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The Lower Coastal Community Association (LCCA Inc)

will hold its first quarterly meeting for the year on
**Wednesday 18th February at 7.00pm,
at Sovereign House.**

This meeting is an open invitation to Lower Coastal community groups, local businesses and residents from across our six coastal communities to come together in an open forum to share updates, discuss local matters and raise any concerns impacting their groups, businesses or the wider community.

The LCCA Committee has recently reviewed its structure and is pleased to confirm that the management of the Community Bus has now been formally separated from the core LCCA Committee. This change allows the Association to refocus on its broader role of supporting, connecting and advocating for all Lower Coastal communities.

The meeting will provide an opportunity to strengthen relationships between community groups and local businesses, identify shared challenges, and work collaboratively toward solutions. By standing together as a united group, the Lower Coastal communities are better placed to advocate effectively and support one another.

A key focus of the evening will also be the updating of the annual events calendar, helping to coordinate activities, avoid clashes and improve promotion across all six Lower Coastal communities. Attendees are encouraged to bring details of upcoming events or initiatives to share with the group.

Caron for LCCA committee

Allan Arthur McLeay

Born 22 March 1947, Holbrook, New South Wales. Passed away peacefully at home in Guilderton after a bravely fought battle.
He was the dearly beloved husband of Sue Lynette McLeay for 57 years. The much loved father of Rod and Lee, and loved grandfather of Nicholas and Imogen. Allan was a successful businessman and entrepreneur who traded his suits for a more relaxed lifestyle. He will be sorely missed by many.
Loved always.

Lee McLeay

The Members of the Guilderton Bowling Club wish to convey their condolences to Sue, Rod, Lee and family on the passing of Allan.

Allan was a valued Member of our club and also Past President and Elected Life Member of the Guilderton Country Club.

Rest in peace Allan.

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
11th Feb	7pm	Neighbourhood Watch	Ledge Point
14th Feb	Book Now	Valentine's Day	Guilderton Country Club
18th Feb	7pm	LCCA Public Meeting	Sovereign Hill
21st Feb	6.30pm	Moore Clothes Quiz Night	Woodridge
1st March	All day	Clean up, Market and Music	Guilderton
4th April		Golf Club bric a brac	Guilderton
4th April	9am-1pm	Easter Art Show and Sale	Guilderton
5th April		Seabird Gala	Seabird

Community Event

***Guilderton will
come alive with the
The Guilderton
Community Day on
Sunday 1 March. It
brings together the
Guilderton Cleanup
day, and the popular Arts & Crafts Markets, as
well as live music and a picnic in the park.***

Starting from 8:00am with Cleanup Australia, we seek volunteers to join our friendly group to help clean up Guilderton. The Arts & Crafts markets will follow in Gabaddah Park from 11:00am with over 20 popular stalls. The live music will also start with local musicians performing centre stage. Food and drinks will be available.

Then from 5:00pm, its picnic in the park with live bands, the HipDaddys and Happy Hour performing all the rock classics. BYO is welcome. Come and enjoy an all day celebration of our town, and support your local community.

*Regards, Wil Cuperus
on Behalf of Guilderton Community Assen*

**IF YOU SEE SMOKE OR FLAMES
RING 000**



Sovereign Hill Garden Club

We meet at the Sovereign Hill Hall every second Saturday of the month. 1.30pm

Phone Sonja on 0404 687 230 for more info and to find out what gardens we might be visiting or workshops we might have coming up.

The Sovereign Hill Garden Club commences their 2026 year on Saturday 14th February 2026 at 1.30 pm at Sovereign House.

If you would like to join our group, who like to share ideas, tips and tricks on all garden related topics, then please come along. **The meeting** will be about setting our calendar for the year with outings, workshops and discussion topics. Bring along your ideas on what you would like to do or learn about and what you think may interest others.

Sonja



Our Device Advice Self-help group is excited to be starting it's **third year**. And we're kicking things off with a **new start time** to make it easier for people from all areas of the Gingin Shire to join us.

Thursday 26th February

10.00am Seabird Hall

For just **\$2 entry** you'll enjoy **morning tea** and the company of a friendly, supportive group.

Device Advice is all about helping each other with technology - sharing **new discoveries**, working through **problems**, and **learning together** at a relaxed pace.

And if you have **skills or knowledge you're happy to share**, we would love to welcome you - everyone has something valuable to contribute.

All are welcome, so come along, have a cuppa, and learn something new.

