

# MOORE RIVER FREE NEWS

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Congratulations to the new IGA store in Guilderton.

It is just brilliant and such a convenience for all residents and visitors!

Well Done

**Bob & Linda Johnson**



We are continuing our recruiting drive to assist our Communities in their hour of need.

Volunteering is very rewarding; we have a small but fantastic team at Woodridge, who work very hard to continue to assist every callout. There are many aspects of volunteering at the centre, Ambulance officers, support roles ie phone operators, cleaning, Van maintenance, gardening etc.

Would you like to have a go at helping your community, if so seek out more information by contacting:  
[www.stjohnambulance.com.au/volunteers](http://www.stjohnambulance.com.au/volunteers)

The office of the Woodridge branch is opened the 3rd Saturday of each month 9am-12noon, call in, have a chat, checkout our range of First Aid kits, memberships/ renewals payable etc.

**Jenny Walker**

[jennywalker1956@hotmail.com](mailto:jennywalker1956@hotmail.com)

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## What's On...

**Mark your calendar or phone NOW!**

**Don't miss out on all the great entertainment/ activities in our local area!**

|                  |                                                       |                         |
|------------------|-------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| <b>3rd Sept</b>  | <b>Sovereign Hill Garden Club King's Park Outing</b>  | Kings Park              |
| <b>17th Sept</b> | <b>Rockquiz</b>                                       | Guilderton Country Club |
| <b>25th Sept</b> | <b>Guilderton Country Club Annual General Meeting</b> | Guilderton Country Club |
| <b>2nd Oct</b>   | <b>Guilderton Bowling Club Season Opening Day</b>     | Guilderton Bowling Club |
| <b>15th Oct</b>  | <b>Moore Clothes Fashion Parade</b>                   | Redfield Park           |
| <b>22nd Oct</b>  | <b>Biggest Morning Tea/ High Tea 10am</b>             | Sovereign Hill House    |
| <b>9th Sept</b>  | <b>Neighbourhood Watch</b>                            | Seabird Community Hall  |



### GUILDERTON VISITOR CENTRE

Did you know that Guilderton was gazetted in November 1951 with the first 53 blocks of land being auctioned on 17<sup>th</sup> March 1956 with prices ranging from 105 to 315 pounds. These are some of the interesting facts you could impart to visitors to the area if you join our little group of volunteers at the Visitors Centre.

We open each weekend, school and public holiday between 9.30 and 12.30pm. Training will be provided.

EFTPOS is now available for your convenience. Any further queries contact Linda on 0414631273 or check out our webpage [www.guildertonwa.com.au](http://www.guildertonwa.com.au)

Wendy

Join in the fun,  
meet new friends,  
join your local....

## MOORE RIVER WEIGHT WATCHERS

Affiliated with WW Federation WA (Inc.)

**Wednesday morning 9am for 9.30am start  
Sovereign Hill House**

**Annual fee \$5.00 | Weekly fee \$3.00**

For more information phone 0413-818-955



Do hope everyone is coping with the winter rains and you are all keeping warm. Our numbers have been down a little, with the lucky ones going away up north to keep warm, a few having covid, and flues etc. We had a princess of the month of July losing the most weight CONGRATULATIONS to Sue McLeay, who is doing well.

We are hoping to have guest speakers in the next month or so, also members bringing their special Lo Cal Meals, that are so great for the winter. Watch next months news for a couple of recipes. Wont be long before the summer is here and we can enjoy more salads etc.

Great outings are being organised, including Melbourne cup luncheon, Honey Farm, then Christmas Luncheon. (all catered with yummy healthy food inc sweets.)

WHY NOT COME AND ENJOY A MORNING, AT SOVERIGN HILL HALL EVERY WEDNESDAY 9.AM WEIGH IN 9.30AM MEETING HAVE A CUPPER JOIN IN WITH THE SUPPORT THAT IS GIVEN TO ALL.

Don't forget watch next month for Recipes, come join us

MOST OF ALL KEEP WARM TAKE CARE

**Dot Branch  
(President)**



Princess for July  
Sue McLeay

Lancelin Police will provide an update on what has been happening in the Lower Coastal over the past months.

