

Community Notices

GOLF TRAINING: More learner & intermediate sessions are happening with Golf Aust National Program Deliverer Megan Henry Wed 18th & 25th June 4pm - 5pm. All golf equipment provided with the support of GolfWA. Sponsored by Warperup Creek Wind Farm. Contact Bill Tiller 0427 787059

ONGERUP MUSEUM - MEET AT THE MUSEUM FRIDAY 13 @ 4PM

To discuss this plan:- Plan number 1 :- is to hold an "Old vehicle display" on the day of the Bloom Festival Opening here in Ongerup Saturday 27th September. BUT I need help from some men that could let me know or contact people that could contribute either bringing their old tractor, ute or any vehicle for display & who could add to the conversation! This is a starting plan and any input would be appreciated. Plan no. 2 :- is to discuss the idea of painting the old machinery that is out on the road verge by the museum Blue shed to brighten up the outside. Please contact Vicki O'Neill on 0428 282282.

ONGERUP MUSEUM - The Annual General Meeting of the Ongerup-Needilup District Museum will be held at the museum at 9am Thursday 26th June 2025. All welcome, enquiries to secretary Sandy Vaux 0428 282941

ONGERUP DO-OVER BUSY BEE: Sunday 22nd June. The first busy bee of many as part of the Ongerup Do-Over, and in preparation for the opening of the spring Bloom Festival. We will be gutting the lawn between the hall and shop, and doing other small jobs around the museum and main street. Many hands make light work! Dinner and drinks to follow at the Pub. Any questions of if you would like to help please get in contact with Emily 0457 970326



Mums, Bubs and Toddlers was held yesterday at the Ongerup town hall. The children had a busy morning playing with raspberry scented playdough, drawing and building castles out of blocks. The next Mums, Bubs and Toddlers session will be held on 25th June 9:30am at the town hall.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JUNE

- 13th Wes Harding
- 21st Monty Vaux
- 21st Vicki Hooper
- 21st Colby Flavel
- 21st Isabella Spink
- 24th Sarah Hyde
- 26th George Carpenter
- 28th Obelia Kohler



This is a free app already set up for the Shire of Gnowangerup for any communication of shire issues. Rick Miller, Shire manager of Infrastructure and Assets is encouraging everybody to use the app, and the notifications will go directly to the Shire from the app.

Yongergnow AUSTRALIAN MALLEFCOWL CENTRE

Western Australian Community Resource Network Your local connection

Government of Western Australia Department of Primary Industry and Regional Development

"The Crazy Character of Birds"

Calling all art enthusiasts
Bird themed art exhibition
Registration due August 14th 2025
Art drop off August 28th 2025
Exhibition opening September 11th
Exhibition running September 12th-October 31st



PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF

LOCAL PLANNING POLICIES:

GNOWANGERUP AIRPORT & RENEWABLE ENERGY FACILITIES

In accordance with the Planning and Development (Local Planning Schemes) Regulations 2015, the Shire of Gnowangerup has approved the following Local Planning Policies for use in considering applications for planning approval:

- Local Planning Policy - Gnowangerup Airport
- Local Planning Policy - Renewable Energy Facilities

The endorsed local planning policies can be inspected at the Shire of Gnowangerup office or on the Shire website at <https://www.gnowangerup.wa.gov.au/documents/138/policy-manual-may-2025>.

David Nicholson
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

AUDIT, RISK AND IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE

INDEPENDENT MEMBERS

The Shire of Gnowangerup invites Expressions of Interest for experienced professionals to join its Audit, Risk and Improvement (ARI) Committee as Independent Members, in the positions of

- Independent Presiding Member (Chair) and
- Independent Member

This committee supports the Shire in fulfilling its responsibilities for oversight in areas such as financial audit, risk management, and continuous improvement, in compliance with the Local Government Act 1995 and associated regulations.

Further information including selection criteria are available on the Shire's website at www.gnowangerup.wa.gov.au or as a hard copy at the Shire office – 28 Yougenup Road, Gnowangerup, WA 6335

Responses to the Expression of Interest must be received by 4.00 pm (AWST) Sunday, 29 June 2025.

All responses should be marked: 'Confidential EO AR' and be addressed to David Nicholson, Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Gnowangerup, 28 Yougenup Road, Gnowangerup WA 6335, or by email to David.Nicholson@gnowangerup.wa.gov.au.

David Nicholson
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



Justice Services

Gnowangerup Resident and Shire President Kate O'Keeffe volunteer's her services as a certified Justice of The Peace. This service provides the community with a registered witness for formal documentation.

Kate will be in the Shire Office and able to witness documents every last Wednesday of the month from

12pm—1pm

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KIDS KORNER



30th September
6:00PM
'Wild Everlasting'

17th October
10am
Still Life

Ongerup CRC

ART WORKSHOPS



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*Learn how to mix
and paint with colour*

2 opportunities to get
creative!
Beginners welcome!
All materials supplied

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Festival 2025

**\$55 per person
inc. snacks**



July 2025

The Curious Case of the Case-Making Moth



Left to right; case moth cocoons (Family: Psychidae) photos courtesy of MyPestGuide reporter.

Spotted a tiny twig caravan mysteriously travelling along a branch recently? You may have encountered one of nature's most underrated engineers — the case moth. These oddball caterpillars turn silk and local materials into tiny, mobile homes they carry everywhere, like little sleeping bags on a mission.

Welcome to the weird and wonderful world of case moths, found throughout bushland, urban gardens, and natural areas across Australia.

