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GUILDERTON GOLF CLUB FUNDRAISER EASTER SATURDAY 19TH APRIL

8AM to 12PM

Grounds of Country Club



CAKE STALL

RAFFLES

FRESH VEGETABLES

SAUSAGE SIZZLE

SECONDHAND GOODS

Guilderton Community Association's ANNUAL EASTER ART EXHIBITION SATURDAY 19th April

Guilderton Community Hall

8AM to 12PM

**Come and see local artists display and sell their
work.**

Letters to the Editor

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Thumbs up to Bill, (Lara Bavin's partner) for painting the benches outside Woodridge Hall they Look much more improved. Commending him on a job well done.

From Dot Jones

What's On...

Mark your calendar or phone NOW!

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

Date	Time	Event	Place
5th Apr	Names in by 11.45	Winter Opening day followed by Summer Cup presentation	Guilderton Golf Club
6th Apr	8.30am	Neergabby Community BBQ Breakfast	Neergabby Grounds
9th Apr	7pm	Lower Coastal Community Association Public Meeting	Guilderton Hall
19th Apr	8am to 12pm	Guilderton Community Association Annual Easter Art Show and Sale	Guilderton Community Hall
19th Apr	8am to 12pm	Easter Annual Fundraiser	Guilderton Golf Club
19th Apr	8.30am - 11.30	Moore Men's Shed Open Day	Guilderton outside library
20th Apr	1pm	Seabird Gala day	Seabird Oval
21st Apr	9-1pm	Moore Arts & Crafts Markets	Gabbadah Park Guilderton
21st Apr	2pm	Moore River Estuary AGM	Deck of cafe Guilderton Foreshore
21st Apr	9am	Car Boot Sale Sovereign Hill Community Centre	Sovereign Hill
25th Apr	6am	Anzac Day	Seabird Hall
4th May	8am-2pm	Moore River Mother's Day Market	Foreshore Guilderton

Moore River News editor from last month wishes to apologise to the Guilderton Golf Club for an error in March 2025 issue. The Guilderton Golf Club should have been included in the LCCA Bus supports as they did donate \$1000 towards the bus. Huge thank you to the Guilderton Golf Club.



The picture shows Jo and Anne after enjoying a drink at Moore River Cafe in Guilderton at their wonderful Sunday evening live music event.

Jo and Steve collect cans from a lot of our local visitors and families, then distribute the proceeds to local groups. The Moore River News team were thrilled to receive \$500 from them to go towards the printing cost of this April issue.

Jo said she is passionate about saving our landfill.

Equally our team is passionate about sharing our local news and ask you to support Jo and Steve by saving those cans and bottles.

Anne Stroud

GUILDERTON & DISTRICTS' VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE



Huge thanks to Jo and Steve from Containers for Change for their donation to help towards the purchase of new equipment for the station and also to Moore River General Store for their donation. It is very much appreciated.

We are looking for new members to join our team, so if you have ever thought about giving back to your community or want to expand your circle of friends or find like-minded people why not reach out and come and meet the crew. Email

secretary@guildertonvbfb.onmicrosoft.com

Or call **0437 908 025**
Guilderton VBFB

162 000 Containers now saved from landfill through Containers for Change WOW !!!

Coffee ground donations from the Moore River Café have been donated to St Johns Ambulance, Woodridge, Sovereign Hill House and Moore Men's Shed total of \$245.60

Five Community Groups receiving a donation.

Updates at the Moore river Café soon.

Again "Thank You" to you all for your fantastic support.

Jo and Steve
Guilderton



To book the 12 seater community bus you can either
phone Sue on 0417 978 281

or email localbus6041@gmail.com

There is also a Facebook page, Lower Coastal Community
Associations Community Bus
where adverts for bus trips are posted.

Thank you to everyone who has come forward to drive the
bus for the weekly shopping trips on a Thursday.

These will continue on the 1st, 3rd & 4th Thursday of each
month, for a donation of \$10 pp.

To book the Thursday \$10 Clarkson shopping trips please
text or phone. Texting is great as I can then keep a record.

The next \$15 donation longer trip will be on
Thursday 10th April to Whitfords shopping centre.
The last longer trip was fully booked and everyone
enjoyed Karryinup shopping centre.

**Text or phone Anne on 0428 188 011
to book a seat for these trips**

**Join Us for Morning Tea with
Gingin Red Cross
and the Lower Coastal Community Bus!
Friday 9th May**

Come along for a friendly and social morning tea with
Gingin Red Cross and the Lower Coastal Community Bus
on Friday 9th May. It's a great chance to connect with
others, enjoy some good company, and support a valuable
community service.

A contribution to the bus running costs will be advised
closer to the date once we confirm numbers and pick-up
points.

For more details or to register your interest, contact

**Caron on 0428 922 301 or email
coastalcruiserbus@gmail**

We look forward to seeing you there!

"The Shire of Gingin is a proud supporter of the Lower Coastal Community Bus."



**Lower Coastal
Community Association**
meet quarterly.
*Find out what is happening in
YOUR area.*

**Lower Coastal Public Meeting
Wednesday 9th April
Guilderton Hall**

**The bus was sponsored or supported by the
businesses and community groups below.
If you get a chance, please thank them.**

Guilderton Golf Club
Crafty Patch
Guilderton Community Library
Guilderton Country Club
Guilderton Visitor Centre
Moore Clothes
Moore Men's Shed
Moore River News
Smile Moore
Sovereign Hill Craft Witches
Residents who made a donation.
All six Community Associations as in the LCCA logo.

*Thank
you!*

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MOORE RIVER MUSIC FESTIVAL 2025

With ten acts over three days across three venues, the '25 Moore River Music Festival was a great success.

The Moore River Music Club (MRMC) is very grateful and would like to thank all those who attended the five spectacular events, to all the musicians who participated, and a special thanks to those volunteers that helped make it all happen.

A big realisation of this festival, was the breadth and depth of our local musicians. Among the key aims of the MRMC is to showcase those talented musicians that live amongst us in our community. It's always a struggle for musicians to get gigs and particularly for up and coming musicians in our local community. Most venues in the Gingin Shire, engage bands and acts via Perth music agencies. They tend to overlook local musicians, who find themselves competing for gigs in the city instead.

