



MEDIA REPORT 2014-2015

Walk in parks is child's play



Eli Akber and Kayleb Currie.



Rachel Simons and Ebony Mason.

Boulder Primary School students ventured on an outdoors excursion last week.

On Tuesday, pre-primary and Year 1 students explored Karlkurla Bushland Park from 9.30am to 11.30am.

Working up an appetite during the two-hour educational walk, the students were then treated to a barbecue lunch at Hammond Park.

After a few sausages, the students returned to school grounds.



Gabrielle Sheck and Devyne Silpa.



Chloe-Bel Nagel. Pictures: Mary Mills



Jeriah Smiler and Kara Ashwin.



Jeriah Smiler, Ezmae Matsuku and Rebecca Peach.

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This letter is in regards to the *Kalgoorlie Miner* article (Researcher aims to boost local tourism, 30/6).

In this article, Kim Hewson says she is looking to "help find new and innovative ways to expand tourism", that there are "only a handful of attractions" and that "people are able to do (these) in a day", and finally, that our area "needs more than on offer now as people are not used to going out to ecotourism".

Perhaps Ms Hewson should start by expanding her own view of the local tourism attractions in and around Kalgoorlie-Boulder as well as her idea of exactly what a "tourist" is.

I worked extensively in the tourism industry of Kalgoorlie-Boulder for more than

15 years, and the variety of attractions here is pretty good and the "average tourist" is more than willing to get out there, be hands-on and get dirty doing "ecotourism".

After all, they travelled here to begin with.

There is no denying the Goldfields has always been associated with the rough "wild west".

Many are truly surprised once they arrive how large a city we have and the facilities available to them.

I did a quick list of the local tourist attractions last night and came up with about 40 things to see and do that are within 15 minutes of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

I expanded the list to include Coolgardie and their Railway

Station Museum, Burra Rock, Cave Hill, Kambalda's salt lakes and land sailing, Ora Banda Historical Inn, Menzies, Lake Ballard and Gormley Statues.

By the end of the list, there were well over 100 attractions I could list that are within 200km of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

The main problem faced by the smaller tourism operator is the lack of recognition and/or support, both financially and physically.

Unless they have big dollars and self-promotion, most of the smaller attractions fall under the radar.

Ask a local about what there is to see and do in Kalgoorlie-Boulder and the top five answers will be the Super Pit, Museum of the Goldfields, Hay

Street, the Hall of Fame and gold tours (for example, Goldrush Tours or Finders Keepers). After that, people struggle to think of anything else.

Smaller niche museums such as the War Museum, School of Mines, the Racing Club Museum, the Historical Society, the Loopline Railway Museum are largely forgotten.

Standalone attractions, such as the Goatcher Curtain, may rank a mention, but others such as the Royal Flying Doctor base, Kurrawang Emu Farm, Hammond Park, Karlkurla Bushland Park, Paddy Hannan's Statue, the Boulder Market Day, the Miner's Monument or even the Mount Charlotte Lookout, lose out.

That's not even starting on the

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Event set to promote city's growth and beauty

■ Jasmine Bamford

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group is ramping up for its biggest event of the year.

The Community Tree Planting Day has been an annual event since KBULG was established more than 40 years ago.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said the tree planting day was the organisation's favourite event.

"For more than 40 years we've been greening the Goldfields," she said.

"Tree planting in this area is important, as it minimises dust, minimises erosion and beautifies the area.

"It's also great exercise and presents a chance to meet new and like-minded people."

Ms Eckert said she hoped to get as many volunteers as possible along this year.

"My goal is always about spreading the word about sustainable practices available in our area," she said.

"It's all about raising awareness and establishing good habits and good ethics into people."

Participants are required to help plant thousands of trees at a regeneration zone on the corner of Maxwell Street and Boomerang Crescent in Somerville on Sunday, July 27.

For more information or to register your interest, contact KBULG on 0418 935 498 or email admin@kbulg.org.au.



Lisa Short and Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group chief executive Kim Eckert prepare for the upcoming tree planting day to be held on Sunday, July 27. Picture: Louise White

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Via Morseto, 6, and Reagan Michalanney, 7, enjoyed the morning planting trees. Pictures: Paul Braven

Seeds for a better environment planted

Hundreds of volunteers yesterday put on gardening gloves and enjoyed the mellow winter sunshine for a morning of tree planting.

About 200 people helped plant thousands of seedlings along Boomerang Crescent as part of the event organised by the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said the campaign was the second stage of a tree-planting effort started last year.

"Stage one was done last year from Maxwell Street. This year we planted and got towards the high school and Boomerang Crescent," she said.

"Being a very urban area, a lot of shrubs and ground cover was planted this year, Goldfields natives.

"The council reticulated and mulched it all and had it all prepared.



Tamera Sharp and Kim Eckert.

"We came in droves and planted it all."

The co-ordinated efforts of KBULG and the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, along with the help of volunteers, helped transform the area.

"For a place that 100 years ago was completely clear-felled, it's just an awesome place now," Ms Eckert said.

"We've formed the green belt

around the city with the regeneration zones, and our annual tree planting day, we'd like to focus on the urban areas.

"We're turning around areas which are potentially a barren dustbowl."

Although a site is yet to be selected, Ms Eckert said preparations were now on for next year's planting.

"We have our annual community tree-planting day. I started preparing for this last year. We've finished that particular area, so we'll be looking at other sites for next year," she said.

"After one finishes we basically start preparing again, working out where we're going to plant next year and propagating and preparing the seedlings.

"Now this one is over we'll reconvene with the CKB and determine a suitable place for next year."

Morning in the sun for Goldfields green thumbs

Residents with a knack for gardening were out in force yesterday morning as part of the second stage of the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group's tree-planting initiative. Lynne Strudwicke and Alex Coles joined a big group of volunteers to spend Sunday morning along Boomerang Crescent.

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**Kalgoorlie-Boulder
Sustainable Garden Quest**





CATEGORIES

- Residential
(Owner & Tenant Combined)
- Commercial
(Business & Industry Combined)
- Schools
- Community Organisation
- Edible Garden
(Vegetables/Fruit/Bush Tucker)

This year's competition will focus on all aspects of creating and maintaining a sustainable garden, the overall appearance, colour and tidiness of gardens and verges.

For entry forms and judging criteria please email admin@kbulg.com.au or visit Lotteries House, Bergie's Soils or the Kalgoorlie Miner. Visit our website for details www.kbulg.com.au or contact KBULG on 0418935498.

Follow us on Facebook www.facebook.com/groups/kbulg/ for updates during the competition.

Entries / nominations close 30 August 2014. Judging will take place 27-28th September. Winners will be announced at the Spring Festival Celebration on Sunday 12th of October 2014.

Enter before the 30 August 2014 and receive a voucher providing 25% off Goldfields Natives from Karlkurla Community Nursery and a copy of the Native Plant Guide — Karlkurla Bushland Park & the Goldfields. Also receive information about gardening with local native Plants.

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Boardwalk upgrade a boost for bush park

■ Michael Dulaney

Runners and walkers at Karlkurla Bushland Park will soon have a key piece of infrastructure upgraded as part of a program to improve walking trails throughout WA.

The worn wooden boardwalk across Gribble Creek has been earmarked for an upgrade, with a wider and safer bridge to be built to accommodate the increase in visitors to the park.

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group chief executive Kim Eckert said the bridge was important not only for recreational visitors, but also for maintenance crews to cross Gribble Creek during wet periods.

Ms Eckert said the park's wider boardwalk would also be more accommodating for people with disabilities.

"There is a need to replace the bridge because it's getting old and used and needs upgrading," she said.

"It's 12 years old now and needs to be upgraded to meet the large capacity of visitors we receive.

"It will just mean the bridge is replaced with something that is more safe, it will be wider for prams and disability access."

The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group have received a \$40,000 Lotterywest grant to complete the build, part of \$1 million worth of grants to nature trails across WA.

Ms Eckert said Karlkurla Park's strong growth in popularity had



Brenden Westbrook, Jan Hendren, Paul Mofflyn (from the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder) and John Mathew on the bridge across Gribble Creek at Karlkurla Bushland Park. The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group will share in \$40,000 of funding to upgrade park infrastructure. Picture: Mary Mills

highlighted the need for an upgrade.

"The park is increasingly becoming more popular and we

need to ensure that bridge is adequate for the amount of people using it," she said. "There's up to 200 people who go on Park Run

every Saturday morning that go over that bridge.

"It's a great indication that the park is now becoming popular."

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Bird watchers Wayne O'Sullivan, Trish Girando and Peta Osborne at Karlkurla Bushland Park.

Bush bird survey catches rare glimpses

■ Michael Dulaney

Rarely seen birds, some as small as a 50-cent piece, were spotted in the morning light at Karlkurla Bushland Park.

Volunteers are taking part in bird surveys run throughout the Great Western Woodlands with the objective of identifying species and their habitats.

The tranquil walk involves listening for birds known to inhabit the area before trying to spot them with binoculars.

The group of 11 later discuss

their findings and debrief over morning tea.

Peta Osborne, who has been on four surveys with the group, said Karlkurla is a good location for those with no prior bird-watching experience.

"It's quite open bushland so if you are standing in a group you've got a chance to see what everybody else is seeing as well," she said.

