

ONGERUP GRAPEVINE

Community Notices

October 16th 2025

SHIRE OF GNOWANGERUP will hold a Special Meeting of Council on 22nd October 2025 at 2:30pm to formally swear in the newly elected Councilors. Everyone is welcome to attend this important occasion.

ONGERUP BOWLING CLUB This Sunday 19th Oct the Bowling club will hold their Opening day, the play will be a 100up singles play, so no need for partners etc. start at 9.30am, but please have your names in to Captains before 9am. If anyone has trouble getting there by this time, let us know and we can put you in at a later playing time. Please BYO lunch (roadhouse will be open) plus bring something for afternoon tea. The Men's pennant team have a bye this Saturday, but the Ladies play at Gnowangerup. See you there. Captains;- Darren 0427471015 or Vicki 0428282282.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

OCTOBER

- 23rd Darcy Harding
- 24th Vicki O'Neill
- 28th Jayden Flavel

NOVEMBER

- 6th Harley Pittard
- 6th Nick Baum
- 9th Rivers Hyde
- 13th Taite O'Neill
- 18th Kalina Mundy
- 19th Jan Skee

The first cordless iron!!

We need Volunteers!
Submit your community groups interest

WHEN:
14 MARCH 2026 5PM-12.30AM

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED:
10-14 PEOPLE

THE JOB:
TICKETING/WRISTBANDS ON ARRIVAL, BAR/BAR TICKETING AND SOME FOOD SERVICE

VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:
HAVE A RESPONSIBLE SERVICE OF ALCOHOL AND SOMEONE IS AN APPROVED BAR MANAGER

THE DONATION:
\$5000 FOR ONE NIGHT'S WORK

TENDER CLOSES OCT 31ST 2025

Dancing in the DIRT GALA BALL 2026
CONTACT AMY AT DANCINGINTHEDIRT@FBG.ORG.AU TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST OR FOR ANY QUESTIONS

Western Australian Community Resource Network



Toddler Time Fun!

We had a wonderful morning at the Town Hall on Wednesday, 15th October! The kids enjoyed some free play, sang a cheerful rainbow song, and created their very own spaghetti rainbows — so much colourful fun! 🌈🎨

Join us for our next Toddler Time session on Wednesday, 29th October! We'll be making spider handprints and singing along to favourite nursery rhymes. 🕋🎶



ONGERUP LIBRARY CORNER

Who doesn't love Australian Crime Fiction?



The Stolen by Vikki Petraitis is set in Deception Bay, Queensland. Detective Antigone Pollard is fearless. Armed with a trained police dog, a black belt in judo, and the will to speak her mind, she faces opposition head-on. When a distraught mother, Maddy Muir, calls the station to report her baby is missing, Antigone and Wozza begin a race against time to find the baby and the person who brazenly took him.

High Wire by Candice Fox. A notorious unmarked track through outback Australia, the 'High Wire'; crosses slabs of lawless land, body-dumping grounds and mobile phone blackspots. Senior Sergeant Edna Norris is dealing with a runaway teenager; not an unusual job in the place people go to disappear. But an unfolding crime spree turns this outback cops night into a fight for survival.

Other Australian crime stories to read from the Ongerup Library:

Ordinary gods and monsters by Chris Womersley.

Homecoming by Kate Morton.

The tea ladies by Amanda Hampson.

Double lives by Kate McCaffrey.

Want to reserve one of these titles? Login with your library membership to the Spydus Webpage <https://gnowangerup.spydus.com/> and while you are there check out other great titles. If you'd like help using the online library services, please phone 9828 2325 or pop in on Thursday to see the friendly library officer, Laura Page, at the Ongerup Library in Yongergnow-Ongerup CRC.

ONGERUP GYM
24/7 ACCESS @ TOWN HALL

For info and subscriptions please contact Ongerup CRC at 9892 2325 or email manager@ongerupcrc.net.au or find us on Facebook

2025 Membership

1 Month: \$10
1 Year: \$100

Equipment:

Exercise Bike

- Treadmill
- Dumbbells
- Kettlebells
- Exercise Balls
- Skipping Ropes
- Press Bench
- Cross Trainer

NEW ARRIVAL



Please call us at Yongergnow on 9828 2325 to order!