The MRMC has focused on local musicians through the Gingin Homegrown Festival and the Moore River Music Festival, to promote and showcase our community's hidden talents. Seven local bands played the Rockin' the Park show and the Homegrown Show at MRMF. They included The Treble Hooks (Lancelin), The HipDaddys (Guilderton), Soulless City (Woodridge), FBI (Two Rocks), Crosseyed & Painless (Guilderton), Savanah Solomon (Sovereign Hill) and Roadside Crows (Woodridge).

As Club President, I was amazed and spellbound by the level of musicianship, song writing skills, and presentation that our local acts delivered so professionally. Simultaneously it is disappointing that these very musicians, are not supported by, nor engaged by our local commercial venues.

Also a thank you to the crew of the Grandmasters Rock Quiz, which is always a festival favourite. The Rock Quiz did giveaway some rare Dutch coins, even after Canberra tried to intervene.

A big thank you to our sponsors, without whom, we could not put on the festival. Our sponsors included Gingin Shire, Bendigo Bank, Hills Gas, Remax, and Guilderton Country Club, as well as a personal gifting from Patricia Smith.

We look forward to MRMF 26 as well as finding a home for the Gingin Homegrown Music festival. MRMF 26 will again include the best of our local musicians, as well as headline acts from Perth. We are grateful for the support of our local community.

Wil Cuperus
Club President
Moore River Music Club

Any alterations needed?

Mending etc done locally and a very quick turn around.

Call Anne on 0429 952 927.



Usual golf days are:

Saturday: Names in by 11.45am

Wednesday 9 holes Scroungers: Name by 1.45pm

Our hardworking volunteers continue to do a great job around the course. It is still looking a treat and is testimony to their ongoing work. There is still plenty of great golf being played on Saturday's competition days and Wednesday's scroungers. There is only one round of the Summer Cup to go and it is still anyone's Cup for this year.

REGENERATION AROUND THE COURSE

The trees which were planted last May in the area between holes 5 and 6 are still alive! Well at least 20 of the 24 planted are! The regular watering has helped them get through their first summer. Other peppermint trees planted around the course are



battling along, although not with as great a survival rate. Sadly, we haven't had a lot of success with the banksias which were planted at the same time.

At the last committee meeting, our Regeneration Policy was approved and endorsed. The policy sets out our plans for this year and into the future. Important aspects such as planting plans, slashing and mowing limitations, management and care of newly planted trees, the removal of dead trees and debris are included.

FAIRWAYS MARKING



At the last committee meeting we decided to purchase a line marker to clearly mark the fairways. Already our captain Phil and Bob have marked all the fairways and they look great!

OPENING DAY AND SUMMER CUP PRESENTATION

The Winter Opening Day will be held on the 5th April with an 18 hole stableford comp scheduled for that day. Following the game we will be having the presentation of the Ladies and Men's Summer Cup winners for this year.

EASTER SATURDAY FUNDRAISER

19th April from 8am

We rely on members and the community to make this a successful event for the golf club.

We would be very appreciative if you can donate or help in any way, especially with the cooking of cakes, slices etc for sale on the day or with goods for the bric-a-brac stall.

Ian Hastings - President
Mob: 0428 842 090

Email: guildertongolfclub@gmail.com



Friends of Moore River Estuary Inc represent the thousands of people who wish to preserve the Moore River Estuary for future generations.

Everyone is invited to the AGM on Easter Monday, 21st April at 2pm, on the deck of Cafe, Guilderton Foreshore. Membership is \$10 per year to continue our fight to protect Moore River Estuary from inappropriate development. Come and hear about all our efforts to understand and protect this precious asset.

The estuary is currently threatened by 30 years of planning mistakes that now see Moore River South subject to a subdivision for a suburb of 2,000 houses for 5,000 people.

In the Shire of Gingin, this site is a 30 minute drive from Guilderton (170 residents on the north side of the estuary). Any development over the southern coastal bushland will not help to provide services to Gingin's lower coastal residents, will be difficult to access and environmentally ruinous.

Problems with the subdivision plan include

- The whole site is bushfire prone, in a cul-de-sac between river and coast.
- There is no water, sewerage, power or infrastructure to connect to.
- There is no work or services nearby for the proposed 5,000 residents.
- Main Roads objects as road access is non-existent and difficult to create.

This subdivision Plan expired in January 2025.

The whole Structure Plan (Outline Development Plan) expires in October 2025.

Both plans are now out of date, with many serious faults and should now expire.

For sale since 2015, the whole land parcel was sold, on July 16th 2024 for \$20 million.

We ask that the WA State Government buy this land to add to the States Parks and Reserves. The market price is just established and funds in the State's offset account would be well used.

Our primary goal is to see Wilbinga Regional Park created between the Perth city northern limit at Two Rocks to the south, the estuary/Woodridge line to the North, Indian Ocean to the west and Indian Ocean Drive to the east. This most valuable 120sq.km contains endangered Tuart trees, Banksia woodland and Melaleuca hugelli bushland as well as foraging grounds for Carnaby's Cockatoos.

Creating a recreational reserve so close to Perth, this area could also provide a wildlife corridor with Yanchep National Park and has the potential for Indigenous Ranger Programs and other progressive uses.

We appeal to our Planning Masters to show vision and courage by supporting this plan. Please invite us to explain the details so this brilliant plan can be actioned.

All enquiries welcome to Chair of FOMRE

More information at guildertonwa.com.au/fomre

Linda Johnson
lindabob@gmail.com
Mob 0414 631 273

Guilderton Community Association

Clean Up Australia in Guilderton on Sunday March 2nd was very successful, many thanks to the 32 volunteers including 8 from Gingin Scout Group and the lovely locals.



Preparing the road team

We took a trailer load to the tip as well as 3/4 filling a skip bin with 10c containers and overfilling another skip bin that we thank the Shire for providing.



Our debrief at the Country Club over a sausage sizzle, drinks and watermelon was great !



