

ONGERUP GRAPEVINE

February 26th 2026

Community Notices

BOWLS NOTES Let's catch up on our bowls – the Men's pennant teams are holding 3rd spot on the ladder, so going well, keep it up - with 2 more games to go, but they have a break from our local pennants this week while most are off to country week. The men held their championship pairs last Sunday, Mog O'Neill and Jake Langdon won with Mick Creagh & Nick Baum r/up. Congrats to you all. Our ladies took part in the inter league round robin at Kulin last weekend and it's congrats to our girls, Jade O'Neill & Ronnie Lee (from Jerramungup) who got picked in the Inter-zone plus the country All-stars team from our league, a great effort!

ONGERUP COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT INC: The Ongerup Community Development Inc will be holding its **AGM on Wednesday March 18, 2026**, 7.30pm in the Meeting Room of the Ongerup Hotel. All positions declared vacant. Enquires to ongerupcommunity@gmail.com.

The Ongerup Community Development Inc is a local volunteer organisation that supports your community by providing housing, financial support to local organisations and development of the Ongerup town. It works in partnerships with the Ongerup community to create social and economic conditions that strengthen the community and foster a vibrant and prosperous town

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MARCH

- 1st Sophie Thompson
- 5th Xanthe O'Neill
- 5th Lex Mundy
- 9th Mel Savage
- 10th Georgia Hyde
- 10th Levi Campbell
- 19th Kelly O'Neill
- 20th Abby O'Neill
- 22nd Bella Ogier
- 24th Luca Spink
- 26th Emily Jaekel
- 26th Mitchell Thompson
- 26th Simeon Mahr
- 28th Kingsley Vaux
- 29th Jason Brown
- 30th Danielle Campbell
- 31st Lottie Ogier

Toddler Time – Ocean Sensory Fun Recap!

What a fantastic morning we had at Toddler Time this morning!

Our little ocean explorers enjoyed a hands-on sensory adventure filled with:

- Rescuing Sea animals from icy blocks
- Creating sea-themed Oobleck
- Imaginative play with sea creatures

Thank you to everyone who joined us!



What's It About?

The Lincolns Rural Tour 2026 is a practical, in-person seminar series tailored for farmers and rural business owners throughout WA's Great Southern. This year's tour focuses on how to build stronger businesses, support intergenerational transitions and prepare for the changes shaping rural enterprises today. At the heart of each event are three expert-led sessions designed to deliver clarity, strategy and encourage action.

Solving the Succession Puzzle:

Explore the four core pieces every farming family needs to align security, income, viability and fairness and discover how to approach succession with clarity and purpose.

PayDay Super & Payroll Compliance:

Get ready for the 1st of July 2026 changes, where superannuation must be paid on payday, not quarterly.

Off-Farm Investment Strategies:

How much is enough and how do you get there? This session explores what retirement might cost, when you'll rely on capital and different ways to build wealth off farm.

Each session concludes with a live expert panel, featuring local and industry specialists who'll answer real-world questions from the audience.

ONGERUP CRC March 4th

Early bird tickets are now available. Reserve your seat!
Don't miss out on this opportunity to grow, adapt and lead in the ever-changing world of agriculture.

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Library Corner

New books for Junior Readers

Wirrawoorliny = Whirlwind comes from the wise and ancient language of the First People of the Western Australian south coast. An orphaned boy is struck by a djanak, a devil of Noongar Country, and burnt on a fire and eaten. Afterwards, a mysterious whirlwind lifts up his ashes and he is reformed limb by limb. Wirrawoorliny is a story about how Country, language and spirit can guide young people home.



Let us know what events you would like your CRC to run....

Community Survey: Go into the draw to win a \$50 Ongerup Pub voucher. Go to <https://forms.gle/LgJ8beA1jRYdDhvSA> and complete the form.

Situation Vacant

The Shire of Gnowangerup
 is recruiting for a General
 Hand (Entry Level) to join the
 Shire's Depot team.

