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Guilderton Community Library would like to thank Jo and Steve from Containers for Change for their generous donation.
Thanks also to the Community who support Jo and Steve and in particular Jo, who works tirelessly for this cause.
Madeline

Jo handing Madeline a donation at the library.



Did you know what is available at Redfield Park First Aid Post??

We have 2 wheelchairs, 3 Walkers, a commode chair and a shower chair, Crutches and moon boots along with in house aids e.g., toilet frames to help people get up. Non wheeled walking frames. They can be borrowed either short or long term or while waiting for the hospital to provide something permanent.

Redfield Park Volunteer

1st Aid Post

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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!

Date	Time	Event	Place
June 6th		Zanthorrea Nursery bus trip	
June 8th	2pm	Scroungers Bowling	Guilderton
June 9th	7pm	Woodridge Community Association meeting	Woodridge Hall
June 12th		Fremantle bus trip	
June 22nd	1pm	Paint and Sip	Woodridge
June 28th	6.30pm	Moore Clothes Dress up themed Quiz Night	Woodridge Hall
July 4th	4.30pm	Junior Disco	Woodridge Hall
July 13th	9am	Woodridge AGM	Woodridge Hall
July 13th	9.30am	Community Planting Day	Guilderton
July 16th	Must book	Red Hats Morning Melodies in Perth	His Majesties Theater
Aug 13	7pm	Neighbourhood Watch	Sovereign Hill House
Oct 12th	TBC	Moore Clothes Fashion Parade	Redfield Park



Join us for our monthly
games day
WHEN Last Friday of the month
starting 10AM
WHERE: Guilderton Café
Lunch and Coffees available
Everyone welcome to join us



NOTES FROM SEABIRD



Gala Day

Another very successful and fun filled day was held on Easter Sunday. Families and friends joined in the fun with running and novelty races, tug-a-war, float throwing, etc. Food was plentiful and a few coldies went down very well.

Thanks to:

- All who supported the Seabird Progress Association by coming along
- The cooks who baked for another successful cake stall
- The businesses and others who donated prizes for our raffles
- The committee members who all worked tirelessly to organise the day
- The extra people who joined in as helpers on the day.

We managed to raise record breaking funds which will be spent around town. Keep an eye out for a new memorial soon to be erected.

Photo Competition

SPA is holding another photo competition. The winning entries will be part of a 2026 calendar which you will be able to order in October. The theme is photos which reflect the seasons in Seabird. More details to follow in the next MRNews and on the Residents and Friends Facebook page.

Zumba day group

Due to the popularity of our Zumba classes, (and the number of kangaroos on the Seabird Road at night) we are now offering a Friday morning group. Meet at the Hall at 10am, \$5.00, which is donated to the Seabird Progress Association. All welcome and all levels welcomed. Come for fitness and a laugh!!

Any alterations needed?

Mending etc etc done locally and a very quick turn around.

Call Anne on 0429 952 927.



RIP Dr Jim

May brought to Seabird the very sad news of the passing of our doctor, Dr Dimitri James (Jim) Batalin. He was such a special man, giving his time to the residents of Seabird and many from the surrounding areas. A memorial service was held in Seabird to celebrate his life with his partner Dorothy and their family.

The feeling of us all was beautifully written on our Residents and Friends Facebook page:

Thank you all for being there today. It means so much to see the Seabird community come together like this — united in love, respect, and to share memories of Dr. Jim.

To Dorothy and the family — we hope today offers a small window into just how deeply he touched our lives. Dr. Jim wasn't just a doctor — he was a listener, a quiet guide, a constant presence in times both ordinary and hard. He had a way of making each person feel seen and heard, and for many of us, that made all the difference.

What we saw in him — kindness, wisdom, humour, and humility — left a lasting imprint on this community. Whether you knew him as a friend, a neighbour, a mentor, or as your doctor, you were better for it. And we're all better for having known him.

The turnout today is a testament to that impact. It's a sliver — just a glimpse — of how many lives he touched, and how much he meant to all of us.

As we remember and honour him today, let's also carry forward the care and compassion he lived by. That may be the most meaningful way we can keep his spirit alive among us.

Thank you, Dr. Jim. And thank you all for coming together.

(Haley Dewar)

Claire Bentley

Guilderton Community planting day

Join Moore Catchment Council for a morning of native planting on the dunes

HELP repair the Guilderton dunes

We need your help to plant 1000 native seedlings and protect them with tree guards.

Event Date
13th July 2025

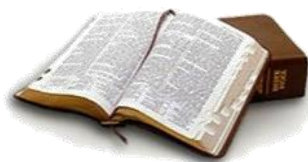
9:30pm-12:30pm
Location
Meet at car park corner of Mortimer/Forrester st, Guilderton

RSVP: <https://events.humanitix.com/copy-of-guilderton-community-dune-planting-day/tickets>

- Please be sun smart, bring a hat, wear closed shoes and long trousers
- Bring gloves, trowel/shovel, bucket if you have them
- Bring a water bottle with plenty of water - planting is thirsty work

Enquiries: contact Rachel 0409 296 264
offices@moorecatchment.org.au

This event has been funded by This event is supported by www.moorecatchment.com.au



MOORE PRAYER: As a group of local Christians, we get together generally every week to share and pray for the needs we see around us in our community and families. If

you would like to come and share with us - even just for a chat or any prayer needs - you are welcome. Please phone either Sue or Judy - we would love to hear from you. May the Lord bless you all."

"And Jesus said 'I will open my mouth in parables; I will utter what has been hidden from the foundation of the world.' (Matthew 13:35)."

Now the parable is this: **the seed is the word of God.**

'The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, so that they may not believe and be saved.'

And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy. But these have no root; they believe for a while, and in time of testing fall away.

And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature.

