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Biggest Crowd Ever Enjoys 20th Dardanup Lions/ Dardanup Residents Assoc Australia Day Breakfast In Carramar Park

A huge crowd enjoyed a delicious cooked breakfast, muffins, watermelon and juice all prepared and served by the Dardanup Lions Club and the Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc for a gold coin donation. These 2 community groups have organized the breakfast for 20 years now and included this years entertainment; the Dardanup Community Choir, the band Stigwood, childrens games and bouncy castle. David Wells addressed the crowd with a summary of the Lions achievements over the last 50 years and tales about some notable past members. The Shire of Dardanup supports the breakfast with funding as well as funding this year through the Australia Day Council.

Annually at the breakfast the Dardanup Lions and Dardanup Residents Assoc presents a Citizenship Award to someone or a group in the community who display outstanding volunteering. This year that award was presented to Ron Farr, Amanda and Jonathon Farr (Ron's son) and Jacqui Smith. Unfortunately, Jacqui was away and couldn't be with us.

Jill Cross elaborated on the efforts of these 4 community volunteers. "For the last 12 months Jonathon, Amanda and Jacqui have been working with an independent charity called Feed It Forward. Feed it Forward provides food relief to all communities within the Perth Metro and the regions to the homeless, aged care, families in need, school breakfast clubs, soup kitchens, church groups, womens refuges, etc. Feed it Forward works with Woolworths and other stores and another larger organization called Second Bite likewise provides food relief and works with Coles and Aldi.



L to r Ron Farr, Amanda Farr and Jonathon Farr

The SW Coordinator of Feed It Forward contacts Amanda, Jonathon and Jacqui each week and advises through Feed it Forward or Second Bite which store they need to go to to collect food and sometimes this involves pickups from multiple stores. This is all done voluntarily I must add, using their own vehicles. That food in then set up every Sunday on Rons verandah in Dardanup where anyone can go and collect food. What a wonderful service these 4 are providing to locals who need a helping hand.

Prior to Ron, Jacqui, Amanda and Jonathon collecting and distributing food this initiative was started during Covid by Lorelei

Matthews who used to live in Dardanup but moved away 12 months ago and that's when these 4 took over. So we must acknowledge and thank Lorrelie for initiating this service. We all gave these 4 a hearty round of applause."

The Shire of Dardanup present their own awards and this year the Community Group award was presented by Cr Ellen Lilly to the Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc for their work coordinating the 100th birthday celebrations for the town of Dardanup held last year. Jill Cross, Chairperson accepted the award on the Associations behalf and provided the following details about the work of the DDRA which with some activities involves many community members and not just the DDRA Committee.

"The DDRA was formed in 1987 and current members are myself, Mary Smith, Cathy Miller, Dot Tyrrell, Maxine Bourne, Darline Morgan, Di Rayner(our Sec, currently at home recovering from hip surgery) Maureen Ward, Jenny and Ian Trigwell.

We undertake many and varied jobs in this community and we are also here to communicate with Council on the community's behalf. So we Coordinate the Annual Clean Up Dardanup Day on the long weekend in March. This year will be our 20th year ably coordinated by Mary Smith. Rural properties are encouraged to pickup rubbish along their road verge and then the Shire collects the bags.

Our Committee coordinates the Dardanup dawn and main Anzac Day Services and the last few years a Remembrance Day service Mary also coordinates the St John Ambulance 1st aid course every 2 years and think we are due this year so look out for the ads in the Dardanup Times.

We Coordinate use of the Community photocopier owned by DDRA and housed at the Shire office.

The Dardanup Times has been distributed monthly for 25 years though has been printed for 36 years as used to be called the District Times and was printed quarterly. The Dardanup Times is a very important source of information for the community and takes many members of the community to produce.

Andrea Patterson beautifully presents the Dardanup Times once all our regulars send us their news such as the schools, Seniors, Shire, Playgroup, Dardanup Vet, Lions and Wink Lyndsay. Then Lance Hurst and Ron Farr print and fold 775 copies which takes most of the day. A big job and much appreciated chaps. I must mention Christine Commons here as up til only recently Chris also folded the Times but has now moved to the east to be closer to family. Doesn't stop her from reminding via emails about bit and pieces. The advertising in the Dardanup Times as well as the Shire and Wespine providing grants pay for the production of the Times. The Dardanup Times features 4 pages of coloured ads with other adds in the white pages. We appreciate the support of our local businesses because if they didn't advertise then we wouldn't be able to fund production of the Dardanup Times. Im sure the local businesses appreciate the exposure as well. Dot Tyrrell does all the advertising invoicing as well as being our Res Assoc Treasurer. Terry Eaton distributes the

Dardanup Times through the Post Office and Nav and Em distribute through the General Store on our behalf. Thankyou everyone. Today is the 20th Australia Day breakfast in Dardanup that the Residents Assoc have coordinated with the Dardanup Lions Club. Our big project this year was coordinating Dardanups 100th bday which was held in May. We commenced organising the celebrations at the beginning of the year and held a few meetings. The daytime celebrations were organised by the DDRA and the evenings Gatsby Ball was organised by another Committee with representations on that Committee by Di, Darline and Jenny. Ros Ruland, Ebony Harding, Lisa Sampey, Ellen Lilly, Lorrelie Ratcliffe and Tonia Dau made up the rest of the Gatsby Ball Committee. Was an event we will all remember for some time.

