

ONGERUP GRAPEVINE

March 12th 2026

Community Notices

DANDJOO EVENT: Roz Thompson has been nominated for Citizen of the Year and the Do-Over project/Bloom festival nominated in the Event of the Year category for the Shire of Gnowangerup Dandjoo volunteers event being held on Friday 13th March at the Borden pavilion 5 - 8 pm. RSVP to shire 98 271007. Hope to see you there to celebrate our Ongerup and shire nominees.

BOWLS NOTES: Men are back from their Country Week games. All reports of some very good games. Now back to local pennants and they had a good win against Borden last Saturday and need another win this week to stay in a good spot on the Ladder for pennant finals the next week - no pressure! Then the Men have the League singles, good luck Barry, also triples at Borden this Sunday. Last Sunday Mog and Jake played in the League Pairs. A good competition but couldn't get to the first round. Then Mick, Darren, Barry and George H played off for the League fours and after a good tussle came runners-up.

NOTICE OF MUSEUM ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: The Ongerup-Needilup District Museum will be holding the AGM on Wednesday 15th April at 9:30am at the Museum, Eldridge Street, Ongerup. All positions declared vacant, especially Secretary (Sandy Vaux) and President (Vicki O'Neill) as current position holders don't intend standing again. Both positions don't take up much time but both Sandy and Vicki just need to step down from a few jobs. Please note it's time for others to get involved - if no takers there's cause to reconsider the Museum's position in the community. If anyone wishes to have the meetings at a different hour in the day so you can be involved, you're welcome to notify me. Contact Vicki O'Neill on 0428 282282

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.

Ongerup Sporting Complex AGM Will be held Wednesday 25th March 7.30 pm in the Ongerup Hotel Meeting Room. All positions will be declared vacant, Chair and Secretary are filled but Vice Chair and Treasurer are vacant, please consider taking on one of these positions to help keep our Complex running.

ONGERUP LIBRARY UPDATE

The library has just received a number of new DVDs.

For our adult readers, binge a whole season of solving mysteries with Watson (yes, the friend of Sherlock Holmes) or dealing with operating-room drama in Sullivan's Crossing. For movie night, check out Bryan Brown in The Travellers, Benedict Cumberbatch in The Thing With Feathers, a medical emergency in Code 3 or the survival thriller Beast of War set in World War II.

Our younger readers can travel through Asia with the great naturalist, Sir David Attenborough, or join the Bad Guys on a globe-trotting heist masterminded by a new team of criminals- the Bad Girls.

Toddler Time

Today at Toddler Time we enjoyed some free play in the nature playground. The children used leaves, rocks and bark to create letters from the alphabet and even spell their names.

We then headed into the library for story time, where our wonderful librarian Laura read "The Story Tree."

It was a lovely morning of creativity, learning and imagination!

We were excited to find an Emerald Feather and a white feather as part of the Scribblers Festival Golden Feather Hunt!



CRC SURVEY Lastly we have a very important survey for you to fill out to help us best serve your needs in the future click on the QR code or go to the post Office and tell us how we can help you

Go into the draw to win a \$50 Ongerup Pub voucher.

Go to <https://forms.gle/LgJ8beA1jRYdDhvSA> to complete the form.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

MARCH

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



FREE COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Join us on 21st March
From 7:00am onwards

After the Feral Animal Tally Count

• Yongergnow - Ongerup Community Resource Centre

Come along and enjoy a relaxed morning with great food and great company. Everyone is welcome!



EASTER MOVIE NIGHT

Location: Ongerup Pavilion
Date: March 27th
Time: From 4:30pm

- Easter Games
- Egg Hunt
- Sausage Sizzle
- Popcorn
- Easter Movie: Hop

Please feel free to bring a blanket and pillow

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

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Backyard Buddies

Your monthly guide to pests, weeds and diseases

April 2026

Pretty but problematic – Spring bulbs

Chinerinchee invading bushland, Arum lily with its distinctive flowers and the highly invasive pink gladiolus.

Choosing spring colour wisely
 Autumn is the time to choose and plant our spring bulbs, and gardeners have never had more choice! Local nurseries, garden centres, weekend markets, online retailers, and those irresistible full-colour catalogues. But before you fill your trolley, there are a few things worth knowing. Some popular bulbs are surprisingly toxic to people and animals; others have escaped gardens entirely and are now serious environmental weeds. When it comes to bulbs a little knowledge goes a long way.

Invasive bulbs
 Around two-thirds of weeds in Australia were deliberately introduced as garden plants or fodder crops. The south-west of WA has a Mediterranean-type climate, which means plants from South Africa and other Mediterranean regions grow exceptionally well here, sometimes too well!
 Several common bulbs can escape from gardens and invade bushland, outcompeting native plants. Plants to be cautious about include Freesia, Watsonia, Sparaxis and some Gladiolus, particularly older varieties.

Toxic bulbs
Cape tulips (*Moraea* spp.) were introduced in the 1800s; they are now widespread, established weeds. It's their toxic glycosides that are responsible for livestock poisoning.
Chinerinchee (*Ornithogalum thyrsoides*) is toxic to livestock and dogs; it's known to cause gastrointestinal illness and blindness in cattle. Found at a few locations in the south-west of WA, it's one to avoid.
Arum lily (*Zantedeschia aethiopica*) is beautiful but extremely invasive, and toxic to all livestock, pets and humans. It has colonised thousands of hectares in south-west WA.

Tips for safe plantings

- Choose non-invasive, non-toxic species where possible.
- Store bulbs safely, away from children and pets, and label anything in the fridge.
- Never dump garden waste in bushland or farmland – a single discarded bulb can establish a new weed population.

▲ If you suspect poisoning
 People: Call the Poisons Information Centre immediately on 13 11 26 (24 hours, 7 days)
 Livestock or pets: Contact your vet without delay

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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
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- Little Learners daycare Friday School term - Maddie 0427 271454
- Ongerup Bowling Club - Vicki O'Neill 0428 282282
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- 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

TOWN HALL HIRE

4 HOURS= \$50
 8 HOURS= \$100
 NIGHT TIME= \$200

Tables/Chairs onsite: Free
 Tables/Chairs off site:
 \$10 per table
 \$5 per chair
 \$100 per bond

March/April 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				12 Shire Consultation <i>Recycling bins</i> GNP feral shoot	13 DANDJOO event Borden daycare <i>Social bowls</i>	14
15 Golf	16	17 Pickleball 6pm	18 OCD AGM pickleball 9 am Fitness 5 pm	19	20 daycare Ongerup fox shoot <i>social bowls</i>	21 community breakfast
22 Golf	23	24 Pickleball 6pm	25 pickleball 9 am Fitness 5 pm Complex AGM	26 recycling bins Shire election closes	27 daycare movie night <i>social bowls</i>	28
29 Golf	30	31 Pickleball 6pm	1 pickleball 9 am fitness 5 pm	2	3	4