As for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bear fruit with patience.' (Luke 8:11-15)

These scriptures have been taken from the English Standard Version. If you would like to have a Bible (the book of seeds!) please feel free to call either:

Sue: 0419 035 777 or Judy: 0429 108 892

Ledgedary lookout

NVWeekly May 8

A fantastic new lookout at Ledge Point is bound to become an insta hotspot, wedding photo backdrop and tourism destination thanks to the Community Association.

Member for Midwest, Shane Love, MLA visited the newly finished lookout on Monday 6 May with the Association President Sally Cail who said the group took on the project of rebuilding the lookout after a fire destroyed it in December 2019.

"We asked the Shire of Gingin if they were going to rebuild it after the fire and they weren't," said Mrs Cail. "So the Ledge Point Community Association took on the project - we decided that the town needed it!"

A successful grant application, in addition to proceeds from the insurance passed on by the Shire and fundraising by the Ledge Point Community Association all contributed to the \$38,000 cost to build the structure well beyond its former glory.

"This one is built with limestone, so it can't burn down!" said Sally.

With a spiralling path wide enough for a wheelchair or mobility scooter, the cleverly designed lookout leads the viewer around a breathtaking 360 degree vista, taking in the bushlands, still black from the March fires, the sand dunes, the beach, the ocean and the town. "Ledge Point is one of the beautiful yet often unnoticed towns along our coast," said Mr Love. "It has a rich history including the shipwreck of the Gilt Dragon in 1656 - a crucial event in

Australia's early history of European exploration."

"I commend the Ledge Point Community Association for taking the initiative to restore the lookout for future generations."

Sally says the lookout is a monument to the community's history and hopes that continued improvement to the grounds around the lookout by the Shire will further enhance the spot for visitors and locals to use.

Ledge Lookout - Local Member for Midwest, Shane Love visits Ledge Point's new lookout.



Woodridge Playgroup gets a spruce up!

The growing community of Woodridge playgroup will soon be enjoying an upgrade thanks to the generosity of local Member for Midwest, Shane Love MLA.

A few small improvements including the installation of soft fall rubber, the relocation of a fence to increase the sandpit area and replacement of a dodgy gate will make the playgroup area at Woodridge safer and more inviting.

"I was delighted to be able to help the Woodridge playgroup to upgrade their play area and hope it enables parents and carers to relax a bit more while kids are busily occupied playing," said Mr Love."

With 32 families now visiting Woodridge playgroup on two separate days of the week, and more babies expected later in the year, this growing group offers a vital service to the community! Well done to the volunteers like Jemma and Erin who keep it going."

"I look forward to seeing the works commence soon!"

Tamieka Preston
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Woodridge Playgroup members Jemma, Rose, Ella and Erin with local Member for Midwest, Shane Love.



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May saw the Garden Club meeting being held at Sovereign House. As several of our members were away we held a general meeting where many and varied topics were discussed.

Anne was host for the day and subjects ranged from dragon fruit, environmentally friendly pest control, underground water sources and caves, autumn/winter flowering plants and compost.

Anne and Dave are proud of the new sign on their front gate which shows that they have been approved by NAAC as acreage that supports our native wildlife. This was a long process but well worth it in the end.

Chesson and Warwick spoke of their visit to the Garden Week show and as it was Compost Week a general discussion was held on composting.

If you would like to come along to our next meeting in June then contact Wendy on 0429938232.

Wendy



Sovereign Hill Crafty Witches Group

This month has seen the ladies of the Craft group having a bit of a rest from busily knitting, crocheting and sewing items for our fundraising stalls. Some of the monies we have raised this year have been donated to Head and Neck Cancer, Children's Cancer and the Sovereign Hill Community Association Roof Replacement project. Thank you ladies for your wonderful efforts.

June sees us going out for lunch at the Woodvale Tavern to farewell some of our members.

If you would like to join our little group then contact Wendy on 0429938232.

Wendy

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NATHAN'S GARDENING TIPS

Hi everyone and welcome to another exciting garden season. Lots to do this month with lawns, tools, planting and vegetables all getting a mention. Please let me know if there is anything you'd like to see in the monthly garden column and I'll see what I can do.

Garden tool maintenance

- Petrol Power Tools (mowers, chainsaws, whipper snippers, edgers, etc)
- Battery powered tools,
- Cutting Tools
- Digging and cultivating hand tools
- Sprayers
- Check use by dates on your chemicals, nutrients, herbicides, and insecticides.

What to plant

- Winter colour plants
- Hedging plants
- Ground covers

Essential Tasks

- Drainage checks
- Winter protection setup
- Disease prevention

Lawns

Still need fertiliser and trace elements in the cooler weather. Apply iron, manganese and seaweed solutions to really keep the green popping. Apply selective lawn weed herbicides or pull them by hand.

Other tasks

- Shape ornamental trees and shrubs, prune the hedges slightly lower than you think they need to give them room to grow green into. Angle hedges slightly so they are thicker at the bottom than at the top so more sun can get to where it is needed to promote even growth.
- Bulbs should be showing themselves now. Apply slow release and pelletised fertilisers now so nutrients are ready to be taken up when the foliage starts to die back and the bulb wants to store it for next season.
- Change the reticulation schedule to reduce frequency and time. Have them still going weekly, even if just for 2 minutes each station to keep nozzles clear and solenoids parts moving. I recently fitted a Wifi enabled retic controller that looks up the weather and adjusts the retic requirements automatically depending on what is forecast. It has already reported a 23% drop in water usage this month and the lawns and gardens look great.
- Mulch plants with compost and manure, don't forget the roses. Get those secateurs out and ready for rose pruning. Start looking for black spots, rust, and the usual pests. Place diseased cuttings from any plant directly in the bin and do not risk spreading it to other plants.
- Check drains are free of roots, fallen leaves, and debris. Drains can overflow and the washout will sweep away garden beds, mulch, and topsoil quicker than the time it took to put down.