Ms Osborne said the group spotted a few birds which are rarely seen. A pair of nesting birds also gave a good sign.

"One we hear but rarely see is the crested bell bird, which is a local around here," she said.

"We were also able to see some really tiny ones, not much bigger than a 50-cent piece.

"There was also a pair of ring-neck green parrots at a hollow in a tree and we were wondering if there were babies there or they were preparing to nest."

The surveys are held every three months and are organised by the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, the Nature Conservancy and Birdlife Australia.

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Ron Mosby, Brett Banting, Kitty Prodonovich and John Keron. Pictures: Louise White

Best in business honoured

■ Jasmine Bamford

There were twice the reasons to celebrate for many winners at the Goldfields Business and Employee Awards on Saturday.

Rebekka May from Cooper Fluid Systems was among the winners who received multiple gongs, picking up the Best Customer Service award and 2014 Star of the Future.

Georgina MacDougall from Ella Bache Salon and Spa Kalgoorlie took out the Best Business with 5 to 10 Employees and 2014 Business Person of the Year.

Kim Eckert, chief executive of Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, was acknowledged for Employers Supporting People with a Disability and Best Not-for-Profit organisation. Kids on Carrington Child Care Centre won Best Trainee (Caitlyn Currie) and the Public Vote award.



Carmen Tieri, Jill Steel, Gloria Moyle, Cindy Giles and Maria Marchegiani.

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Dogs cause park concern

■ Paul Simpson

Dogs and snakes are in the spotlight at Karlkurla Bushland Park.

Kim Eckert, chief executive of the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, which manages the park said snakes were on the move.

"Snakes will go to great lengths to avoid human contact and generally only attack if they feel under threat," she said.

"So if you see a snake crossing a path in the park then give it plenty of room to move away."

Ms Eckert said the number of dogs in the park without a leash was also a concern.

"There are more and more instances of dogs chasing kangaroos and the native fauna, like lizards, inside the park," she said.

"The park is an enclosed area, so these animals can't get away."

"If people are caught with an unleashed dog in the park, they will be fined."

Another concern was the amount of dog droppings on or near paths, Ms Eckert said.

"We would prefer owners be responsible and clean up their dog's mess," she said.

"The park is for the enjoyment of everyone in the Goldfields community."

"Everyone must do their bit to keep it clean."

"We don't want to arrive at the position where a discus-



Kim Eckert and Anjali Avgeris take Alfie, Charlie and Mr Wilson out for a stroll through Karlkurla Bushland Park, knowing no native animals or lizards will be harmed. Picture: Paul Braven

sion is needed on whether to ban dogs from Karlkurla Bushland Park, an A-class reserve.

"We'd like to see it remain dog-friendly."

Recent concerns about Saturday morning's parkrun event causing erosion and weathering of the native bush beside the path, where runners gather before they begin, has now been resolved.

The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and KBULG have successfully spread mulch in the

area, which has solved the problem.

The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder website says the Dog Act 1976 allows the City to investigate cases in which a dog has attacked, or caused a person to fear being attacked, regardless if the dog has caused injury to a person or other animal or not, and to prosecute the dog owners if necessary.

A dog does not have to bite a person or animal to have attacked it and chasing a person

or animal is still an offence.

The owner or person in charge of the dog is liable for any damages or injuries caused by the attack, including veterinarian's or doctor's fees, unless it can be proven the dog was protecting a person, other animal or property.

The affected party can recover these costs by lodging a civil claim in court.

The maximum penalty for a dog attack is \$20,000 and/or imprisonment for two years.

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RECYCLED ART COMPETITION

THEME = 'Great Western Woodlands'

- 3D Sculpture \$200 Cash Prize
- 2D Posters, Painting, Collage \$200 Cash Prize
- Junior Individual (13 and Under) \$100 Cash Prize
- Primary School Class Entry \$200 Cash Prize
- High School Class Entry \$200 Cash Prize
- Community Group \$200 Cash Prize
- Peoples Choice Award \$200 Cash Prize

ENTRY DETAILS

Entry forms and conditions are available from the Kalgoorlie Miner, the Goldfields Arts Centre, Fossick Homemade, Lotteries House, visit www.kbulg.org.au and click on events to download the form OR email admin@kbulg.org.au.

Entry forms and artwork must be submitted by Monday the 10th of November 2014 to the Goldfields Arts Centre between 2pm and 6pm. \$10.00 Entry Fee

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KBULG in action!



KBULG was nominated for two categories in the KBCCI Goldfields Business and Employee Awards this year and won Profit Organisation of the Year! KBULG has been operating for over 40 years in the Goldfields and we were so proud and honoured that KBULG was selected. Thank you to all our members, partners and sponsors for your ongoing support.

CEO Update



Kim Eckert - KBULG

KBULG has once again had a successful financial year, achieving all goals, completing all projects, programs and activities we set out to do, and more! This year has seen many changes for our organisation and we continue to move from strength to strength. All our annual community awareness/educational events are supported and attended by many, and we have increased our presence in the city by also supporting other organisations and their events.

It's been just over a year since we moved the administration office from Lotteries House to the Community Nursery located within Karikuria Bushland Park. This strategic business decision has enabled our nursery and administration staff to work more closely together. It has allowed for cross-training to happen, the nursery is now open to the public and it has unified the team.

This coming financial year will see KBULG upgrade our reticulation system to allow automated watering, rather

than the labor intensive hand watering. We will be again hosting our annual events, projects and activities, whilst seeking to grow our involvement in the community and our extend our education programs, including cultural heritage and awareness and our Great Western Woodlands. KBULG will be growing our community nursery with the view of becoming more self-sufficient in the future, so that we do not rely so heavily on the funding we currently receive.

Our support and volunteer network is growing exponentially. Thank you so much for your motivation and dedication helping us to achieve our goal of creating a "better environment and better lifestyle" for the people of the Goldfields.

I would also like to sincerely thank our KBULG staff (past and present), the committee, members and sponsors (both financial and in-kind). I really appreciate your support and look forward to working with you this year to achieve many more GREAT things for our community and future generations.

Kim Eckert

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Exhibition - Friday 21st of November 2014 at the Goldfields Arts Centre at 5:30pm - 7:30pm.

For more information contact KBULG
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WATER SAVER TIP

Check for leaks
in pipes, hoses and
connections



KBULG NEW COMMITTEE FOR 2014-2015

KBULG would like to thank the committee of 2013-2014 for all their encouragement and support, it was a very successful and constructive year.

We would like to formally introduce and welcome our newly elected committee for 2014-2015, nominated at the AGM held on the Wednesday 24 September.

Introducing the new KBULG Committee:

Chair Person - Peta Osborne

Vice Chair - John Rees

Treasurer - Rod Botica

Secretary - Susan Stirling

Committee members

Graham Campbell; David Pickles;

Jennifer Jackson; Suzie Williams;

Jess Li and Adrian Lally

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Local Plant Profile

Eremophila decipiens

Common Name: Desert Lover – Eremophila – Slender Fuchsia

Scientific Name: Eremophila decipiens subsp. "decipiens". Decipiens means misleading.

Size and Form: Low many-branched shrub, 0.3 - 1.5m high and 1 - 2m wide.

Flowers: Red orange tubular flowers, 30mm long with protruding stamens; on long, curved flower stalks.

Fruits: Fruits are round and dry, 5 - 8mm in diameter.

Leaves: Flat, 40mm long.

Habitat: Red laterite or clay plains, clay; Interesting if enjoyed by

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Kalgoorlie-Boulder's Annual Community TREE PLANTING DAY

Boomerang Crescent
South Kalgoorlie

Thank you
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SPRING CLEAN! Keep your house green clean



You can reduce the amount of harmful chemicals you use around your home by green cleaning. This is easy to achieve and only requires the following simple ingredients to make handy cleaning agents!

- ✿ Bicarbonate Soda (Baking Soda) cleans, deodorises, softens water and is a good scouring powder.
- ✿ White Vinegar cuts grease and is a deodoriser and mild disinfectant.
- ✿ Pure Soap (Dishwashing Detergent) is a general purpose cleaner that is completely biodegradable.
- ✿ Lemon Juice is a mild bleach, deodoriser and cleaning agent.
- ✿ Washing Soda cuts grease and removes stains.

- ✿ Borax is a naturally occurring mineral salt. It cleans, deodorises, bleaches and disinfects. Borax is also used to control pests such as ants and cockroaches.
- ✿ There are THREE things to remember! Reduce the use of household cleaners by buying less and looking for natural safer alternatives.
- ✿ Be Smart when you shop, read the label and look at the ingredients to avoid buying toxic products! By products with recycled or recyclable packaging.
- ✿ Think Safe when you are handling and/or storing all cleaning agents. Also make sure you dispose of them legally and safely.

SPRING GARDEN



With the weather warming up, Spring is the perfect time for gardeners to be outdoors getting their hands dirty. Here are some quick tips to get you started this spring.

- ✿ Feed your citrus plants as this is a peak growth time for them.
- ✿ Put layers of mulch on your garden now before the heat hits. A thick layer of mulch saves water and provides nutrients to the soil below. Spread the mulch out but leave a gap around the stems/trunks of plants to allow water easy access to roots.
- ✿ For shape and appearance, you prune natives once they have finished flowering. Wax flower, Banksia, Grevillea, Boronia and

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'honeyeaters.