Caron Melvin Co-ordinator 0428 922 301

Easter Art Show and Sale

**Saturday 4th
April 2026**

9am - 1pm

**Guilderton
Community Hall**



Once again, the Guilderton Community Association (GCA) – Moore Art will be hosting the annual Easter Art Show and Sale at the Guilderton Community Hall. This cherished event showcases artwork by both local and visiting artists, featuring pieces that reflect the beauty and spirit of Moore River. Attendees will enjoy a diverse array of art forms, including crafts, photography of local interest, sculpture, mosaics, ceramics, jewelry, and more.

Moore Art is a subcommittee of the GCA dedicated to raising funds for art installations and promoting artistic expression throughout the region. We warmly invite everyone to join us, connect with fellow art lovers, and support local talent. The event is open to all, and we especially welcome first-time exhibitors and new contributors. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet the talented people of our region, take home a unique piece of local art, or enter our raffle for a chance to win donated art prizes.

For more information or to submit your artwork, please contact Kerry Jones at 0437 903138 or email guildertongca@gmail.com.

Kerry Jones



To book the Lower Coastal Community Bus
Min cost to hire bus \$30

0417 978 281

localbus6041@gmail.com



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website?**

www.moorerivernews.com.au



GUILDERTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY celebrates 20 years in July

A very special milestone for our district — the Guilderton Library's 20th anniversary!

Over the past two decades, the Guilderton library has grown into more than just a place for books; it has become a hub of connection, learning, and community spirit.

We will be celebrating this milestone on 4 July and as part of that we're inviting residents, visitors, and past community members to share their stories.

What first drew you to our town and district?

What favorite memories do you hold of time spent herewhether in the library itself, at community events, or simply enjoying life with your family and friends?

We would love to gather these reflections into a shared

collection that honors the heart of our community. Your stories, whether about a treasured family tradition, a moment of discovery or the friendships that blossomed here will help us celebrate not only the library's journey, but the people who make this district such a welcoming place. Together, let's mark 20 years of memories, and look forward to many more chapters still to come. You don't need to be a library member to contribute, we would love to hear your stories.

More details of activities will be confirmed closer to the date.

The best part of memories is making them!

Please send to:
guildertonlibrary@gmail.com before the 30 May

Thankyou Madeline



Why our Community Bus needs your support ♥

Many people don't realise that the LCCA Community Bus operates in two very different ways.

🚐 Private Hire

When the bus is hired privately or by groups:

- They provide their own driver
- They pay a \$10 booking fee and pay 40c per kilometre (lower coastal residents)

This contributes toward direct to vehicle costs only.

🚐 Community Volunteer Transport

Our community shopping trips and outings are:

- Organised and delivered by volunteers
- driven by volunteer drivers

Focused on residents who would otherwise miss out For these services, we are unable to charge passenger fares. Passengers may make a voluntary donation toward costs, but these do not cover full operating expenses.

⚠ Important to know:

Although we are a not-for-profit community association, LCCA is not eligible for charity status, which means:

- We cannot offer tax-deductible donations
- We have limited access to some funding streams
👉 As a result, our volunteer transport program relies heavily on fundraising and community support to remain viable.
Every contribution — whether financial, volunteering, or sharing our posts — helps keep our communities connected ♥

Lower Coastal Community Association Inc

Facebook: Lower Coastal Community Associations
Community Bus

Text only - 0493 052 348

Donations: LCCA Inc BSB 633000 Account 209826171

Cash for Cans - C11441176

WHAT'S ON CALENDAR -

Clarkson shopping bus 5th & 19 February,
5th & 19th March (amazing same dates)

**Social outing to CRC Lancelin Friday 13th February
for their Valentines lunch - \$10 games, lunch & fun
Text 0493 052 348 to BOOK**

Regards

Caron Melvin LCCA Bus committee

GINGIN WEST VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE



Santa's Lolly Run was a great success yet again. It was fabulous to see everyone out to see Santa and his helpers on the Fire Truck. There were all ages, children and adults including some four-legged onlookers. Santa and his helpers had a wonderful time and we hope you all did too.

Our crews have been very busy already attending a large number of early season bushfires including Christmas day when several crew from Gingin West (Woodridge) and other volunteer fire brigades gave up their family Christmas to attend.

Gingin West Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade wishes everyone a safe and happy year ahead.

Gingin West VBFB



GUILDERTON COUNTRY CLUB

Phone 9577 1013

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GuildertonCC@bigpond.com

Firstly, the staff, committee and volunteers wish you all a happy, healthy and successful year. **HAPPY 2026!**

We've had a busy time here at the Country Club. If you've been following us on all our socials, you will see that our New Year's Eve party was the place to be. I have to say thank you to our amazing team for putting on such an event. So much fun was had. Many of you arrived to the club in style with the use of the community bus. Thanks' to Phil for being our designated driver for the night.