Nathan





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Woodridge Community Association



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"Woodridge Community Association Inc"



WCA May Update

Events and Fundraising Recap:

We received many donations and overall are pleased with the amounts raised at our recent fundraisers and we thank everyone who participated in these at some capacity - all in the continued efforts for our grounds upgrades.

Thank Yous:

- To those who attended our April public meeting to offer their ongoing support to the WCA and community
- Big thanks once again to Chris and the team at Two Rocks IGA for providing the wonderful treats for movie night. Your ongoing support is so appreciated!

What's Next:

Oct - Date TBC Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

Woodridge Community Grounds Upgrade

Are you ready to choose what you want built in the Woodridge Community Grounds?

After our inspirational meeting in March hearing from Aaron of Gingin, the WCA is eager to move forward with the upgrades to our amazing community grounds and are having a meeting at 7pm on Monday, 9th June 2025 at the Woodridge Hall.

At this meeting we would like to achieve

- Putting together a consultancy group consisting of representatives from our community members. This group will be instrumental in guiding the upgrades and ensuring those upgrades meet the needs and desires of everyone in the community.
- Select a Designer/Builder business for the first stage of the upgrades which includes the playground
- Explore various grant provider options

Your input will be invaluable in creating a space that everyone can enjoy - if you're interested in volunteering, please get in touch with us via email or mobile:

Sue treasurer@woodridgecommunityassociation.com.au
0448 922 003

John - President - 0422 571 308

Thanks and regards,

- Sue, Treasurer, Woodridge Community Association

Woodridge Spring Fair 2026

The Spring Fair is now a biennial event. This helps us better coordinate resources and encourage volunteer participation.

If you are interested in volunteering for the Woodridge Spring Fair in 2026, please reach out!

- John, President, Woodridge Community Association

Mobile: 0422 571 308

AGM
Annual General Meeting

Join us for the upcoming AGM on Sunday, 13 July 2025 at 9:00 AM at the Woodridge Community Hall.

All committee positions will be open for election, so if you'd like to get involved and help shape our fantastic community, come along and nominate yourself!
BBQ Breakfast, tea and coffee provided 😊

For any questions, please contact:
✉ secretary@woodridgecommunityassociation.com.au

Future Public Meetings

- 13 Jul 25 - AGM
- 12 Oct 25

Get involved - email us!

Courtney secretary@woodridgecommunityassociation.com.au
Sue treasurer@woodridgecommunityassociation.com.au



GUILDERTON VISITOR CENTRE

The Guilderton Visitors Centre is a unique organisation that runs under the umbrella of the Guilderton Community Association. It is run by a committee with a small band of volunteers who staff the shop on a rostered basis. Because we are volunteers there are always times when people are unable to do their shift and we need to find a replacement. If you could help out on a casual basis then we would love to hear from you. Duties would include selling souvenirs and produce from our shelves, interacting with visitors and imparting some local knowledge and history to them. All this will be explained to you and training will be provided if required. Phone Linda on 0414631273 for more information. Opening hours are 9.30 - 12.30 weekends, school and public holidays.

Wendy



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.



GOT TIME ON YOUR HANDS?

Must be over 18

LIKE TO MIX WITH OTHER MEN JUST TO WHILE
AWAY THE HOURS?

Men's Shed is for You!!

Drop into Guilderton, have a cuppa, relax.

We meet Tuesdays and Thursdays

9.00 am to 2.00 pm

Full Membership - \$50 per year

Plus a Gold Coin Donation on entry



The new phone number to book the Thursday bus run is working well.

0493 052 348

The monthly Outing will be on June 12th To Fremantle

The bookings for all the other outings is also on the increase.

0417 978 281
localbus6041@gmail.com
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Outing to Limestone Park

Gingin Red Cross invited the Lower Coastal Communities to join their organisation on an outing to Limestone Park.

I hired the Lower Coastal Community Bus, put up some advertising on Facebook and Moore River News. Thus nine of our community members enjoyed a social day out.

Starting off with a morning tea, then a subsidised tour of the Bird Park – thank you to Gingin Red Cross for organising a discount, a walk through Limestone Parks Gardens and a special catered lunch menu.

People mingled and chatted and enjoyed some laughs together. It was great to see different areas within our large shire enjoying time together.

A big Thank You to Kath from Seabird who stepped in as driver. By the time Felicity from Red Cross & I had got this event organised, Phil & I were away in our caravan.

The bus committee is still finding that many people in the Lower Coastal area not aware that our area has a community bus that does a shopping trip to Clarkson every Thursday – The donation is \$10. To reserve your seat text 0493 052 348 with your full name and area you need picking up from.

The bus can be hired (like I did for the above mentioned event) – and can be driven with a C class (car) licence. It seats 12 including the driver.

A refundable \$200 security deposit is required plus a \$10 booking fee. Costs are 40 cents /Km.

Email localbus6041@gmail.com

And check out the community bus Facebook page -Lower Coastal Community Association Community Bus - for some great ideas.

If you would like to donate to help keep your community bus running –

LCCA Inc
 BSB 633000
 A/C 209826171

Cash for Cans
 C11441176

We also will come and collect larger quantities of cans, text 0417 186 805 – give your name and address. We have a FIFO volunteer who will collect them when he is home.

Caron Melvin
 Co-ordinator
coastalcruiserbus@gmail.com

Local Bus Shopping Trip

The shopping trip works extremely well. The bus leaves Redfield Park at 9.00 am and picks up any passengers from Guilderton at about 9.15, although sometimes if I'm driving, it's easier to collect them in the car on the way to Redfield. The next stop is Sovereign Hill and then Woodridge at 9.30. Usually we have five or six passengers. We arrive at Clarkson around 10.30 and drop everyone off at the main shopping centre. Between noon and 12.30 we meet again in the food hall for lunch and a 'show and tell' of bargains purchased, often from the two or three Op shops nearby, and then it's back on the bus, returning to Woodridge about 2.30. Sometimes, on different Thursdays, the bus goes to other shopping centres.