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Eremophilas like a light prune
after flowers.

- Winter flowering wattles should be pruned once the flowers have faded.
- Apply wetting agents to your garden beds and trees, especially to any plants that are not getting enough water. This will help the plants survive during another dry summer.
- To keep flowering plants blooming, remove all the dead heads from your flowers regularly.
- Plant any perennials and shrubs now so they are established when the summer heat hits.
- Re-pot any plants that are getting too big for their containers.



GARDENING TIP
Weed and
renew mulches on
garden beds



- Look out for snails! They breed in spring so now is the time to get rid of them before they eat all your veggies and flowers.

If you choose to use baits, make sure they are out of reach of children and pets - even the ones claiming to be unattractive to them. Try a bowl or saucer of beer instead.

- Top up your veggie patch now with the compost you made over winter from food and garden scraps.

Walking your dog in Karlkurla Park

Karlkurla Bushland Park is a great place to exercise and walk your dog but please remember a few things when walking in the park with your four legged friends.

- Your dog must **ALWAYS** be on a lead in the park. Karlkurla Bushland Park is not an 'off leash' Zone. Dogs allowed to roam are a threat to local wildlife and you can be fined \$100 if your dog is not on its lead. Always remain on the sealed paths.
- Have a dog tidy bag with you to clean

up after your dog - you can be fined \$200 for not cleaning up your furry friends droppings.

- Try to discourage your dog from barking in the park, the noise can scare the native wildlife.

If everyone follows these few simple rules the park can be enjoyed by everyone.

If you want somewhere to exercise your dog offlead then the Kalgoorlie Arboretum located on Hawkins Street (adjacent to Hammond Park) is the perfect place for you.



PRUNING

It is now time to
prune plants that
FLOWERED in
winter and early
spring



Protecting Your ZONES

DID YOU KNOW?

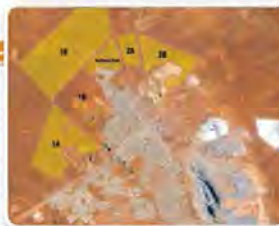
Kalgoorlie-Boulder has Regeneration/Dust Abatement Zones. These zones create a "green belt" around the city and were established over 40 years ago to reduce the major dust problems in Kalgoorlie-Boulder and protect the health of the city's residents. They have been very successful in reducing dust storms from an almost daily to a now rare occurrence. Everyone in town benefits from these protected areas.

Not only do the Regeneration Zones make life in Kalgoorlie-Boulder a less dusty place to live, they also provide passive recreational facilities for everyone to enjoy. These zones are being

abused and destroyed. The regeneration zones are under constant threat from Off Road Vehicles, illegal rubbish dumping and illegal firewood collecting.

Most of the damage is caused by off road vehicles which cause soil erosion, destruction of vegetation, disturbance of wildlife and the destruction of animal habitat. Over the years KBULG has spent thousands of dollars fixing fences damaged through continual vandalism.

Please keep your Off Road Vehicles out of the Regeneration Zones, if these areas continue to run down due to continued vandalism, everyone in Kalgoorlie-Boulder will be effected!



Green belt: This view from Karlkurla Park shows part of a regeneration zone north of Kalgoorlie.

COMING EVENTS!

SUNDAY 05 OCTOBER
KBULG Native Plant Group

SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER
Winners from the Sustainable Garden Quest Garden Quest competition will be announced at the Spring Festival.

SUNDAY 02 NOVEMBER 2014
KBULG Native Plant Group

MONDAY 10 NOVEMBER
Reconstructed Art Competition registrations at Goldfields Arts Centre 2pm - 6pm

FRIDAY 21 NOVEMBER
Opening Night - Reconstructed Art Competition Exhibition

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TIDY TOWNS AWARDS - SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group entered Kalgoorlie-Boulder into the Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Award and Won the 2014 Regional Award for Natural Environment Conservation Goldfields & Central Wheatbelt.



This is once again a wonderful achievement for Kalgoorlie-Boulder and big congratulations to all the winners in the region!

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____ Date: _____
Address: _____
Postcode: _____
Phone: _____
To receive KBULG news the environmentally friendly way, please provide us with your email address
Email: _____

MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY: (please tick one)

- ☐ Business \$100
☐ Financial Membership* \$10
☐ Social Membership (free) (individual, junior or family)

Number of Adults: _____ Children: _____

*Financial Membership entitles you to have voting privileges and 10% off KBULG purchases.

If you volunteer with KBULG, here are some of the projects you can be involved in:

- ☐ Community Tree Planting Days
☐ Regeneration Zones ☐ Recycling ☐ Clean Up Days
☐ Bushwalks ☐ Gardening with Native Plants
☐ Flora and Fauna

PAYMENT OPTIONS:

You may deposit the invoice amount directly into the following account by electronic funds transfer:

Bank Name: Westpac Branch Name: Kalgoorlie
Account Name: Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group Inc
BSB: 036125 Account No: 14 4731

Please make all cheques payable to: Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group.

RETURN TO: KALGOORLIE-BOULDER URBAN LANDCARE GROUP
PO Box 1038, KALGOORLIE WA 6430
PHONE: 0418935498 EMAIL: admin@kbulg.org.au

LIVE LOCAL, PLANT LOCAL

What are indigenous plants?

Indigenous plants are local native plants that grow naturally in your area. Many have colourful flowers and attractive foliage that look great in all types of gardens. Benefits of indigenous plants

- **Low maintenance**
Indigenous plants are perfectly suited to the local soil and climate. They thrive in the local area with little or no additional water, fertilisers or pesticides once they have established.
- **Provide food and shelter for native wildlife**
By planting even a few indigenous

plants in your garden you can provide food and shelter to native wildlife such as birds, butterflies and frogs.

• **Enhance the landscape**
Indigenous plants reflect the character and charm of your local area. Their unique style contributes to a sense of local identity.

What can you do?
Planting indigenous plants doesn't mean you have to turn your garden into bushland, you can start by mixing and matching indigenous plants with

other natives and exotics. If you are pulling out a tired shrub, why not replace it with showy indigenous plant?



Wildflower Season...

With the weather warming up now is a great time to be out and about to see what the goldfields bushland has to offer. If you are feeling adventurous take a drive along the Kalgoorlie to Merredin

Wildflower Trail to witness a stunning array of wildflowers in season. Or if you want something a little closer to home take a stroll through the beautiful Karkula Park to see Kalgoorlie-

Boulders diverse range of flowering native shrubs and trees. Admire the many hued varieties of the Eremophilla and gaze at the striking eucalypt trees awash with colour.

Thank you
to all our valued
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Sustainable gardeners recognised at festival

■ John Ely

The sustainable gardens of Kalgoorlie-Boulder were championed at the Goldfields Spring Festival yesterday.

Announced at the festival, the winners of the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Land Care Group's Sustainable Garden Quest Competition were full of smiles as they took their place on the stage in recognition of their gardening efforts.

Mother-of-three Sarah Campbell took out first prize in the edible garden category and said her boys enjoyed a garden they could get their teeth into.

"The main thing is the kids can go into the garden and pick edible things," she said.

The Campbell family certainly had plenty to choose from with a bumper crop of mulberries, cherry tomatoes, beans, a range of herbs, capsicum, cauliflowers, lettuce and fennel.

Mrs Campbell said her sustainable manure system where her chickens and ducks are fed family leftovers might have won her gar-



The garden of residential winner Christie Nichol.

den the sustainable tick of approval from the judges.

Other category winners were Christie Nichol in the residential garden category, the Goldfields Baptist College in the schools category, Rydges Kalgoorlie in the commercial category and the Joey Scout Group for the community organisation category.

KBULG landcare officer Angela Avgeris said the entrants in this year's competition were of a very high standard, especially in the residential category.

Ms Avgeris said it was pleasing to see the message about sustainable gardening was spreading in the community.



Sarah Campbell's winning edible garden. Pictures: Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Land Care Group

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Festival kicks spring into high gear

Goldfields families enjoyed a sunny but breezy day at Hammond Park, for Sunday's Goldfields Spring Festival.

Apart from the food and goods on offer at stalls, attendees were also treated to performances by Kalgoorlie-Boulder's Stage Left Theatre Troupe, the Eastern Goldfields Highland Pipe Band and Kalgoorlie's Got Talent competitors.

Youngsters also had much to see

and do at the festival, with a number of bouncy castles on offer and the Kalgoorlie Lions Club offering families its customary train rides.

The winners of the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Land Care Group's Sustainable Garden Quest Competition were also announced at the festival, with four waterwise and sustainable gardeners recognised for their efforts.



Kizzle McGrogan.



Chikondi, 7, Helen, and Alinani Jere, 3.



Lora Hartlebury, 16, Emily Newmeyer, 16, Amy Sellick, 17, and Erin Kerr, 16.



Stephen Vinicombe, Ripley Cramp, Inez McGushin, 6, Christie Nichol and Sarah Campbell.



Larissa and Chloe Todd, 9.



Peter Chen and Jayson Yu, 20 months.