Boat Team Preparing

Linda Johnson for the GCA
Mob 0414 631 273



Men's Shed Open Day
Easter Saturday
GUILDERTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY BOOK SALE
 * at the Men's Shed and 9am - 2 pm
 * Outside the LIBRARY on the foreshore 8.30-11.30
 * Plus CHILDREN'S PLANTING ACTIVITY at Men's shed



Easter Monday 21st April 9am at Sovereign House

Morning Tea only \$5 Tea/Coffee and Cake

Car Boot Sale only \$10 per bay setup at 8am, sell from 9am - book a bay.

SHCA Bric and Brac Stall - selling donated items.

All proceeds to **SHCA** - for the roof

Car Show - with local residents showing their special cars.



If you would like to book a bay, donate items or show your special car and or bike.

Call Sue 0417 978281

GUILDERTON COUNTRY CLUB
 Hop on over for our
EASTER
 Egg hunt
 Join us on
EASTER SUNDAY
(20th April) at 4PM

\$10 PER CHILD

MEMBERS FREE

Fun activities, Easter Egg Hunt and Party Food for the kids!

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
 95771013 OR guildertoncc@bigpond.com

SEABIRD GALA DAY Easter Sunday 1pm Seabird Oval



Some of the Day's Events

Easter Egg Hunt **Family Races**
Hole in One Golf **Ladies Float Toss**
Tug o' War **Face Painting**

Easter Raffles - Gourmet Hampers
 plus other prizes

Guess the Lollies in the Jar
Sausage Sizzle, Drinks and Ice Creams on Sale

Bar will be Open - Strictly NO BYO Alcohol

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Moore Arts
Art & Craft Markets



Next Market

Monday 21st April 9-1

Come to Gabbadah Park and enjoy the park while looking at stalls of locally made art & craft products for sale. Fundraising sausage sizzle and drinks van on site.

To book email guildmarkets@gmail.com
 For more info call Kerry 0437903138
 Stalls only \$20 each



Our last market for the summer season will be on Easter Monday 21st of April.

Come down and enjoy a great morning in Gabbadah Park to view and possibly buy something from the creative stallholders.

Our last market saw 20 stalls booked for the day with Woodridge providing the sausage sizzle and juicy box great coffee and juices.

This market has Woodridge Playgroup providing the sausage sizzle and a cake stall and the always reliable Juicy box on hand.

We will then take a break over winter and start up again with our first market in September.

Kerry Jones



Have you visited our website?

www.moorerivernews.com.au

Spotlight on Moore River Café

Editorial by Kez Barnard



I'm talking with Café Owners Phil and Sam Smeeton and Head Chef Sarah Lewis.

Kez. "Phil, it was your idea to take on the Café, what made you decide to do that?"

Phil. "The Café had been closed for about 10 months after the head lessee pulled out and assigned the lease over to John and Chris Young's Suncity Group. It was spinning its wheels and I just thought, Guilderton deserves a Café that provides good food with a

smile and that was in July 2023. We opened the takeaway section in September of that year and then developed the restaurant and bar which opened in April 2024.

Kez. "So are you happy with your decision?"

Phil. "Yes, I am. I think we have done a good job, but I don't want to take any real credit for how it's practically operated, that credit must go to Sam and all the staff. They have been fantastic."

Kez. "Sam, you have put a lot of time and effort into the practical operation as Phil puts it. Are you happy with the way the Café is going."

Sam. "Yes we have a great team of staff and fortunately most of our staff are locals which has made it a lot easier. Of course, Sarah has made a big difference to our menu choices, and we are both absolutely stoked to have Sarah working with us."

Kez. "Sarah, you are a highly qualified chef, I understand that you were the head chef at Frankies restaurant on Rottnest Island for 3 years leading up to these past few months. Why did you decide to take on the role at the Moore River Café?"

Sarah. "I had a fantastic 3 years at Frankies on Rotto, but I was ready to try something new and the Cafe was the perfect opportunity. It's set in such a beautiful location, I want to be able to offer great food, drink and service too. I am excited to bring lots of new ideas to the cafe and freshen up the menu with local, seasonal produce. Our Live Music sessions on Sunday evenings have been a hit with the locals and visitors, and I love creating new specials each week for everyone to enjoy."

Kez. "So is there anything we should know about that's happening at the Café?"

Phil. "We believe we have only just got started and we are keen to create more events and improve on what we are already doing."

The Moore River Café isn't just a business—it's a place where the community comes together.

Whether it's grabbing a coffee with a neighbour, enjoying live music on Sundays, or sharing a meal with family, this café is built for Guilderton, by Guilderton.

Stay tuned for upcoming events and menu updates—you won't want to miss what's next!

Phil and Sam Smeeton

GINGIN WEST VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE



We were surprised with receiving a new light tanker a couple of weeks ago to add to our newish 3.4.

It didn't take long to get it dirty though with the recent fires on Airfield rd and in Ledge Point. Our crews did a fantastic job and we were able to have appliances at both fires day and night. **A HUGE EFFORT!!**

Hopefully the crew can get some rest now.

GGWBFB



Sovereign Hill Garden Club

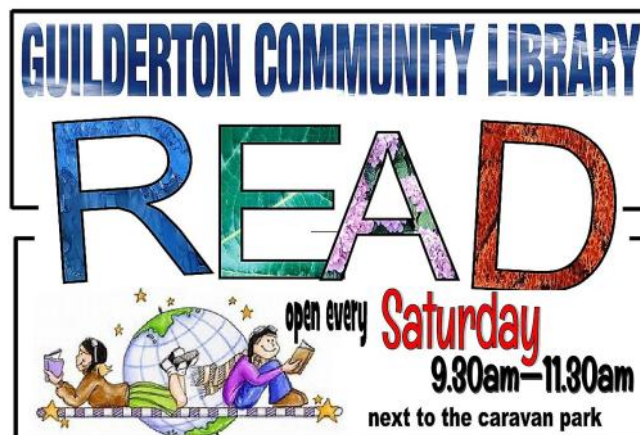
This time of the year is a great time to garden. The temperature is not too hot and we do get some good days when the wind is not blowing too strongly.

The Garden Club's March meeting was at Anne's where we checked out their fig tree and had a great discussion on pruning and caring for it.

We also spoke about what has been happening in our various gardens. Some of the topics were harvesting of our dragonfruit, capsicums, apples and sweet potatoes.