This role has been created as a launchpad to train and upskill members of the community, for a rewarding career in local government. The position is offered as a 12-week full-time, fixed-term appointment. Suitable candidates will be considered for a permanent role with the Shire of Gnowangerup. The position description for this role can be found on the Shire's website/ The Shire is looking for a candidate who is enthusiastic and willing to learn. Training will be provided on the job, and prior qualifications are not a requirement.

To apply, please provide a one page letter outlining your interest to the HR & Contracts Manager, by email to ciara.nalty@gnowangerup.wa.gov.au by 5 March 2026. Applicants are also encouraged to direct their questions to the HR & Contracts Manager.

NSPNR & YONGERGNOW
FERAL ANIMAL
TALLY 2026

TALLY DATES

SHOOTING TO COMMENCE AT SUNSET ON EVENINGS PRIOR
 GNOWANGERUP FRI MARCH 13TH
 ONGERUP SAT MARCH 21ST

MORE INFO

FIRST PLACE TO WIN A CASH PRIZE OF \$1000
 COMMUNITY BREAKFAST TO FOLLOW THE TALLYS
 TEAMS CAN ENTER BOTH EVENTS - REGISTER BELOW



GO INTO THE DRAW
 TO WIN A HUSQVARNA 120 MARK II CHAINSAW
 BY REGISTERING BEFORE FEBRUARY 8TH

ANY QUESTIONS

NSPNR 0437 248 206 PROJECTS1@NSPNR.COM.AU
 YONGERGNOW 9828 2325 VISITOR@YONGERGNOW.COM.AU

This project is funded by the Australian Government under the Saving Native Species Program and South Coast Natural Resource Management as a member of the Commonwealth Regional Delivery Partners panel, and is delivered by North Stirlings Pallinup Natural Resources (NSPNR)



SAVE THE DATE!
2026 (raising awareness of depression and suicide prevention)
1 DAYER
 15TH MARCH 2026



Black Dog Ride

DENMARK
 WA

SAVE THE DATE
SO YOU
DON'T MISS OUT
ON THIS ICONIC
RIDE!

AN AVERAGE OF 9 AUSTRALIANS TAKE THEIR LIVES EVERY SINGLE DAY, THAT'S ONE AUSSIE EVERY 3 HOURS LOSING THEIR LIFE TO THE BLACK DOG.

On the third Sunday of March, Black Dog Ride is uniting under one banner with one voice on one single day to amplify a national message of hope, awareness and prevention.

Scan the QR Code to register



For more information contact ride coordinator

Roger Seeney
denmark@blackdogride.org.au

Welcome Dinner at
 Denmark Tavern from 6pm
 Saturday 14 March 2026

Departing from
 Kwoorabup Community Park
 Through Cranbrook Finishing at Katanning
 Check In: 7.00am
 Stands Up: 8.30am

www.blackdogride.org.au

ONGERUP MOBILE EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

OUR NURTURING ENVIRONMENT ENCOURAGES EXPLORATION, CREATIVITY, AND EARLY LEARNING THROUGH HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES AND PLAY.

**LOCATION: ONGERUP SPORTING COMPLEX
 FRIDAY 8:30AM-3:30PM**

Contact Maddy:
 0427 271 454
mobilechildcarecentre@gfsa.org.au



GNOWANGERUP FAMILY SUPPORT ASSOCIATION INC.



**LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXTRAORDINARY POSTAL ELECTION
ELECTION NOTICE**
Shire of Gnowangerup
(Local Government Act 1995, s4.64)

The Shire of Gnowangerup is holding an extraordinary election by postal vote on Thursday, 26 March 2026 to fill vacancies in the offices of Councillor as listed below:

District 1 Councillor
PEUCKER, Mel
STARKE, Colin
BEECK, Timothy
HEMLEY, Joanne
MARTIN, Lex

Election Packages will be sent to all electors on the local government electoral roll where there is an election in their electorate.

You may hand deliver your postal voting papers, or obtain a replacement package (if the package is not received, or should any papers be missing), during business hours before election day from the following location:

Shire of Gnowangerup, 28 Yougenup Road, GNOWANGERUP 9am - 4.30pm

Post your vote early. Completed postal voting packages must reach the Returning Officer by 6pm on election day, Thursday, 26 March 2026.