We applied for a grant to assist the Dardanup Heritage Collective in funding boards that displayed Dardanup's history and Jenny Trigwell applied for a Wespine grant which funded a sign for the new section of Carramar Park. This is soon to be installed."



Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc Committee and Supporters L to r rear Ron Farr, Darline Morgan, Tony Albertson, Maxine Bourne, Cathy Miller, Ian Trigwell, l to r front Dot Tyrrell, Maureen Ward, Mary Smith, Jenny Trigwell and Jill Cross
Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc Committee and Supporters



L- R: Jodie Hanns MLA, Josephine Holland, Robert Doherty, Shelby Grey, Chelsey North, Kiara Roworth and Shire President Tyrrell Gardiner. Daniel Fry was absent as he was assisting with the Burekup Breakfast



Scenes from the Dardanup Australia Day Breakfast



Congratulations Rob

Robert resides in the Wellington Mill area and is heavily involved in the emergency services field.

Robert's exceptional contributions to the Wellington Mills Volunteer Bushfire Brigade have been outstanding and he played an integral role in the brigade's nomination in the 2023 DFES Firefighting Team Achievement Awards. His dedication, commitment, and tireless efforts have been instrumental in the brigade's outstanding contribution to community preparedness throughout the 2022/23 period. The unwavering support and countless hours of service have made a real difference in our community's ability to stay safe and prepared in the face of bushfire threats. Robert continues to provide hours upon hours as a volunteer bushfire brigade member. He strives to protect the community and ensure the safety of every community member. Robert is a trusted member of the brigade and a mentor to those within the brigade. A true team member who is spoke highly of. Thank you, Robert, for your unwavering support to the emergency services.

Shire of Dardanup Australia Day Award Winners and Nominees

Youth Citizen of the Year:

Kiara Roworth, Eaton – Winner
Chelsey North – Burekup
Shelby Grey - Burekup

Community Citizen of the Year:

Robert Doherty, Wellington Mill – Winner
Daniel Fry – Burekup

Senior Citizen of the Year:

Josephine Holland, Eaton – Winner

Active Citizenship of the Year:

Dardanup & Districts Residents Association - Winner

Dardanup Lions News

The Dardanup Lions Club members are witnessing a "changing of the guard" as far as responsible positions in the club go. Always seeking to avoid rusted in executive functioning.

DONATIONS POLICY

Being men you might wonder how we keep the balls in the air juggling where we apply assistance in community affairs.

Straight up our ideals state we can't debate (deal with) sectarian religious or party political issues.

Over time we have formed a convention of (roughly) allocating 70% of money and effort to local advancement and humanitarian help. A further 20% will go to research within State and Australia wide shared with disaster relief. And a possible 10% supplementation to either or just to some international humanitarian causes. Some causes have the occasional big event happen which tilts the rationale to some degree. It then settles back.

Three quarters of the organisations we help; we have been supporting historically for the last decade or more. As support worthy causes drop off the list we seek new ways to help the community such as the eye screening in 2023 conducted at the Primary School. The Leeuwin Scholarship was an example of State Corporations re-juggle of the ship's running which meant it stayed in port this year. Members will examine future youth promotion examples together with the potential restart of Leeuwin sailings.

Because of their being about twenty six causes on the active list, to prevent most of our meeting time being tied to examining every cause we simply debate the merit of changes to the list (less than 25%). There is then room to listen to new areas of need or to iron out physical assistance to local efforts for the town (Information Board for example).

One last imperative is that we have fun in our efforts.

PHIL OTTREY

Annual Community Meetings to Foster Engagement

The Shire of Dardanup will once again host its annual Community Meetings, a series of interactive forums aimed at fostering open dialogue between the community and Council.

Shire President Cr Tyrrell Gardiner said these meetings provide a valuable opportunity for residents to share their ideas, concerns, and aspirations directly with Councillors and Council staff.

Cr Gardiner highlighted the success of last year's Community Meetings and encouraged residents to attend one of the four being held in Eaton, Ferguson Valley, Dardanup and Burekup.

"The Community Meetings have proven to be an invaluable platform for our community members to actively participate in the decision-making process," Cr Gardiner said.

"The constructive feedback we received last year played a crucial role in shaping our priorities and initiatives for the benefit of the entire community.

"Between the four meetings held throughout our Shire, there were 42 actions identified by those communities, with the majority completed or in progress.

"We saw requests range from more outdoor lighting for a local bushfire brigade station, to sporting club facilities needing equipment upgrades. Council wants to hear what our residents see as priorities to help build a stronger, more vibrant Shire."

This year's Meetings will be held at the following locations:

Ferguson Valley

Thursday, 22 February

Venue: Ferguson Valley Hall, 953 Ferguson Road, Ferguson Valley

Time: 5:30pm to 7:00pm

Dardanup Senior Citizens News

37 Members & invited guests enjoyed our Christmas Dinner at the Dardanup Heritage Park on the 28th November. Thankyou to Jill Brooks & staff, Dardanup Community Choir & John Guimelli.

Thank you to our Sponsors. Shire of Dardanup, Dardanup Lions Club & Doral Mineral Sands.