Warwick Connor



FREE Jigsaw puzzle library

Moore Clothes Redfield Park

We have a puzzle library/ exchange, free use for locals. It works best if you bring one to exchange. Donations of puzzles gladly accepted. Puzzles can be collected or swapped during Moore Clothes open hours. See separate advert.



Crafty Patch

meet each
Tuesday
At Woodridge
hall 9am-12pm



Ladies from Crafty Patch would like to welcome any new ladies interested in any sort of craft to come and join us Tuesday mornings at Woodridge Hall from 9am till noon. Join us for a cuppa and chat. We'd love to see new faces. We have a great number of different crafts that we are more than willing to share knowledge about.

Last Tuesday instead of crafting, we went to Limestone Park for morning tea. It is a beautiful venue with many birds and gorgeous gardens. Maria and her team were very welcoming. Morning tea was delicious.

Next outing will be our Christmas in July lunch. Looking forward to that at Moore River Cafe.

*Take care drive safely.
Gloria and Crafty Patch team.*





Playgroup WA

Red Robin Playgroup



Find out more about the magic of playgroup and connect with families in your community. Come along to discover the benefits and join in.

WHEN: Wednesday & Friday
TIME: 9:00am-11:00am
WHERE: Woodridge Community Hall
CONTACT: woodridgeplaygroup@hotmail.com

Red Robin fundraised through a sausage sizzle and bake sale at the last craft market at Gabbadah Park, Guilderton

RED ROBIN PRESENTS

END OF TERM
DISCO
FRI 4TH JULY
WOODRIDGE HALL
4.30PM - 6.30PM

Tickets Available \$10+BF
 1x Sausage Sizzle & Drink included with Ticket
 Additional Sizzle & drinks available for purchase
 Ages 0 - 12yrs
 RSVP to
 woodridgeplaygroup@hotmail.com
 0409566568

Red Robin Presents

Platters, Paint & Punch
 Hosted By Wild Brush Art Collective

June 22ND
 1PM AT THE WOODRIDGE HALL

Tickets Available \$70+BF
 RSVP to
 woodridgeplaygroup@hotmail.com
 or
 0409566568

on Easter Monday. Through all our efforts, and the support from our local community and our amazing families at Red Robin Playgroup we were able to raise a total of \$794.00. We have put the money towards a couch and play tray stands. We thank you so much for the support of our local community and our wonderful families at Red Robin.

In the next few weeks, Red Robin is hosting a few events. On the 22nd June from 1pm, we are hosting a paint and sip event, with platters, punch and of course your take home beautiful flower piece included. This will be a fun filled event.

On the 4th July we will raise money through an end of term disco, from 4.30-6.30, for ages 0-12 years. Sausage sizzle, drinks and disco pack are included in the price. Extra sausage sizzles can be purchased for adults. There will be games, dancing, and prizes too.

All tickets can be purchased through Eventbrite.

*Jemma Hartzler
Red Robin - President*

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



Usual golf days are:

Saturday: Names in by 11.45am

Wednesday 9 holes Scroungers: Names by 1.45pm

HUGE FIELD FOR OPEN DAY

Last Saturday was the Guilderton Golf Club Open Day. For the second year running, Abe and Emmie Wright were the very generous sponsors. They are great club members, always with the club at heart. A big thanks for your energy, enthusiasm and support.

Our expert Captain, Phil Flavell effectively managed the huge field of 42 players, including players from Ledge Point, Lancelin, Calingiri, Cervantes, Moora and Yanchep as well as a healthy number of locals.

The Four Ball Best Ball comp was won by Guilderton's own Therese and Ian Hastings with 46 points.



In second place, also from Guilderton were Mick Giles and Mick Markham, one shot back with 45 points.

Leon Temby and Robert Gecas from Lancelin finished third (on c/b) with 41 points.

The clubhouse had a great atmosphere while everyone enjoyed hospitality after the game and during the presentations. A great day was had by all! A big thanks to the committee and members for making the event such a great success. Also thanks to Joel Collins, Bob Johnson, Andrew McKean, Kevin Malone, Ron Jones and Richard Prince who are doing a great job tending to the course. It's looking very good despite the dry weather. Like all other locals we are really ready for rain.

SUCCESS FOR GUILDERTON AT THE LEDGE POINT LADIES OPEN DAY.

Earlier in the week, Emmie Wright and Therese Hastings came 4th in the LP Ladies Open Day with a fantastic 42 points in a class field of 72 players. Well done ladies in keeping our club represented on the leaderboard.

Ian Hastings





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THOUGHTS FROM CATHERINE

When I was contemplating what to write today, I heard a news report featuring a 000 call from a nine-year-old, bravely reporting an incident of family and domestic violence that was occurring in their home. Hearing the fear in that child's voice and the courage it took to make that call was a reminder of the reality that too many Australians face.

May was Domestic Violence Prevention Month, a time to reflect on the impact of family and domestic violence in Australia and to reaffirm the responsibility we all have to create safer communities. It is a reminder that family and domestic violence takes many forms, affects countless lives, and reinforces the fact that we all need to play a role in breaking the cycle of abuse.

Raising awareness, starting conversations, and supporting education and services of family and domestic violence are all meaningful ways to drive positive change. If someone you care about is experiencing abuse, knowing how to support them can be challenging. The most important thing is to be patient and let them know you're there when they're ready to talk. Listening without judgment, offering kindness and understanding, and sharing helpful resources can make a big difference in someone's ability to reach out for help when the time feels right.

