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70th Wedding Anniversary



On the 5th of May Brenda and David Douglas will be celebrating their 70th Platinum Jubilee Anniversary.

WOW what a milestone!

Brenda and David are long term residents of Woodridge. Brenda, with the support of David, has been involved in many activities over the years.

Brenda has been on several committees, was the local dart group treasurer for 24 years, petitioned hard to stop the spread of Stable flies, worked endlessly to raise money for Save the Moon Bears and also raised funds for Ronald McDonald House for Children.



The list goes on and on always having the support of David behind her.

They have been a great force in the Woodridge community and still are. So, let us all say three cheers to Brenda & David and may they enjoy many more years of good health and happiness together

Dot Jones

What's On...

Mark your calendar or phone NOW!
Don't miss out on all the great entertainment/activities in our local area!

Date	Time	Event	Place
May 9th	2:30-4:30pm	Kids Cupcake Decorating for Mum	Guilderton Country Club
May 12th	6.30pm	Community Social Darts 6.15pm for registration	Woodridge Hall
May 16th	8.30am -12	Seabird Community Clean-up	Seabird Hall
May 23rd	3pm-6	Community Emergency Services Afternoon	Moore Brewery Caraban Rd
May 27th	9am-2.30	Community Bus Seniors' lunch	Hillary's Yacht Club
June 10th		Neighbourhood Watch	Neergabby Hall
July 4th	9am-12	Library 20th Birthday Gala morning	Guilderton



St John  **St John Ambulance Woodridge Sub Centre**

Margaret and Alan Alderson want to thank our local St John Ambulance volunteers for being so gentle and caring during a call out. They are angels.

Margaret Alderson



Have you visited our website?

www.moorerivernews.com.au



To book the Lower Coastal Community Bus
 Min cost to hire bus \$30
 Shopping trips - **0493 052 348**
 Private bookings - **localbus6041@gmail.com**
 Or **0417 978 281**

April has kept the Community Bus team on our toes. Our shopping bus (running 1st and 3rd Thursday) swung from one extreme to the other - fully booked before the school holidays, even having to turn passengers away, to the opposite situation on 16 April, when childcare commitments meant only six passengers travelled. We also needed to cancel one of our planned April outings due to childcare commitments by many in our community.

The Bus Committee will have met by the time you read this, with planning underway for upcoming fundraising events. We're also delighted to have been invited to promote the Community Bus during the 20th Anniversary of the Guilderton Library on 4th July, which promises to be a wonderful community celebration.

Our recycling drive continues to grow, with over \$400 donated this month to help with running costs. A huge thank you to everyone contributing - including two major donors, Phil from Redfield and Mac from Seabird, as well as many generous locals and our regular supporters at the Moore River Roadhouse. Phil and I have taken the trailer with caged sides, down twice this month, both times fully loaded thanks to your efforts as well as each city trip in our car (sorry Moore Clothes, we haven't been able to help with your deliveries). We also welcomed a new volunteer driver, Lindy from Redfield, bringing our team to a perfect balance of men and women. It's wonderful to see the volunteer base growing & if you would like to join our great team, get in contact.

With fuel prices fluctuating wildly, our average fuel cost for a shopping trip has jumped from **\$35 to \$56** and will likely continue to vary for a while. Despite this, we are pleased to confirm that the \$10 passenger donation is unchanged for now.

If you have suggestions for outings, we'd love to hear them. And remember - the Community Bus is available for private hire. Recent uses have included airport transfer, movie outings and golfing & equestrian events. Your support keeps this service running for everyone in the Lower Coastal Communities.

Donations **BSB 633000 A/C 209826171**
Cash for Cans C11441176

May Events

Mon 4th May - Gathering Place, Gingin 10 - 1.30pm
 Thurs 7th May - Clarkson Shops 9 - 2.30pm
 Frid 15th May - Red Cross, Gingin 9 - 11.30am
 Thurs 21st May - Clarkson Shops 9 - 2.30pm
 Weds 27th May - Hillary's Yacht Club seniors' lunch 9-2.30
 Donation required to cover bus costs & some events have other costs such as entry, tickets, food & drinks.