**supper supplied after  
the meeting**

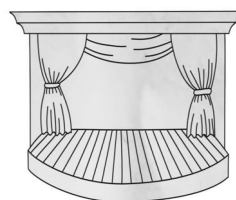
## Lower Coastal Neighbourhood Watch

**Wednesday November 9 2022  
7pm**

**Seabird Community Hall**

Lets do all our bit  
to continue to stay  
"COVID" safe

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION  
CALL DOT 0429969889.**



## S.M.I.L.E

### Moore

Smile is a small group of people that meet every 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 3.30pm at Sovereign House.

We Smile, Mime, Inspire, Laugh and Entertain.

We are writing, producing and directing a small play called 'Greece, a villa on the Hill'.

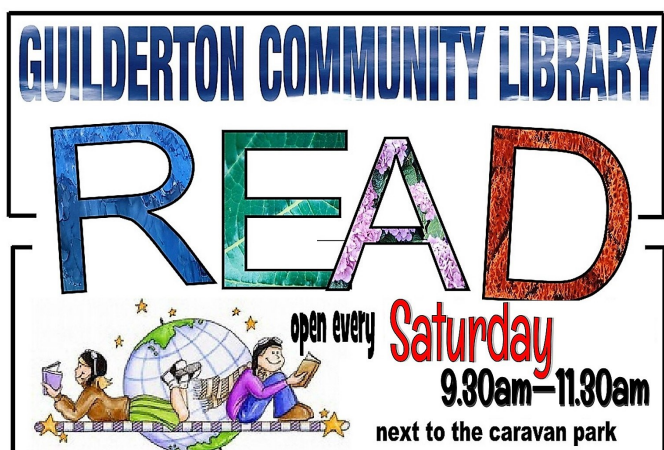
We hope to perform our play in February 2023.

IF you would like to be part of this production in any way – performing, assisting back stage.

Please contact Sue 0417 978 281.

**Our motto is No talent Required just have some fun**

**IF YOU REQUIRE AN AMBULANCE  
RING 0 0 0**



It's been busy even though the cold weather is here. Makes sense, nothing is better than curling up in front of the fire with a great book.

This month there have been lots of new novels. Lucinda Rileys "Sister Series" are proving really popular as are the Richard Osman Murder Series.

We are very grateful to Bunnings for the kind donation of two benches for our outdoor area. This area is proving very popular in summer.

Call in and visit our exceptional volunteers and check out the new range of books. We are open every Saturday from 9.30 till 11.30.



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Or email: juliepolette1968@gmail.com

## MOORE CLOTHES

Moore Clothes wished to thank the community for their ongoing support, we had a successful quiz night at Woodridge on July 30th - this would not have been possible without your support and all our Moore Clothes volunteers (and partners) for their help.

Our fund-raising efforts are pooled throughout the year and then distributed to groups in need to help with food gift cards.

We are now starting to prepare for our annual Fashion Parade, so **SAVE THE DATE** - October 15th with a performance again from the "Smile" group, our wonderful models and people's choice section - this year's theme being flowers. We hope to see you there.

If you would like to donate any prizes for this event Julie would love to hear from you or simply drop off to Moore Clothes.

**Thanks**  
**Julie Polette**  
**0410582817**

**MOORE CLOTHES INC**  
(Charity No: CC22585)

## FASHION PARADE

**Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> October, 2022**

The audience theme for this year will be "Flowers - Your interpretation, Hippie, Flowers or Clothing". Prizes will be awarded for People's Choice and "Most Original".

106 Paperbark Avenue  
REDFIELD PARK

Commencement: 10AM  
Morning Tea will be provided.  
Raffles with prizes galore.  
Numerous other fundraising games.  
Moore Clothes will be open during breaks in the parade.  
Clothing with tags on sale for bargain prices.

Tickets can be purchased from Moore Clothes, Woodridge Post Office or phone Julie on 0410582817




**Happy Quizzers-With the Wooden Spoons**



## SEPTEMBER GARDENING

**Lawns** – Start mowing regularly, and reseed any bare patches. Fertilise and apply wetting agent. I prefer granular wetting agents with added clay granules to better hold the moisture and improve the soil for future fertilisers and wetting agents.

**Gardens** – Mulch garden beds, fruit trees and any bare earth area you may later plant in to prevent weeds and help retain moisture. Mulch can hold 70% of water applied to it initially so water thoroughly to get the water to the plants.