There are many ways we can all contribute to prevention efforts. Supporting local organisations, engaging in discussions about respectful relationships, and participating in domestic violence awareness training or workshops help build our understanding of family and domestic violence. Meaningful change happens when we all stand together—through education, support, and action, we can work toward a future free from violence.

If you or someone you know needs support, 1800RESPECT is available to provide confidential assistance.

*Until next month. Take care
Catherine*



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Country & Coast

Shire of Gingin News & Information

Mother's Day Community Hamper Winners!

We are pleased to announce the winners of the Mother's Day Hamper!

We received 20 nominations and the winners were randomly selected out of a hat by Executive Manager Regulatory and Development Services, James Bayliss. Congratulations to:

- **Tiffany Polette**
- **Alison Kenworthy**

Thank you to everyone who nominated a deserving mother.

Keep your eye out for the next community hamper project.

Pictured: Olivia Forbes, Community Development Officer with Executive Manager Regulatory and Development Services, James Bayliss.



2025 Community Survey

Have you completed the 2025 Community Survey?

We want to hear your perspective on life in the Shire of Gingin. What you tell us will guide how we grow, improve, and prioritise projects. By sharing your views, you're helping shape the future of our local community. Research Solutions will be undertaking the survey on behalf of the Shire of Gingin, so your responses will remain completely anonymous.

Participation in this survey is completely voluntary, and it should only take 15 minutes of your time to complete. To encourage participation, there are 3x \$200 cash prizes to be won!

For more information on how to complete the survey, visit: gingin.wa.gov.au/news/have-your-say!-2025-community-survey/921

Council Decisions

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

- Proposal for EV Charging Stations - Gingin.
- Caravan Park Management Contract and Request for Proposal.
- Community Funding Program 2025/26.
- Guilderton Country Club - Kitchen Upgrade Expenditure.
- Planning Applications - 8 applications considered.

For details of additional items resolved by Council and for more information please go to the May 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.

Edward Island Track Closed for Winter!

Please be advised that the Edward Island access track in Lancelin has now closed for Winter. We will reopen the track when it is safe to do so in September/October, subject to tides.

The closure of the track is to help it recover, and to prevent further erosion and impacts to the foredunes that may arise from winter storm conditions.

We ask that everyone respects the barricades, and we thank you in advance for your cooperation and support during this time.

If you become aware of any issues with the closure, please contact our Operations team on **9575 5100** or mail@gingin.wa.gov.au.

Battery Disposal

Did you know that batteries cannot be put in your general waste or recycling bin?

This is because they:

- leak toxic materials such as lead, mercury and cadmium into the environment.
- pose a fire risk if damaged, short-circuited, or improperly disposed of.

To minimise these health and safety risks, we encourage you to dispose of your batteries responsibly at an accredited battery collector.

To find your nearest battery drop-off location or for additional information, visit:

<https://bcycle.com.au/drop-off/>





Rain Water Tank Safety

Have you thought about your rain water levels?

Dwindling rain water tank levels can stir up sediment, which can impact water quality. You may need to consider alternative sources like bulk water delivery or bore water top-ups if needed.

Be mindful that if you arrange for a water top-up, its best to get your water from a reliable source such as a commercial supplier. You can also use Bore water, but make sure it is treated and tested before consuming or you may be at risk of getting sick.

Don't forget to maintain your rainwater system, from roof to tap!

For more information on water tank safety, visit: https://www.healthywa.wa.gov.au/Articles/U_Z/Water-tanks-on-your-property

Ledge Point Off-Road Vehicle Area (LPORVA)

The LPORVA is one of the two designated off-road vehicle areas in the Shire of Gingin. It is a circuit-style track which caters for motorcycles and quad bikes of all engine capacities. It is generally less crowded than the Lancelin Off-road Vehicle Area and there is no cost to use the area.

There are two tracks at the LPORVA, a junior riders' track designed for 8 – 14-year-olds, and an advanced riders track. Please note, adult supervision of younger riders is required.

Riders are recommended to:

- Maintain a slow speed from the entrance track, through the parking and unloading areas (maximum 10km/hr, If you don't have a speedometer then keep to first gear or walking pace).
- Park in the designated off-road vehicle area and leave room for larger vehicles to manoeuvre.
- Travel slowly and make yourself familiar with the area and any hazards before increasing speed.
- Always ride within your capabilities.
- Travel with a friend.
- Stay on your motorbike. If you wish to take photographs or film, please stay on your motorbike.
- Only road registered and off-road registered vehicle users are permitted at the LPORVA.



What's on In the Shire of Gingin?

Nom! In The Wheatbelt!

Thursday 22 May - Thursday 19 June,
10:30am - 1:00pm, Gingin Community
Resource Centre.

Lunch at the Gathering Place

Monday 2 June, 10:00am - 1:30pm,
Gingin Recreation Centre.

Gingin Red Cross - Monthly Morning Tea

Friday 13 June, 10:00am - 11:00am,
The Lions Den, 3 Horan Street, Gingin.

Sense of Place Annual Forum

Saturday 21 June, 9:00am - 3:30pm,
Seaview Park Community Centre.

Palettes and Plates in the Park

Friday 10 - Saturday 11 October,
Granville Park, Gingin.

John Wood & Dave Allen - Our Rock 'n Roll Journey (Seniors Week Event)

Wednesday 12 November.

For more information on events in
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Calendar at gingin.wa.gov.au.

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We've had a quiet few weeks with several members travelling in their caravans.

Dot Branch, our President has been in hospital for the past few weeks, and another member has been away while her husband is in hospital. Dawn has now left us to take up a new challenge in life and we all wish her the very best in her endeavours.