Party Time ! On the 20th February we are celebrating our 30th Anniversary at the Dardanup Tavern at 12noon. Members & invited guests please **RSVP by the 7th February**. All Members will be contacted. Photo albums will be available for all to reminisce on the old times.

Reminder - Mahjong is on every fortnight commencing 17th January, 1.30pm to 3.30pm at the Dardanup Shire office in Dardanup.

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February is the beginning of the Noongar Season *Bunaru* (Second summer). It is the traditionally the hottest month and the long range forecast is for more of what we experienced in January. When the

Marri trees bloom, the Marsh/March Flies will arrive. I am amazed at how they can still bite through jeans! Cover up to avoid being bitten and be sensible in the heat. Garden smart in the heat - harvest and work during the cooler early morning and late evening. The strong easterly winds tend to frazzle us all, so do what you can to limit the damage in your garden.

Planting in February? Don't feel that you have to plant anything this time of year. It is better to focus on keeping the water and shade up to the plants you have rather than trying to nurse new seedlings through searing heat. Fast growing greens will taste bitter if they get hot and water stressed. If you are keen to plant, it is best done in the cool of the evening so that your seedlings have a chance to settle in before the heat of the next day. They need shade to survive and it is best to leave any of your more cool tolerant plantings until late in the month.

Leaf crops - Amaranth, Endive, Lettuce, Rocket, Silverbeet, Celery, Chicory. Brassica crops *(plant seeds in trays) - Broccoli, Brussel Sprouts, Bok Choy, Cabbage, Cauliflower, Collard greens, Kale, Mustard greens, Chinese cabbage. Root crops - Beetroot, Carrot, Radish, Potato, Kohlrabi, Celeriac, Parsnip, Salsify, Swede, Turnip, Scorzonera. Curcubit crops - Cucumber, Sweetcorn. Legume crops - Dwarf Beans. Onion family - Leeks, Spring onions, Shallots, Onions.

Two of the common issues this time of year are Powdery Mildew and the 'Stink Bug'. While you can limit the impact of mildew by cutting off infected leaves in the early stages, you will only prolong the plants life for a little while. Old, tired or stressed plants are always more susceptible to disease. Younger, stronger, healthier plants less so, especially with any humid weather, so plant a few new replacement ones in a separate bed. Now is a good time to plant another crop of zucchini, cucumbers and beans to keep you going well into Autumn. Try a few of the quick cropping dwarf varieties of beans, such as 'Simba' and 'Provider', these will crop within 50 days. Mulch newly planted seedlings, erect some sort of shade and don't let them dry out.

The Green Shield bugs are making their presence known, they discolour a variety of fruit and vegetables. Tomatoes are a favourite and you might notice yellow patches on your red fruit where they have 'sucked out' the juice. Starting off as small round black bugs with a few yellow dots, they grow into the green 'Stink bug'. I find the best way of dealing with them is to pick them off whenever I see

them, then deposit them into a small bucket 1/2 filled with soapy water. This works for most of the unwanted 'bugs' without using nasty chemical sprays. You can compost the bucket contents after a few days and refresh.

While we are enjoying a healthy harvest of summer vegies, it is time to start thinking about our Autumn/Winter Brassica crops. Planting from seed will give you the best choice of varieties however you will need to plant them asap so they will be mature enough to plant out before the cold weather. If you are limited with space then Broccoli is a better option than Cauliflower. They are ready for harvest a month sooner and once you remove the main 'head', they will continue to give you delicious side shoots for another 6 weeks. Covering your newly planted seedlings with netting will help to reduce the impact of Cabbage moths/caterpillars.

Make the most of your summer abundance - bottle, stew, freeze, dry and cook up a storm! I've been making basil pesto and drying tomatoes. You don't have to have a fancy dehydrator, it is possible to utilise the summer sun and the dash in your car! Put a wire rack on an oven tray, slice your tomatoes and place on the wire rack. You can put them on the dash, on the bonnet covered with a mesh net or simply on a table outside. I like to cover them with a mesh net to keep off any unwanted insects or debris. It won't take long in this heat to have sun-dried tomatoes! *Tip:* I bring the tomatoes overnight so any dew doesn't start to rehydrate them, then put them out again the next day until dried.

As this is usually our hottest month, double check your irrigation systems are working and delivering the water to the right place. Every drop is precious this time of the year. Remember trees prefer a good deep soaking a couple of times a week, whereas your vegies will need a daily drink. Don't forget your pots and hanging baskets.

Seed Saving is ongoing in my garden, so far I have collected coriander, chervil, spring onions and calendula. As the first summer crop sowings start to finish, be sure to let a few of your best non-hybrid plants go to seed. Herbs such as Parsley, Basil & Chives are very easy to collect seed. Easy vegies include Parsnip, Capsicum, Chilli, Tomato, Beans & Snow peas. Saving seeds that have grown well in your garden will produce better crops next year and save you money on seeds/seedlings next season.

The next Sustainable Living Workshop is on Thursday, February 8th, 10-11.30am

Topic: **Autumn/Winter Vegetable Garden** - Learn how to Garden smart and Grow more! Focusing on the skill of seasonal planting so you know what to plant now for an abundant winter harvest. Find out what staples you can grow to reduce costs and increase yields in your vegie patch. Bookings essential ph: **9724000** or on the website dardanup.wa.gov.au/events

Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival AGM

The Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival Committee invites you to our AGM on

Wednesday 13 March, 7.30pm at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms.

