You may have seen all the recent publicity surrounding the concerns about the PFAS contaminated FOGO managed by Bunbury Harvey Regional Council sited on Banksia Rd. Even made Landline! Unfortunately Dept of Water, Environment and Regulation have given approval for Cleanaway to accept this PFAS contaminated FOGO plus any other Special Class 3 waste. The fight still goes on with DEAG submitting an Appeal opposing this approval for a variety of reasons. The process now is the Appeals Convenors assess our Appeal which may include further questions of DWER who approved the application and then recommendations if any by the Appeals Convenors to the Minister for the Environment who may or may not approve these recommendations. DEAG thanks Ruby Trevathan who organised the petition and facebook posts, Noel Hayward who worked very hard organising our Appeal submission, Lionel Machen for making

his home and himself available to the ABC and GWN news and the 22 people who assisted DEAG in our PFAS Appeals submission which shows the concerns far and wide and the opposition to Cleanaway accepting PFAS contaminated waste at its Banksia Rd Landfill site. Quite a few of the people who assisted have environmental science qualifications so if they are concerned then I think we all need to be concerned. DEAG has already had 1 meeting with the Appeals Convenors over our Appeal with a team of 3 travelling down from Perth to meet with us. They have suggested further meetings will be held on this issue before they make any recommendation to the Minister for the Environment.

Whenever you have the chance folks keep talking to your neighbours and family about the ever expanding Mt Rubbishmore. DEAG needs everyone to stand up and protest—Dump the Dump!

Jill Cross
Secretary DEAG

Country Music Club News

Our next Club day is the 15th June Hugh Kilpatrick Hall, Boyanup 1.00 - 4.30pm with MIDWAY as our band. Another great afternoon of dancing, wonderful music, raffles, afternoon tea. Everyone welcome.

THEN
20th July our AGM Senior Citz Hall, Mardo Avenue Australind, 10.30 am, followed by light lunch. Afternoon dance 1.00 - 4.30pm with Perth Band LETS DANCE. The usual door prizes, raffles etc
Sue Moloney

Dardanup Lions Club News

"I love a sunburnt country, A land of sweeping plains, Of ragged mountain ranges, Of drought and flooding rains..."

The problem comes when one of the big 3 calamities comes (fire's the other one), the toll is felt by farming families without feed for their livestock. In response and with help from Lions the organisation "Need for Feed" was set up.

Relief in the form of loads of donated hay was first undertaken with delivery from a convoy of trucks back after the 2009 Black Saturday fires.

Fast forward to December 24 when a run was organised to help hungry sheep after the Grampian Fires. First for year 2025 was when more than twenty five trucks delivered hay to the flood affected areas of Western Queensland on the Australia Day weekend.

Anzac Day and a different state and circumstance. The Need for Feed ran thirty three trucks and forty two trailer loads to drought affected areas of South Australia. The South Australian Government assisted with the transport costs.

Our club has responded to a request for funds from the Lions Victoria "Need for Feed" association/project with a donation of \$1,000.

Phil Ottrey



Event: Learn what an enhanced farm dam could achieve on your property

How can farmers improve livestock production, support biodiversity and reduce farm emissions all at the same time?

The answer is enhancing farm dams.

By fencing out livestock and revegetating around dams, water quality can be improved, leading to more weight gain in animals. Revegetation also increases water quality and provides habitat for critters. And on top of all that, improved wetland health means a reduction in greenhouse gas emissions.

In partnership with South West NRM (Natural Resource Management), Leschenault Catchment Council is hosting an event on **Thursday, 26 June at Evedon Park** to raise awareness about the benefits of enhancing farm dams.

The event will look at what enhancing a dam looks like and how emerging carbon and biodiversity markets could support landholders to fund this work in the future.

How does enhancing a farm dam link to carbon markets you might be wondering?

When manure and fertilisers enter a dam, it can become an emitter of greenhouse gases like methane. Fencing and revegetating around dams can significantly reduce emissions and carbon in the atmosphere creating potential for funding opportunities through carbon markets.