Biology and Lifecycle

While most case moths belong to the family Psychidae, a few other silk case-making moths exist in families such as Tineidae (for example, the case-bearing clothes moth, however these are not the focus of this story). All case moths belong to the vast Lepidoptera order (which includes all moths and butterflies). There is estimated to be hundreds of species of case moths, with a significant number found in Western Australia, however the exact number is not known due to ongoing taxonomic updates and new discoveries.

What makes them so fascinating is not just their DIY homes, but their highly specialised life cycle. After hatching, each larva immediately begins constructing its own silk case using materials from the environment — bark, leaves, twigs, sand, or lichen, depending on the species and habitat.

As the larva grows, instead of leaving the case behind it expands it, reinforcing the structure as needed. The case serves as shelter from predators and weather, and it's always dragged along during movement (think "a botanic onesie with legs"). When the caterpillar is ready to pupate, it seals off the ends and undergoes metamorphosis inside the case, transforming into a pupa and then eventually emerging as an adult moth- or not! In many species, adult females will remain wingless and

larva-like, never leaving the safety of their case. They have underdeveloped legs and no working mouthparts spending their entire adult life emitting pheromones to attract a male. Once mated, the female lays her eggs inside the same case and dies soon after. The cycle then begins anew. Males, on the other hand, emerge with fully developed wings and feathered antennae, which they use to locate females by scent. But it's a brief adult life for males, usually just a few days, living only long enough to find a mate and reproduce.

Impacts and Management

Want to know how to live with (or gently manage) these silk-case residents? The good news is case moths are more fascinating than fearsome. They do not swarm, rarely cause serious or lasting damage to plants, and are not known to be a major pest in Western Australia. In fact, they are generally considered beneficial within the environment. Although some species do feed on living foliage, many others feed on dead leaves, bark, algae or lichens, helping to break down organic material and recycling nutrients back into the soil. They are also an important food source for native wildlife.

Case moth caterpillars are architects, camouflage artists, nutrient recyclers, and a nutritious snack for wildlife, all wrapped up in a snug, organic, portable shelter. They help keep our ecosystems balanced, quietly working away in the background supporting biodiversity, all without asking for much in return.

In a world full of flashy butterflies and buzzy bees, it might be easy to overlook the humble case moth. But maybe it's time we gave these miniature marvels their moment, because let's be honest — watching a tiny caterpillar drag around a twig-covered tent like a snail with a fashion sense? That's very cool.



Report your observations

MyPestGuide® Reporter via app or online mypestguide.agric.wa.gov.au

Pest and Disease Information Service (08) 9368 3080 | padis@dpird.wa.gov.au



- Ambulance/Fire/Police - 000
- Bill Tiller heavy vehicle accreditation/Test&Tag 0427 787059
- Child Health Nurse (Gnowangerup) - Amber Crichton 98272290 or 0438 711532
- Coffee/chat with a cop - 2nd Tuesday every month 9827 2800
- Crutching Cradle Ongerup - Lex 0458 524342
- Centrelink Access Point - Located at the Ongerup CRC.
- Davidson Occupational Therapy danielledavidsonot@gmail.com 0488 146457
- Fire Brigade - 000
- Hamersley Shearing - Brett 0457 620 041 or Storm 0457 620 040
- Justice of the Peace - Tom Hart 0428 282120 Bill Tiller 0427 787059
- Little Learners Friday school term - Maddie 0427 271 454
- Ongerup Bowling Club - Vicki O'Neill 0428 282 282
ongerupbowlingclub@gmail.com
- Ongerup Caravan Park - Lex 0458 524342
- Ongerup Farm Supplies & General Store - 9828 2288
- Ongerup Golf Club - Bill Tiller 0427 787059
- Ongerup Hall/Gym - Contact the Ongerup CRC 9828 2325
- Ongerup Hotel - 9828 2749
- Ongerup Library - FREE to join. Open Tues-Sat 9am-4pm @ Ongerup CRC. 9828 2325.
- Ongerup Lunch Bar & fuel 9828 2747
- Ongerup Museum - Sandy 0428 282941 Vicki 0428 282282
- Ongerup Sporting Complex - Alyce Langdon
- Ongerup Tyres & Auto - 9828 2101
- Shearing Ongerup - Lex 0458 524342
- Veterinarian (Albany Vet Hospital) Call 9841 1788
- Shire community engagement 2nd & 3rd Thurs 9827 1007
- Yongergnow Malleefowl Centre and cafe 98282325

Grapevine Prices

1/4 Page Advert - \$25.00
1/2 Page Advert - \$40.00
Full Page Advert - \$70.00

CRC/YONGERGNOW Staff

Priscilla Wheatcroft - Centre Manager
Alyce Langdon - Cleaner
Mel Hawkins - Admin/Bookkeeper
Emma Spink - Events coordinator
Anne Silmer - Library
Alyssa Dickson - Trainee
Brooke Vlasschaert - Trainee

CRC Committee

Roz Thompson - Chairperson
Claire Flavel- Vice Chairperson
Emma Spink - Secretary
Kelly O'Neill - Treasurer
Sandy Vaux
Jane Campbell
Alyce Langdon

JUNE/JULY 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				12 Daytime Book Club	13 Daycare Museum mtg	14 BYE
15 Golf	16	17	18 Golf Lessons Active Farmers	19 Canva branding workshop Recycling bins	20 Daycare	21 Boxwood v LGP Newdy v Gnow
22 Golf	23	24	25 Kids session Golf lessons Active Farmers	26 Museum AGM	27 Daycare	28 School hols LGP vs Newd Jerry v Gnow
29 Golf	30	1	2 Active Farmers	3 Recycling bins	4	5