Our next meeting is an outing to Limestone Park on Saturday 12th April. If you would like to join our group, please contact Wendy on 0429938232.

Wendy



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Moore River News
issue sent to you each month in colour.
Please google Moore River News
and press the **Register Button**.

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

MOORE RIVER WEIGHT WATCHERS



Affiliated with WW Federation WA (Inc.)

**Wednesday morning 8.30am for Weigh In
9.30am start for the meeting**

Sovereign Hill House

Annual fee \$5.00 Weekly fee \$3.00

For more information phone 0413-818-955

Hope everyone is enjoying this cooler weather. Not too much news this month, just some good weight loss and lots of support to our new members. Everyone still enjoying all the comments coming in from other Clubs regarding the 30th birthday.

We'd love to have new members, just call in and have a cuppa, stay on for the meeting and enjoy the company of a great group wanting to keep healthy and happy with lots of encouragement and new healthy recipes.

We hope to have some winter recipes in the next newsletter. Easter will be the next holidays - not far away. Hope you all enjoy a lovely time with family and friends, not too many goodies, just enjoy, don't need to cut the goodies out, just cut back.

Until next news, take care stay safe.

**Cheers Dot Branch
0429969889**

Device Advice: Tech Support, Laughs & Coffee Spills !

**The first Device
Advice session for 2025
at Seabird Hall on
Thursday, 27th
February was a wild
ride!**

We had phones that refused to listen, laptops throwing tantrums, and one very confused tablet that thought it was a toaster. But with a little teamwork, a lot of patience, and possibly some bribery with biscuits, we tackled tech troubles like seasoned pros (or at least didn't make them worse).

One highlight of the session was helping Dave finally send a text message without accidentally setting his ringtone to "Ride of the Valkyries" at full volume. Meanwhile, Di's tablet was convinced it needed a password that hadn't been invented yet, and Kath's smartwatch refused to tell her the time but somehow managed to order a pizza.

Fear not! We're back at it again on :

27th March & April 24th at Seabird Hall at 9am (\$2 entry) to solve more digital mysteries, untangle charging cables, and ensure no one accidentally live streams themselves napping. If you've got a device that's driving you mad, come along - we promise tech help with a side of laughter! For more info contact:

**Caron Melvin
0428922301
seabird@bigpond.net.au
See you there!**



NOTES FROM SEABIRD

Seabird Progress Association

This month has seen our AGM, which was well attended. It was great to welcome some new committee members and to thank some who are having a break. The president's report was interesting and highlighted things we have achieved over the past year, via a PowerPoint presentation.

Our "Clean Up Seabird" was attended by about twenty volunteers who spent a busy morning cleaning up the beach, town and the Seabird Road. It is sad to see that some people dump their rubbish on the side of the road rather than go into the tip. Two skip bins were filled, thanks to the Shire for providing these. A sausage sizzle and a few coldies were a welcome end to the morning. A huge thank you to the volunteers.



Our main event for the year happens on Easter Sunday with our annual Gala Day. Planning is well underway and we hope to see lots of locals and visitors at the event.

Seabird Golf Club

The Kulin vs Seabird weekend was a great success. Fourteen players arrived from Kulin and ten were playing from Seabird. A very social weekend followed with a players dinner on Saturday, game on Sunday at Ledge Point and presentation afterwards at the Hall, with dinner to wind up the weekend at the Tavern. Seabird managed to win the cup with a great effort from Scott White, first, Peter Robertson, second and Brett Bentley, fourth. Lorna Findlay, from Kulin, was third, a great effort for the only lady golfer. Kulin players left on Monday, vowing to be back next year.

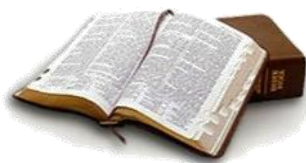
Other activities around town.

Coffee and craft meet on Mondays at 10am in the hall, Bookclub, each second Thursday of the month and now Zumba!

Monday at 6pm at the hall for a fun filled session. \$5 entry which goes to the Seabird Progress Association.

**Claire Bentley
claire.bentley@bigpond.com**

Monthly Scripture



"...to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

For he grew up before him like a young plant, and like a root out of dry ground: he had no form or majesty that we should look at him, and no beauty that we should desire him.

He was despised and rejected by men, a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; and as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was pierced for our transgressions; he was crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the chastisement that brought us peace, and with his wounds we are healed.

All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned, everyone, to his own way; and the Lord has laid on him the iniquity of us all." (Isaiah 53:1-6 English Standard Version.)

He has paid the price for all of our sins and is now knocking on the door of your heart just waiting for you to accept Him as Lord and Saviour in your life. Consider this - He has risen from the dead and is alive today in the hearts and lives of very many people. Will you open your heart to Him and invite Him in?"

MOORE PRAYER: Please feel free to contact us should you have any specific prayer requests. We gather regularly to pray for our community, family and friends who are in need and are very thankful for the many answers to prayer that we receive. Should you wish to join with us, you are more than welcome.

"May God bless you all over the Easter season and school holidays, and especially keep us safe on the roads."

If you would like to know more please phone:

Sue - 0419 035 777 or Judy - 0429 108 892

Bibles are free if you would like one to read for yourself.

Judith De Vries



Join us for our Anzac Day Dawn service 6am at Seabird Hall



GUILDERTON VISITOR CENTRE

Do you enjoy going down to the river to take in the beauty of our area?

Well you are not alone - we have heaps of tourists and visitors who appreciate our area as well and they like to drop into the Visitors Centre to find out just what there is to see and do around here.

Now this is where you come in. Would you like to join our little group of volunteers relaying information on to them. The Centre is open between 9.30 and 12.30 weekends, public and school holidays and we are looking for more helpers.

For information on what this involves phone Linda on 0414631273 or go to our website www.guildertonwa.com.au

Wendy

Crafty Patch

meet each Tuesday

At Woodridge hall 9am-12pm



Hi to everyone in the district. Our craft members have settled in quite well since our return this year.

A very nice turnout today with 25 people enjoying morning tea day. Beautiful sandwiches, slice and savoury scrolls, thank you to contributors.