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2. Have a compost bin on your sink for all food waste there are plenty of nice ones these days so it won't look ugly or use an ice cream container. Outside get an old large rubbish bin and cut the bottom out, place it in your garden area and put all your food waste into it put the lid back on so the flies don't get involved and in no time you will have compost. Once full move the bin to the next location in your yard, better still have a couple in the yard at different stages.
3. Get some chooks and feed them the food waste and score some eggs for your trouble.
4. Place a bucket in your sink to collect all water waste; you

- can use an old stainless steel saucepan so this looks pretty good rather than a plastic bucket! Once this is full tip onto all your potted plants or garden bed. You won't believe how much water you save or waste depending on how you look at it!
5. Don't let your air conditioner hose just run down the drain pipe, get a sprinkler on the end of it and water the garden moving the sprinkler around as much as you can to cover the entire yard, you will hardly turn on the tap! (an average air conditioner uses 22 litres per hour).
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Involving the community

Previously the Goldfields Dust Abatement Committee, and now Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, KBULG has conserved and established native vegetation in the Goldfields for over 40 years.

As the Goldfields premier community environmental organisation, KBULG aims to involve the community in all of its activities. This includes a junior landcare program,

educating primary school kids about conservation and recycling. KBULG also regularly organises community events focusing on raising awareness and educating Goldfielders on conservation and sustainable practices, such as annual tree planting, clean-up Kalgoorlie-Boulder day, bushwalks through Karlkurla Bushland Park for school groups and a native plant group meeting, which is held monthly to

encourage people to use waterwise native plants from the region. Sustainable garden competitions are also held to raise awareness and reward people committed to being waterwise and sustainable gardening practices.

The upcoming rECONstructed recycle art competition is sure to be a huge hit, with generous prizes awarded to those who fulfil certain criteria. Targeting schools and the community, the aim is to increase understanding of the concept of resource recovery and the waste cycle, encouraging members of the

community to source and utilise waste products and materials to create innovative pieces of art, ultimately reducing the amount of waste going to landfill and promoting the reduce-reuse-recycle message. Registrations and art works are to be submitted on Monday November 10, with an exhibition of the works running for three weeks from November 21 at the Goldfields Art Centre.

KBULG also supports other community groups through revegetation programs, generating community pride and encouraging respect of our environment.

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Sustainability at the forefront



The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder's vision is to be a sustainable regional city of the future.

It is for this reason the City has undertaken a number of substantial green initiatives in recent years. This includes construction of a cutting edge \$2 million geothermal system and solar thermal system at the Oasis Recreation Centre, which will reduce the City's total gas consumption by over 80%.

The recently completed 150kW solar photovoltaic system at the City's wastewater treatment plant is the largest council-owned system in WA, and will reduce the City's CO2 emissions by over 200 tonnes each year. Solar PV systems heavily reduce consumption of electricity from the grid, saving a significant amount of carbon emissions as well as substantially reducing power bills.

As such the City will begin construction on its fifth significant solar PV system at the Kalgoorlie-Boulder airport in 2015. This will bring the City's total installed capacity to 450kW – that's the equivalent of 300 household solar PV systems.

The City is working with the rest of the Goldfields region to finalise the installation of over 2,400 LED streetlights and 360kW of solar PV panels in the Shires of Laverton, Menzies, Leonora, Dundas, Coolgardie and Esperance, subject to ratification by each Council. This will reduce their CO2 emissions by nearly 1,000 tonnes each year, equal to taking 200 passenger vehicles off the road.

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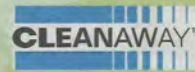
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When: Saturday 15th November 10:00am

Where: Cleanaway Materials Recovery Facility, 5 Carnegie Street, Kalgoorlie

If you are interested in attending this FREE tour,
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The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder would also like to take this opportunity to remind residents what can and can't go into your recycling bin:

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Resident Mary Oversby (front) at the official Amana Living garden opening in Kalgoorlie with Amana Living Chief Executive Ray Glickman, board member Ian Ludlow, chairman Steve Scudamore and care co-ordinator Barbara Foggin. Picture: Mary Mills

Fresh hopes sprout in sensory garden

■ Michael Dulaney

Residents at the Edward Collick Home on Wilson Street have a new Lavender Sensory Garden to spend time in.

Managers say the garden is a peaceful and quiet area for the residents, with fruit trees and a vegetable garden.

Sensory gardens are designed to increase awareness of the senses and have a therapeutic effect for those with dementia.

Construction work for the garden started in 2011, with the outdoor area transformed from red dirt to lush garden in 24 months.

An opening event on Friday was attended by Amana Living's chief executive Ray Glickman, chairman Steve Scudamore and deputy chairman Ian Ludlow.

The main driver behind the project was Barbara Foggin, who has been manager at the home for eight years.

Barbara worked tirelessly for her dream and vision, which was to have an area for residents to walk in a beautiful and safe garden environment.

Lee Burwood

Amana Living operations manager Lee Burwood praised Ms Foggin's effort in bringing the project to fruition.

"Barbara worked tirelessly for her dream and vision, which was to have an area for residents to walk in a beautiful and safe garden environment," she said.

"They can now sit and relax in a sensory garden and reminisce about Kalgoorlie-Boulder history."

A number of Goldfields organi-

sations pitched in to help make the garden a reality. Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines was the major sponsor, donating \$10,000 along with volunteer labour to help establish the garden.

Volunteer work was also donated by the Kalgoorlie Boulder Land Care Group, which also contributed plants for the garden.

A bird cage and seating area was donated by the Kalgoorlie Lions Club and Inner Wheel Club.

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Recycling takes on whole new meaning

Junior individual winner Carwyn Monck, 13, with his winning entry Chaineze. Picture: Louise White

John Ely

Trash turned to treasures as the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group presented the crafty creations of their Recycled Reconstruction Art Competition last week.

About 100 people attended the exhibition opening at the Goldfields Arts Centre on Friday night to see the art pieces created by adults, children and school groups alike.

Hanging plant pots made from old bike helmets, furniture made from cardboard tubes and a 3D painting depicting a lizard made from soft drink tabs were just some of the items reborn from recyclable materials.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert was impressed by the entries in the annual competition.

"The quality of the work is just amazing," she said. "It's getting very innovative and creative."

"It's great to see so many students participate."

"We really pushed for the schools this year and advertised it early so the students could work on it during the year."

KBULG runs the art competition in conjunction with National Recycling Week and Ms Eckert said it was a great opportunity to spread the message.

"Reduce your waste initially, reuse your waste and then, at the last point, recycle it - it's not only those three words but the order as well," she said.

The exhibition will be open at the GAC until December 15.

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Mark and Peta Osborne.



Lynda Burch, Megan O'Brien and Kylie Hewes.



Ross and Yvonne Collins.

Last chance to see showcase

■ John Ely

Kalgoorlie-Boulder art fans still have more than a week to enjoy creations crafted from recyclables at the Goldfields Arts Centre.

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Land Care Group's Recycled Reconstruction Art competition exhibition launched on November 21 and will remain open to the public until December 15.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said the response to the exhibition by the public had been fantastic.

"People have been going in to view the exhibition and it's been really successful," she said.

Artist Ruth Koedyk took out the 3D Sculpture prize in the competition with the piece Umbrella Dream Catcher.

Delicious Composition by Gudrun Sahm beat the

competition in the 2D category. The Junior Individual prize was taken by Carwyn Monck with Chaineze.

East Kalgoorlie Primary School won the school category with Karikuria Butterflies a bright future.

Last but not least the St Mary's Primary Kindergarten and Pre Primary's IMAGINEers proved the most popular piece by taking out the people's choice award with their Tree House of our Great Western Woodlands.

Eckert said all competition participants had demonstrated innovative use of re-usable materials in their art works.

"It's really great to see the imagination and the creativeness out there in our community," she said. She also thanked all of the sponsors that had made the KBULG event possible.



Eden Craig, 5, Kane Phelan, 6, Christien Dann, 5, Sophie Barton, 6, and Orla Olsen, 6. Pictures: Louise White



Suzie Williams, Deborah Botica, Kim Eckert and Rod Botica.



Jarod, Nerissa, Alyssa and Alan Angwin.



Bryden Western, 9, Grace Paterson, 10, Brianna Western, 6.



Laurie Dahmen, Kiona and Reece Craig, 8.



Simon and Angela Phelan.

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Bush sanctuary is the perfect spot to



MY GARDEN

■ Michael Dulaney

This 200ha block of natural regrowth bushland shows many years of first-rate care and attention as the favoured garden for an entire city.

Karikurla Bushland Park, located near the suburb of Hannans, has delighted walkers, bird watchers and nature lovers for many years.

The park's name is derived from the local Aboriginal word for silky pear, the garlgurla, one of the many native bushes, trees and small plants that can now be enjoyed along the park's 4km walk trail.

But the lush vegetation seen throughout the park is the result of regenerative work that took years to come to fruition.

The natural eucalypt woodland which surrounds the area was clear-felled by early settlers for firewood and to power the wood-fired steam engines used at the time.

In the decades since this practice fell out of favour, the woodlands have regenerated.

This process was enhanced by more than 2000 trees and shrubs planted by community volunteers in 2000, helping to build the restore tourist attraction.