Community Bus Organisers

Hillary's Yatch Club
Wednesday 27th May -
Seniors Lunch - Main
\$25, 2 course \$30!

RESERVE YOUR SEAT ON
THE COMMUNITY BUS

WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY

text 0493052348 for more information

\$20
DEPOSIT
PAYABLE

MENU - MAIN CHOOSE 1
CHICKEN PARM, CHIP & SALAD
BEER BATTERED FISH & CHIP, SALAD,
MILD-VEGIE CURRY & RICE
DESSERT - APPLE & RHUBARB PIE &
CUSTARD

GINGIN WEST VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE



Currently, permits are still required as we are still in the restricted period. This due to end soon but this can change depending on the weather or other conditions.

Keep an eye on Shire of Gingin's web page for current information.

Please also be aware of the Fire Danger Rating on the days you are burning, if it's HIGH or above then permits are cancelled. Remember to register your burn (even with a permit) with DFES on 08 9395 9209 at least 15 minutes before you commence.

Permits available online at
<https://form.jotform.com/220960250247046>

Check www.emergency.wa.gov.au for fire danger rating before burning (click on the coloured rating icon) Thank you to everyone so far following the correct procedures. Have a happy and safe May

Gingin West Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade



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


GUILDERTON
COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Guilderton Community Library is turning 20

20 YEARS OF STORIES, SHARED TOGETHER

Gala Morning Community Event

SAVE THE DATE



9:00 AM - 12:00 PM
Saturday, 4 July 2026



Guilderton
Community Hall

 Memory Wall

 Face Painting

 Raffles and prizes

 Free Morning Tea

 Sausage Sizzle

 Colouring comp

 Kids Corner

 Local produce

 Birthday cake

 Arts and crafts

KIDS ACTIVITIES

FREE ENTRY

OPEN FOR ALL AGES

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106 Paperbark Ave
Redfield Park

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Moore Clothes Inc.

Phone:
0436 457 164

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have a cuppa with
friends and neighbours.
Fantastic range of
clothes etc

Open: 10-12am on Monday,
Tuesday and Saturday
2-4.30pm on Thursday.
2.30-4.30pm Friday



Well we celebrated our 10th Birthday and are so grateful to all that attended, a special thanks to all our volunteers that helped make the event a great success. Moore Clothes is blessed to have so many helpers who go above and beyond to make us so successful.



Our community pantry is available in store to anyone in need and available when we are open.



Our Synergy Community Giving Fund grant has been a great success with our 'Care for yourself' free sessions fully booked each time.

We really appreciate the community support and thank all our volunteers that support us in store, deliveries - coordinator and drivers who deliver, you are amazing



Thanks, Julie Polette
0410582817

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:

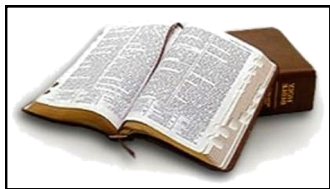
- Supporting LGA officers to investigate and mitigate stable fly outbreaks
- Supporting affected community members and reporting outbreak data to DPIRD
- Supporting further scientific research and trials to reduce stable fly outbreaks
- Lobbying government for meaningful reforms to current legislation (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





Scripture

"There are many people who have a fear of inviting God into their lives because they are under false perception that they are not good enough or have made too much of a mess of their lives and Jesus won't accept them. This is the biggest lie from the enemy of your soul.

Luke 5:30-32 says: 'And the Pharisees and their scribes grumbled at his disciples, saying, 'Why do you eat and drink with tax collectors and sinners?' And Jesus answered them, Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I have not come to call the righteous but sinners to repentance.' 'For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him. Whoever believes in him is not condemned.