Chicken, bacon and camembert

Chicken curry

Lamb, redwine and gravy

Plain beef

\$8 Each
\$28 - 4pk
\$24 - 3x 4pk





Lady... bug, bird, beetle?



Transverse ladybird beetle larva (left), adult (centre) and 28-spotted ladybird adult (courtesy of MyPestGuide® Reporter)

A name rooted in folklore

Ladybugs or ladybirds, as we often call them, are some of the most easily recognised and beloved insects around. With their tiny size, bright colours, and distinctive spotted patterns, they're hard to miss. But have you ever wondered about their name? They're not birds, nor are they true bugs. In fact, they are small beetles belonging to the Coccinellidae family. Interestingly, the "lady" in their name has a historical origin rather than a gendered one.

The term ladybird dates back to medieval Europe, when farmers prayed to the Virgin Mary - often referred to as "our Lady" - for protection from crop-damaging pests. According to folklore, shortly after these prayers, small red beetles appeared and began feeding on the harmful insects, saving the harvest. As a result, these helpful beetles became known as "our Lady's birds". Their red colouring was said to represent Mary's cloak, and their black spots symbolised her seven sorrows. Whether fact or folklore, the name has endured for centuries.

Beetle biology

Australia is home to at least 350 species of ladybird beetles and all species undergo complete metamorphosis: egg → larva → pupa → adult. The

larval stage looks more crocodilian than beetle-like and is far less recognisable than its adult form. This is particularly important, as it's when they consume the most prey, or, in pest species, the most plant material.

In Western Australia, the most encountered species is the native transverse ladybird (*Coccinella transversalis*). They range in colour from pale yellow to orange to deep red with the black markings. These are highly effective predators of aphids, scale insects, and other soft-bodied pests, making them valuable allies in gardens and on farms. Another common species is the 28-spotted ladybird (*Epilachna vigintioctopunctata*), native to southeastern Asia, but naturalised in Australia, this is a plant-eating species considered a pest, especially on crops like potatoes and tomatoes. Both adults and larvae feed on leaves, causing significant damage.

Spotting them

Ladybirds are most active during the warmer months of spring and summer, so it's a great time to spot these colourful beetles and their cool looking larvae. You might spot a pest or a predator - it's worth checking whether it's there to save your plants or devour them!

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





Community Resource Centre

Your local connection

PH: 9828 2325

ocrcgrapevine@gmail.com

OPEN: 9am-3pm Tues-Friday

Saturday 10am - 2pm

published Thursday @ noon



Grapevine Prices

1/4 Page Advert - \$25.00

1/2 Page Advert - \$40.00

Full Page Advert - \$70.00

CRC/YONGERGNOW Staff

Emily Kelly - Centre Manager

Alyce Langdon - Cleaner

Mel Hawkins - Admin/Bookkeeper

Emma Spink - Events coordinator

Laura Page - Library Officer

Alyssa Dickson - Trainee

Brooke Vlasschaert - Trainee

Elenna Bungey - Kitchen Manager

CRC Committee

Roz Thompson - Chairperson

Claire Flavel- Vice Chairperson

Emma Spink - Secretary

Kelly O'Neill - Treasurer

Sandy Vaux

Jane Campbell

Alyce Langdon

Ongerup Services



- 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 0450 273890
- 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

October/November 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				16	17 Borden centenary art workshop Daycare <i>Bowls</i> <i>scroungers</i>	18
19 bowls	20	21	22 kids club 3.30 active farmers	23	24	25
26 golf	27	28	29 Toddler time active farmers	30 recycling bins	31  <i>Halloween</i> <i>bowls</i> <i>scroungers</i> daycare	1
2	3	4 Melbourne Cup	5 active farmers	6	7 daycare	8