It may not seem it at first glance, but summer is a great time of year to visit the park.

Maybe not in the heat of the day, but head down on the cooler evening or morning hours and take in everything the park has to offer.

Most of the spring colour has gone, but there's still plenty to enjoy over the summer.

The distinctive trunks of the salmon gums are enhanced by other eucalypts which dot the park, like the smooth grey bark of the lemon-flowered gum.

Low plants, from the desert cassia to the pearl bluebush and the wireleaf mistletoe, provide different shades of green to catch the eye.

If you visit soon, you can still



The Karikurla Bushland Park is a haven of natural beauty. Pictures: Louise White

see the flowers of the purple mulla mulla left over from spring and there are plenty of twittering birds flying between the trees.

Most locals know there is no

better way to end the day than with a Goldfields sunset viewed from the park's hilltop gazebo, just a short walk from the entrance.



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Kiara O'Dea, 11, Milly Newland, 11, and Christiana Manukau, 10, attended a recent talk about recycling.

Students learn the importance of recycling

■ Tegan Guthrie

Students at O'Connor Primary School will be thinking green throughout the year after a recent talk on the importance of recycling.

Last week, representatives from Cleanaway, Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group and the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder spoke to Year 5 and 6 students about the local recycling process.

The three Rs — reduce, reuse

and recycle — were discussed and explained thoroughly during the visit.

Students were shown a video of how recycling is sorted in Kalgoorlie-Boulder, and where it goes after it is put in the bin.

The students also discovered the various products that can be made from recycled materials.

Principal Steve Delfs said it was important for students to know both how and why to recycle.

"The students were very interested in what can be recycled compared to what is not to be put into the blue bins," he said.

"It was interesting to hear what some of the recycling is turned into, such as decking material.

"It was an excellent talk and all students appreciated the information they were given."

Mr Delfs said students were each given a small recycling bin to take home.

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Campsite confusion reigns

■ Tegan Guthrie

Tourism and environment bodies are uncertain of the benefits now available for camping in the region after regulation changes for nature-based parks.

Local Government Minister Tony Simpson this week announced the rule stating nature-based parks had to be 50km away from a caravan park had been scrapped.

A spokesman for the Department of Local Government and Communities said there was only one location in the Goldfields-Esperance region which operated as

a nature-based park, defined as a "small-scale tourist accommodation in a natural landscape".

But the spokesman said he did not know the name of the park.

Confusion continued, with a spokeswoman for Tourism WA also unable to name the location of the park, or what could actually qualify as a nature-based park.

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group chief executive Kim Eckert said while it was good to know more places close to town could become nature-based parks, she was not sure what the full effect of the reforms would mean for

Goldfields parks. "We don't understand what they mean by nature-based parks because there are lots of places you can camp around the region, much more than one," she said.

"Cave Hill and Barra Rock allow camping and both have small-scale accommodation like campsites, toilets and barbecues.

"The definition is confusing and needs to be clarified."

Mr Simpson said the new regulations helped "define a nature-based park where there was ambiguity before".

"Visitors will have greater clar-

ity about what to expect," he said.

"Operators wishing to establish a nature-based park will now have to submit a plan detailing how the park will be designed and managed, and the facilities available.

"There will (be) more surety about what to expect from nature-based parks, and this is better for everyone — local governments, operators and holidaymakers."

A spokeswoman from the Department of Parks and Wildlife was able to shed a small amount of light on the situation, stating a nature-based park had to be licensed by a local government.

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Botanic wonderland

■ Tegan Guthrie

Gardening should be focused on more heavily in schools, according to a proud Kalgoorlie garden owner.

Covered in vincas, succulents, perennials, petunias and native plants, Leo Mannix's garden is one of dedication and commitment.

Growing up on a 100-acre farm with plenty of gardens, Mr Mannix got his love for gardening early in life.

"I think it is good to have people involved in gardening when they're young and I'd like to see more schools teaching gardening," he said.

"Teaching them how to grow vegetables, the importance of wearing a hat and gloves and so on."

Spending at least six hours every weekend working on his garden, unless it is raining, Mr Mannix said it was much more a hobby than a task for him.

"I take my time and I enjoy it," he said.

"I water by hand every second night ... in the early evening at fading light with a stubby in the hand."

Most of the hard work is done on his own, but Mr Mannix also has help from a worm farm donated by Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landscape Group.

"Most of it has been planted by me to try and make it more presentable, and to reduce the dust being swept into the yard," he said.

"I shred everything that falls on the ground through the mulcher

and put it back into the garden.

"I also feed the worm farm, which is working really well."

With the cooler months on its way, Mr Mannix said it was almost time to start planting his vegetable garden.

"I plant things I cook with at

home, like capsicum, onions, tomatoes and so on, and that gets me through the winter," he said.

Almost without hesitation, Mr Mannix said the favourite part of his garden was the "easy to propagate" bright pink vincas flowers.



Leo Mannix in his garden.
Pictures: Mary Meagher



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14 March 2015



CEO Update

Welcome to KBULG's Autumn Newsletter! The past few months have flown by, we've had Christmas/New Year leave and we are all back into the swing of another busy/fun year.

We have set the dates for all our events and have already hit the ground running. Jan and our wonderful volunteers (with a special thanks to John Gittings for all your help) have the nursery out at Karikurla Bushland Park looking fabulous, if you get a chance to come out to the park whilst we are here, please drop in, say hello and have a look around.

Our Native Plant Group will be commencing again on the first Sunday of May - it is a 9am start and an 11am finish - you are invited to come along and help in the nursery and learn how to

propagate local native plants.

We have scheduled our "Clean Up Kalgoorlie-Boulder Day" on Sunday the 14th of June, so please join us for just a couple of hours, it's a worthwhile cause... helping our community and our environment (see the ad below for all the details). Please enjoy reading all the useful information and handy tips in this latest edition of KBULG news for the season ahead.

It is with a heavy heart that we recently said good bye to Anjali Avgeris. Anjali has been with KBULG for just over 2 years and I would like to thank her for all the work she has contributed to KBULG, we will really miss you Anjali and wish you well with all your future endeavours. I would like to finish up by thanking our hard working staff, volunteers, the

community and ALL our sponsors. With your help, KBULG is achieving our vision of "working towards a Better Environment, Better Lifestyle for the people of the Goldfields".

Kim Eckert



Kim Eckert and Anjali Avgeris - at The Goldfields Community Stall event last month.

Recycling Education Program

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, along with the City of Kalgoorlie Boulder, CLEANAWAY and Keep Australia Beautiful, worked together to educate Year 5 & 6 Primary schools kids across the community, to focus on the importance of recycling and how to correctly recycle.

One of the major issues contaminating successful recycling is plastic shopping bags!

Households tie their items for recycling.

At plastic shopping bags and place it directly in the big blue recycle bins, resulting in these items not being recoverable and going straight to landfill.

Plastic wrappers and shopping bags should never be placed in recycling bins as they get caught and damage equipment at the recycling plant. Students learnt that Waste Management is a Social and Environmental issue and discovered that landfill affects ground water, wildlife, greenhouse gases and loss of resource once buried in landfill.

The education program talked about The Three R's:

REDUCE

- Change your shopping habits, ie vegie and fruit
- Say no to plastic bags
- Zero waste lunch
- Double sided photo copying/ printing
- Rechargeable batteries

REUSE

- Clothing, hand me downs, op shops
- Toys, bikes hand me downs
- Craft, art work
- Milk cartons as seedling trays
- Second hand shops, Tip Shop, Gum Tree, Garage sales

RECYCLE BENEFITS OF RECYCLING

- Saves resources
- Saves energy
- Extends to life of Landfill
- Reduces the impact of Landfill on the environment

Each student was asked to become the recycling champion in their homes and give a yellow recycle bin to use as a collection point in their kitchens.

We hope to increase resource recovery, minimise waste and reduce contamination all while improving

recycling participation in Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

For further information about how you can become an active and effective recycler contact CLEANAWAY on 13 13 39 or the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder 9021 9500.



Hannans Primary School



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O'Connor Primary School

Ever wondered what you can do with your Unwanted Grey Shopping Bags?

Keep plastic bags out of your home recycling bins and take your plastic shopping bags to your major supermarkets such as Coles and Woolworths. Look for the plastic bag recycling collection bin or ask a staff member for assistance.

PLACE THESE ITEMS ONLY IN YOUR YELLOW-TOPPED RECYCLING BIN LOOSE! NOT IN PLASTIC BAGS PLEASE

PHONEBOOKS, NEWSPAPER, OFFICE PAPER, MAGAZINES AND JUNK MAIL
Do not bundle or tie and no plastic bags please.

GLASS BOTTLES AND JARS ONLY
No china, pottery, porcelain or other types of glass. No lids.

CARDBOARD
Cereal, soap powder boxes, packing boxes etc.

STEEL AND ALUMINIUM CANS INCLUDING AEROSOLS, ALFOIL TRAYS (CLEANED)
Caps removed. No other metal objects of any kind.

MILK AND JUICE CARTONS
Please rinse.

PLASTIC BOTTLES AND CONTAINERS
Soft drink, milk and detergent bottles (lids off) all plastic containers and bottles with the recycling symbol on the bottom or side. Please rinse.



