



# KALGOORLIE-BOULDER LANDCARE NEWS



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## AAH! SPRING IS IN THE AIR



The days are getting longer, the nights a little warmer. Yes we have made it through the long cold winter and now finally spring is upon us. Smell the air. Isn't it great?

Spring is the most ideal time for heading outdoors and appreciating our local bushland. With above average rainfall so far this year we should have a good wildflower season. So, where is the best place to see them ?

If you enjoy the blankets of Everlastings that beautify the countryside then you will have to head north past Menzies to see them at their best. If it's flowering shrubs that take your fancy however then Kalgoorlie has plenty on offer.

*Eremophilas* (Emu Bushes), *Sennas* (Cassias) and the red winged fruit of the fragrant Native Hopbush are just a few of the delights you should see in flower. Let's not forget the trees as some *Eucalypts* like the Salmon Gum and Goldfields Blackbutt will also have flowers bursting from their gumnuts.

Most of the flowering shrubs can be seen in and around Kalgoorlie and one of the best places is right on our doorstep. Karikurla Park is a great resource for viewing wildflowers and now with the Native Plant Guide (see page 3) available it makes your visit to the park that more interesting and enjoyable.

So do yourself a favour, grab a copy of the Native Plant Guide and head to Karikurla Park this spring. You'll be glad you did.

## TREE PLANTING DAY A Great Success

The Gribble Creek floodplain was the site for this year's Community Tree Planting Day. Individuals and teams participated in what turned out to be an extremely successful day with over 2500 trees being planted.

Congratulations to Placer Dome Asia Pacific - Strategic Development and Support Services for winning the Corporate Challenge with 50 participants. Well done also to the Boulder Scouts for winning the Community Challenge with 37. The Department of Environment (pictured right) looked a treat in their homemade gumnut babies outfits and accordingly won the best costume prize.



Special thanks goes to the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder for preparing the site and laying all the reticulation, a huge job over many weeks. Our appreciation goes out also to the early birds who helped out on Saturday morning setting the trees out and others like WMC Resources Community Participation Team for manning the Registration Desk.



The day would not be possible of course without our sponsors and a big thank you goes out to Western Power (Greening Challenge), the Minister for Environments Community Conservation grants, and last but not least the City of Kalgoorlie Boulder.

Thanks also to all of the other teams and individuals who came along and participated during the day. Your contribution ensured the community of Kalgoorlie Boulder a better environment and a better lifestyle.



KBULG - Better environment, better lifestyle ..... communicate, educate, participate



Kalgoorlie Nickel Smelter