If you want to meet people and make new friends,

If you want to help organise the 21st Festival on the 5th October,

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I'm sure that's done it!

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Wespine News

At Wespine, the safety of our employees, contractors and visitors is our highest priority. On our first day back at the sawmill in January after the Christmas/New Year break, we paused operations for a few hours to conduct a comprehensive safety refresher for all staff across the business. It's our goal for our staff to return home every day this year in as good, or better, condition than they presented to work – in body and mind.

We hope for each member of our local Dardanup community, that 2024 is a safe and satisfying year that sees you and your loved ones flourish.

Claire Overheu
Executive and Communications Coordinator
Wespine

Dardanup Veterinary Centre News

Common Problems with Our Pets Over Summer

We would firstly like to wish you all a safe and prosperous new year from everyone at Dardanup Veterinary Centre.

Grass Seeds

With summer in full swing, we have been getting multiple grass seed related issues each week. Grass seeds can get caught in your pets' coat very easily when playing or walking through long grass. If you are concerned your dog has an imbedded grass seed some symptoms to look out for is sudden and constant paw licking or head shaking.

A few good ways to prevent grass seeds becoming imbedded in your pet are to:

- Keep your lawns mowed and weeds sprayed.
- Keep your pets groomed especially around their feet and ears.
- Avoid long grassy areas when on walks.
- Inspect your pets' ears and toes daily ensuring you remove any visible grass seeds.

Brush through your pets coat after outside activity

If your pet seems sore around their ears or their paws, we recommend immediate vet attention to ensure the grass seed can be removed prior to causing any infection.

Snake Bites

This summer we have also noticed more snake bites than previous years. There are many ways that we as pet owners can prevent snake bites in our pets.

- Ensure lawn is kept short and garden is clean and tidy.
- Remove any items around your yard that snakes could hide under
- Keep your dog on leash when walking near bushland.

Ensure your dog has good recall.

Some symptoms of snake bites to look for are:

- Sudden weakness
- Dilated pupils
- Difficulty walking
- Rapid and shallow breathing
- Excessive drooling
- Paralysis

Shaking

If you suspect a snake bite in your pet it requires immediate veterinary attention. The quicker you can get your pet to a vet the higher the chance it will survive.

An Interesting Call Out

We had the opportunity to attend a property in Quindanning to treat a herd of Buffalo recently. While this is not an animal that we regularly treat it was definitely very exciting for all involved!



Rural Residents Encouraged to Participate in the 20th Year of Cleanup Their Verge During the March Long Weekend

Sunday 3rd of March is the official National Cleanup Australia Day. Mary Smith, Committee member of the Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc encourages rural residents to clean up the verge along their boundary. This does not necessarily have to be done on the 3rd March but can be done as soon as you collect a bag from the Shire Office or use your own bags and before Shire Council pick up from Tuesday 5th March.

Bags can be collected from the Shire the week prior to the cleanup. The Dardanup Shire will collect the bags along Crooked Brook Rd, Ironstone Rd and Ferguson Rd from Tuesday 5th March.

If you live elsewhere such as Henty, West Dardanup or Wellington Mills then please advise the Shire of Dardanup in Little St and they will arrange collection or alternatively dispose of the rubbish in the usual manner.

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We had a busy end to the 2023 school year, with the annual Year 5 Surf Camp, Christmas Concert, our inaugural Year 6 Go Cart races and end of year celebrations! We farewelled long term staff member, Mrs Leanne Depiazzi, and wish her well in her retirement. Thank you for all you have done for our school over the years Mrs Depiazzi, we will miss you.

We are looking forward to students returning to school on the 31 January, for another busy school year.



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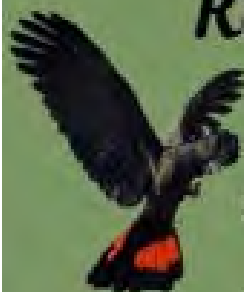


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Important Info – Small landholders - You will be effected by this proposal

Feedback Sought for Proposed Declared Pest Rate Collection Cohort Expansion

Landholders are encouraged to participate in a survey regarding proposed expansion of the size and type of properties that are rated by the State for the Declared Pest Rate (DPR) with the Leschenault Biosecurity Group's (LBG) operational area. This area includes the Shires of Dardanup, Capel, northern localities of Donnybrook-Balingup, including Argyle, Paynedale, Beelerup, Queenwood, Lowden, Yabberup, Glen Mervyn, Mumballup, Noggerup, Thomson Brook, Charley Creek, Donnybrook, Brookhampton, Brazier, Newlands, Upper Capel and Kirup; and the City of Bunbury. (detailed below) and the City of Bunbury.