(John 3:17-18a).

We are all sinners, but some look righteous and morally good and hide their sin, and some sin more openly - but sin is sin whichever way you look at it. We are all part of a fallen race but '...God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.' (John 3:16). No-one is inherently good!

Remember that lovely old hymn -

"Just as I am - without one plea, but that thy blood was shed for me, and that thou bidst me come to Thee, O Lamb of God, I come..."

(All scripture is taken from the English Standard Version)

MOORE PRAYER: We continue to lift up those who are going through tests and trials especially in this hour. If you would like us to pray for you if you are going through some rough times please feel to give us a call: All requests are strictly confidential. A burden shared is a burden halved and we would love to pray with, and for you.

Bibles are free if you would like one. Please phone either

Sue 0419 035 777 or Judy 0429 108 89



Playgroup WA

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



GUILDERTON COUNTRY CLUB

Phone 9577 1013

fb: GuildyCountryClub

Email: info@guildertoncc.com.au

Another fantastic month here at Guilderton Country Club. Once again Bingo was a huge hit. I'm sure word's getting around that Cooky is the best bingo caller in the West!

We welcomed some new members last month. Remember to come in and chat to our friendly staff if you wish to know more about becoming a member. You can choose from Social, Golf, Bowling or all three.

Our Grand Masters Rock Quiz was an absolute blast! This was the first one that I've been part of, and I must say, get booked in for our next one! 17th October is the date to lock into your diary. Boots & Beats was also a huge hit. We have Anne-Marie booked in again so, dust off those boots!



May Madness is upon us. Dates to lock in :

- 9th Kids Cupcake Decorating for Mum 2:30-4:30pm. \$5 per child. Adult supervision required.
- 10th **Mother's Day Breakfast** 8am – 11am. Booking Essential
- 16th **Cooking Class with Chef Clare-** 2:30pm – 4:30pm. Taste of Italy! \$25. Take home what you make! Glass of wine on arrival. Only 15 spots available. Book now!
- 23rd **The Barrel & Banter Club** \$45. This month's focus will be choosing wine for our wine list. Chef Clare will be providing lite bites to compliment these wines.
- 30th. **Boot Scooting** 3:30 – 4:30pm. \$15. So much fun!

We also have our usual weekly events.

Wednesday Pool Comp – Winner Takes All

Thursday Roast Night

Friday Members Draw – Must be present to win

Saturday Meat Raffle

It's been an absolute pleasure serving you this month, and my team and I look forward to seeing you all again soon. Until then, stay happy, healthy & Safe. With gratitude as always.

Lynne Conway
Venue Manager



Usual golf days are:

Saturday: Names in by 11.45am

Wednesday 9 holes Scroungers: Name by 1.45pm

EASTER FUNDRAISER

Our committee and members work hard to make the Easter Saturday fundraiser a success, and what a great success it was this year with our total topping over **\$5000**

But, we couldn't do it without the generous donations from members and local community members as well as visitors turning up in droves, all to support the golf club!

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU TO YOU ALL!

The golf and footgolf hole-in-ones were a great new initiative and will stay next year! While no one scored the elusive hole-in-one for either golf or footgolf, there were some very close attempts. Consequently, we rewarded the closest golfer and foot golfer (under 14 years) with the prize! Everyone was a winner!

We look forward to everyone's continued support next year!

SUMMER CUP RESULTS

It was an exciting end to our summer season and the Summer Cup!

The Ladies winner was **JENNY SCHAEFFER** who flew home to win with 72 points from **LYNNE MALONE** with 70 points. The Men's winner was **BOB JOHNSON** with a well compiled 72 points ahead of our consistent Captain, **Phil Flavell** on 69 points. Well done and congratulations to you all.



With the end of the summer season came the naming of the eclectic summer season winners: Well done to **JENNY SCHAEFFER** on winning the Ladies eclectic and **RON JONES** for taking out the Mens.