January has been a blast. Pool Comp nights are very popular. Roast Night and Bingo nights were hugely successful. Cooky & Paul do an amazing job. All players, young and old, enjoy the evening.

At the time of writing this, our Member's Draw prize fund is growing weekly. If your number is called, you have to be in to claim your prize. I'll see you all next Friday!

We had a traditional Aussie BBQ for Australia Day. Nice to see so many locals and visitors coming in and using the facilities. The bowling green, mini golf, foot golf and tennis courts have been busy every day.



In other news, our new Head Chef Clare is a massive hit with our members and customers. She's doing an amazing job. Our new menu is taking shape and will be launched on our website in the coming days. Lots of lovely house made specials and desserts. Please come in and say hi to Chef Clare the next time you're here.

Also, for all you love birds out there make sure you book for our Valentine's Dinner.

Finally, I'd like to say thank you to the Moore River Cafe, Moore River Road House and Ledge Point Country Club. With this being such a busy period for us all, it's great to know that each business is here to support one another as needs have risen. Goes to show what a wonderful community we have here in the Moore River Region. Until next time, stay happy and safe.

*With gratitude, Lynne Conway VENUE MANAGER
Guilderton Country Club*



COPS CORNER

Hello Readers.

Sad End to Search for Missing Snorkeller off Ledge Point Coast

At approximately 3.00pm on Thursday, 1 January 2026, Lancelin Police received a report of a missing snorkeller off the coast near Ledge Point. An extensive multi-day search was conducted for the 32-year-old man, involving a range of specialist resources. We were very well supported by the WA Police Air Wing, Water Police, and Police Dive Squad. We also extend our sincere thanks to the volunteers from the Lancelin Volunteer Marine Rescue (VMR) and the Fremantle VMR crews, who dedicated many hours searching the waters by boat and jet ski.

Sadly, on Tuesday, 6 January 2026, human remains were located on Fence Reef Beach, north of Ledge Point. DNA testing has since confirmed the remains belong to the missing snorkeller.

Missing Person – Luke Hazelwood

Concerns continue to be held for the welfare of 32-year-old Luke HAZELWOOD, who has not been seen or heard from since 23 December 2025. Mr Hazelwood was reported missing to police on 5 January 2026. His last known location was outside the Lancelin Sands Hotel at approximately 5.00am on Christmas Eve. The vehicle he was driving was later located abandoned in the hotel car park. Police are seeking assistance from the Lancelin community. Residents are asked to check their properties and review any CCTV footage they may have. Any footage from Christmas Eve between 5.00am and 8.00am is requested to be uploaded via the following portal for police review:

<https://wapf.au.evidence.com/axon/community-request/public/050126143663701>

Serious Family Violence Offender Jailed

On 16 January 2026, a 47-year-old Gabbadah man was sentenced to six years' imprisonment, with a non-parole period of four years. The charges were laid in 2022 and related to serious and persistent family violence offences committed against his partner at the time.

DRESS UP THEMED

QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday 21st FEBRUARY

WOODRIDGE HALL



\$10.00
per person

Tables of 8

BYO Drinks and nibbles

Your Team chooses it's DRESS UP theme!

ACTIVITIES, RAFFLES and PRIZES GALORE

TO BOOK A TABLE CALL

looking forward to seeing your TEAMS THEME!

MOORE CLOTHES INC

Doors open 6.30pm
Eyes down 7pm sharp

0436 457 164

Next Neighbourhood Watch Meeting

The first Neighbourhood Watch meeting for 2026 will be held on Wednesday, 11 February, commencing at 7.00pm at the Ledge Point Country Club. All community members are welcome to attend. These meetings provide an opportunity to learn more about local policing activities, meet your local police officers, and ask any questions you may have. Supper will be provided following the meeting.

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 to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000. You can also report suspicious activity anonymously via the "Eyes on the Street" mobile application.

Kind regards

Sergeant Michael Paterson
Officer-in-Charge
Lancelin Police Station

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2.30-4.30pm Friday**

We have reopened and been very busy in the shop and sorting all the donations. Thank you

Our Synergy Community Giving Fund grant has been Approved for our "Care for yourself" sessions which includes free haircut or head/shoulder massage to men/women. Just contact the service provider to book in. (see adverts) on this page and page 19.