A recent study found enhanced dams recorded lower levels of nitrogen and phosphorus and higher levels of dissolved oxygen. The result was a 56% reduction in methane emissions compared to typical dams!

With governments around the world encouraging strategies that will reduce emissions, many businesses are looking for ways to offset their own emissions by supporting reductions that occur elsewhere - such as on farms!

With almost 2,000,000 dams across Australia, this seems like a win-win. And to sweeten the deal, the Australian Government is supporting development of "Carbon and Biodiversity" markets farm projects can be sponsored and carbon credits traded.

To learn more, we'll hear on the day from a carbon market consultant and from South West NRM about their new demonstration site at Thomson Brook where they are monitoring changes in greenhouse gas emissions and stock water quality.

Plus LCC will look at examples of other local dams that have fenced and revegetated in the past and provide advice for planning and managing vegetation around dams.

To register interest and further details, email LCC's Tony Battersby tony.battersby@leschenaultcc.org.au or phone 0497 409 292.

This project is supported by the Australian Government through funding from the Natural Heritage Trust under the Climate-Smart Agriculture Program and delivered by South West NRM, a member of the Commonwealth Regional

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Mother's Day 2025

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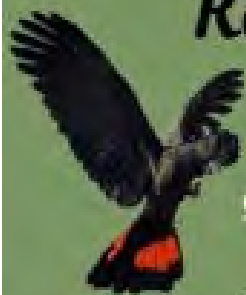


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Lions Eye Health Program

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Dardanup Lions Club has been providing this valuable eye screening program for the past 3 years at Dardanup Primary School. We would like to express our appreciation to the qualified Dardanup Lions volunteers for this important service.

Children's Vision Screening Program | Lions Eye Health Program (lehp.org.au)





June marks the beginning of the Noongar season *Makuru*. Traditionally these are the coldest and wettest two months of the year with frequent storms. This is the time of the year for bonfires and backyard clean ups. I enjoy these too but before you burn

everything... lets rethink the concept of 'waste'. In our gardens there are resources we can use to create fertility, make support structures and even extra plants.

The summer veg are finished, deciduous trees are shedding their leaves and the weeds are plentiful this time of year, making it the perfect time to start composting - It doesn't have to be too complicated or time consuming and you can use a bay, plastic dome/bin or ring of mesh lined with shade cloth. Cutting up the material as fine as you can will speed up the process, a shedder/chipper is fantastic but a lawnmower will also do the trick. Why buy it, when you can make it and know what is in the final product! If you are limited on space or material you can make a 'weed tea', just be sure not to add any weed seeds to your brew. Some of your tree prunings will be too woody and thick for the compost but perhaps may make good sturdy tomato stakes for next season, a bean trellis or shade structure.

Edible Perennials need a bit of care and maintenance this time of year. Increase your future yields by lifting and dividing herbs such as mint & chives, rhubarb crowns and globe artichoke suckers. Stressed and overcrowded plants are beacons for pests so you will reduce spring aphid population explosions by dividing you garlic chives too. It is also a good time to plant out asparagus crowns and berry canes, keep an eye out for them in your local nursery.

The winter months are a great time for observation, reflection and planning. How did your garden perform over summer. What lived/died and were there any standout crops? 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.

Starting crops from seed will save you money and also open up a world of new varieties. I love to support WA local seed sellers but also buy some of my seeds in bulk from edenseeds.com.au in Qld. They have an excellent and informative website to help you choose the right variety for your growing conditions. I love finding new and tasty open pollinated crops to add to my regular ones. *Why think about this in winter?* Well, if you want to grow from seed and have them ready to plant out, it takes some time and preplanning. For example, I start my tomatoes seeds in August ready to plant out in the garden in October. This also means I can plant when I am ready, not having to wait until plants are available in the shops.

Are you thinking about expanding your orchard or designing a food forest? Now is the best and most economical 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.