OPENING DAY

Great golf! Great people! Great fun! Great day!



The Opening Day saw 18 players team up in pairs to play Two Team Ambrose.

The event is sponsored by our long time member and dedicated supporter of the Club over many years in **Maggie Schmiedte**.

Ron Jones and Phil Flavell won the day with 63 net and took home the beautiful basket of goodies!

Sandra Gregorini and Craig Hanlon were very close behind with a 65 net.

It was a fantastic day to commence our winter season of golf.

As with everything pertaining to the Golf Club, the winter fixtures are on the website.



Ian Hastings

Device Advice



A Self Help Group
Meets last Thursday each month
0428 922 301

28th May

10am Seabird Hall \$2

Aimed at anyone wanting to learn about their devices or anyone who has a problem. There are no experts, just community members happy to share & help. You will need to use your own data/hotspot

Feb - Nov Meeting Last Thursday of the month excepting public holidays

March Meeting Wrap-Up

Our self-help tech group met on March 26th, and as always, a wide mix of everyday device challenges were tackled with plenty of patience and teamwork.

This month's topics included:

- Sorting out adaptive brightness and mysteriously dark screens
- Transferring photos from mobile phones to computers
- Trimming videos for email
- How to take screenshots
- Solving a black-screen smart watch
- Managing email attachments
- Understanding Voicemail 101, including voice-to-text and how to delete old messages
- Tips for using phone calendars

No one claims to be an expert, but together we usually find a solution - or at least learn something new.

We also enjoyed Kath's monthly birthday cake and welcomed two visitors from the Eastern States, who made the most of the group's shared knowledge and left with several problems solved.

Our next meeting will be:

Thursday 28 May, 10am at Seabird Hall
\$2 entry, which covers morning tea.

All skill levels are warmly welcomed.

Bring your questions, your curiosity, and your willingness to learn - that's all you need.

Caron Melvin
Device Advice Co-ordinator

Any alterations needed?

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

Call Anne on 0429 952 927.



Crafty Patch

meet each
Tuesday
At Woodridge
hall 9am-12pm



Our group has some very talented ladies as you will see by the projects (some finished and some still underway) Rita knitted this lovely orange top after constructing her own knitting pattern. Karen has been very busy with her patchwork quilts, which are inspiring with her creativity; many made from fabric scrap.



Pauline makes and designs her own patterns as she goes,

producing miniature dolls, whales and a chocolate teddy. While Anne made a very crafty Easter rabbit kitchen hand towel.



Rita has been dabbling in piece work, constructing a picture from her holiday in Halong Bay Vietnam.



Maureen produced some beautiful one-of-a-kind bags all made from fabric scraps. Anne knits stunning children's jumpers for families in need, while Pat has crocheted a colourful wheelchair blanket along with hair bands.

All our ladies are so very talented and give freely of their time and experience.



Welcome back Helen who was missed due to ill health but on the mend.

So, if you are looking for good company, plenty of laughter / fun and cuppa come along and share with us all.

We meet at Woodridge Hall on Tuesday mornings 9-12noon All welcome

Crafty Ladies

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.

Well the weather is certainly cooling off and shortly winter will be with us again. Now's the time to look up all the good healthy soups & vegies recipes to help keep warm during those cold days but not to put on the calories over the winter. So many good recipes, we will have the first in next months news.

Since the FOOT TO CORE EXERCISE presentation by Siobhan Vosnacos on that amazing morning, Siobhan has put together exercises for us, and we have now started the journey of improving our problems and enjoying the exercises before our meeting. If interested, feel free to come and take part in the exercises have a cuppa and stay on to the meeting- this may also help with a few kilos you want to lose and as always, enjoy the friendship of the group.

CALL DOT 0429969889 be there 8.45 am every Wednesday at Sovereign Hill Community Hall. Till next month Cheers hope to see you pop in for a cuppa.

