

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR SPRING 2001

DATE	EVENT	CONTACT
Fri 7 Sept	Goldfields Naturalists Club Meeting, 7.30pm - Lecture Room Hospitality, Curtin University, behind KayCee's Café, Cnr Cassidy & Cheetham Streets, Kalgoorlie	Janette Kavanagh - 9021 7440
1 - 9 Sept	Tidy Towns Waterwise Garden Competition Judging	Landcare Office - 9091 6233
11 - 14 Sept	State Landcare Conference, Mandurah	Landcare Office - 9091 6233
Wed 26 Sept	Launch KBULG's Centenary of Federation Project, 10.30am Karlkurla Bushland Park, Riverina Way, Kalgoorlie	Landcare Office - 9091 6233
Fri 5 Oct	KBULG Committee Meeting 9.00am Lotteries House Conference Room, cnr Wilson & MacDonald Streets, Kalgoorlie	Landcare Office - 9091 6233
Sun 28 Oct	Kalgoorlie Arboretum - Open Day, Hawkins Street, Kalgoorlie	Dept of CALM - 9021 2677

BIRD WATCH

Common Name: Willie Wagtail

Scientific Name: *Rhipidura leucophrys*

Description: The Willie Wagtail is a black and white bird which grows to 20cm in length. It is identified by its black head, wings and tail with a white belly and eyebrow. This cheery little creature mainly feeds on insects.

Occurrence: The Willie Wagtail is found throughout Australia and is commonly spotted around the Goldfields. They often visit urban gardens and parks.

Source: Goldfields Naturalist Club (1995) *Common Birds of Kalgoorlie-Boulder*.

BIRD WATCHING

Spring is a good time of the year for bird watching. Why not take your thermos and binoculars to Karlkurla Park, retreat to one of the many picnic tables around the walk trail and sit and observe the diverse range of Goldfields birds.



PLANT OF THE SEASON



Common Name: Tan Wattle

Scientific Name: *Acacia hemiteles*

Description: Tan Wattle is a compact shrub which grows to approximately 3m. It often grows as wide, if not wider, than it does tall. The tough leaves of the tan wattle are a grey-green colour and have strongly pointed tips.

The tan wattle produces masses of yellow flowers in late Winter to early Spring.

Occurrence: It is found growing throughout the Goldfields and is often used for mine site rehabilitation as it is a good colonising plant for disturbed areas.

The tan wattle can also be found growing in Karlkurla Park and at KBULG's Native Plants Garden, which is located in Killington Crescent, Fairways.

Source: Mitchell, A. A. & Wilcox, D. G. (1994) *Arid Shrubland plants of Western Australia*.

For more details on any of the articles or to find out more about the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group call or visit the Landcare Office located in Lotteries House (Cnr Wilson & MacDonald Streets, Kalgoorlie). Phone: 9091 6233 or 0418 935 498 or email: kbulg@emerge.net.au