REMEMBER
Please only put the correct items in your bin.

DO NOT PLACE THESE ITEMS IN YOUR YELLOW-TOPPED RECYCLING BIN

There are no markets for these materials. Putting unwanted items in your recycling bin 'clogs' the sorting system and slows it down. Items are sorted by hand as well as by machine.

NO HOUSEHOLD FOOD SCRAPS AND WRAPPINGS

NO DISPOSABLE NAPPIES

NO PLASTIC BAGS

No plastic shopping bags

NO BATTERIES OR OTHER METAL OBJECTS

NO RUBBER OR LEATHER ITEMS OF ANY KIND

NO GARDEN WASTE, TIMBER OR BUILDING MATERIAL

NO CLOTHING NO OIL, ACID OR CHEMICALS
(No liquid of any kind)

NO CROCKERY, POTTERY, PORCELAIN OR PLATE GLASS
(Glass bottles and jars only)



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SORT IT

CHECK IT

KEEP IT CLEAN

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LOCAL PLANT PROFILE

Eremophila Racemosa

WWW.KBULG.ORG.AU

Size and Form: Erect shrub; reach 2 metres high x 2 metres wide.
Flowers: White to yellow flowers occurs singly in the leaf axils and are tubular in shape to about 25 mm long.
Leaves: Thin bright green leaves.

Habitats: Red to yellow sands, granite, laterite or clay soils on undulating plains, claypans, salt lakes and screes.

Interesting Facts: Flowering time is from spring to early summer. Prefers well drained soils and a full sun position. Frost and drought tolerant.

Locally grown Native Plants are NOW for sale at McBrides Landscaping & Garden Centre



Kalgoorlie-Boulder Clean Up Day
Just 1 Piece of rubbish can make a difference!

9am - 11am
Sunday 14th June

Meet At Hannans Boulevard Shopping Centre Car Park

Registration will be set up at the head frame

(Please bring your gloves, hat, sunscreen and water bottle)

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Illegal rubbish dumping

Despite free tip access, some Kalgoorlie-Boulder residents are disposing of their rubbish in our native bushland.



unwanted cuttings, seeds and weeds.

Dumped rubbish can leach contaminants into our bushland, harming our plants and animals and damaging our landscape.

Illegal dumping can be prosecuted under the Litter Act 1979.

If you see an illegal dump site or see someone dumping rubbish, you can report it to the Rangers Department at the Kalgoorlie-Boulder City Council, who will be able to investigate the matter further.

Dumping this rubbish on private or public land without authorisation is illegal and degrades our environment.

Furniture, packaging and organic waste are amongst the most common types of illegally dumped rubbish, although construction materials, scrap tyres, abandoned cars and hazardous waste are also found.

The environmental impacts of illegal dumping are significant.

Not only does illegal dumping result in our bush land looking unsightly but it is also a potential fire hazard, smothering native vegetation through the introduction of



AUTUMN Gardening Tips

It's now the end of the long, hot summer days and a great time of the year to get the jobs done that have been put off because of the heat.

Autumn is a great time to do garden improvement and maintenance, many plants have grown over the summer and need to be shaped and thinned. You can also sharpen your tools, improve your soil and mulch the garden beds. A little time spent on jobs now, will help your garden flourish in Spring.

PRUNING Get out the secateurs and shears, tidy your plants, get rid of dead wood and cut back vines.

LAWN Now is the time to feed your lawn. Use a slow release lawn food to develop a strong root system and get thicker grass. Aeration compacted areas of the grass where nothing grows is also a great idea. Grab a pitchfork, jab it in to the lawn and loosen the ground. You might also need to spread lawn seed.

GARDEN BEDS also appreciate aeration. Insert a garden fork as far as you can into the soil and move it back and forth slightly. Loosening soil helps encourage deeper and stronger root growth, it also helps with water dissemination. Do this

around the area underneath the outer canopy of trees where rain or dew drips onto the ground.

CITRUS TREES Autumn is the time to mulch your citrus trees. A mulch of cow manure in Autumn is beneficial and also a surface mulch of Lucerne added after each application of fertiliser will ensure that moisture is retained in the soil.

Remember that Lucerne is a most important product as it adds nitrogen to the soil, promoting worm activity and keeps weeds down. It also helps to retain moisture and eventually breaks down to a wonderful compost.



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Become a lean green shopping machine

DID you know that by making small changes in your shopping habits you can make a big impact on the environment? Being environmentally conscious when you shop is not only good for the environment it can be good for your wallet as well. Shopping 'green' doesn't have to take any extra time and effort, all it takes is a little environmental know-how.

Here are a few tips to get you well on the way to becoming a lean green shopping machine:

- Take your own reusable bags or basket shopping. Say NO to plastic bags.
- Buy fresh food and fruit loose.
- Purchase reusable, long-life and rechargeable items. Avoid buying disposable, single-use products such as disposable nappies and plastic plates.
- Rent or borrow equipment you may only use a few times, such as trailers, ladders and power tools, or buy them second hand. You will save money and reduce

the amount of rubbish created.

- To reduce packaging, buy in bulk and purchase long-life goods or buy concentrated products.
- Buy products made from recycled materials and avoid excess packaging. Choose products that come in recycle, refillable or reusable packaging.
- Choose the container that can be most easily recycled.
- Buy from manufacturers with a good environmental

track record and check product labels or environmental certification.

- Try to buy locally if possible. Transporting products from around the world contributes to air pollution and greenhouse gas emissions.
- Always write a shopping list and stick to it. Avoid buying more food than what you need.

Recycling Computers and Accessories



The Problem

An estimated 29 million televisions and computers across Australia reached their end-of-life, with only around 10% of these likely to have been recycled.

The inappropriate disposal of unwanted televisions, computers and other e-waste is a problem not only for the environment but also for human health due to the hazardous materials they contain.

Televisions and computers also contain valuable non-renewable resources like gold, steel, copper, zinc and aluminium.

When electrical items are sent to landfill or recycled incorrectly, these resources are wasted, along with the water, oil and energy required to produce them.

The Revolution

Following the introduction of the National Television and Computer Recycling Scheme manufacturers that make and/or import televisions and computers must pay for the recycling of these products at the end of their life.

The Scheme requires importers and manufacturers to join and fund industry-run arrangements, such as the not-for-profit organisation TechCollect, to establish recycling drop off points around Australia.

40,000 tonnes of televisions, computers and computer products were recycled under the scheme in 2012-13, nearly double the volume of the years before.

Australians are among the

highest users of new technology in the world and purchase over 2.4 million computers every year.

This makes electronic waste or e-waste, including computers and accessories, a growing problem. Computers are ideal for recycling due to their large volumes, high toxicity and good resource recovery potential of non-renewable resources like tin, nickel, zinc and copper.

Council services for Computers

City Of Kalgoorlie-Boulder has listed the following locations where you can recycle your computers.

1. Drop off Facility - C.D. Dodd
2. Scrap Metal Recyclers
3. Drop off Facility - Simsmetal
4. Drop off Facility - Yarr Road Refuse Facility

Please refer to www.recyclingnearyou.com.au to find out more about what you can recycle.



Cuttings
Now is the best time to make new plants from cuttings.

Attracting birds to your garden

Australia is home to a large and diverse range of bird species. Many of us enjoy the colour and song that birds provide, but how do you go about attracting them?

Three key things need to be in place to attract native birds:

Plant Variety

When considering what type of plants to use, it is important to create a community of plants with different heights, shapes, leaves and flowering times. This will make your garden more attractive to a wider variety of birds.

Food Supply

Different bird species have different dietary requirements, but birds generally eat a combination of

nectar, insects, fruit or seed. Planting indigenous plants is the best option as these plants provide resources that native birds can identify, having developed associations with them over hundreds or even thousands of years.

Fresh Water

A bird bath is the easiest way to supply water for birds in a residential setting. A basin with shallow edges and a deeper centre is important as it allows large birds to bathe and drink without drowning the smaller birds. Alternatively, creating a pond where insect larvae, frogs and fish can live will further enhance the habitat value of your garden.

HEDGES Trim hedges before the onset of winter to keep them compact and bushy from ground level.

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ground covering noxious weed with yellow flowers that produce seeds. Known to attack the innocent feet of adults, children and pets alike.

With caution, be sure to have well equipped weaponry (shovel and a shovel). Completely remove, collect & bag all seeds & seed material to prevent escape. Place sealed bag in green wheellie bin.

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Keep Australia Beautiful

BIN IT

You know it's the right thing to do

It's only a cigarette butt. Somebody else will pick it up.



Keep Australia Beautiful published the National Litter Index for the year, statistics show, Western Australia in 2013 - 2014 indicate a downward trend in littered items, with the lowest record of littered items in nine years and a reduction in litter volumes from the previous year.

While significant gains have been achieved with the reduction in litter levels by item and by volume the litter problem in Western Australia continues to be greater in magnitude than a number of other states and figures suggest that the littering and dumping of large items is still a concern.

Therefore, there is considerable work to be done to achieve a cleaner and safer state, by working collaboratively with community groups, government and businesses and continuing to inform and encourage the community to change their behaviours.