Last week we had 8 members making shoulder bags out of discarded denim jeans. One of our ladies showed us how to cut out the crotches and sew it back together to create beautiful bags. Thank you Pauline. We had a great day. Unfortunately I didn't take any photos of proof. We are a talented group who have many skills.

If you would like to join us on a **Tuesday morning at the Woodridge Hall from 9am till noon**, please pop in for a cuppa and see how we can enhance your craft prowess. Ladies are always willing to teach. Smile and say hello to a stranger.

Helen, Dot L, Anne H & Gloria



Meet & Eat Group

Enjoy good food, laughs & conversations.

We have a cooking roster system and share all the recipes. We would love to welcome some new members.

Meeting on the 3rd Thursday of each month at Redfield Park Hall.

If you are keen give Julie a call 0410582817 to find out more.

Visitors welcome.



Country & Coast

Shire of Gingin News & Information

Council Decisions

The following matters were considered by Council at the Shire's **March** Ordinary Council Meeting:

- Appointment of Presiding Member and Deputy Presiding Member to the Audit Committee.
- Application for Development Approval - Proposed Siteworks (Fill) on Lots 4, 900, 901 and 902 Gingin Rd, Lancelin.
- Dog Exercise Area - Weld Street, Gingin.

For more information on these decisions and details of additional items resolved by Council please go to the March Council Meeting minutes which are available at gingin.wa.gov.au/council-meetings, or in person upon request at either the Gingin Administration Centre or Lancelin Office.

Join Your Local Bushfire Brigade!

In light of the recent bushfires, we are seeking expressions of interest from community-minded locals ready to join our dedicated team of vollies!

No firefighting experience? No problem, we provide all the necessary training needed. We welcome people from all walks of life who want to make a difference.

In the Shire of Gingin,

our primary response to bushfires relies entirely on the commitment and enthusiasm of volunteers – year-round community members just like you to step up to safeguard lives and property from the devastating impacts of bushfire.

Ready to be part of something bigger? Register your interest via gingin.wa.gov.au.

Clean Up Australia Day in Guilderton - A Huge Success!

On Sunday 2 March, 32 volunteers, including 8 dedicated members from the Gingin Scout Group pitched in to clean up Guilderton on Clean Up Australia Day.

Together they filled a trailer load of rubbish for the tip, collected 10-cent containers filling 3/4 of a skip bin, and overfilling another skip bin which was provided by the Shire.

From the boat ramp to the foreshore, roads, and groyne, every area saw an

incredible clean-up effort. The day wrapped up with a well-earned sausage sizzle, drinks, and watermelon at the Country Club.

Well done and thank you to all the amazing community members who pulled up their sleeves and got it done!



Empowering Gingin Shire Youth - YME YNOT?

The Shire of Gingin is pleased to announce the launch of the Youth Micro-Enterprise Project (YME YNot?).

YME YNot? is aimed at young people between 10 – 25 years of age to improve their access and exposure to micro-entrepreneurship opportunities, mentorship, business development services, training and education. It also aims to strengthen capacity of local stakeholders to support young entrepreneurs in starting and growing their own businesses.

Proud community partners of YME YNot? include Gingin DHS, Community Bank Gingin and Lancelin, Lancelin Chamber of Commerce & Industry Inc., Chittering Tourist and Business Association and Shire of Gingin.

The YME YNot? Project commenced in January

2025 and will run for 12 months. During this time a range of youth-focussed activities will be undertaken, including the **Connecting Youth Expo** which will be held in Gingin on Wednesday 16 April 2025 during National Youth Week.

The Connecting Youth Expo is a family-friendly event which will include music and entertainment, skate, dance and karate workshops, Monsterball amusement, open mic, basketball hoop competition, and lots of other fun activities.

We would like to thank the Department of Communities, Road Safety Commission Western Australia, Community Bank Gingin and Lancelin for their funding toward the YME YNot? project.

For more information, visit gingin.wa.gov.au.



Important Microchip Update - Closure of HomeSafe ID Microchip Registry

HomeSafeID, a microchip registration database used by some Australian vets, will soon no longer be operational. This means you will no longer be able to log in to update your contact details, change ownership or identify your pet should they go missing.

If your pets details are stored with HomeSafe ID, you will

need to apply to register your pet with a different animal registry.

If you don't know your pet's microchip number or have lost their paperwork with their registration details, contact your veterinarian, council or animal shelter. They can scan your pet and provide the microchip number.



Moore River Update - Swim Warning Lifted

Further to previous advice, the Department of Health and Shire of Gingin now advise microbial testing at Moore River confirms a return to safe levels, and the high risk health alert has been removed.

While people can use the river as

per normal, we still wish to remind everyone to be aware of the risks associated with swimming in recreational waters.

And please do not swim in the river if you've been unwell, as viruses can spread in the water.

Old Junction Bridge Closed

Due to safety concerns, the Old Junction Bridge in Neergabby will be closed for pedestrian access until further notice. Please note, the closure is for the pedestrian bridge and does not affect the bridge on Gingin Brook Rd.

All enquiries can be directed to the Shire's Operations Department on 9575 5100.

Thank you for your understanding and patience whilst we resolve this issue.

Shire Careers - Meet the Team!

Meet our General Hand, **Reece**.

What is your career background/journey to where you are now? In 2022, I had the opportunity to gain a few months of experience in integrated horticulture in Zambia and Zimbabwe, which helped shape my passion for working outdoors. Later that year, I completed Year 12 and in January 2023, I moved to Gingin to further pursue this interest. I enrolled in a Certificate II program in horticulture, landscaping, and conservation and ecosystem

management, which provided me with valuable knowledge and hands-on experience. In September 2023, I joined the Shire as a general hand, and by January 2024, I was signed on full-time as part of the townsite maintenance team. **What made you choose the career path you are currently on?** This career path has been a natural choice for me, as I have always enjoyed working with my hands and being outdoors. My role involves maintaining parks, gardens, ovals, and general townsite upkeep, which keeps my work engaging and varied.

I appreciate the opportunity to work alongside experienced colleagues,

gaining new skills and insights from them.

What do you like most about your job? No two days are the same, as there are always new challenges and surprises.