We are preparing for our Quiz Night to be held at Woodridge Community Hall Saturday 21st February \$10 per person (see advert page 6), we would appreciate any gifts or donation that could be used as prizes thank you.

Julie P

Sovereign Hill Crafty Witches Group Every Monday 9am to Noon



The Sovereign Hill Craft Group commenced back in 2026 on Monday 5th of January.

It was great to see all our ladies back and to hear what they had been up to over the festive break with some even bringing along their craft items which they had been working on that were destined for friends and family.

This month we said goodbye to Shirley who is moving down to Shorehaven and wish her well in her new home. Thank you Shirley for sharing with us your enthusiasm and talent in patchworking - you are an inspiration to all and will be sadly missed.

If you would like to join our little band of crafters then come along to Sovereign house on Mondays between 9:30 and noon or just ring Wendy on 0429938232 for more information.

Wendy

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COMMUNITY BOWLS

COMING TO GUILDERTON BOWLING CLUB

5 WEEKS OF FUN!

STARTING 12 FEB!

THURSDAYS 6PM FOR 6:30PM START

TEAMS OF 4 ONLY 14 TEAMS!

\$10 PER PERSON PER NIGHT

10 ENDS OF BOWLS

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REGISTER YOUR TEAM NOW!

Contact Sam 0407 149 640
or email smeeaton@inet.net.au

Sam says even if you cannot form a team get in touch. This looks like its going to be a lot of fun. All ages, all areas.



GUILDERTON VISITOR CENTRE

Open 9.30 to 12.30 weekends,
school and public holidays.

A big thank you goes to our dedicated small band of volunteers who have kept the Visitors Centre open during the Christmas and New Year break. Two that need special mention are Linda B and Linda J, between these two ladies they keep the Visitors Centre gently ticking over and well stocked. Thank you all.

This month we also welcomed Sue to our little group. Sue's many years spent in the Guilderton area running a business and in the farming sector will give visitors, tourists and local residents another aspect on attractions and activities that can be done in the area. Thank you Sue.

If you would like to be like Sue and join our group, please contact Linda on 0414631273 for more information.

Wendy

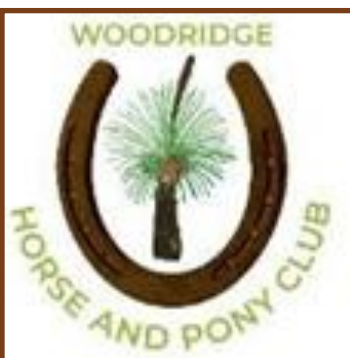


**St John Ambulance
Woodridge Sub Centre**

GUILDERTON & DISTRICTS' VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE



**Lower Coastal
Community Association**
meet quarterly.
*Find out what is happening
in YOUR area.*
Next Meeting 18th Feb
Sovereign House 7pm



Remember to put any
events you are
interested in on your
phone diary NOW
before you forget.

Or phone NOW to find
out about a group you
are interested in.

Happy New Year!



SHANE LOVE MLA
MEMBER FOR MID-WEST



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Scripture

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not

lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Be not wise in your own eyes, fear the Lord, and turn away from evil." (Proverbs 35-7)

"It is the Lord who goes before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or forsake you; do not fear or be dismayed." (Deuteronomy 31:8)

"Keep your life free from love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you. So we can confidently say, 'The Lord is my helper; I will not fear what can man do to me?' (Hebrews 13:5-6)

"Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever." (Hebrews 13:8)

MOORE PRAYER: It has been a sad time for some of us with the loss of loved ones over this Christmas season. However, we know that with God's grace we have the knowledge that Jesus took all our sufferings and griefs upon himself at the cross and His spirit of peace and comfort is with us as we look to Him for a fresh hope and purpose in our lives. Our prayer meetings are continuing as we continue to uphold the needs of this community, friends and families in our weekly time together. If you would like a bible or just a chat, please phone:

Sue - 0419 035 777 or Judy - 0429 108 892. May God bless you all!



Dot Jones enjoying the Weigh Watchers Christmas Lunch

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 Dot 0429 969 889.

Happy new year, hoping you are all enjoying the wonderful weather. Well we're all back to Weight Watchers after the Christmas break. The holiday mood was enjoyed by all, some of us were really good but a few kilos did go on with all the festive parties etc.

Just to catch you up with the Christmas Luncheon and party, as you can see by the photos, Dot Jones did enjoy herself, and it was great to see Jae and Maddie join us. The meal was just yummy.