Dot B. President

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 to find out more.
give Julie a call 0410 582 817**

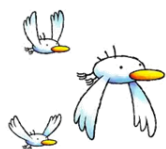
Visitors welcome.



**Lower Coastal
Community Association**

meet quarterly.

*Find out what is happening in
YOUR area.*



NOTES FROM SEABIRD

Easter Energy and Excitement

The legendary Easter event activities at Seabird were amazing. Starting on Saturday with the cake stall, almost everyone came to choose a delicious offering, and the tables were bursting with delicious cakes, buns, biscuits, scones and slices, including some tasty gluten-free goods. Gala Day was one the best yet with a fantastic turnout, helped by the fine weather and lots of



super activities to choose from. Locals and holiday makers enjoyed the face painting for the children, all types of races, raffles, auctions, tug-of-war and hole in one. The winners of the races

aren't named but you know who you are. There was tasty food and the bar was open for all to enjoy. The camaraderie was evident and everyone had a great time catching up with friends and making new ones.

SPA thanks everyone who helped make this such a success, with a substantial total raised.



Farewell to Seabird Legends

Locals gathered at the Seabird Hall on Sunday 15 March to bid a heartfelt farewell to Claire and Bruce Bentley. For 23 years, this fabulous couple called Seabird their home and during that time were amazing contributors to the community. They got activities going and were active on the Progress Association, volunteering countless hours supporting many projects. They were fun and friendly and devoted to the town, helping whenever and wherever they could. They have relocated to the lucky Boddington for new adventures. Good luck to them both and we welcome many return visits. Hope to see you soon, Bruce and Claire!



Claire and Bruce Bentley & Susan and Chris Garnett

Coming Up - Community Clean Up

Cyclone Narelle scared us off for the original date so the new date for community clean up is Saturday, 16 May - 8.30am - 12pm. Meet at the Seabird Hall for rubbish pick up supplies.

Regular Events (Seabird Hall)

Pickle Ball - second Saturday of the month from 4pm - bring a plate and your enthusiasm to have a go. Beginners/all abilities are welcome and the bar is open.

Craft - every Monday at 10.30am. Come along with your latest project or just for a cuppa and catchup.

Book Club - second Thursday of the month. The members rotate the hosting. Books at the Bird said a sad goodbye to Claire but welcomed Carmel to the group. Contact Sharon if you would like to come along.

Device Advice - Last Thursday of the month - 9am to 11am. Come along and learn about your device or get help with a tech issue. Bring \$2 for tea/coffee.

Ness

Lower Coastal

NEIGHBOURHOOD

WATCH

10th June 2026

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

NEERGABBY HALL

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

for further information contact:

Dot Branch 0429969889

supper provided after meeting

Hope to see you all at the next meeting at Neergabby hall great supper after the meeting, Lancelin police will be there, come and listen to all the goings on over the last couple of months, including Easter and school holiday and Anzac day long weekend. keep safe, stay alert report to police any problems you may have they are always there to help.

Cheers Dot B. 0429969889



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. All types of puzzles gladly accepted. Puzzles can be collected or swapped during Moore Clothes open hours. See separate advertisement.



GUILDERTON BOWLING CLUB

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

Congratulation the Phil Smeeton winning the Singles Championship (back to back). Phil was the winner last year also, runner up is Mick Sutherland.



Well done Mick such a great game, there was some really good bowling from all players. Winter scrongers will be starting shortly so keep your eyes open in the next newsletter.



All bowlers welcome bowls available for non-bowlers.

Congratulation to all pennant bowlers for such a great effort in finish in the finals. (Always Next Year)

Dot B. (Social Secretary)



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
even if its for coffee

Sovereign Hill Crafty Witches Group Every Monday 9am to Noon



On Easter Saturday the Craft Group held a stall at the Moore Mens Shed Open Day in Guilderton

We are pleased to announce that we made \$240 from the sale of items made by the ladies of the group.