You may hand deliver your postal voting papers to an electoral officer, or obtain a replacement package (if the package is not received, or should any papers be missing), between 8am and 6pm on election day at the following location:

Chief Polling Place:
Shire of Gnowangerup, 28 Yougenup Road, GNOWANGERUP 8am - 6pm

The count of votes will commence after 6pm at the Shire of Gnowangerup Meeting Room, 28 Yougenup Road, GNOWANGERUP.

Electronic Counting Place
Western Australian Electoral Commission head office at Level 2, 66 St Georges Terrace, Perth WA 6000 may be used as an electronic counting place.

DENNIS O'REILLY
ELECTORAL COMMISSIONER
13 63 06



DANDJOO

EST 2025 CELEBRATING
OUR PEOPLE

The Shire of Gnowangerup acknowledges the many people across the community who generously give their time, from emergency responders and committee members to office bearers, carers and countless others behind the scenes. Take a moment to help celebrate the contribution these individuals make and the difference they create in the community every day.

If you are new to the community please come along, this is a great way to meet new people and allow the community to welcome you

We need your help

Nominate someone in your community

Know someone who has gone above and beyond this year? Show appreciation by nominating them for a Dandjoo Award. It's a simple way to recognise the time, care and effort they give to others. Nomination forms are available on the Shire website.

**Applications close
March 6th**

Mark the date

Attend the Dandjoo event on Friday 13 March. It's a free community event, with buses available and local food and refreshments provided. Scan the QR to RSVP



**DOES YOUR ORGANISATION NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS?
DO YOU NEED TO RAISE AWARENESS WITHIN THE
COMMUNITY ABOUT WHAT YOUR ORGANISATION DOES?**

Book a free trade table at the event

Contact gnpshire@gnowangerup.wa.gov.au



FITZGERALD RIVER NATIONAL PARK ROAD CONDITION ACCESS UPDATE 19/02/2026

**ARE YOU
BUSHFIRE
READY?**

ROAD NAME	STANDARD	STATUS	Ranger comments
Hamersley Drive (Sealed Section)	2WD	OPEN	Camping available at Four Mile Beach Campsite Bookings: parkstay.dbca.wa.gov.au
Hamersley Drive North (Unsealed Section)	2WD	CLOSED	Closed due to bushfire damage
Hamersley Beach/Dune Track	4WD (High Clearance)	CLOSED	Closed due to bushfire damage
Moir Track	4WD	CLOSED	Closed due to bushfire damage
Pitchie Ritchie	4WD	OPEN	Drive to conditions
Quoin Head	4WD (High Clearance)	CLOSED	Closed due to bushfire damage
Whale Bone Track	4WD (High Clearance)	CLOSED	Closed due to bushfire damage
Quaalup/Gairdner Road	2WD	OPEN	Quaalup Homestead is open, Phone 9837 4124
Point Ann Road	2WD	OPEN	Drive to conditions / Camping available at St Mary's Campsite
Pabelup Drive (north)	2WD	CLOSED	Closed due to bushfire damage
Twertup Track	4WD	CLOSED	Closed due to bushfire damage
Hakea Walk Trail	Walk Trail	OPEN	East of Hamersley Inlet ONLY – West of Hamersley Inlet CLOSED – Take plenty of water with you
Mamang Walk Trail	Walk Trail	CLOSED	Closed due to bushfire damage
Collets Road	2WD	OPEN	Drive to conditions

DBCA Park Alerts System – <https://alerts.dbca.wa.gov.au>

NOTE: The status of these roads may change at short notice or during your visit, especially after rain. As the website and DPaW APP are updated during working hours only, please confirm park status with local Parks and Wildlife staff in the areas you intend to visit. Please also be aware of Fitzgerald River National Park Road Status signs located on roads leading into major park entrances.

- Clean mud from your vehicle before leaving home and avoid wet areas on the roads, without driving off the road, to help prevent the spread of "Dieback Disease."
- Caravans are not permitted on unsealed roads due to narrow and corrugated conditions. For more information, please contact the Albany Office at 9842 4500.