Presentations of trophy were given out as usual with few surprises. Dot Branch was the winner of Princess of the month November and won the Challenge for 6 months from June to December. Dot Jones won a prize with Ann Mitchell for the determination challenge. Well done to all. Its so good to have two new Members, Welcome to Amy and Cobi. With all the encouragement and support sure they will achieve their goal. We have had a slimmer of the year. Annie Blom. **Well done Annie.**

If you are looking to loose a few kilos. Come and enjoy a friendly group, even pop in for a coffee, Wednesday 9.am and then sure will want to join us all. Sovereign Hill Hall. Love to see some new faces.

Very sad new just before Christmas one of our members Sue Mcleay, lost her loving husband Allan, on behalf of all at weight watchers our love and deepest sympathy to Sue and her family, Allan was well known to us all.

Till next month stay safe take care

Dot Branch



Usual golf days are:

Saturday: Names in by 11.45am

Wednesday 9 holes Scroungers: Name by 1.45pm

COASTAL CUP

The second Coastal Cup which was played late November, this year was won by Lancelin. You will remember that Guilderton won the inaugural Coast Cup in 2024 but the Lancelin golfers came out all guns blazing to score a comfortable win.

Well done, and the Coastal Cup continues in building a friendly rivalry between the Lancelin, Ledge Point and Guilderton Golf Clubs.

We had a big contingent across the three days and what a star studded bunch we had!!!!



EASTER FUNDRAISER

Our Easter Fundraiser will take place again this year on Saturday 4th April !

We are very thankful for the support from our members and the Guilderton and local communities.

If you have any quality items for the bric-a-brac stall, we love to receive them (contact Bob Johnson 0417 186 805 or Ian Hastings 04298 842 090). We will even collect them from you!

Last year's donations of cakes, slices etc, was huge - we'd love to accept your donations again this year. The freshly baked items are ALWAYS a hit! Lynn Malone (mob: 0427 300 470) is coordinating the cakes, slices etc stall.

We are looking at incorporating a Hole In One comp this year - details to come!

SUMMER CUP

Two rounds in and the competition is very tight. The Ladies are setting a cracking pace with Lynn Malone, Kerry Jones and Jenny Schaeffer all scoring consistently well over the first two rounds. The Men's comp is fairly even and it looks like the guys are all holding back a bit, ready to fly home in the last three rounds!

WATERING PROGRAM

All of the trees planted over the last two winters are ticking along. We are watering them semi-regularly during the long hot dry spell over summer. We are still holding over a 50% success rate at this stage, and we are hopeful of nurturing the "little- ns" through for another few months until the heavens open up (hopefully).

And of course, the great Richard Prince continues to keep the irrigation system working superbly as evidenced by the lovely fairways!

Ian Hastings

0428 842 090

President Guilderton Golf

ClubEmail: guildertongolfclub@gmail.com

**ARE STABLE FLIES BITING IN
YOUR AREA?
REPORT IT NOW**

Stable Fly - *Stomoxys calcitrans*



Stable Fly Action Group
Facebook Page



Stable Fly Reporting Tool
www.stableflyactiongroup.org.au



The Stable Fly Action Group Inc (SFAG) has been active for over 20 years with the aim to reduce the impact of stable flies where rural communities and horticulture coexist.

SFAG's primary objective is to pro-actively advocate for strategies to minimise the stable fly problem in WA through lobbying, publicity, education and collaboration.

SFAG's current focus is:

- Supporting LGA officers to investigate and mitigate stable fly outbreaks
- Supporting affected community members and reporting outbreak data to DPIRD
- Supporting further scientific research and trials to reduce stable fly outbreaks
- Lobbying government for meaningful reforms to current legislation (BAM Act)
- Lobbying for enforceable changes to reticulated horticulture management practices to reduce stable fly breeding sites
- Lobbying for a simple waybill system for all raw manure shipments
- Highlighting current biosecurity risks and helping avert potential future diseases

**SFAG is a volunteer organisation that relies heavily on
community support and membership.**



Please visit the SFAG website to join.
www.stableflyactiongroup.org.au



**IF YOU REQUIRE AN AMBULANCE
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Country & Coast

Shire of Gingin News & Information

Council Decisions

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

- Lease Renewals Between the Shire of Gingin and Gingin Scout Group, Denim and Lace Barrel Racing, Gingin Campdraft Inc and WA Cutting Horse Association.
- Provision of Accommodation - Western Australia Police Force.
- Planning Applications - 1 application considered.

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

Community Citizen of the Year Nominees

Each year, the Community Citizen of the Year Awards give local governments around Western Australia the opportunity to acknowledge the contribution and celebrate engagement of people within the community.