Recipe of the month

EASY QUICHE

cooking spray

4 slices stale or lightly toasted wholemeal bread

250g frozen spinach

1 brown onion halved, thinly sliced

400g canned mushrooms, drained

2 tomatoes

6 eggs

1 1/2 cups low fat milk

1 cup low fat cheese, grated

1 teaspoon paprika or chilli powder

Pepper

Preheat oven to 200c (180 fan forced)

Spray baking dish with oil

Cut bread into halves and spread over base of dish

Place spinach in microwave for 2 minutes until defrosted

Top bread with spinach, onion, mushrooms and tomatoes

Beat eggs, milk, cheese, paprika and pepper

Pour egg mixture over the bread and vegetables

Bake for 30-35 minutes or until cooked through.

Serve warm.

*Madeline
(on behalf of Dot Branch)*

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Backyard Buddies

Your monthly guide to pests, weeds and diseases

June 2025

Compost buddies – nema-todally fabulous



From left to right: Juvenile pratylenchus x 4000 magnification, Sting nematode head region, carrot with root knot nematode.

A fabulous, food-fertilizing foundation!

Nematodes are a type of invertebrate roundworm. They are the most abundant animals on earth and are in every ecosystem; from our oceans to lava fields, Antarctica and yes sometimes even inside us and our animals. Soil nematodes are usually microscopic, and most are amongst the 'good guys' that are crucial for the making of healthy soils. There are probably billions of them thriving in your compost bin. One of the amazing roles they perform in the soil is converting organic matter into mineral forms that can be taken up and used by plants. Life would be at a loss without those types of nematodes helping to circulate nutrients in the environment and there are many undescribed species still to be found!

They are what they eat

Scientists like to classify living things and group them together based on similarities. Nematodes are so diverse that we often put them into groups based on what they eat. For soil nematodes we tend to identify them based on these feeding groups: Bacterivores eat bacteria, Fungivores eat Fungi, Predators eat other nematodes and animals, Plant Parasites feed from plants, Plant Associates eat algae, lichen, mosses and roots of plants, and Omnivores have a variety of food sources. Identifying numbers of nematodes by feeding groups in a soil sample is a good way to estimate a soils biological diversity and to indicate the rate of nutrient cycling occurring. Healthy soil has a higher abundance and diversity of free-living nematodes and low numbers of plant parasites.

Some nematodes are pests

Those of us who have cats or dogs (or children!) will be familiar with needing to provide regular worming treatments to stop parasitic nematodes in the gastrointestinal system. Other parasitic nematodes may live in different organs of a variety of animal species or humans and when travelling it is important to avoid them. Parasitic nematodes that attack plants can have huge impacts for growers and we must protect our state to prevent the introduction of exotic pest species. Even turf can be affected. When a patch of 'hallowed ground' was moved from the Melbourne Cricket Ground to the Brisbane Cricket Ground for the 2020 AFL grand final it carried a plant parasitic nematode in the turf and accidentally introduced 'Southern Sting' nematodes to Queensland!

How can you help?

Good garden hygiene practices are important. When buying or moving plants or seeds, check up on quarantine requirements - you may need to remove soil from the roots or have seeds tested. If you are growing vegetables in the garden, purchasing nematode-resistant varieties and avoid planting the same plant family in the same location in consecutive years. And finally, backyard composting is a wonderful way to put our 'good' nematodes to work so that soil can be brought into good health too. They may be microscopic, but nematodes are mighty. They make nutrient cycling possible. Thanks nematodes!



Report your observations

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THE STABLE FLY ACTION GROUP INC (SFAG)

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MAY 2025



Another summer of pain from stable flies

2024-25 was another summer of pain - for livestock, pets and people alike - as stable fly outbreaks continued unabated along the Swan Coastal Plain.

The **stable fly** (*Stomoxys calcitrans*), also known as the **biting fly** or **dog fly**, has become a major problem in parts of Western Australia. These aggressive blood-feeding flies make life miserable for livestock, pets, and people alike, and have been officially declared a pest since 2013.

Stable fly numbers surged again in the summer of 2024-25, particularly north of Perth. Without stronger regulation and immediate action the problem will continue to worsen each year, impacting animal welfare, farming incomes, and rural communities in general.

Why It Matters

Stable flies bite animals to feed on their blood, causing pain, stress, and even serious health issues. Livestock stop feeding and young animals - such as lambs and calves - can die within days if attacked by large enough numbers. Pets and people are also targeted by stable flies.

A Human-Made Problem

Stable flies breed in moist, decaying organic matter; most commonly in irrigated horticulture where crop waste, raw manure, and sandy soils create perfect conditions. Outbreaks are most severe in regions like Gingin, where intensive horticulture operates alongside livestock industries.

Other major breeding sites include silage piles, mounded vegetables put out for stock feed, and uncleaned stockyards. The flies breed fast in warm weather and can swarm animals by the hundreds.

Not Just a Nuisance

Stable flies also pose a **biosecurity risk**, with the potential to spread serious animal diseases such as **Bovine Leukosis**. While no major disease outbreaks have occurred here yet, experts are concerned about the potential for stable fly to spread **Lumpy Skin Disease** or even **Foot-and-Mouth Disease**, if these diseases ever reached Australia.

Who's Taking Action?

The **Stable Fly Action Group Inc. (SFAG)** is a community group made up of locals, farmers, and animal owners who've been dealing with this issue for years. Since 2005, we've:

Helped get stable flies recognised as a Declared Pest
Advocated for sensible and practical horticultural practices that reduce fly breeding

Supported scientific research and fly control programs

Worked with local governments, including the Shire of Gingin, to employ a dedicated Stable Fly Officer during peak season

Participated in the Regulatory Reference Group (RRG) with state departments to improve management via the Stable Fly Management Plan (SFMP)

Made submissions to DPIRD regarding the Stable Fly Management Plan Review 2024

How You Can Help

Report stable fly problems to your local council or via pest reporting apps

Keep your property clean - remove rotting grass, manure, and wet organic waste

Ensure stock yards and stables are cleaned regularly - remove any spilt feed and manure

Support responsible horticulture - composting manure and managing crop waste helps stop breeding.