**Prune** evergreen shrubs once they've finished flowering

Aphids love it here so keep an eye out for the little buggars. Roses and deciduous fruit trees will be their favourite but keep an eye out on everything. Scale was an issue last year locally too as the weather warmed so keep an eye out for them too. Scratch off scale manually with a toothbrush, fingernail or whatever you choose to gently scrape with if you can. Chemical solutions can also be applied in extreme situations however they can harm our bees and other good insects.

Keep an eye for curly leaf on stone fruit trees. Pick the leaves and dispose of in the bin immediately. Spray bare trees with copper based fungicide.

**Plant** Strawberries for early Summer fruit.

**Plant out** Spring vegetables such as broccoli, lettuce and peas

**Lift and divide** overgrown clumps of perennials.

**Prepare** potato beds and plant chatted potatoes.

**Plant** Summer flowering bulbs (Dahlia, Hippeastrum, Sprekelia, Lilium, Tuberous begonia, Gladioli, Amorphophallus...)

If you haven't already net apricots, mulberries and other fruit trees once the fruit is set

**Plant** evergreen fruiting trees like citrus, macadamia and avocado.

**Stake** tomatoes and other plants that require staking from our windy conditions.

**Veges to plant:**

**Seed:** Beetroot, cabbage, capsicum, carrot, celery, cucumber, eggplant, lettuce, marrow, parsnip, pea, pumpkin, radish, silver beet, spinach, sweetcorn, tomato, zucchini.

**Seedling:** cabbage, capsicum, onion (late), silver beet, tomato.

Any questions? Please ask me

**Nathan**

(fallstarservices@gmail.com)



## Sovereign Hill Crafty Witches Group

We welcome Brenda from Woodridge to our little group. She delighted us with her fabulous bread pudding, we now all have the recipe so there could be some more tastings in the future!

Chesson has dusted off her dancing shoes and has been kicking up her heels on Mondays this month, we miss you Chesson!

We have some of our hand knitted and crocheted craft, beanies, scarves, and mittens at Mary's, the avocado farm on corner of Gingin Brook Road and IOD. No avocados this year, but Mary has plenty of citrus as well as a variety of plants for sale.

A couple of times this month there has been little or no talking due the heavy rain on the tin roof, we couldn't hear anything else. So there was more craft done, diamond dot pictures, bra buddies knitting, rugs for Wheelchairs for Kids, crocheting a whole range of items.

If you would like to learn how to quilt do come along, Karen will give 1 on 1 lessons on how to quilt. Her work is incredible and it's about time I learnt as well.

Margaret had a crochet lesson from Pat and Kerry and in less than 6 weeks has created this beautiful crocheted rug. You could learn that skill too! Our ladies are more than happy to assist you.

We are looking forward to our next outing to Victoria's Homestead and Garden Nursery in October.

Any enquiries please call Dianne on 0414-469-297 or Wendy on 0429-938-232. Do come have a tea or coffee!

**Wendy and Dianne**  
**Co-ordinators**



Margaret's Wheelchair Rug



## GUILDERTON BOWLING CLUB

Well we have certainly had the rain and the cold. Hope every one has kept warm and safe

The weather has not deterred the BOWLERS FOR SCROUNGERS SUNDAYS AT 2PM. May be the mornings have not been the greatest but as soon as the sun was out, so were bowlers, especially after the game the sausage sizzles and refreshments, warmed everyone up.

So good to see some new bowlers on the green. Always pleased to see more, always a friendly afternoon, plenty of humour and fun. So come along and enjoy.

Opening day for the Season. Keep this date SUNDAY 2<sup>ND</sup> OCTOBER 2PM. SPECIAL AFTERNOON TEA AFTER THE GAME. FURTHER INFORMATION NEXT NEWS.

### Cheers Dot (Sec)



Scroungers Playoff Sunday 21st August  
Jeremy, Margaret and John.  
Winner John Branch



## BUSH FIRE READY

Now is the time to start planning for how and when you are going to do your fire breaks.

Start reducing the size of the vegetation by spraying or mowing. This will make the job easier later on.

Start assessing your Bushfire Plan.

**BE SAFE AND LEAVE EARLY OR BE PREPARED TO STAY AND DEFEND.**

**Both choices need consideration and some planning.**

The new Fire Danger Plan is due to be implemented on 1<sup>st</sup> September. Please update and know what these new ratings mean for your fire plan.