This year, we had 19 nominations across the four categories. Congratulations to the following nominees:

Community Citizen of the Year Nominees:

- Sharon Bodle
- Sarah Kenchington
- John Brinklow
- Susannah Dale
- Carol Balcombe
- Michael Carr
- Selga Beckwith

Young Community Citizen of the Year Nominee:

- Bree Del Borrello

Senior Community Citizen of the Year Nominees:

- Terrie James
- Margaret Massam
- Frances Joseph White

- Lynette Kemp
- Pat Shinnick

Active Citizenship Award Nominees

- Koorunga (CWA)
- Ledge Point Community Association - Sally Cail
- The Jungle Book Production - Susannah Dale
- Lancelin Primary School P&C - Jade Hamlyn
- Lower Coastal Neighbourhood Watch - Dot Branch
- Lancelin & Coastal Districts RSL Sub Branch - Mike Cardy

The winners of each category will be announced at the Australia Day Neergabby Breakfast Ceremony on Monday 26 January at the Neergabby Community Grounds. To find out our winners, please visit our website www.gingin.wa.gov.au/news/public-notice

Community Funding Program 2026/2027 - Funding Round Opening Soon

Our annual Community Funding Program will be open on Sunday 1 February for applications for the 2026/2027 Financial Year.

If you have a new project/event or your project includes any upgrades to Shire owned facilities or construction on Shire owned land, please make sure you have a chat to our Grants Officer as soon as possible to ensure the necessary approvals are in place to allow you to submit your grant application.

Contact our Grants Officer via grants@gingin.wa.gov.au or on **9575 5100**.

To find out more, visit www.gingin.wa.gov.au/funding-and-grants

Update from Main Roads - Weld Sreet, Gingin Bridge Replacement

Main Roads are providing early advice that Bridge 661 over Gingin Brook on Weld Street in Gingin townsite will be replaced in 2026.

Works are scheduled to take place between March 2026 and the end of 2026 however these dates are subject to change.

During the works, there will be a single lane closure on the bridge which will cause minor delays.

The footpaths on both sides of the bridge will be

closed for the duration of the project. However, the footpath near the weir will remain open to ensure continued public access.

Construction noise will be generated throughout the duration of the bridge replacement.

Further information will be made available in the coming weeks. A community drop-in session facilitated by Main Roads will be conducted prior to the commencement of works.





Photo Credit: jeans_Photos & @SoPerth

Digital Inclusion and Community Access Hublet Initiative

The Shire of Gingin's Lancelin Library proudly acknowledges and thanks the following organisations for their generous support and partnership in delivering the Digital Inclusion and Community Access Hublet Initiative.

This project was funded by the Australian Government under the Stronger Communities Programme Round 9, following nomination by the Federal Member for Durack the Hon Melissa Price MP. Funding was administered by the Australian Government Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communications and the Arts.

Grant funding obtained by the Lancelin Community Resource Centre supported the installation of a self-service Hublet iPad system at the Lancelin Library, improving free access to digital devices and online services for the local community. The project supports digital inclusion by enabling access to library e-resources, government services, education platforms, employment tools and electronic communication.

The project is further supported by the Lancelin CRC delivering digital literacy assistance and training opportunities, ensuring community members can confidently engage with online services.

Head into the Lancelin Library to use the self-service Hublet iPad today.



Total Fire Bans/Harvest, Hot Works & Vehicle Movement Bans

Under the *Bush Fires Act 1954* local governments and DFES have the power to place a fire ban. In the Shire of Gingin there are two types of bans that can be implemented:

Total Fire Bans - which are set by the Department of Fire and Emergency Services (DFES).

Harvest, Hot Works & Vehicle Movement Bans - which are set by the Shire of Gingin.

It is **YOUR RESPONSIBILITY** to find out if there is a fire ban in place. Subscribe to the Shire's SMS service to receive free notifications when either ban is placed. To subscribe or for more information visit gingin.wa.gov.au/fire-breaks-bans-information



What's on In the Shire of Gingin?

Lower Coastal Neighbourhood Watch

Wednesday 11 February, 7:00pm - 9:00pm, Ledge Point Country Club.

Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday 17 February, 6:00pm - 8:00pm, Shire of Gingin Council Chambers.

Smiling Starts Education Session

Monday 23 February, 9:30am - 5:00pm, Gingin Library, Gingin.

Device Advice - Self Help Group

Thursday 26 February, 10:00am - 12:00pm, Seabird Hall, Seabird.