SFAG continues to push for stronger laws, better waste controls, and more government support to stop these flies from harming animals and people.

A thank you to those on the front line

SFAG would like to thank those people involved with trying to mitigate stable fly plagues;

Shire of Gingin Stable Fly Officer Mick Emmanuel and DPIRD officer Dr David Cook for all their efforts

All of the horticulturalists who work with Mick and Dr Cook with their stable fly breeding control trials and measures

Mr Shane Love MLA for his support and for writing to the Minister of Agriculture Hon. Jackie Jarvis MLC on the community's behalf. It was disappointing that the reply from the Minister did not provide any specifics regarding the timeframe for completion of the SFMP Review or any meaningful steps to remediate the situation.

Enough Is Enough

Stable flies are a human-made problem, and it's time to fix it. With proper regulation and community effort, we can reduce outbreaks and protect our animals, families, and farms. To learn more or get involved, contact the **Stable Fly Action Group Inc.**

Email:

chairman@stableflyactiongroup.org.au;

secretary@stableflyactiongroup.org.au

Website: stableflyactiongroup.org.au

CRAFT IN THE PARK (Redfield Park)



Drop in for a coffee and a chat at your local craft group, especially if you are new to our area.

Currently we are quilting, crocheting, knitting & cross stitch, but whatever craft you are interested in or working on bring it along, or we can help you learn a new skill.



We are a **Happy and Friendly** group that meet on the **1st & 3rd Friday** of the month from **10-2pm** BYO lunch.

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Maureen on 9577 1669**



The Neergabby Community Association had the pleasure of hosting and celebrating our Lower Coastal community volunteers as part of National Volunteer Week 2025. With generous support from Volunteering WA and Lotterywest, the event embraced this year's theme, "Connecting Communities"—a message that beautifully coincides with the Lower Coastal Community Association's 20th anniversary. This milestone reminds us how volunteering not only builds lasting relationships but also strengthens the heart of our community. Guests enjoyed delicious catering by Tiff's Catering and a wonderful serenade by Rob West. A warm thank you to all our volunteers—you are the true spirit of our community.

Lindsie Leahy, NCA President 2025



Creation of a Masterpiece

There is a natural beauty in the bush. It calms the soul, lifts the spirits, soothes ruffled nerves and provides 'the peace that passes all understanding.'

Utilitarian metal buildings just don't make the cut. That is, until the ladies from Moore Clothes work their magic. After receiving permission from the shire, a nine metre by three metre east facing wall of the Moore Clothes building became destined for transformation. And what a transformation!

The decision was made to paint a large mural on the wall incorporating bright colours and with a fairy tale, fantasy theme. From the outset, it was decided to commemorate the memory of a past benefactor, Carolyn Johnson, who had a love of blue kingfishers, and so a large blue kingfisher took pride of place as a feature of the mural. Other details were decided at a meeting in November, 2023 and a final design was approved.

Dulux Trade in Malaga kindly donated the paint in all their magnificent colours and finally, in April 2024 the wall was washed and the base paint applied. Initially the idea was to project the design onto the wall, draw around the outlines and then fill in the items using a sort of 'paint by numbers.' However that proved unsatisfactory and in the end the picture was chalked on freehand.

After that an army of volunteers got to work. As with any creative masterpiece, things evolved, ideas changed and resourcefulness blossomed. Some found the task challenging, others therapeutic, while many simply

enjoyed the camaraderie of sharing a challenging task, and then, finally, the warm sense of satisfaction of a task well done.

The endeavour completed, it has received many compliments and stands as a fitting reminder of what dedication, drive and resourcefulness can achieve.

If you haven't already seen the mural, drop in to Moore Clothes, take a look and maybe enjoy a cuppa with the friendly volunteers.

You will most definitely be impressed.

Warwick Connor

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Moore Clothes Acknowledges its volunteers

Volunteers at Moore Clothes were invited to a specially scripted Murder Mystery event on Saturday May 24th. Games were played, a shared lunch was enjoyed and the murder mystery was solved. Everyone had a great time and many thanks are due to Wendy Nottle and Julie Polette for organizing this event.



The group who attended on the day

Pins were awarded to the five ladies pictured below for having given five year's service to Moore Clothes.

Chesson Henshaw



COPS**CORNER****ANZAC Day Service**

Congratulations to Mike Cardy and the Lancelin & Coastal Districts RSL for another poignant Anzac Day Service. Lancelin Police were honoured to be involved again and lay a wreath at the Harold Park Memorial. There was a great turn out and the tremendous community spirit was evident, as it is every year. It was fantastic to see the Lancelin Primary School students involved in the service, ensuring the Anzac legend is everlasting.

Truck Driver – Charged with Dangerous Driving

A 53-year-old male from the Mandurah area has been charged with two counts of Dangerous Driving and will face the Joondalup Magistrates Court in July. The charges stem from two incidents in which his driving placed other members of the public in danger. During the first incident, the truck driver overtook a bus in a dangerous manner on Gingin Brook Road. We'd like to thank the community members who reported this matter and assisted with the investigation, as drivers need to be held accountable for this type of dangerous behaviour.

Archaeological Excavation - Human Cranium Find

In March this year, Lancelin Police responded to an unusual task along our coast. A group of Archaeologists from the WA Maritime Museum located a human skull and other 17th century material on an excavation in the area. The skull was seized and conveyed to the University of Western Australia for analysis by an Anthropologist. We've now recently been advised that the skull is from the 17th century and likely related to the *Vergulde Draeck* shipwreck.