It was decided to donate \$250 to the Cancer Foundation for Breast Cancer research - this being the proceeds from the stall plus a small donation from the group. Thanks go to the Moore Men's Shed for allowing us to participate in their Open Day plus all the lovely people who purchased items.

Thanks must also go to the ladies who helped at the stall - Rosemary, Pat and Vicki - your assistance is very much appreciated.

We still have items such as dolls, baby clothes, jumpers beanies, scarfs and much more - so if you would like to purchase any of these items, please contact one of our members.

If you would like to join our little group, we meet most Mondays 9:30 to noon at Sovereign House, however, during this time of fuel uncertainty please ring Wendy on 0429938232 prior to coming as we are looking at only doing every second Monday until normality returns.

Wendy

**COMMUNITY
SOCIAL DARTS**

Starts at 6.30pm
Be there by 6.15pm
for registration.

**TUESDAY
12TH OF MAY**
At the Woodridge Hall.

\$5 ENTRY

**BYO DRINKS
AND NIBBLES**

Country & Coast

Shire of Gingin News & Information

Council Decisions

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

- Bushfire Risk Mitigation Plan (2026-2028).
- Change of Commencement Time for Council Meetings.
- Lease of Gingin Incident Control Centre - Lot 99 Weld St, Gingin.
- Sublease Proposal - Lot 500 Jones Street, Gingin (Gingin Railway Station).
- Lancelin Coastal Erosion Update.
- 5 Motions of Which Previous Notice Has Been Given
- Planning Applications - 2 applications considered.

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

Strategic Community Plan - Available for Public Comment!

The Shire of Gingin has prepared a draft of the Strategic Community Plan (2026 - 2036), and we want your feedback before 22 May!

This is your opportunity to ensure what we heard at the Strategic Direction Community Workshops and in the Community Perception Survey results, are reflected in the draft SCP.

There is still time to provide feedback:

1. Complete a short survey via the QR code below.
2. Send your feedback via email to mail@gingin.wa.gov.au.

Public comment is available until **22 May 2026**.

WAYS TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK



ONLINE
SURVEY



EMAIL THE
SHIRE



SCAN THE QR CODE

To read the Draft Strategic Community Plan, or provide your feedback, please visit our website (gingin.wa.gov.au) or contact us via mail@gingin.wa.gov.au

Public comment available until 22 May 2026

Upcoming/Works In Progress Update

Drainage Management Works:

Side entry pit and soak well drainage works throughout the Shire have commenced. These works are essential to improve stormwater management and reduce localised flooding ahead of the winter rains.

We kindly ask residents and road users to please be mindful of workers when driving past and adhere to all temporary signage in place.

Upcoming Survey Works - Road Condition and Asset Survey:

Road condition and asset survey works across our sealed road network has commenced and will continue for the next couple weeks. Specialised vehicles will be travelling throughout the area to capture pavement condition data, road surface assessments, and images of road assets.

These surveys help us plan future maintenance and ensure our roads remain safe and well-maintained for everyone.

Further updates will be provided as these projects progress via our social media and website. We thank the community for your understanding as we deliver these works.

Restricted Burning Period

1 May 2026 - 15 May 2026 (midnight)

The Shire of Gingin is in its Restricted Burning Period. Permits are now available for:

- Agricultural burns;
- Pile burns; and
- Bush blocks

Reminder, it is your responsibility to:

- Obtain a permit
- Check weather conditions and fire danger rating (FDR) the day you burn
- Call DFES on (08) 9395 9209 to register your burn
- Have three or more people supervising the burn

To obtain a Permit to Burn, please visit: gingin.wa.gov.au

For more information on permissions during the Restricted Burning Period, please refer to your Firebreak Order & Bush Fire Information booklet (that you will have received in your annual rates envelope). Alternatively, you can view the Firebreak Order & Bush Fire Information booklet via: gingin.wa.gov.au



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Community Emergency Services Afternoon!