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 OPEN: 9am-3pm Tues-Friday
 Saturday 10am - 2pm
 published Thursday @ noon

Grapevine Prices
 1/4 Page Advert - \$25
 1/2 Page Advert - \$40
 Full Page Advert - \$70
Deadline Wednesday noon



CRC/YONGERGNOW Staff

Emily Kelly - Centre Manager
 Alyce Langdon - Cleaner
 Mel Hawkins - Admin/Bookkeeper
 Emma Spink - Events coordinator
 Laura Page - Library Officer
 Alyssa Dickson - Kitchen staff
 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

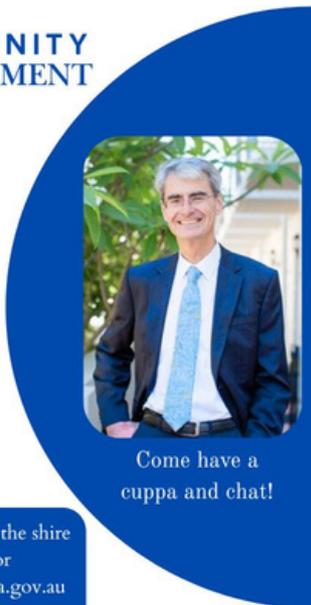
- Ambulance/Fire/Police/SES - 000
- Bill Tiller heavy vehicle accreditation/test & tag 0427 787059
- Child Health Nurse (Gnowangerup) - Amber Crichton 98 272800 or 0438 711532
- Crutching Cradle Ongerup - Lex 0458 524342
- Centrelink Access Point - located in the Ongerup CRC
- Davidson Occupational Therapy Dee 0488 146457
danielledavidsonot@gmail.com
- Fire Brigade - 000
- Hamersley Shearing - Brett 0457 620041
- Justice of the Peace - Tom Hart 0428 282120
 Bill Tiller 0427 787059
- Little Learners daycare Friday School term - Maddie 0427 271454
- Ongerup Bowling Club - Vicki O'Neill 0428 282282
ongerupbowlingclub@gmail.com
- Ongerup Caravan Park - Lex 0458 524342
- Ongerup Farm Supplies and General Store - 9828 2288
- Ongerup Golf Club - Bill Tiller 0427 787059
- Ongerup Hall/gym - Ongerup CRC 98282325
- Ongerup Hotel - 9828 2749
- Ongerup Library - Yongergnow-CRC Tues-Sat 9am - 3pm
- Ongerup CRC 98 282325 manager@ongerupcrc.net.au
- Ongerup Lunch Bar & Fuel 98 282747
- Ongerup Museum - Judy 0427 356020 Vicki 0428 282282
- Ongerup Sporting Complex - Alyce Langdon 0450 273890
- Ongerup Tyres & Auto - 98 282101
- Shearing Ongerup - Lex 0458 524342
- Veterinarian (Albany Vet Hospital) call 98 411788
- Shire community engagement 2nd & 3rd Thurs 98 271007
- Yongergnow Malleefowl Centre & cafe 98 282325



COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Shire of Gnowangerup CEO,
 David Nicholson, wants to hear
 from the community.

Every second and third Thursday of
 the month between 10-11am, David
 comes to Yongergnow-Ongerup CRC
 to connect with residents, hear their
 thoughts, and discuss current issues
 affecting the Shire.



Come have a
 cuppa and chat!

For further enquires contact the shire
 office on 9821 1007 or
gnpshire@gnowangerup.wa.gov.au

February/March 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					27 daycare <i>Social bowls</i>	28
1 Golf	2 Labour Day Holiday	3	4 Lincolns rural tour workshop fitness	5	6 daycare <i>Social bowls</i>	7
8 Golf	9	10	11 fitness	12 <i>Recycling bins</i> GNP feral shoot	13 DANDJOO event Borden <i>Social bowls</i>	14
16 Golf	16	17	18	19	20 Ongerup fox shoot social bowls	21 community breakfast