Another money saving tip is to maximise your harvest and reduce your food 'waste'. Brassicas are abundant this time of year but 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. To keep everything happy and healthy this time of year, I apply a good quality soluble Seaweed or Fish emulsion tonic every couple of weeks. soildynamics.com.au have a great range. Remember that higher Nitrogen % is good for leafy veges but not your root veg. Check your labels carefully, *more is not better*. You can alternate with your homemade weed or comfrey tea. 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 and Chicory. Brassica crops (seedlings only): Broccoli, Cabbage, Collards, Kale and Spinach. Root crops: Carrot, Radish, Parsnip and Potato (frost free only) Legume crops: Broad Beans, Snow peas, Shelling Peas and Sugar snap peas. Onion family: Onions, Salad onion, Potato onions, Tree onions Edible Perennials: Artichokes, Berry canes and Strawberry plants.

Happy Harvesting!

The next Sustainable Living Workshop is on Thursday 12th June, 10 - 11.30am at the Dardanup Hall. Topic: **'Create a Living Masterpiece - Garden Design using Edible Plants'** Gardens are so much more than just functional spaces. Rarely do we start with a 'blank canvas' in our backyards, however with clever planning we can re-design and create spaces to nurture, inspire and nourish. In this workshop we will explore options for re-designing your current space, transforming it into a beautiful and edible landscape. Whether it is a potted paradise, mini market garden or backyard food forest, participants will learn How to re-design their space making it naturally water wise and energy efficient. Using a list of climate appropriate plants they will also learn how to create an edible 'palette' at home and explore ways to keep their masterpiece growing abundantly.

Bookings essential ph: **9724000** or on the website dardanup.wa.gov.au/events



Dardanup Community Choir

7pm Mondays at the
Ferguson Hall

Helen Humphreys | 0422 095 870 | hkhumphs@gmail.com

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Mahjong

Dates . 12/3, 26/3,
9/4, 23/4,
14/5 & 28/5.

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Shire of Dardanup.
Contact Revely Gardiner 0408833761

Vale; Des Eaton, sincere sympathy to Des's family, Terry and the Dardanup Lions. Des was recently awarded the Melvin Jones Award for 20 years service to the Dardanup Lions

What's on In Dardanup

- 3 June – Chair Yoga organised by the Shire of Dardanup @ Wells Rec Park Clubrooms, free, 1-2pm
 3 June – Mens Welfare Group – 2pm at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms
 6 June – Ferguson Hall Committee hosts Sultans of Sound, 7-9, see poster this edition
 9 June – Little Jigglers, Shire of Dardanup event, free, 9:30 am - 10:00 am, Dardanup Hall, 97240470
 11 June – Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival meeting, 7.30pm @ Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms
 12 June – Shire of Dardanup's Sustainable Living Workshop, 10 - 11.30am @ Dardanup Hall. Topic: 'Create a Living Masterpiece - Garden Design using Edible Plants' Bookings essential ph: 9724000 or on the website dardanup.wa.gov.au/events
 14 June – Curry Night, 6.30pm Thomas Little Hall fundraiser, see poster this edition
 17 June - Dardanup Seniors meeting – games day
 17 June – Chair Yoga organised by the Shire of Dardanup @ Wells Rec Park Clubrooms, free, 1-2pm
 17 June – Mens Welfare Group – 2pm at Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms
 22 June - Boyanup Farmers Market, 8am
 23 June – Little Jigglers, Shire of Dardanup event, free, 9:30 am - 10:00 am, Dardanup Hall, 97240470
 26 June – South West NRM/ LCC workshop at Evedon Park, enhancing farm dams, see this edition To register interest and further details, email LCC's Tony Battersby tony.battersby@leschenaultcc.org.au or phone 0497 409 292.