Join us for an afternoon to celebrate our incredibly dedicated emergency services personnel who serve our community!

From 3:00pm - 6:00pm at Moore River Brewing Co, you'll have a chance to meet the crew, learn about volunteering or working at various emergency organisations in our Shire, and take part in some games.

This family friendly event is proudly sponsored by Volunteering WA, Lotterywest and the Minderoo Foundation as part of the National Volunteer Week.

Thank you to Lancelin Marine Rescue, Gingin Volunteer Fire & Rescue, St John WA - Lancelin, Gingin DHS and Gingin Police for supporting the Shire with this project. Thanks also to the Shire of Gingin Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades and Gingin Red Cross for participating.

COMMUNITY EMERGENCY SERVICES AFTERNOON

MOORE RIVER BREWERY, 558 CARABAN RD
3PM - 6PM, SAT 23 MAY 2026

What's on In the Shire of Gingin?

SPACE Weekly Meetings

Every Monday, 2:00pm - 5:00pm, Ocean Farm Community Hall.

Makers & Growers Mother's Day Market

Sunday 9 May, 9:00am - 12:00pm, 11 Constable St, Gingin.

Ordinary Council Meeting

Tuesday 19 May, 4:00pm - 6:00pm, Shire of Gingin Council Chambers, Gingin.

Community Emergency Services Afternoon

Saturday 23 May, 3:00pm - 6:00pm, Moore River Brewery, Caraban.

Lower Coastal Community Bus - Senior's Lunch

Saturday 27 May, Hillary's Yacht Club.

Workforce Ready Workshop

Monday 1 July, 1A Lily King Place, Gingin.

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

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STRATEGIC **DRAFT** Community Plan



The Shire of Gingin has prepared a first draft of the Strategic Community Plan (2026 - 2036), and we want your feedback!

This is your opportunity to ensure what we heard at the Strategic Direction Community Workshops and in the Community Perception Survey results, are reflected in the draft SCP.

WAYS TO PROVIDE FEEDBACK



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To read the Draft Strategic Community Plan, or provide your feedback, please visit our website (gingin.wa.gov.au) or contact us via mail@gingin.wa.gov.au

Public comment available until 22 May 2026



Welcome to the May edition of the garden column.

Lawns - Set mower blades higher. More leaf surface area helps improve root growth so it can cope better in the hot weather. Pre-emergent should already be applied, however, if not, start looking for those weeds and pull them as soon as you spot them, or spray if that is your preference. Turf still likes to be fed with fertilisers in the cooler weather, just look to change the ratio of NPK the help the roots a bit more. If your lawn is yellowing look to apply iron and Manganese to bring the colour back, and, if you really love a green lawn, look to a dye, like Colourguard to provide a green lawn for up to 3 months.



Before Iron and Manganese



After Iron and Manganese (Colourguard, 2 weeks later)

Tip for May: Recently, I find a lot of land owner clients have an issue with Love Grass. We love to hate it. It is painful to control and a blemish on nice lawns and wild/native areas in clients gardens. I understand the reluctance to use glyphosate to control weeds in gardens.

Look to use selective herbicides where lovegrass is the target. I use a systemic selective herbicide where Flupropanate is the active ingredient. **Read the instructions carefully though, including the PPE requirements!** Always read the MSDS for chemicals you apply to your garden and around your home. Some selective and non-selective herbicides cannot be applied near water sources or ponds/lakes, they will kill your fish. Flupropanate does harm other turf types and can harm some plants. **Read the label carefully!**

It is a systemic herbicide and takes 4 to 12 months to actually work. Systemic herbicides work from the roots up, whereas foliar herbicides work from the leaves down. For a systemic herbicide to work properly it needs to be watered down into the plant, so rain or retic is needed. Overwater though and you risk it washing straight passed the roots without getting taken up by the target plant. Patience is the key. Apply it in April and May and the Winter rains do the work.