Looking ahead, I hope to further my studies in horticulture and conservation, with the goal of playing a key role in conservation efforts and making a meaningful impact on the environment.



What's on In the Shire of Gingin?

Gingin Red Cross - Monthly Morning Tea

Friday 11 April, 10:00am - 11:00am, The Lions Den, 3 Horan Street, Gingin.

Connecting Youth Expo

Wednesday 16 April, 10:00am - 2:00pm, Gingin Outdoor Activity Space & Granville Park & Civic Centre.

Art & Craft Market - Moore Arts Council

Monday 21 April, 9:00am - 1:00pm, Gabbadah Park, Guilderton.

Anzac Day Services

There are typically a series of Anzac Day services held throughout the Shire on Friday 25 April, please visit the Shire's events calendar for more information on a service near you.

Gingin British Car Day

Sunday 18 May, 10:00am - 3:00pm, Granville Park, Gingin.



For more information on events in the Shire, please go to the Events Calendar at gingin.wa.gov.au.

Early Rates Incentive Scheme Sponsor Acknowledgement

Thank you to **AMP Waste Facilities** for your generous sponsorship of the Shire's Early Rates Incentive Scheme.



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Ledge Point & Bambun Firefighting Effort Thank You

Please attribute information below to Shire President, Cr Linda Balcombe.

The Shire of Gingin would like express heartfelt thanks and acknowledgement to everyone involved in containing the recent Ledge Point and Bambun (Airfield Road) fires.

“On behalf of the Shire, I extend my deepest gratitude to everyone involved in the containment of the recent Bambun and Ledge Point bushfires,” said Shire President, Linda Balcombe. “I am very proud of the community, Shire staff, Councillors and external agencies who were involved in both fires - your collective efforts in the face of challenging conditions have once again demonstrated the strength and resilience of our community and its partners. “We are immensely relieved to report that no residential properties were lost during these incidents. While approximately 2,850 hectares were burnt across both fires, the damage was limited to one outbuilding—a machinery shed in Bambun.”

The Shire of Gingin would like to acknowledge and thank the following agencies and community groups for their role in the response:

- Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES)
- State Emergency Service (SES)
- Department of Communities
- Department of Biodiversity, Conservation and Attractions
- WA Police
- St John Ambulance
- Western Power
- Water Corporation
- Main Roads WA
- Salvation Army WA Emergency Services
- Lancelin Community & Sporting Club
- IGA Lancelin
- CWA Lancelin
- Ledge Point General Store
- Gull Gingin



Photography Credit: Evan Lawrence, CESM - Shire of Gingin

Cr Balcombe added: “The Shire of Gingin shares a strong, collaborative relationship with the Metro North Coastal region of DFES, and the professionalism displayed by the DFES team and supporting agencies was integral to the successful containment outcome.

“To our incredible local and regional volunteer bush fire brigade members and the Volunteer Fire and Rescue teams who travelled from across the Metropolitan and Midwest Gascoyne regions to bravely confront these fires under demanding conditions— words cannot express our gratitude. You’ve been the backbone of this response and we are very thankful for your service.

“Our appreciation also extends to the private contractors who supplied heavy machinery and water carting services, as well as all other individuals, local businesses and community groups who stepped up to support Ledge Point and the Bambun area through this emergency and into the recovery phase. Your contributions are deeply appreciated.”



Shire CESM Evan Lawrence added: “As we move forward, our dedicated volunteer firefighters will continue to monitor and patrol both firegrounds in the coming days and into next week, ensuring the safety of our community remains paramount.

“While summer has officially ended, I’d like to take this opportunity to remind everyone that our region is still experiencing above-average daytime and overnight temperatures, coupled with low soil moisture and dry, degraded vegetation. These conditions mean the bushfire risk remains elevated. I urge our community to stay vigilant by maintaining firebreaks and keeping properties and townsites bushfire safe. Your proactive efforts can make all the difference. “

These amazing aerial photos show the extent of the fire at Ledge Point and how close it got to the townsite.

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Neergabby Community Association Quarterly Update – A Busy Start to the New Year!

As we step into a brand-new year, we also welcome some exciting changes within our Neergabby Community Association! First, a big welcome to our Members - whether you're joining us for the first time, returning for another year, or reconnecting after some time away. It's wonderful to see both familiar and new faces coming together to keep our community thriving!

We also have some changes in our committee. Laura is stepping down as President but will continue to support us as Treasurer—thank you, Laura, for your hard work and dedication! Denise is also stepping down as Deputy President, and we appreciate her years of service and ongoing support. I'm excited to step into the role of President for 2025 and look forward to what we can achieve together as a community this year!

The year kicked off with another wonderful Australia Day ceremony, where we proudly welcomed our newest citizens and celebrated our Community Citizen of the Year award winners.

February saw the addition of our new Community BBQ Breakfast, generously sponsored by Len & Moyra from Home Hardware, Gingin.



Thirty locals gathered to catch up with old friends and meet new neighbours, including Scott Wildgoose, our new Shire of Gingin CEO. With a hot cuppa in hand and a delicious BBQ breakfast roll, it was the perfect way to start the day.

We look forward to sharing the morning with you at the next one – Sunday April 6th.

March started strong with the Gravity Discovery Centre's annual Dark Sky Party, a spectacular evening celebrating our incredible night skies.

We also saw the Quinns Rocks YES Cadets kick off their year with an exciting leadership camp, helping to build skills, confidence, and friendships among our young leaders.

The community rallied together at the Fly Fighting Forum to take on the stable flies which have been troubling us again this summer. It's always great to welcome Mick Emmanuel the Shire of Gingin Stable Fly Inspector and see everyone coming together to tackle local issues.

With more events and projects ahead, it's shaping up to be a fantastic year for the Neergabby community! Stay tuned for more updates, and as always, we'd love to hear your ideas and see you at the next event.

Lindsie Leahy (NCA President 2025)
Ph: 0407426630



Sovereign Hill Crafty Witches Group

Are you into craft and need somewhere that you can sit, relax and enjoy working on your amazing craft project. Then why not come along to the Sovereign Hill Craft group who meet weekly on a Monday between 9.30 and noon at Sovereign House. We would love to see you. Don't forget to drop by our stall at the Moore Men's Shed Open Day on Easter Saturday 19th April between 9am and 2pm. We will have lots of locally made knitting, crochet and patchwork for you to buy. All proceeds go to needy causes. For more information, phone ...