Recognised Biosecurity Groups (RBGs) exist as the State's current model to support private property owners in meeting their responsibility to manage declared pests on their properties. Our area's RBG, Leschenault Biosecurity Group is one of 14 RBGs in the state. The use of DPR funding collected by the State is closely monitored under the guidance of the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development (DPIRD) and is matched dollar for dollar by the State. As an RBG, the Leschenault Biosecurity Group is responsible for using funds collected by the State through the Declared Pest Rate, to support ratepayers within our operational area (the local districts of Bunbury, Capel and Dardanup, and the northern localities of Donnybrook-Balingup) in meeting their responsibilities to manage declared pests on their private properties. This funding is used for resources and support

specific to the management of declared pests on private properties as prioritised within each RBG's operational area. **The current DPR collected within the LBG operational area:** The 2023-2024 DPR charged within the LBG operational area (LGAs of Bunbury, Capel, Dardanup and northern parts of Donnybrook-Balingup) is \$49.50/annum for properties 1 - 10 Hectare and \$63.05/annum for properties >10 Hectares in size as defined above. The funds collected through the DPR are matched dollar for dollar by the State and provided to LBG for use within our operational area. This funding is provided to the LBG for use to support the management of declared pests on private properties within its operational area. As such, the LBG provides a range of resources to support private landholders in meeting their responsibilities to manage priority declared pests. Proposal regarding DPR in this area: It is proposed to better support this area's collective need for more proactive and effective biosecurity measures for the management of declared pests across our region.

to include ALL freehold properties 0.5 hectare or greater in size within the Leschenault Biosecurity Group's operational area (as presented above) for contribution to support area-wide declared pest management with payment of a Declared Pest Rate.

At present funding raised by the DPR in this area is charged to landholders with properties 1-hectare or greater in size that are described as urban farming on the non-rural valuation roll and freehold land on the rural valuation roll maintained under the

Community members can provide their feedback by completing a survey using the QR code below or at the LBG's website at www.lbginc.org.au.



Locals, Save the Date, Explore the Art Trail And Artists Get Cracking

\$10,000.00 in prize money will be awarded to winning and highly commended artists in this years Dardanup Art Spectacular to be held over the weekend of the 20 and 21 April. \$2000 awarded in the Open category and \$1000 awarded to the other individual major prize winners plus cash prizes of \$100 and \$200 awarded to Primary School and Secondary School students in the general art category and photography. Categories for adult artists are Open, Emerging(Shire of Dardanup resident only), Portrait, Theme(Reflection), 3D and Photography. In 2023 the Art Spectacular Committee sold over \$9,000.00 in art with a commission received on sales.

The annual Dardanup Art Spectacular is organised by the community of Dardanup and sponsored by the Shire of Dardanup to showcase the work of emerging artists in the Shire as well as art exhibited from the wider community. The Art Spectacular relies on the generosity of our corporate sponsors and local businesses to ensure the success of this annual event.

The Opening Night is a must attend event on Dardanups social calendar, also a fundraiser for our 2 primary schools who cater for the evening as well as supervise the art exhibition over the weekend. In 2023 the 2 schools received \$1700.00 each for their efforts.

Venues confirmed on the Art Trail this year include, Ferguson Valley Visitor Centre, Old Convent, Thomas Little Hall and Ferguson Hall as well as wineries and galleries throughout Ferguson Valley. Some venues have multiple artists displaying their work.

The Dardanup Art Spectacular Committee looks forward to seeing you over this special weekend so invite your friends and family.

Important dates to remember -

Friday 19 April – Art Spectacular Opening Night, 7pm @ the Dardanup Hall. Tickets can be purchased on line for this event. \$20 ea, \$35/couple, \$50/family includes drinks and supper so keep an eye out for this info on the Dardanup Art Spectacular facebook page, website and local posters.

Saturday 20 April and Sunday 21 April, 10am – 4pm, Art Spectacular Art Exhibition @ the Dardanup Hall and Art Trail Open. Venues in town and in the Ferguson Valley **Art entries open 4 March and close on 1 April.**

Shire of Dardanup Events In Dardanup

Summer Sounds

Head down to Your local park and enjoy two hours of live music in the lovely summer sun. Summer Sounds will be on tour throughout the Shire of Dardanup this February featuring talented local musicians, healthy food trucks and fun outdoor activities. So, grab the picnic rug, fold up the chairs and come on down for a fantastic Friday evening. All sessions are free to attend for all ages. No bookings required.

Carramar Park, Dardanup

Friday 9 February, 5.30pm - 7.30pm

Line up:

James Hunt

Easy Tiger

Scotty Gordon

Discover Your Family History *

Discover Your Family History is a monthly discussion group to help you uncover the secrets of your family and local history. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced genealogist, this is the perfect place for you to explore and learn more about your past.

Eaton Community Library (Adults)

Thursday 15 February, 5.30pm – 7pm

Little Jigglers*

A magical world of discovery! Let your child explore their creativity, imagination and social skills with weekly Little Jigglers sessions presented by Jo Jingles. Little Jigglers is designed to introduce kindy and pre-school aged kids to the world of song, dance, rhythm, musical instruments, and playtime activities. Bookings essential.

Dardanup Hall

Monday 5 & 19 February, 9.30am – 10am

Library Lovers Storytime*

Join the Shire of Dardanup and Corenne the fairy for songs, stories and craft activities at the beautiful Carramar Park, Dardanup for this special library lovers themed Storytime. Bookings required.

Carramar Park, Dardanup (All Ages)

Thursday, 15 February 10.00am-10.45am

Sustainable Living Workshops: Autum/Winter Garden*

Learn how to garden smart and grow more! Focusing on the skill of seasonal planting so you know what to plant now for an abundant winter harvest. Find out what staples you can grow to reduce costs and increase yields in your vegie patch. Register your spot today!