Vegetables to plant: Artichoke crowns.

Seeds to sow: Broad beans, Lettuce, Mustards, Onions, Pak Choi, Radish, Spinach, and Turnip.

Plant seedlings: Cauliflower, and Rocket.

Plant garlic bulbs if you haven't already.

For the people who love to listen to garden ideas - This month I have really enjoyed listening to the Raised Vegetable Beds episode of All the Dirt Gardening Sustainable Food Podcast. It goes through a lot of the benefits of raised garden beds to grow vegetables including specific fertiliser element requirements during the vegetable growing phases.

Have a great May everyone, and remember, gardeners know all the dirt ☺ 🌱

Nathan
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GUILDERTON VISITOR CENTRE

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April has been a good month for the Centre with visitors using our services in a steady stream.

They have come in to inquire about canoe hire, walking trails, accommodation, bird life, dog areas, children's activities, the lighthouse, where to go for meals, foot golf, library hours, boat regulations and much more. They have asked and been given tourist brochures and pamphlets on the local area and purchased items from the Centre.

Such a variety of topics covered during the month. It gives you a lovely feeling to be able to say to yourself as you shut the door that you have helped to make someone's holiday a little easier as they have the right information to find the things they require.

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News From Sovereign Hill

The Sovereign Hill Community Association would like to thank everyone that attended the Community Celebration Day on Easter Monday.

It was a great day and everyone was able to see the renovated and decorated Sovereign House. Thank you to so many local residents that helped with the refurbishments. Amazing community effort. Clint Swift was our project manager and was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation by Cr Linda Balcombe.



The Shire Of Gingin provided financial support to our refurbishments and supported our free breakfast for all on Easter Monday. .

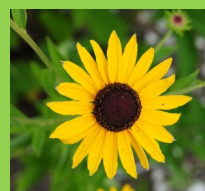


Huge thank you to everyone that has been involved.

The amazing face painter,
Jess



Regards Jane Taylor



Sovereign Hill Garden Club

We meet at Sovereign Hill Hall
every 2nd Saturday of the month at
1.30pm

Phone Sonja 0404687 230 for more info and to find out what gardens we might be visiting or workshops we might have coming up.

The garden club hosted a successful stall at the Guilderton Men Shed open day - thank you to everyone who supported us.

Our April meeting was held in Woodridge where we discussed "tips and tricks for growing veggies". A great number of tips were shared - from crushed eggshells around the garden to deter slugs and snails to dried pulverised eggshells around plants to add extra nutrients, to wicking beds and how to build it, rotating crops to get the best yield next year, various fertilisers and the timing of these fertilisers, where to plant herbs and veggies, to plant what you enjoy eating and many, many more. The best tip was considered to be to soak beetroot in soluble boron (like boronic acid) overnight to improve germination and early growth.



We had a great afternoon touring the garden, admiring the Rose of Sharon hibiscus, discussing which olives had more oil and when to harvest. (Taking a rest, below)

We even saw an unexpected visitor in the garden - or maybe he thought we were the unexpected visitors in *his* garden? We also saw a few bees playing in the proteas.

In May we will be visiting a garden in Guilderton - and the topic will be "gardening in sandy, windy, salty conditions" - all very typical of Guilderton's



environment. If you would like to have more information and the location of the meeting please call

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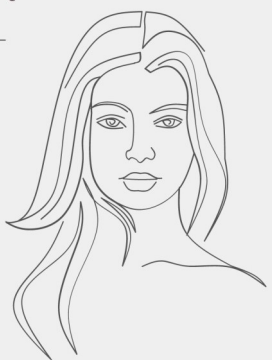
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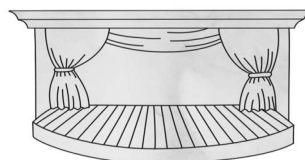


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