Wendy
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Lower Coastal NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Redfield Park Hall

14th May 2024

7pm

Our local Police will report on
all the current news and updates
on what has been happening
in our area

including a Guest Speaker

supper provided after meeting

for further information contact:

Dot Branch 0429969889

Hope you can all attend the next meeting at Redfield Park. It's been quite a long time since our meeting was held there, so please come along.

Special Guest Speaker is Catherine Broughton plus all the news from the Lancelin Police for over the past few months. Always great supper after the meeting.

Hope to see you all there.

Cheers Dot Branch
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Well the Pennant season is now over for this year, but our last game was a win for Guilderton against Gingin Gold. Well done and what a way to finish off with a great win. Also, the Club Championships have been completed.



The winner for the Championship Singles this year for the 2nd year running is Phil Smeaton. Congratulations Phil!

Next is the Trophy/presentation dinner in April. Then a short break until Sunday June 8th Winter Scroungers begins - 2pm Start. Sausage Sizzle after the game, prizes to be won, so put this date on your calendar.

Further details again next newsletter. Take care everyone.
Cheers, Dot B
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St John Ambulance Woodridge Sub Centre

This month the ladies at St John Ambulance celebrated International Women's day at our subcentre.



Apart from the usual tasty eats we always enjoy, they all drew portraits of the person sitting opposite and had a big "reveal" at the end. I've heard there was a lot of laughter when the portraits were revealed.



On a serious note, have you considered that if you need an ambulance to come to your home address, would it be able to get in. There have been a few instances recently where we struggled to get near properties because of over hanging branches and overgrown bushes. Another thing to consider is, could we get a stretcher to your front door?

One of our early members of St John Ambulance, Woodridge Tony Mountford has recently passed away. I never met Tony but he was a forerunner who made the ambulance service in this area so successful and volunteered his time freely.

St John Ambulance Woodridge, would like to pass on their condolences to Tony's family.

Colin Gofton
Chairperson



GUILDERTON COUNTRY CLUB

Hello and welcome to all our valued members and guests!

Lovely to be enjoying some nice warm weather still, although a bit more rain would be welcome. Last month I gave special thanks to our fabulous staffing team! Working with such great people really does make work life fun. This month I would like to extend that thanks to our fabulous volunteers.

Behind the scenes and without pay, we have wonderful people that dedicate their precious time helping the club. These helpful gestures include selling raffle tickets, collecting glasses, helping decorate for events, attending busy bees, watering plants & gardening and I'm sure many more jobs I haven't mentioned!

Our wonderful committee also work in the background ensuring all technical things are organised and controlled, as well as some members helping out physically when we need, thanks Phil! Two of our volunteers dedicate a lot of physical time to our club, just as much, if not more, than some of our staff. Without them we would not be where we are today! So, special thanks to Rick, for all he does around the bar, as well as lots of maintenance and clean-up work his list of jobs never ends. Lastly but by no means least, our very special Eve who has been a part of our club for many years and I'm sure you will all have met her over this time. Eve turns up every day that the club is open and helps in the kitchen with dishes and clearing tables in our dining room. All the hours she puts in are all in a volunteer capacity and we appreciate every single minute of it! Her dedication to the Country Club is truly amazing.

The Moore River Music Festival went very well, and it was great to see lots of locals come out and enjoy the whole weekend as well as locals getting into the fun. Thank you to Will for your endless hours organising and we look forward to our next event maybe mid-year!

Easter and School holidays are just around the corner, check out our opening times as well as our kids Easter Egg hunt on Easter Sunday. Details on our Facebook page and website.

Finally, as many may now be aware, Rick and I have decided our fun journey at the Country Club has come to an end. We have worked hard to build our community facility for all to enjoy and it is now time for another to continue this journey for our wonderful Club with some new and exciting ideas! Our reasons are truly personal and involve our children. We will continue at the Club until replacement has been found and will continue to support the club now and, in the future, as we have over the last 10 years. Thank you to all our local community who have stuck by us and supported us throughout, and we hope you all continue to do so!

Cheers everyone it's been a great ride!

What's Coming Up

Wednesdays - Pool Comp (6.30pm) everyone welcome
Thursdays - Full Roast Special (\$20 Adults & \$10 Kids)
Fridays - Members Draw (7pm)
Saturdays - Meat Raffle (7pm)

Well, that's all for now! Don't forget to give us a call for all your dining and event needs by calling the club on 9577 1013 or by emailing us at guildertoncc@bigpond.com and watch out for event posters.

Janine Nellany-Rogers



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You've probably heard the term "mindfulness" mentioned a lot, but what exactly is it, and why is it talked about so much? Basically, mindfulness is the practice of being fully present and engaged in the here and now - aware of your thoughts, feelings, and what's happening around you without any judgment and without that running commentary from the inner critic within you! Mindfulness is a practice that actually does wonders for both our mental and physical well-being.

Incorporating mindfulness into our daily lives isn't just a feel-good exercise, scientists have uncovered a wide range of benefits that can profoundly enhance our quality of life. Here are just a few of the ways mindfulness can make a difference in our lives:

- * **Reduced Stress** - By helping us become more aware of our thoughts and emotions and helps us notice when our brain is spiraling into negativity. This can lower stress levels and promote a greater sense of calm in our lives.
- * **Better Focus and Concentration** - Mindfulness helps train our brain to stay in the present moment, which improves our ability to concentrate and tackle the task at hand without getting distracted.
- * **Enhanced Emotional Regulation** - By practicing mindfulness, we can better manage our emotions, leading to improved relationships and ultimately less emotional meltdowns.
- * **Better Sleep** - Mindfulness practices can help you sleep better, so you wake up feeling more rested and ready to face the day.

Ultimately, mindfulness invites us to slow down, hit the pause button and truly experience the present moment. If you're ready to incorporate mindfulness into your life, start small. Spend a few minutes each day focusing on your breath, observing your thoughts, or simply appreciating the world around you. Whether it's through mindful walking, a bit of meditation or simply enjoying and savouring every sip of your morning coffee, mindfulness is something everyone can incorporate into their daily lives. Until next month, take care

Catherine

DEMURE DAMSELS RED HATTERS



Nothing in this world stays the same and the best laid plans of mice and men often fall into disarray!