What we know about littering

- Litterers come from all age groups.
- Younger people are more likely to litter when in groups.
- Littering is worse in littered and graffiti areas.
- People litter if others are doing it too and it's seen as normal.
- Feedback from the community

"I'm in my car, and one cigarette butt out the window isn't going to make a difference."

"It's only a small bit of rubbish and no one will notice it."

"It's an apple - and that's bio-degradable or a bird will get it."

"Someone else has done it, so that makes it ok for me to do it as well."

suggests that the roadside litter is an increasing problem. Especially littering of takeaways containers, bottles and cans.

If areas are kept clean, they are more likely to stay clean and be littered less.

Littering is not acceptable and appeals to those people who perhaps might justify littering with the excuse...

Regardless of the reason we might have...the message is, it's actually not okay to litter. In fact, we should always Bin It - why? Because we know it's the right thing to do.

How can you get involved and promote the campaign message? Join the fight against litter and do your bit.

To learn more about the 'Bin It' anti-litter message you can email: kabc@kabc.wa.gov.au, telephone: 08 6467 5339 or visit: www.kabc.wa.gov.au to obtain free 'Bin It' resources.

Watch the ad on you tube: <http://www.youtube.com/>

KBULG will be hosting a Clean Kalgoorlie-Boulder Day in support of Clean Up Australia Day on Sunday 14 June 2015, email admin@kbulg.org.au for details.

**THE NATIONAL DIRTY DOZEN:
Top littered items across Australia per 1000m²**

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|---|--|
| 1. Cigarette butts (23 items) | 7. Paper/Paperboard - Food container or utensil (1 item) |
| 2. Paper/Paperboard (8 items) | 8. Metal: Non-alcoholic beverage container (1 item) |
| 3. Plastic: Other (5 items) | 9. Plastic: Non-alcoholic beverage container (1 item) |
| 4. Plastic: Food container or utensil (4 items) | 10. Glass: Alcoholic beverage container (1 item) |
| 5. Metal: Other (3 items) | 11. Paper/Paperboard: Cigarette packets (1 item) |
| 6. Miscellaneous (2 items) | 12. Glass: Other (0.5 item) |

Time to renew your membership!

Join Kalgoorlie-Boulder's leading community environment group

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MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY: (tick one)

- ☐ Business \$100
☐ Financial Membership* \$10
☐ Social Membership (free) (Individual, junior or family)

Number of Adults: _____ Children: _____

*Financial Membership entitles you to have voting privileges and 10% off KBULG purchases.

If you volunteer with KBULG, here are some of the projects you can be involved in:

- Community Tree Planting Days
- Regeneration Zones
- Recycling Clean Up Days
- Bushwalks
- Gardening with Native Plants
- Flora and Fauna

☐ I am interested in volunteering (please tick)
Comments: _____

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Coming Events

Sunday 3 May 2015

Native Plant Group at Karlkurla Bushland Park
- KBULG Nursery, Tumbarril Way Entrance
9am start - 11am finish

Sunday 7 June 2015

Native Plant Group at Karlkurla Bushland Park
- KBULG Nursery, Tumbarril Way Entrance
9am start - 11am finish

Sunday 14 June

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Clean Up Day
9am-11am - Meet at Hannans
Boulevard Shopping Centre

COMPOST

AWARENESS WEEK

4 - 10 MAY 2015

*Better Soil, Better Life,
Better Future*

IF YOU DON'T have a compost heap, it's a GREAT time to start one! Autumn leaves are a fantastic source of nutrients and organic matter, and will soon be in good supply.

Composting is the decomposition of plant remains and other once-living materials to make an earthy, dark, crumbly substance that is fantastic for adding to house plants or enriching garden soil. It is an ideal way to recycle your yard and kitchen wastes, and is a critical step in reducing the volume of garbage needlessly sent to our local landfill for disposal. It's easy to learn how to compost.

There are many options for containing your compost. Some people choose to go binless, simply building a compost pile in a convenient spot on the ground. Or you could build a bin from materials such as recycled pallets, or 2x4's and plywood.

And, of course, there are various ready-made compost bins for sale. Please give us a call if you'd like more information on composting.

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Kim Eckert in one of her annual battles against pesky double gees. Picture: Paul Braven

Local ranks on the agenda

■ Jasmine Bamford

Kim Eckert is best known for being the public face of not-for-profit organisation Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group.

But her eight-year journey in the Goldfields, which has culminated in a love affair with the region, started out with a different focus.

She grew up in Victoria but landed in Kalgoorlie after several years in Coffs Harbour, noting immediately there couldn't be more of a contrast between the sweeping white beaches of coastal New South Wales and semi-arid WA.

"I came from living directly across the road from the beach to living in the middle of the Great Western Woodlands,"

she said. Arriving in 2008, she was attracted by a booming mining industry and landed a job as a community relations officer with Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines.

"That's how I became so heavily involved in the community," she said.

"There were heaps of jobs around and there were heaps of opportunities. I absolutely

love it now and can't imagine leaving — I've fallen in love with the Goldfields."

Noting that in most regional towns people require 20-year credentials to be considered "locals", Ms Eckert said she was not planning on leaving.

"I'm looking forward to the day I can be considered a local," she said.

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Hidden treasures lay in

■ Paul Simpson

Native plants abound in one of the city's best resort hotels.

The gardens of Rydges Kalgoorlie Resort and Spa have been a feature since it opened 13 years ago.

They are maintained by grounds supervisor Nat Kongkaew, with occasional help from other staff.

The Australian bush is tempered with dashes of colour, as perennials of different varieties brighten up the central swimming pool and courtyard.

Reclaimed water from the hotel has been used since it first opened.

Last year Rydges won an award from the Kalgoorlie Boulder Urban Landcare group in the commercial category for its waterwise methods.

Agaves, callistemon, bottlebrush, wattles, ironbark eucalypts, eremophila ground cover and numerous native shrubs are found down every walkway, nook and cranny.

There is even a herb and vegetable section, olive trees and strawberry patch, where the best of its products are used by the restaurant chefs.

There is a big pot of petunias, space-filling succulents and exotics like dracaena, mother-in-law's tongue, monstera and clivia.

When the *Kalgoorlie Miner* visited this week, sales executive Sarah Hinton showed us around the area and had some amusing tales to tell.

Sometimes the walkways and trees are filled with native birds which elicits occasional unusual reactions from the guests.

"We have had people asking us to turn off the bird song CD because it was too loud," she said.

There is also a mysterious white cat living in the hotel gardens.

Well, not really, it is a cat-sized stone ornament, however the cat has magical powers.

"There is a white cat stone ornament which appeared in the garden about a year ago," Ms



Sarah Hinton.
Pictures: Melissa Drummond and Rydges Hotel

Hinton said. "We are not sure who put it there, it may have been one of the staff or even a guest."

"We didn't even know about it until one of the regular guests who comes here often, said she really enjoyed looking around the

garden for it every time she stayed here.

"She said everytime she come it is in a different hiding place."

Rydges is now looking for garden art to liven up the grounds.



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Succulents and

MY GARDEN

■ Paul Simpson

Native plants, succulents and perennials work together to form a delightful garden in this Kalgoorlie home.

The natives range from grevillea and bottlebrush to wattles, Sturt desert peas and eucalypts in the front and rear.

There are also frangipanis, long shrubs called poor man's orchids, rose cacti that originate from Brazil, yuccas and brightly coloured perennials and hibiscus.

It is the home of Sam Duddy, her mother Maureen and long-time boarder Kerry.

The Duddys have lived in their home since September 2012.

Chief gardeners are Sam and Maureen, who make the garden one of their first ports of call every day.

"We go out every day and do a little bit," said Sam.

"Mostly it is weeding and watering because it is pretty much established."

The city's garden centres are an attraction and they often come home with a new plant.

They have a number of plants purchased from the KBULG nursery at Karikurla Park.

Much of their garden also owes its success to transplanted cuttings.

In the rear yard is a corner devoted to a veggie garden and preparations for the next season are on the to-do list.

They use the air-conditioning sprinkler to provide much of the garden's water.

"It just about looks after the whole area, though of course there are some things which need hand watering with the hose," Sam said.

"My mother is a morning person and waters early, while I prefer the evening to get out in the garden."



Sam and Maureen Duddy with Clyde and Bonnie.
Picture: Louise White

"We have a veggie garden out the back, though we are giving the soil a rest at the moment so it can rejuvenate."

A special plant is one they call

the "Patrick plant", after Pat Duddy, the mother of Sam and husband of Maureen, who died in October 2011.

Elves, frogs, gnomes and



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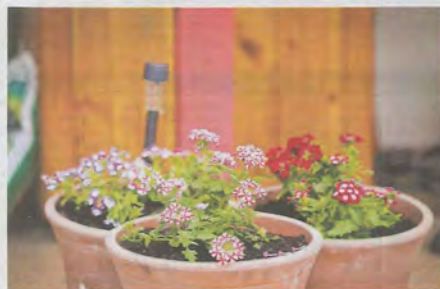


natives join forces



Buddhas mingle in and around the greenery.
The Duddys have a large collection of pot plants, which are perfect for easy management.