Any further information please ring Tom

on **0429-083-176**

**Tom Richardson**



## DEMURE DAMSEL RED HATTERS

Our hearts are breaking on the passing of our much loved "Lady Butterfly" Debbie Gowans. A beautiful lady who appreciated a great laugh. Deb enjoyed all our outings as we thoroughly enjoyed her company. We are so sad and pass on our sincere condolences to John and their family. R.I.P dear lady.



The end of July had us enjoying a "Christmas in July" at "The Duke" in Carramar. There will be a Bad Santa about too, watch for photos next month.

Just two outings in August. The first was an "Art" Class, where those of us with NO talent other than perhaps stick figures attempted to create a work of art under the direction of local artist Pat Coppins up at Karakin. It was a wonderful day, we were all surprised at just what talent lay hidden inside. The hesitancy soon vanished and all ladies are keen to have another go!!

Late in August we are to see Dale Burrige (Bet that name bring up some memories?) at the third Morning Melodies for the year.

Early September sees us in the archive area of the Joondalup Council followed by our 7<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebrations late September. Time has flown over the past 7 years, we have certainly had some memorable outings.

Would you like to know more? We invite you to come along to a couple of outings to see if you'd like to join us, absolutely no pressure, we'd love to meet you.

**Dianne Millar (0414-469-297)**

**Demure Damsels Red Hat Group**



## GUILDERTON COUNTRY CLUB

Hi to all our members and welcome visitors.

Winter trade continues to surprise us and this was particularly demonstrated by the great success of the 'Asian Themed Buffet'. A great crowd and good to see so many from our local community using our club facilities! Congratulations to Chef Mandy and her kitchen staff.

Rock Quiz is back again but with the added skills of our new Club member, Colin Ashcroft, making the Boogie Club a Trio! Please book your tables of four or eight on Saturday 17th September.

The AFL grand final is only four weeks away and we are hoping to decorate the club in purple. Come and join in the action with big screens, a cold beer and 'footy food'.

Sunday 25th September is the Country Club AGM at 10am with the President and Treasurer's annual reports. New nominations for the committee are always welcome to share the load and the rewards. Talking of rewards, this year the Country Club is one of the finalists in two ClubsWA categories and we have our fingers crossed!

As the golf season championships are being competed for, the Bowling Club will be starting their season soon. New golf and bowling club members are most welcome.

Lastly, as with all the Australian hospitality industry, we are urgently looking for additional bar staff and a number two cook to compliment Mandy's efforts in the kitchen. Training can be provided and our summer season is fast approaching.

**Bob Johnson, Secretary**



Have you visited our  
website?

[www.moorerivernews.com.au](http://www.moorerivernews.com.au)

## LOCAL HANDMADE ART AND CRAFT MARKET



The Guilderton Arts Council will host several market days in Gabbadah Park Guilderton in the coming months.

We need local artists and crafts people to come down and set up to sell their works between 9 am and 1 pm.

If successful we will hold more, possibly the third Sunday of each month (except for Winter).

Stall holders cost would be \$15 which will include Insurance if you don't already have it.

The stipulation is that you sell homemade items, not used or store bought items.

### PROPOSED DATES

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December**

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January**

**Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March (Long Weekend)**

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> April (Easter Monday)**

Please contact Kerry Jones 0437903138 or Julie Polette 0410582817 for more information or [guildymarkets@gmail.com](mailto:guildymarkets@gmail.com) to have an entry form emailed out to you.

We also have a FACEBOOK page **Guilderton art & Craft Market** which will have the latest information and updates as we organise the first event for Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December

Kind Regards

*Kerry Jones*



Redfield Park  
Community Association

106  
Paperbark Ave  
Gabbadah  
WA 6041

We are glad to announce our Fracking Declaration went well on July 30th (See article this issue)

Redfield Park are hosting a BBQ games night on October 8th at 5.30, all community are welcome to join us.

We have been told work on the entry wall should commence soon.

The hall is available to hire for groups or functions - please contact Julie for more info. 0410582817

Thank you

**Julie Polette**

**President**

**Redfield Park Community Association**



## Projects Update

### Coastal Projects to Resume Soon

The past few months of phenomenal wet weather has delayed numerous Shire projects and works in our coastal communities.

As the weather improves, our construction and maintenance crews will be recommencing road, bridge and footpath works, and other scheduled projects, and we appreciate everyone's patience while we get them done.

In the meantime, our staff made the most of a rare fine day to undertake some maintenance and repairs in Ledge Point.