Tad hot for a couple of outings and the cool of the movie theatre beckoned when ladies had a light lunch then took in a movie. The Moore River Cruise unfortunately was cancelled so we toured the Bell Tower. Many ladies had not visited the Bell Tower previously and were lucky to assist in the ringing of the ANZAC Bells.

The tour was most interesting and a few ladies commented they would be return with their husbands and/or grandies.

Enhance, an accessories outlet in Joondalup entertained us with a glass of sparkling wine and nibbies as we browsed their large range of bling, hats, gloves and other accessories. What a range they have – have to revisit before Melbourne Cup Day for a new fascinator (or two).

Photo shows June's Door Prize win.



Our last together in March – A Hatter Natter at Woodvale Tavern where we all enjoyed a scrumptious meal. A Hatter Natter is where future outings are considered, debated and decided. We have "Learn how to play croquet – lesson 2" day coming up as well as "Learn how to play Indoor Bowls", Morning Melodies concert, a trip to Kalamunda Theatre Group (first one is a Cliff Richards Tribute), Litte Ferry on the Swan, etc.

We meet fortnightly on a Wednesday and always have such fun.

Why not join us ladies? Give Dianne or Carol a call to find out more.

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Woodridge Community Association



Kids Easter Colouring Competition

We are excited to announce our Easter Colouring Comp.

Design 1 -Category 1: Ages 3-5

Design 1 - Category 2: Ages 6-9

Design 2 - Category 3: Ages 10-12

Copies will be available from the Woodridge Hall in April, or visit our Facebook page and stay tuned for the download link!

BYO Easter Picnic

Join us for a BYO picnic at the Woodridge Hall on Saturday April 19th at 5.30pm - winners of the Egg Guessing and Colouring Competition will be revealed.

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We had such fun at the Guilderton Art & Craft Market on 1st Mar, providing the sausage sizzle and, the at the recent WA State Election "Democracy Sausage" on 8th Mar! Thanks to all who came to say hello and donated!



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WCA Sausage Sizzle

When: Sunday 3rd May at Bunnings, Clarkson

WCA 2025 EVENTS

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Easter Fun

- Kids Colouring Competition, Easter Egg Guessing Contest, BYO Easter Picnic and Games

School Holiday - Wind Down

- Movie Night - Saturday 26th April

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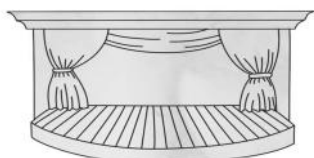
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For 40 years Raelene lived on a million acre cattle station, (Neds Creek), in the East Gascoyne region and, whilst busy with a myriad of chores including teaching her three children on Meekatharra School of the Air over a period of 20 years, she also took up freelance writing. This led to her writing the 'Station Life' column for the Midwest Times in Geraldton over many years. She published her first book 'Legitimate Bush Woman' in 2007 and after many years of requests her second book was published in 2023. Now she and her husband are retired to Perth but both are still passionate about the bush.




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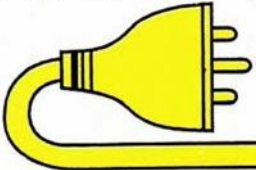
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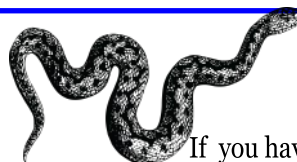


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Nathan's Gardening Column

Hi everyone. April will soon be here with cooler weather closing in.

There is still a lot that can be achieved in the garden in April. It's a good time to start planting shrubs and trees as the weather cools. Get your garlic into a garden bed if you haven't already.

Veges – broad beans, cabbage, cauliflower, celery, onion, silver beet, broccoli.

Lawns – Apply a pre-emergent to prevent Winter weeds from coming up and spoiling the look of your nice lawn.

Humic acid application on well-maintained lawns will help with nutrient uptake and overall lawn health. Make sure to use a catcher if you have any weeds to help prevent future weeds. Spread some fertiliser around to take advantage of the last warmth and sunlight. Once the soil temperature gets below 16 turf grasses will really slow down, and once they hit 10 then warm season turf grasses will go dormant.

There are exceptions however that is a general rule for lawn people.

Tech-heads - I really enjoyed the All the Dirt Podcast for Plant Disease Problems and Solutions released on 9th March. It gave a great insight into some more common diseases and provided a bunch of natural solutions e.g. using a milk and water solution to clear up powdery mildew.

Other things you might like to work on in the garden include:

- Starting a leaf mould pile. Leaf mould helps with moisture retention, improves the soil structure, and is beneficial for the overall soil health. Collect all the fallen leaves over Winter and Autumn. Pile them all up into bin bags with a few holes to allow them to breath or make a ring of wire mesh and pile all your leaves inside. Assemble the ring out in the open where the rain will help with the decomposition process. The fungus, bacteria and insects, will help break down the leafy material over the next few months. Turn it over a few times to aerate if you're able. Once the weather starts to warm up again your leaves should be a dark, rich, leafy mulch that will help feed plants, and retain moisture.
- Prep and plant natives, shrubs, roses, and any bare root stock you're able to salvage from neighbours, friends, or relatives.
- Harvest fruit, picking up any fallen on the ground to reduce/prevent fruit fly. Your fallen fruit affects your neighbour's yield.
- Look to buy citrus leaf miner traps or apply a home remedy. Last year was a horrible year for citrus leaf miner with many local people being affected.
- Plant daffodils, fritillaries, and hyacinth. Hold off on tulips until late Autumn. Stagger planting for a longer flowering period.
- Take cuttings of tender perennials such as fuchsias to prevent winter losses.
- Repot cacti and succulents.
- Mowing frequency will decrease with the cooler weather so now is a good time to get mowers, chippers, whipper snippers, blowers and other garden equipment serviced.
- Spray your fruit trees with copper or sulphur once the leaves drop to prevent some leaf curl and other pests.
- **Happy gardening everyone**

😊🌱 Nathan

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