Dardanup Town Hall

Thursday 8 February, 10.00am – 11.30am.

Tai Chi

Enjoy a relaxing, gentle Tai Chi session to stretch those muscles and build fitness through rhythmic gentle movements at the picturesque Carramar Park in Dardanup. All ages and fitness levels welcome. No bookings required.

Carramar Park, Dardanup

Friday 16 February, 8am – 9am

*Bookings are required for some events. Please visit <https://www.dardanup.wa.gov.au/events/> to make a booking or find more information. *Bookings are required for some events. Please visit <https://www.dardanup.wa.gov.au/events/> to make a booking or find more information.

Want to Catch Up With Some of the Local Guys?

The Mens Welfare Group meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday,

2pm at the Wells Rec Park Clubrooms in Ferguson Rd

(Feb only- meeting at the Dardanup Hall).

Casual format, cuppa and chat. For more info Ray Bottomley 0417 932 898



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Calling for Bush Adventure Scholarship Program applicants

From Shires webpage

A unique opportunity for young Shire of Dardanup residents aged 13 to 18 is up for grabs, thanks to our third annual Bush Adventure Scholarship Program.

The Shire is calling for applicants for the fully funded three-day adventure camp in the heart of Boranup Forest from 8-10 April 2024.

Shire President Cr Tyrrell Gardiner said the program, facilitated by the renowned outdoor education provider, Jocelyn Evans from Right Foot Forward WA, promises an exciting experience that goes beyond the ordinary.

Cr Gardiner said participants are in for a real treat, honing essential life skills through practical learning in the stunning natural environment.

"The Bush Adventure Scholarship Program is not just a camp; it's a transformative experience," Cr Gardiner said.

"From hiking through the Boranup Forest to engaging in activities such as caving, team building, camping, hiking, and Indigenous culture sessions, participants will be immersed in a holistic learning environment.

"The Shire extends its gratitude to returning sponsor Bunbury 4x4, as well as participant sponsors the Eaton Lions and J&P Group, for their valuable support," Cr Gardiner said.

"In partnership with agencies, we aim to develop targeted programs for youth that contribute to reducing crime and anti-social behaviour."

A presentation event will be hosted after the camp for families of the scholarship recipients, as well as sponsors and members of the community.

Applications for the Bush Adventure Scholarship Program close at 4pm on Monday, 26 February 2024.

For more information and to apply, please visit the Shire's website at [Bush Adventure Scholarship Program - Fully funded 3-day camping, hiking, nature adventure. \(dardanup.wa.gov.au\)](https://www.dardanup.wa.gov.au).



After what was a very busy 2023 the FVMB enjoyed a well deserved slow down to our activity during late December and the festive period. We held the December board meeting off site and enjoyed a casual meal together while working to tidy up a few loose ends with our new and revised administration processes.

Early in December we met with Ahoy Management, the event management group who deliver the Lost and Found festival on our behalf. We discussed the formation of a new contract (our original contract has come to a close). We also explored dates for this year's festival, possible addition of new events as well as opportunities for grant funding.

The Gnomesville pop up continued "popping up" until Christmas. During December many of the visitors we spoke with and welcomed to the valley were from interstate and overseas thanks to family and friends flying in to gather for the festive season.

Unfortunately, the pop up dates we had planned for early January did not go ahead due to exceptionally hot and dry weather. It was simply too hot and fire risks too high to ask our pop up volunteers to attend. We have re applied to Council for a renewal of our trading permit and expect to have further contact from the Shire over the next few weeks.

To ensure 2024 gets off to a roaring start we have this year's first networking and business showcase event on Wednesday 7th February at Ferguson Valley Escape, Twomey Road, Crooked Brook. Our hosts Sasha and Marty Ott look forward to welcoming our members and their guests so please put the date in your diary for a 6pm start.

So as we get back into our working year, I expect to soon have an announcement of on an increased line up to our Board and a schedule of future network events.

Please keep in mind FVMB meet monthly at the Thomas Little Hall at 5.30 every third Thursday of the month and association members and guests are very welcome to attend.

Sue Williams

Shire of Dardanup News

Call for Community Input Into 2024/25 Budget Submissions

The Shire of Dardanup is calling on community members and not-for-profit organisations to participate in its budget planning process, by submitting proposals for the 2024/25 financial year.

Shire President Cr Tyrrell Gardiner said this is an opportunity for residents and groups to actively contribute to building a brighter future for the community through their ideas.

"We are enthusiastic about community involvement, and this is a great opportunity to hear from our community on what they see as a priority for the Shire," Cr Gardiner said.

"Helping develop community ideas into reality is something our Council teams are passionate about, and we are always keen to receive new ideas," Cr Gardiner said.

"We invite residents and community groups to actively participate in the budget planning process by submitting their proposals. Your ideas play a crucial role in shaping the future of our community."

All budget funding submissions must be submitted by no later than **Friday, 16 February 2024**. Any submissions received after this date will be deferred for consideration in the 2024/25 mid-year budget review.

Written submissions can be sent to the:

Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Shire of Dardanup – Administration Centre in Eaton
1 Council Drive, Eaton WA 6232

Notice - Wells Clubrooms Out Of Action

The Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms will be out of action for all of February so the builder can repair the damaged roof. This does not apply to the new changerooms and public toilet. Most of the user groups have moved to the Dardanup Hall for the month of February. Contact your Club Secretary or organiser for further info.