### Gingin Emergency Services Centre Reaches Practical Completion

On Tuesday 2 August, approximately 50 fire brigade volunteers, Shire staff, and elected members got the chance to inspect the newly completed Gingin Emergency Services Centre.

The new Level 3 Incident Control Centre took just over 12 months to construct and was a joint project between DFES and the Shire of Gingin.

The Centre consists of co-located fire station facilities for **Gingin South Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade** and **Gingin Volunteer Fire & Rescue**, offices for incident management functions, and space for other emergency service agencies when required.

An official opening of the Centre is planned for later in the year – details to be advertised when available.



## General News & Information

### Australia Day Awards 2023 – Nominations Open!



It's that time of the year again and the Shire of Gingin is seeking nominations for community members who have stepped up and performed admirably over the past 12 months.

It could be someone well known for their community spirit and support, or someone

who is out there quietly serving the community in the background.

There are 4 award nomination categories:

#### Community Citizen of the Year

A person you believe has delivered outstanding service to their community.

#### Community Citizen of the Year (Youth)

Under 25 as of 26 January 2023 - a young person you believe has delivered outstanding service to their community.

#### Community Citizen of the Year (Senior)

Over 65 as of 26 January 2023 - an older person you believe has delivered outstanding service to their community.

#### Active Citizenship (Group or Event)

A group doing outstanding work or for an event staged in the community during the past year.

Nominations close 31 October 2022.

To find out more and to nominate, go to [citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate](https://citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate).

### Green Waste Kerbside Collection – Sept/Oct

This year's green waste kerbside collection for residential and rural residential properties is scheduled to be undertaken in the weeks following the **Queen's Birthday long weekend**, which will be 24-26 September.

Residents wishing to take advantage of this service will be required to have green waste ready on the verge by no later than **Monday 26 September**.

Actual collection dates for our towns and residential areas will be advertised closer to the time.

In the meantime, information on green waste collection conditions and criteria can be found on the **Latest News** section of the Shire's website [gingin.wa.gov.au](https://gingin.wa.gov.au).



## General News & Information

### Shire Road Condition Survey

If you see a strange-looking Toyota Prado travelling in the Shire, it may well be the ARRB Network Survey Vehicle.

ARRB has been engaged by WALGA to conduct a road condition survey of designated sealed and unsealed roads in the Shire of Gingin, as part of the Roads 2040: Regional Strategies for Significant Local Government Roads initiative.

Survey work will commence in the Northern Wheatbelt Region and is expected to take approximately 6 to 8 weeks.

Data collection occurs at normal driving speeds so there will be no disruption to other road users.



## Council Decisions

The following decisions were made by Council at the Shire's **August** Ordinary Council Meeting:

- Appointment of Community Representatives to the Guilderton Foreshore Working Group – Dean Brady, Joel Collins, Bob Johnson and John Punch – *approved by Council*.
- Contract for the Provision of Gingin Library Services to be entered into with Gingin Community Resource Centre for a further three-year term – *approved by Council*.
- Unbudgeted expenditure of \$25,500 to undertake necessary reseal/regROUT repairs at the Gingin Aquatic Centre prior to 2022/23 pool season – *approved by Council*.
- Reconsideration of Development Approval for Proposed Extractive Industry (Sand and Limestone) on Lot M1332 Caraban Road, Caraban – *not approved by Council*.

More details on the above items of business and any other matters from this meeting can be found in the Council Meeting Minutes which are available for viewing at [gingin.wa.gov.au/council-meetings](http://gingin.wa.gov.au/council-meetings), or in person upon request at either the Gingin Administration Centre or Lancelin Office.

Council Meetings are held on the third Tuesday each month and members of the public are welcome to attend.

## Shire Notices

### Annual Meeting of Electors

Notice is given that the Annual Meeting of Electors of the Shire of Gingin will be held on **Tuesday 6 September 2022** commencing at 5pm.

The venue for the meeting will be the Lancelin Angling and Aquatic Club, Hopkins Street, Lancelin.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss:

1. The contents of 2020/21 Annual Report for the Shire of Gingin; and
2. Any other general business.

The 2020/21 Annual Report is available from the Shire's website and hard copies can be obtained upon request from the Shire's Gingin Administration Centre and Lancelin Office.