Family and Domestic Violence

Unfortunately, we've continued to see a concerning increase in family violence incidents this year. So far in 2022 we've already charged eight people with 17 offences as a result of incidents of Family Violence. Most of these charges include Assault, Criminal Damage and Breaching Police and/or Family Violence Restraining Orders. If you're experiencing family violence or need advice and support, please contact Lancelin Police on 9650 1100 or you can access many support services online at <https://www.wa.gov.au/organisation/departments-of-communities/family-and-domestic-violence-helplines-and-support-services>.



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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. Please contact Sue 0417 978 281.

Next Neighbourhood Watch Meeting

Our most recent Neighbourhood Watch Meeting was held at the Redfield Park Community Hall on the 14th of May and was well received by all in attendance. The next Neighbourhood Watch meeting will be held on Wednesday 13th of August, commencing at 7pm at the Sovereign Hill Community Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend. It's a great way to find out more details about what your local Police have been getting up to. It's also an opportunity to meet our team and ask any questions you may have.

Until next time, please take care on the roads and report any suspicious or illegal activity to Lancelin Police on 9650 1100 or 131 444 or through Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000. Don't forget about the phone application called 'Eyes on the Street' which you can use to report suspicious activity quickly and anonymously.

Kind regards

Sergeant Michael Paterson

Officer-in-Charge

Lancelin Police Station



News From Sovereign Hill

The Sovereign Hill Community Association (SHCA) would like to thank Jo and Steve so much for all their hard work in collecting the containers for change. Not only do they keep containers from land fill, they also provide funds to so many community groups. SHCA has been one of those groups, \$500 was recently presented to our President Jane for our roof repairs and the smiles in the photo below say it all. Thank you Jo and Steve.

Another huge thank you goes to the Sovereign Hill Crafty Witches Group for an amount of \$250 being presented to the SHCA for the repair of the roof. These ladies are amazing. Thank you.

The SHCA is overwhelmed with the Community support being provided to assist us with the repairs and updating our Sovereign House, our Community Centre. Once repairs are made there will be an awesome event to unveil the new looking Sovereign House.

We will keep everyone updated on progress

Sue Hicks
Secretary SHCA



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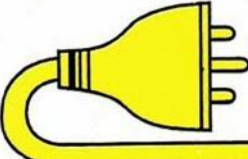
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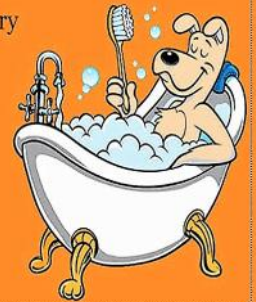


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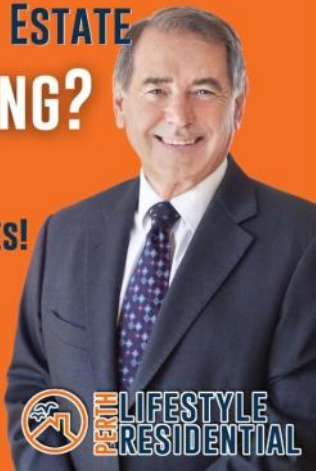
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Book Club Seabird, 0402 843 468	Neighbourhood Watch 0429 969 889 various locations
Bush Fire Brigades 000 Guilderton Gingin West	Playgroup Red Robin Woodridge Hall every Wednesday and Friday 9am - 11am. woodridgeplaygroup@hotmail.com
Community Associations. Seabird, Redfield Park, Sovereign Hill, Guilderton, Woodridge and Neergabby. Meet quarterly on Wed, The LCCA is an incorporated association that unites these six Associations and runs the Community Bus.	Playgrounds and Parks Seabird Chalon Park, Redfield Park mini golf and swings Guilderton mini putt putt, skate park and tennis courts Sovereign Hill playground Woodridge swings and tennis courts
Community Bus localbus6041@gmail.com Weekly shopping trip. 0428 188 011	Red Hatters Every other Wednesday, various outings 0414 469 297
Craft There are craft groups in Seabird, Hall Monday 10am -12 noon Redfield Park, 1st 3rd Friday 10am -2pm 9577 1669 Sovereign Hill Hall every Monday, am 0429 938 232 Woodridge Hall Tuesday 9am -12noon	Religion Lancelin Catholic Church Gingin - 2nd &4th Sundays at 10am Uniting Church, 9 Weld St, Gingin Guilderton Moore Prayer Group 0429 108 892
Device Advice Seabird Hall, last Thursday of the month 9am - 11am	SMILE Every second Tuesday 0417 918 281 Starts 11th March
Equestrian Group Meets Monthly in Woodridge woodridge.equestrian@yahoo.com Facebook: woodridge equestrian	Snakes Tammy 0424 715 117 Gary 0412 914-537
Games Day Last Friday each month Guilderton Café 10am	Sport There is the Guilderton Country Club, Pool competition every Wednesday. Guilderton Golf course Wednesday and Saturdays Guilderton Bowling green, Seabird organises golf. Tennis Courts - Guilderton and Woodridge Mini putt putt -Redfield Park
Garden Club 2nd Saturday of the month - meet at Sovereign House 0429 938 232	
Libraries Guilderton Community Open Saturday 9.30 to 11.30 Little swap book houses! Neergabby cnr Military Rd and Gingin Brook Rd Redfield Park 106 Paperbark Ave Sovereign Hill Community Centre 244 Sovereign Hill Dr Woodridge King Drive	Stable Fly Action Group stableflyactiongroup.org.au
	Visitor Centre Guilderton Foreshore 0414 631 273
Meet and Eat Group Redfield Park, 3rd Thursday 0410 582 817	Weight Watchers Meet every Wednesday at 8.30 Sovereign House 0413-818-955