What's on In Dardanup

- 6 February – Mens Welfare Group – 2pm at the Shire Hall, this month only
- 7 February – Dardanup Heritage Collective meeting at the Thomas Little Hall, 1.00pm
- 8 February – Shire of Dardanup Sustainable Living Workshop, 10-11.30am at the Dardanup Hall, Topic: Autumn/Winter Vegetable Garden, Bookings essential ph: 9724000 or on the website dardanup.wa.gov.au/events
- 9 February – Summer Sounds at Carramar Park 5.30-7.30, food trucks, see details under Shire events this edition
- 12 February – Dardanup Shire Community grants close
- 16 February – Shire of Dardanup Budget Submissions close, see info this edition
- 17 February – Elavina, a Festival favourite is playing at Green Door from 12.45pm
- 20 February - Mens Welfare Group – 2pm at the Shire Hall, this month only
- 20 February – Dardanup Seniors 30th Birthday lunch at the Dardanup Tavern
- 25 February - Boyanup Farmers Market, 8am
- 26 February – Shire of Dardanup Bush Scholarship applications close, see info this edition or Shire website
- 4 March – Dardanup Art Spectacular Entries Open
- 13 March- Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival AGM, 7.30pm at Wells Rec Park Clubrooms
- 1 April – Dardanup Art Spectacular Entries close
- 19 April – Dardanup Art Spectacular Opening and Awards night
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If you have an event to add
please email
jill.cross@bigpond.com

Dardanup and Localities Clubs and Meetings

- Dardanup Community Choir- every Monday, 7pm @ the Ferguson Hall, Helen 0422 095 870
- Edible Gardening Group – 2nd Saturday of the month at 9.30am, ph Ros 0408949160 or Leanne 0418781121
- Cardinal Junior Football Club - winter
- Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival Committee – 7.30pm, 2nd Wednesday of every month, Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms
- Dardanup Cricket Club(Junior and Senior) - summer
- Dardanup Horse and Pony Club – meets 4th Sunday of the month at the DEC
- Dardanup Lions Club – 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month, 6:30pm at the Dardanup Tavern
- Dardanup Playgroup – every Wednesday of school term, 9.30am – 11.30am @ Dardanup Community Centre
- Dardanup Shire meetings – every fortnight on Wednesday @ Eaton. ph 97240000
- Dardanup Senior Citizens – 3rd Tues of the month @ the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms, 9.30am – 11.30am.
- Dardanup Social Dance – 1st Saturday of each month, Dardanup Hall, 8pm, \$12 ea, supper to share.
- Dardanup Sporting and Community Clubs – 7.00pm, bimonthly at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms
- Dardanup Tennis Club – every Saturday from 9.00am, beginners welcome
- Eaton/ Dardanup Football Club(Soccer) – winter season
- Ferguson Hall Committee– 1st Mon of the month @ 5pm, prior to the sundowner. For Hall booking Robyn Jones, 0468 576 950,
email bse7@bigpond.com
- Ferguson Hall Sundowners –1st Friday of the month @ 6.00pm, BYO drinks and nibbles.
- Ferguson Valley Visitor Centre Volunteers- 1st Tuesday of each month @ the VC Centre, 9.30am.
- Ferguson Valley Marketing- 3rd Thursday of each month, 5.30pm at the Thomas Little Hall
- Henty Riding Club – meets Wednesdays and other days at the Dardanup Equestrian Centre
- Joshua/ Crooked Brook Sundowner – 2nd Friday of the month, 7.00pm at the Fireshed.
- Knits and Knots Group – Every 1st & 3rd Tuesday of the month, 1.00 -3.00pm @ the Dardanup Shire office
- St Aidans Church, every 3rd Sunday, 9am, all denominations welcome.
- SW Rose Soc – 2nd Sunday of each month, 10.00am, @ Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms
- SW Veteran Car Club – 1st Tuesday of the month, 7.30pm at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms.
- Wellington Mill Sundowners – last Friday of the month, 6 – 8pm @ the Fireshed
- Wellington Mills Community Association- 3rd Wednesday of the month, 7.30 pm, Wellington Mills Fireshed
- Dardanup Central Bushfire Brigade training @ the Fire Station, Recreation Rd, 5.30pm every Wednesday
- Ferguson Valley Mountain Bike Club – 1st Wednesday of the month at the Wells Rec Park Clubrooms, Mark, 0408 331 447
- Mens Welfare Group – 1st and 3rd Tuesday, 2-5pm at the Wells Recreation Park Clubrooms , Ray 0417 932 898
- Mahjong - Every fortnight on Wednesdays 1.30pm to 3.30pm at the Dardanup Shire office in Dardanup Revelly 0408 833 761

Amy Calls It A Day After A Rewarding 29 Years Teaching Dance At Dardanup

Amy Tyrrell who grew up in Waterloo has been teaching ballet, jazz and tap to local children since 1995 at the Dardanup Hall. Amy started teaching 20 students and this soon grew to 115. Over the years many students have participated in ballet, tap and jazz exams, competitions and end of year concerts.

Amy said she felt it was time for a new chapter in her life though she will still be teaching a few ballet classes in Bunbury. She said she has always enjoyed teaching in Dardanup as the children were always appreciative, respectful and hard working. Naturally she has developed long lasting friendships with her students and their parents.