### Change of Meeting Time – September Council Meeting

Members of the public are advised that the commencement time for the Ordinary Council Meeting to be held on 20 September 2022 in Council Chambers at the Shire's Gingin Administration Centre has been amended.

At its meeting on 16 August 2022 Council resolved that the meeting will now commence at **1:00pm**.



### Shire Closure – Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

Please note the Gingin and Lancelin Shire Offices and Public Libraries will be closed on **Monday 26 September** for the Queen's Birthday public holiday.

## Save the Dates!

**Ordinary Council Meeting** – Tuesday 20 September at 1.00pm, Shire of Gingin Council Chambers. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

**Steel Bumper Car Club Event** – Sunday 2 October from 10.00am – 4.00pm, Ledge Point Oval. *Details coming soon.*



**Aussie Bird Count** – 17-23 October. Visit [aussiebirdcount.org.au](http://aussiebirdcount.org.au) for details on how to get involved.

**Australia Day Awards Nominations Closing Date** – 31 October, see previous article.

For more information on community events, please see the Events Calendar on the Shire's website [gingin.wa.gov.au](http://gingin.wa.gov.au).

If you have a community event to promote in the Shire, please email Olivia at [cdo@gingin.wa.gov.au](mailto:cdo@gingin.wa.gov.au) and we will include it on our Events Calendar on the Shire's website.



...and another cold wet month goes by, but still the players are playing and achieving great results.

### Results:

#### 23<sup>rd</sup> July – Moore River Limestone Trophy

Winner: Mens – Abe Wright  
Ladies – Anne Gault  
R/Up Mens – Mike Cope  
Ladies – Irene Street

#### 30<sup>th</sup> July – Stableford

Winner: Anne Gault (37)  
R/Up: Bob Johnson (32) OCB

#### 6<sup>th</sup> August – Stroke

Winner: Brian Perrin (72 Nett)  
R/Up: Chad Richardson (73 Nett)

#### 13<sup>th</sup> August – Stableford

Winner: Linda Ellis (31)  
R/Up: Martin Byrnes (26)

*Have you recently moved to the area? Play golf or want to learn? Don't be shy...come and join us, we love welcoming new members.*

*Saturday is club day (must have a handicap or wanting to obtain a handicap)*

*11.45 for a 12.00 start (18 holes)*

*Wednesdays is scrounger day – no need for handicap, come and play competitively or just have fun.*

*1.45 for a 2.pm start (9 holes).*

*Further information contact Carolyn or Phil*

*Email: guildertongolfclub@gmail.com or phone Phil 0439 690 836 or Carolyn 0448 814 020*



## Monthly Scripture

*"How often have we said, 'There has to be more to life than this!' I said that many years ago not realising that what I really needed was a relationship with the living God - I wasn't even thinking about going to church or reading the bible. Life had overwhelmed me and I was battling to cope with everyday pressures. Thinking I might find some answers I started attending the local church and found myself praying. In answer to prayer the Spirit of God began to draw me into a relationship with Him and I was born again by the Spirit.*

*In the Gospel of John the woman of Samaria was having the same problem as me and went to the well to draw water. Jesus met her there and said 'Give me a drink.' The woman questioned him and he answered her saying 'If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink', you would have asked him and he would have given you living water.....everyone who drinks of the water that I will give them will never be thirsty. The water that I will give will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life. The woman said to him, Sir, give me this water, so that I may never be thirsty or have to keep coming here to draw water.' (John 4:7,10,13-15) Jesus cried out in the temple, 'Let anyone who is thirsty come to me, and let the one who believes in (trusts and relies upon) me, out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water.' (John 7:37-38) Are you thirsty enough to ask Jesus for living water today? (Quotations from New Revised Standard Version)*

*MOORE PRAYER: As local believers we have a regular prayer meeting and you are welcome to join with us anytime: or, if you have need of a bible, or feel you would like a bible study, please phone:*

*Sue - 0419 035 777 or Judy - 0429 108 892.*

*God knows, cares and understands all of our needs in these troublesome times."*



## SOVEREIGN HILL GARDEN CLUB

A very informative and interesting meeting was held in August when Nathan spoke on reticulation. He imparted lots of information on the various type of sprinklers, drippers, solenoids, valves and reticulation pipes. We learnt how to measure the amount of water being output by the sprinklers and how to correct the pressure to increase the coverage. He then touched on pruning and gave a short talk on the various ways to prune specific trees.