Guilderton Community Day

Sunday 1 March, 8:00am - 8:00pm, Guilderton.

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

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NOTES FROM SEABIRD

SEABIRD PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Christmas has come and gone and the year is marching along. The end of 2025 saw a couple of events with new ones planned for 2026



Fisherman's Statue

This was dedicated on December 6. Many locals came along as well as many past residents (Pioneers and fisher people) Great stories were shared, lots of history there. It is already a great landmark, which can be seen both from the road and the beach.

Little Street Library

Our library is now situated outside the Seabird Cafe (Thanks Patsi and Lappis). Many thanks to Moore Mens Shed for building it for us. It is being very well used, with some interesting titles coming and going.



Christmas Party

A wonderful evening was held at the Hall. SPA provided a delicious spread of food and the bar was open. Around 60 people attended and lots of Christmas cheer was evident. The party is a thank you to the committee and members for their hard work and support over the year.



Pickle Ball

After a fun trial evening at the end of the year, SPA will be holding Pickle Ball games at the hall each second Tuesday of the month from 5pm. All are invited to come and play or just watch and socialise. Bring some nibbles to share. Bar will be open for refreshment! It's not too strenuous and lots of fun.

Australia Day weekend Cake Stall

SPA will again have their Australia Day Cake Stall, it may have been done by the time you read this, but it's a good event to keep in mind for next year!

Shed

The construction of our new storage shed has begun at last. With the help of grants from Bendigo Bank and the Shire of Gingin, plus a considerable amount from SPA, (thanks to fundraising efforts and community support) we will soon have somewhere to store our increasing assets.

SEABIRD GOLF CLUB

Following the AGM the new committee is
President – Scott White
Treasurer & Secretary – Frank Johnson
Green Keeper – Phil Marinich

Games held on Mondays at Ledge Point at 11am, or meet at Seabird Tavern at 10.30am. Contact Frank for information – frankseabird@bigpond.com

Bookclub

Seabird book club meets each second Thursday for discussions, nibbles and drinks. We've read some interesting titles over the past year. For information email sander9@bigpond.com

Thanks Claire Bentley

First meeting for
2024

Lower Coastal

NEIGHBOURHOOD

WATCH

11th February 2026

please make a note of the date **7pm**

LEDGE POINT
Country Club

Our local Police will report on all the current news and updates on what has been happening over the holiday season

for further information contact:

Dot Branch 0429969889 **supper provided after meeting**

The Lancelin police will be at the Neighbourhood Watch Meeting at Ledge Point, to give all details of up to date happenings through out the holiday season.

There is always the best supper after the meeting.

Cheers Dot 0429969889

Moore Arts Council
Art & Craft Market

1st March Guilderton





GUILDERTON BOWLING CLUB

Call Phil Rouse 0408 122 191
or John Branch 0427 969 880



WOW what's been happening since the last pennant day?, well the **Guilderton Bowling Club are now in 3rd place on the ladder.** Well done, and good luck for the next three games, and then the finals.

Our Christmas party was a great one, special thanks to Brad for his hospitality, BBQ and all the trimmings it was enjoyed by all.

Now for the good news,

The Inter League Round Robin was played at Wonthella, this competition is for all teams throughout the country zones, and a team from Moore District League, was represented by Guilderton bowlers, Kim Gravenell and Phill Smeaton. Plus Paul Fewster and Paddy Heasman from Gingin. In the three day event, **CONGRATULATIONS** to the team they won 4 out of the 5 games, and finished 2nd in the competition. Well done boys. Photos as you can see are our two boys Kim



Gravenell and Phil Smeaton. (all smiles). And the team of Kim, Phil, Paul & Paddy.

Good luck to all the Guilderton bowlers for the rest of the pennant games and to all the coming Championships.

Cheers Dot B. (Social Secretary)





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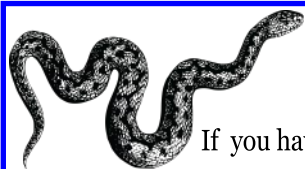
Find out more about the magic of playgroup and connect with
families in your community. Come along to discover the benefits
and join in.

WHEN: Wednesday

TIME: 9:00am-11:00am

WHERE: Woodridge Community Hall

CONTACT: woodridgeplaygroup@hotmail.com



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Join us for our monthly games day.

WHEN Last Friday of the month
starting 10am.

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



come and look through, see what good reads are there.