I'm sure this community will always have very fond memories of their time spent with Amy and appreciate the skills they developed. What an amazing achievement over so many years. All the best Amy with your new endeavours.



Amy in Pink with her 2023 Senior Dance Students

Centenary Artwork Installation Showcased at Carramar Park

From the Shires website

The Shire of Dardanup has permanently marked its 100th township birthday with a unique centenary artwork installation.

Artist Emily Jackson was commissioned to install a commemorative Digi-glass sculptural piece, which takes pride of place in Carramar Park where the 100th Birthday "Dardy Party" Celebrations took place last May.

The beautiful piece includes historical images of the township, stylised linocut prints of local native flora and birds, dry-point etchings of rolling hills and vineyards and prints of artworks created by community during special workshops with the artist.



Congratulations to

Leanne Depiazzi who celebrated her 60th in December

Rob Webster who celebrated his 70th in January

Helen (nee Widdup) and Aaron Offer were married over Xmas / New Year

Dardanup Senior Citizens celebrating their 30th birthday this month



New to Town? Want to Make New Friends? Got Some Time To Spare? Want to Help Others?

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Wellington Mills Community Association

Contact – Sec, Gina Richards, mob 0407 238 485 , E:

gina.richards1@bigpond.com

Represents the interests of WM residents and coordinates local social activities plus monthly sundowner

Dardanup Arts Inc(Dardanup Art Spectacular)

Contact – Chairperson, Kerry 0402 094 830 E:

info@dardanupartspectacular.com.au

The Dardanup Art Spectacular is an art exhibition and art trail held annually. This event is run by a volunteer committee.

Ferguson Valley Visitor Centre

Contact – Coordinator Gae Bessen, E: gbessen@bigpond.com

VC Phone: 9728 1551 E: info@fergusonvalley.net.au

Volunteers manage the Visitor Centre that is open to the public seven days per week 9.30 am until 3.30pm. The Centre offers access to information to all visitors to the area to guide them on their journey to the many tourism destinations available and also sells local art and crafts. Local knowledge not necessary as info to hand plus training.

Dardanup and Districts Residents Assoc

Contact – Chairperson, Jill Cross, mob 0418 281 201, E:

dardanupresidentsassociation@gmail.com

Represents the interests of the community, meets bi monthly, organises the Dardanup Anzac Day Services, publication of the Dardanup Times and joins with Dardanup Lions to organise the Australia Day Breakfast.

Bushfire Brigades located in every locality

Contact the Dardanup Shire for contact details of your local Brigade

Crooked Brook Forest Assoc

Contact - Chairman: Brian Barrett mob: 0407 440 669, E:

grandis@bigpond.com

The Crooked Brook Forest Assn volunteers manage the visitor facilities at Crooked Brook Forest.

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Dardanup Lions Club

Contact – Sec, Rob Webster, E: dardylions@iinet.net.au

Meet 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month, 6.30pm at the Dardanup Tavern

Organize weekly Fund Raising raffle at the Tavern and sausage sizzles for special occasions. (Australia Day Breakfast and Anzac Day) Funds charities and needy causes.

Dardanup Bull and Barrel Festival Committee

Contact – Sec, Jess Zappia- Church E: info@bullandbarrel.net.au

This is the largest community run event in the Shire of Dardanup held on the last Saturday of the October school holidays. The Festival Committee meets 2nd Wednesday of each month, 7.30 – 9.30pm in the Clubrooms at the Wells Recreation Park.

Ferguson Valley Open Gardens Committee

Contact- Kim Wesley, mob 0447 266 885, E:

kim@peppermintlanelodge.com.au

Meets several times during the year to organise this annual event held at various gardens in Ferguson Valley and surrounding localities.

Ferguson Hall Committee

Contact- Sec, Rob Webster E:fergusonhalldardanup@gmail.com

Committee organises regular events at the Hall.

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Round 2 of Community and Event Grants Now Open

The Shire of Dardanup has opened Round 2 for the 2023/24 Community and Event Grants, which provide an opportunity for not-for-profit community groups and sporting clubs to secure financial support for their projects.

Shire President Cr Tyrrell Gardiner emphasised the significance of these grants in empowering local initiatives.

"Our Community and Event Grants are a direct investment in the heart of our community. They have supported a diverse range of projects, from upgrading essential equipment to hosting impactful community events," Cr Gardiner said.

"We invite more groups to step forward and make a positive impact in our wonderful Shire."

Cr Gardiner said previous grant recipients have utilised funding for various projects, including upgrading first aid kits, purchasing shelving and storage equipment, contributing to the improvement of water fountains, supporting signage displays at heritage forum events, and enhancing playground and sporting equipment.

"These grants, available at three levels of support, aim to foster the distinctiveness of community spaces, activate public areas, build community skills and capacity, leave a lasting positive impact, promote accessibility and inclusivity, and empower groups to be proactive in the community."

Applications for the Community and Event Grants close on Monday, 12 February. Interested groups and clubs can access more details and find the application form on the Shire's Grants page at <https://www.dardanup.wa.gov.au/our-community/grants> For further information or to discuss your application, please contact Place and Community Team Leader, Melanie, at (08) 9724 0000.



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