Great discussions were held on topics such as

- Crops being harvested from our vegie gardens
- Tomatoes – best way to plant
- How to rid lawns of weeds, such as Flick Weed and Creeping oxalis.
- Storing of pumpkins – best methods.

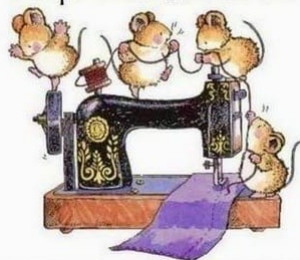
Our next club event is an outing to Kings Park on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September. If you are interested in joining our group, contact Wendy on 0429938232.

Wendy

## CRAFTY PATCH



Quilting with Friends  
Keeps You in Stitches!!



During the morning we were shown a few of the latest quilting creations, the picture shows one completed by Maureen. A few months ago Maureen was the winner of the raffle organized by Sharon which was to raise funds for Cancer charities. The prize was a kit from which Maureen has created this beautiful quilt. A couple of other ladies also showed their creations.

We have a remarkable group of very talented ladies, quilters, scrap-bookers, card-makers, knitters, embroiderers, crotchet

creators. Do come along and meet us, Tuesdays from 9.00 until noon at Woodridge Community Hall. The kettle is always hot, you will be most welcome.

Di G and Di M  
Thank you

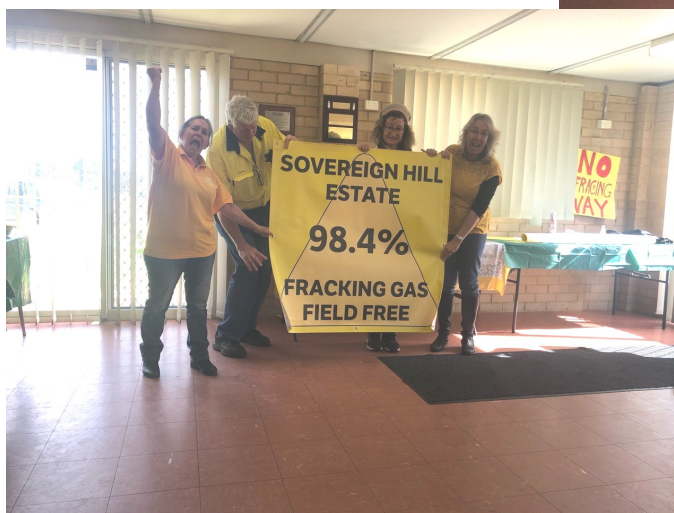


## FRACKING DECLARATION EVENT

We were very pleased with the turn out to our fracking declarations held at Redfield Park & Sovereign Hill on July 30th, it was great to see the community support and finally have this event held. With thanks to the community for your support, attendance from our "Lock the Gate" support people, councillors and special guests.

Thanks

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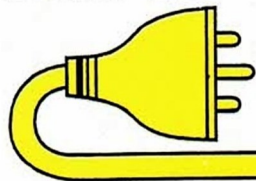


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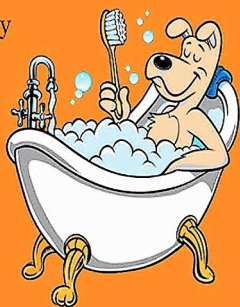
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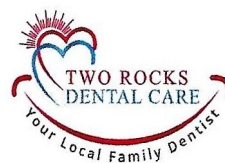
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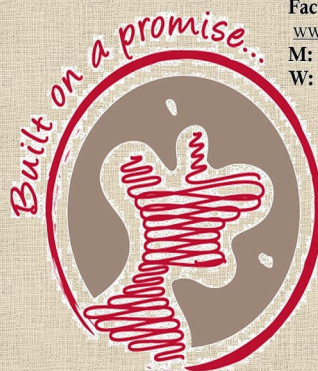


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## MOORE MEN'S SHED UPDATE

Our recent fundraiser at Bunnings Mindarie was a great success as we sold over 800 sausages in a 8 hour period, that's more than a hundred per hour; 25 every 15 minutes, incredible. The shed members turned out in numbers which was great and we were all kept pretty busy.

A special thanks to the members who put in the full day and the organisation behind the scenes to make it happen, it was a great effort and ensures the shed's ongoing financial strength for the coming year.