If you have an event to add
 please email
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 4th 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 – 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 – 2nd Sunday of each month, 10.00am, @ Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms
 SW Veteran Car Club – 1st 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 – 1st Wednesday of the month at the Wells Rec Park Clubrooms, Mark, 0408 331 447
 Mens Welfare Group – 1st and 3rd 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

Farewell Allen and Bev

Bev and Allen Mountford are preparing to retire to Bethanie Fields in Eaton so we say farewell and thank you for all the years of service to Dardanup through the Dardanup Lions, Dardanup Shire Council and the local art scene.

Allen was born and bred in Dardanup being raised on the family farm on Damiani/Harris Road. Once married Allen and Bev lived on a farm in Venn road and from there they moved to a property on the corner of Ferguson and Pile road where they continued dairy farming on all properties. Allen and Bev then ventured into broad acre farming at McAlinden and then Mumballup. Slowing down slightly Allen and Bev made the move back to Dardanup where they lived on their farm in Recreation Road and then finally building their current home in the townsite on Ferguson Rd.

Bev has always been a longtime artist and great supporter of the local and Bunbury art scene, opening her home and then purpose built gallery, showcasing her fabulous artwork at every Dardanup Art Spectacular and always supporting the Art Competition. Thankyou Bev for all your work in promoting art appreciation in our community.

Allen was a charter member of the Dardanup Lions Club serving 54 years with Lions which included a stint with Collie Lions when they were broad acre farming. Allen also served on the Dardanup Shire Council for 4 years.

We wish Allen and Bev all the best in their move to Eaton and im sure we will still see them around at Lions or during the Art Spectacular.



Bev in her Gallery in Dardanup

Boyanup Farmers Market News

Stall of the Month - Third Pillar – Australian Extra Virgin Olive Oil



Malcom of Third Pillar is a true gentleman and a long standing stall holder with a very popular product being Extra Virgin Olive Oil, which is a premium blend of olive varieties that expresses the unique terroir of the South-West of Western Australia. They have a genuine and holistic commitment to quality at every stage of the fruit growing and oil production processes to create a premium quality olive oil that far exceeds the “extra virgin” grade. If you would like more information or to know about their business, check out their web page at <https://thirdpillar.com.au>

We are looking for young buskers to play at our market too.

Our next market is 22nd June, 2025, hope to see you and don't forget to purchase a raffle ticket near the sausage sizzle. Thanks to our stallholders for their donations.

Tanya Williams

Massive Downsizing Sale Continuation

7 Ferguson Road, Dardanup.

Sat. 7th June Sun. 8th June

8.00am to 2.00pm both days.

Tools, Gardening, Clean Bedding, Households,

Rolls of curtaining

Good condition winter clothing

Quality Furniture

Miscellaneous

All very cheap and must go

Art Garage Sale

Sat. 28th June 8.00am to 3.00pm

7 Ferguson Rd, Dardanup

Congratulations to

Dardanup Lions, screening eye health at Dardanup Primary School for 3 years

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Calling all Shire of Dardanup school students!

Draw a picture

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Shire of Dardanup

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NOTE - DATE CHANGE

COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER AT THE THOMAS LITTLE HALL

Curry Night

SATURDAY 14TH JUNE
From 6.30pm,
with curries served at 7.15pm

The Parish & OLOL School are holding a Curry Night and you are invited to wine & dine with community members. This year we will be raising money to help our Boyanup Church Restoration. Antipasto, wine & water provided, BYO other beverages. Two choices of curry with rice will be available, cooked by our amazing Dardanup General Store.

COST \$35 per person - what do you get for your money?
Your curries & rice, nibbles on arrival, wine from a local winery, tea & coffee, chocolate and slice after and your chance to take home a fabulous door prize.

We will also have a \$100 Cash Raffle on the night at \$5 per guess, and other raffles so bring some cash! Tickets can be purchased by contacting:

Peter Giumelli on 0409 682 571 or through OLOL School Office 9728 2200 - EFTPOS is available
Gluten Free available
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172 Pile Road Ferguson
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Tickets will need to be purchased by Tuesday 10th June 2025 for catering purposes, get in quick to not miss out!