FREE LIBRARIES

We have **free** little libraries located at:

- *Redfield Park (106 Paperbark Ave),
- *Woodridge Hall
- *Guilderton Country Club
- *Guilderton Beach (Toy Library)
- *Seabird
- * Sovereign Hill Community Centre
- *Neergabby (cnr Military/Gingin Brook Roads)

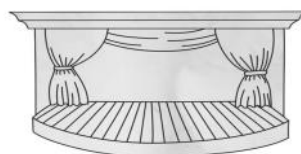


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They can be borrowed either short or long term or while waiting for the hospital to provide something permanent.
call 0488 221 881 for info or help



S.M.I.L.E **Moore**

Smile is a small group of people that meet every second Tuesday at 3.30pm at Sovereign House. We Smile, Mime, Inspire, Laugh and Entertain. Please contact Sue 0417 978 281.

Our motto is No talent Required just have some fun

The first meeting for 2026 where we welcome new aspiring actors is
Tuesday 10th March at Sovereign House.

Our next performance is at the Moore Clothes Fashion Parade in October, so plenty of time to write, adapt, learn lines and create costumes.



Who can forget the day the Aliens came to Moore Clothes when their space ship crashed. ????

Come and join our merry band.

Its all in FUN



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



Welcome to another year in the garden. I love the first few months where we are really in the middle of the growth period for lawns, veges and flowers. The weather is amazing, if not a little hot at times, to be outside and in nature.

Things to do -

- Tie up tomato plants and pick the fruit as it ripens. Ripe fruit invites the birds in and fruit on the ground invites other pests. Bobtails love little ripe tomatoes and give me a fright when I come across them munching on my fruit.

- Check bird-bath water levels and keep them topped up. We have a lot of unique fauna travelling through us here and keeping a topped up water source for the birds can provide hours of entertainment with a glass of wine or beer in hand.

- Plant Winter seedlings such as leeks and broccoli

- Prune rambling roses after flowering

- Deadhead flowers as they fade, consider collecting their seeds if you enjoyed their display. - Trim lavender plants after flowering. This encourages bushing out and more flowers next time. Don't be afraid to prune lavender hard.

- Take cuttings from roses, pelargoniums (geraniums), and fuchsias

- Water flowers and vegetables regularly - check your retic often. One faulty sprinkler, dripper, or sprayer for just one day can result in a failed crop. Consider buying easy to unblock heads or drip systems friendly for bore water that doesn't clog as easily as some bought from cheap hardware chain stores.

- Lift and dry onions - build an onion drying rack or use an upside down milk crate, old rack shelving, even an oven rack on top of pallets on their end will do it.

- Feed and water plants in pots. Check their watering, begonias, allucias like drying out between watering and will slow growth or change colour without enough food or too much water.

- Prop up heavily laden fruit branches, and please, please, please, harvest fruit when it is ripe or falls on the ground. Fruit fly can't travel far and picking up any fallen fruit helps prevent you from having a worse problem, and then spreading it to your neighbours.

- Start sorting your planned Spring flowering bulbs, even looking to plant daffodils late in the month for an early display. Divide perennials at the end of the month

- Harvest herbs and dry/dehydrate, make pesto, fresh in ice trays for future use.

Veges / herbs to plant -

Plant direct - Beans (bush), Beetroot, Carrot, Chives, Coriander, Fennel, Kohlrabi, Lettuce, Mustard, Parsley, Parsnip, Radish, Silverbeet, Swede, Turnip. **Sow in**

seedling trays - Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Leeks, Onions. **Plant Seedlings** - Zucchini.

Nathan

Onion Drying Rack Ideas



The Moore River News Team would like to thank our very loyal contributors who continue to send in articles and photos every month. And of course our advertisers who keep us going financially.

Crafty Patch

meet each
Tuesday
At Woodridge
hall 9am-12pm



Happy New Year. The ladies at Crafty patch have resumed for 2026 after our Christmas break. We finished last year with a lovely lunch at the hall with some quizzes and sharing presents. A very nice day.

If you are new to the area please pop in and see us. We are at the Woodridge hall 9am till noon on Tuesdays. If you are having trouble with your craft project, we may be able to help. Our ladies do various crafts and only too happy to assist.

Our first day back saw us farewelling two of our long time members. One is unable to resume due to her husband being rather ill. Our thoughts are with you Ursula.

Our other member Shirley is moving into a nursing home. I am certain she will certainly be continuing to create her quilts etc. We will miss you Shirl. All the best.

Take care all. Gloria



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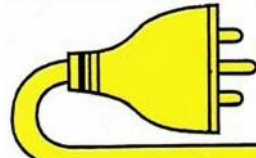
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