Members are reminded annual membership of \$40 is due now, please pay Fred at your earliest would be appreciated.

**David Green.**

## Spotlight on Gingin DHS - Shining Brightly in the Shire.

As parents, what we want most in life is for our children to be happy and healthy. We want to lay the foundations for them to have a stable and successful adulthood. Education is, of course, a vital element in building that foundation.

Choosing the right school for our families creates another dilemma. This dilemma is heightened when we live rurally and further away from the metro area with its abundance of schools. Do we opt for private or public education? Do we choose a large school with lots of facilities or a small school with a community feel? Do we simply choose the closest school to minimise travelling time? Only you can decide which school will work best for you.

As an educator for over 20 years working in both public and private schools, I can be sure that, when it comes to education, it is not a given that you get what you pay for. It is also a myth that bigger is always better.

We moved from the metro area to the Shire of Gingin almost 5 years ago. We wanted space to raise our young daughter and for her to benefit from a more rural experience – to taste life in a small, country community. It was, without doubt, the right decision.

We live in a really wonderfully supportive and caring environment where the old fashioned values of looking out for your neighbours still hold weight. That is not to say that I haven't had any wobbles or concerns and where best to educate our daughter was certainly one of them.

As a typical teacher, I set out on a research project. I listed all the schools within an hour's drive from home. I looked at their websites. I contacted the Anglican Schools Commission and the Uniting Church's education team. I met with their representatives. I visited schools. I queried bus routes and I spoke with other local parents. After weighing up all the pros and cons, we decided on Gingin DHS and enrolled our daughter in their Kindergarten programme.

So why Gingin DHS? For several reasons. Firstly, it is a small school where all the teachers, students and parents know each other by name. Despite it's size, it is well resourced with smartboards and a brand new multipurpose room fitted out with all the latest technology. The school offers private music tuition. It has wonderful grounds with sports ovals and courts, four separate age specific undercover play areas plus dedicated arts/design, science and food technologies areas. It has full and proximal access to the Gingin Recreation and Aquatic centre so school swimming lessons are a breeze.

Academically, Gingin DHS can hold its own against its private and public "like school" competitors with NAPLAN results being equal to, and in some areas exceeding, those other schools.

As all parents know, children are endlessly hungry so choosing a school with a great canteen is invaluable. Gingin DHS's canteen, run by the amazing Sheena Parker and her team of tireless volunteers, offers lots of healthy choices, homemade specials and can all be purchased easily online up until 9am each morning. There is also a breakfast club for those who need it.

For us, the final deciding factor was two fold; it was only a short drive from home and, most importantly, it retains the country school, community feel that we so wanted our child to experience.

Two years in to our Gingin DHS experience, we could not be happier. Our daughter simply loves going to school. She is excelling academically, looks forward to her piano lessons and has a really wonderful group of friends. And I decided to join the School Board.

Only you can decide which school is best suited to your child and situation. But when considering your education options, don't overlook your local public school. Gingin DHS has a lot to offer and might just be the right fit for you.

## REMEMBERING DEBBIE GOWANS

Debbie (Deb) Gowans was born in Merredin in Western Australia, she came to work in Perth at a Commonwealth bank, then had an adventure in London UK before settling down in Port Headland as a school purser and marrying John. There she raised two lovely girls, Sarah and Rebecca. In 2006 John and Debbie moved down to Woodridge.

Some people move to the Lower Coastal Area and quietly bond with the land, others take the bull by the horns and involve themselves in the community and are subsequently admired and loved by all. Debbie was that person. She died peacefully surrounded by family on the 15<sup>th</sup> August in Woodridge. She had been diagnosed with brain cancer last September.

Many of you will know her as one of the post mistresses at the Woodridge Community Mail Agency, others because Deb was a Gingin West Firefighter, or a Darts player, maybe at games days, always at fund raisers and quiz nights. A Red Hatter, one of the teachers at computer classes, she hardly ever missed yoga and of course has been a very valued member of the Moore River News since 2009.

In fact you would not be reading this MRNews without the massive amount of work Debbie put in to set up the advertising department, without which we would not have funds to print each month. Her skills have been invaluable over the years, including setting up the MRNews website and keeping the admin side running smoothly, along with producing countless issues.

She was also secretary of the Woodridge Community Association, organised all the hall bookings for years and helped with the Woodridge Spring Fair.



## Regular events... *new and old participants are always welcomed*

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