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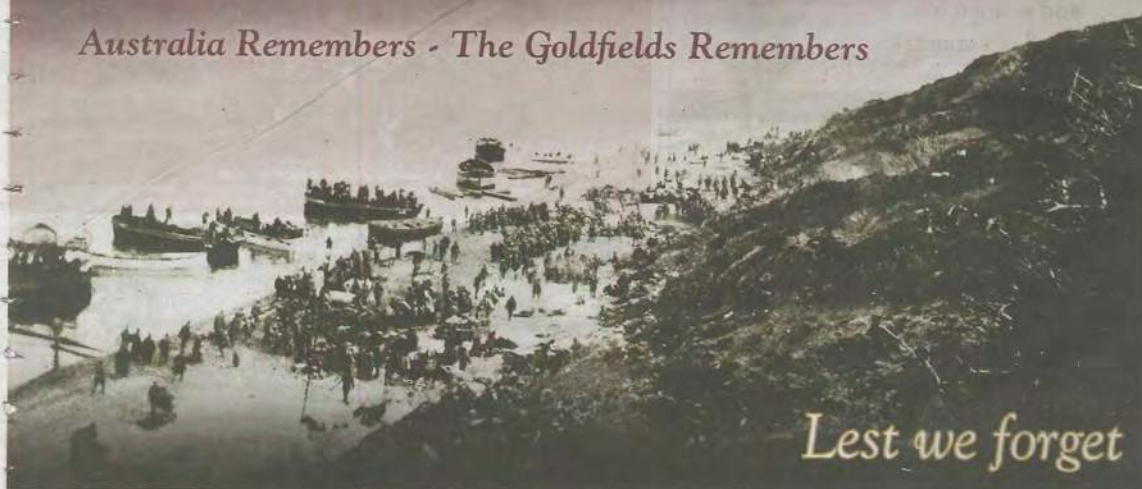
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Lest we forget

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Regan Michalanni, 8, and Mia Morseto, 6. Pictures: Mary Meagher

Floral masterpieces in full bloom

■ Jasmine Bamford

Homegrown roses of every size and colour were the star attraction at Sunday's Autumn Flower Show at the Kalgoorlie Town Hall.

Blooms of recognisable hues including the unmistakable striped Abracadabra, Chicago Peace and Plum Beauty were in abundance.

Proving the merits of displaying a single specimen was Anne Foale, whose entry of a stunning Harry Wheatcroft in a blue glass vase, came in second place.

It trumped the spectacular display to the right—an array of Double Delights—because, as the judges, including Brenda King, explained, it was too tightly ar-

ranged. "We have a saying in arranging: 'leave room for the butterflies'," Ms King said.

Judges were looking for "elements and principles", including balance, scale, proportion, condition, space, form, line and pattern.

The backyard blooms winner, who displayed the best under-

standing of these ideals, was Donnie Martin. Her entry, which consisted of a wicker basket full of bursting with white and yellow roses, was voted the best.

Another section displayed "Handcrafted Blooms", where entrants displayed floral motifs out of recyclable materials such as egg cartons and cardboard.

"Floral Expressions" ensured those using photography or painting also had a creative outlet.

And linking in with the Anzac spirit of the weekend, organisers partitioned a special remembrance room, where participants crocheted poppies in various shades of red.



Delani Earl, 12.



Donnie Martin and Ruth Monck.



Jocelyn Rock with daughters Phoebe, 5, and Sophie, 2, Rock.



Anne Foale and Donna McFettridge.



Betty Lewis, Elizabeth Barrett and Janine Ringrose.



Artist Ruth Koedyk with her piece, Poppies of the Field.



Kim Eckert and Edna Bourmann.



Tanya Gartner, Caron Milner and Joanne Wilson.



Chelsea Hunter, Esther Roadnight and Wendy Hunter.

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Peak Charles in the Great Western Woodlands. Picture: Charles Roche

Students speak out for woodlands

The Year 5IMAGINEers – extension and enrichment students from St Mary's Primary School – have been learning about researching and writing persuasive texts. They decided to focus on the Great Western Woodlands to persuade other young people to learn more about this valuable and unique landscape.

The Great Western Woodlands is a Mediterranean climate woodland, the largest left on Earth.

It is a 16 million-hectare section of ancient bush that stretches from Esperance to the northern Goldfields. It is more than twice the size of Tasmania and larger than England.

It is a very diverse area, with unique flora and fauna.

We are still discovering what it contains – in November last year, a new species of eucalypt was discovered.

There are 464 rare flora found across the Great Western Woodlands, and it provides a habitat for more than 20 per cent of Australia's wildlife species, including some that are not found anywhere else, partly because other woodlands have been destroyed.

Some of the animals found in the Great Western Woodlands include the western quoll and the mallee fowl, both are endangered because of deforestation elsewhere.

The Great Western Woodlands also encourages rainfall – its ancient weather patterns attract clouds and rain, which adds to our annual rainfall.

This is very important in such a dry country.

Erosion is a big problem in Australia.

The Great Western Woodlands help to prevent this by keeping soil



The Great Western Woodlands span almost 16 million hectares throughout the region.

intact because of the trees' roots and the rainfall.

We have lost a lot of the world's trees and forest cover, which means that our air is getting worse – trees help provide oxygen, if we don't have enough trees, the air will become toxic.

The Great Western Woodlands help to keep the air pure for the whole world.

Animals that live in the Great Western Woodlands are the possum, kookaburra, the woodland

jumping mouse, the kangaroo and the quoll. It contains about 3000 species of flowering plants.

It is just crazy that so many young people don't know about the Great Western Woodlands.

It is 16 million hectares of animals and plants and is bigger than England and three times the size of Tasmania.

Try to help spread the facts or points to people who don't know about the Great Western Woodlands.

Bryce Kavanagh

There's a lot to love about the Great Western Woodlands, but not many people even know about it, especially young people.

Not only does the Great Western Woodlands cover a large area, it is also home to an abundance of wildlife. There are more species of plants in the Great Western Woodlands than in the whole country of Canada.

There are 49 species of mammals, 14 species of frogs, 138 reptile species and 215 species of birds recorded within the Great Western Woodlands.

The Great Western Woodlands is the largest intact temperate woodlands remaining in the world.

It is under threat as it is not protected and needs your help to stay in existence.

Young people are the future generation, if they don't know about the Great Western Woodlands, they can't help it stay in existence.

Laura O'Sullivan

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Natural gem deserving of discovery

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There are so many woodlands around the world that people know about.

Yet, not many people know about the biggest woodlands in the world, the Great Western Woodlands in WA, which is 16,000,000ha (160,800sqkm).

The GWW is in our region, so clearly it's our responsibility to look after its wildlife, plants and other inhabitants and its owners, the traditional custodians of the land.

Marcus Chadyiwa

Kids should know about the Great Western Woodlands.

It's important to know how things are changing the Great Western Woodlands.

Firstly, it has managed to live for more than 2400 million years.

Did you know there are quite a few salt lakes in this remarkable place?

These salt lakes are very historical and ancient to the Great Western Woodlands.

There are 351 eucalyptus in the Great Western Woodlands, which is a lot.

That is only the amount of eucalyptus species, but there are plenty more plants and animals in the woodlands.

Did you know the floor of the Great Western Woodlands has changed since the start of its existence?



Some areas of the Great Western Woodlands' open forest are younger, evidence of natural change and human intervention.

tence? The type of weather has flattened it.

But why?

I truly believe young people should know more about the Great Western Woodlands, as it is an important historical and ancient landmark to learn about.

Kate Bowdidge

The Great Western Woodlands is

full of plants and animals as well as traditions, so should young people learn about it?

There are 16,000,000ha (which is 160,000sqkm, in case you didn't know) in the Great Western Woodlands, and it is three times the size of Tasmania.

It is the single largest woodlands left in the world.

Secondly, it holds up to 25 per



The Great Western Woodlands are an important historical landmark.

cent of Australia's plant and animal species.

There are hundreds of species of eucalyptus, and there are also lots of iconic species such as kangaroos, wallabies and emus.

Twenty per cent of all of Australia's gum tree species are found in the GWW, making it our eucalypt heartland.

Adam Stehn

There are lots of plant species still being discovered in the Woodlands and some contain medicine.

The Great Western Woodlands is in our region and throughout WA.

The Great Western Woodlands is the biggest woodlands in the world.

Charlie Wells



Camping in the Great Western Woodlands, the biggest temperate woodland left on Earth and home to 3000 types of plants and hundreds of native animal species. Picture: Astrid Volzke



Shenae Greatorex, Jelena Johnson, Jenae Johnson, Kim Eckert, Fiona Thomson and her six-month-old daughter Rose, Jennifer Thompson, Amy Tagliaferri and Lissa Burge model during Saturday's fashion show. Picture: Mary Meagher

Fashionable way to celebrate mothers and their special day

■ John Ely

About 70 mothers, daughters and grandmothers were treated to high tea and a fashion show at the Rydg-
es Kalgoorlie Resort and Spa.

The sold-out Mummy and Me High Tea was a co-operative effort between vintage clothing design business Fee fee's boutique, jewel-
lery business Lisa Freeth Designs

and singer Karen Sylvia Evans.

Fee fee's boutique owner Fiona Thomson said the event on Saturday afternoon had been a stunning success, with women of all generations having an amazing time in wonderful weather.

"It was a beautiful autumn day. We had the outdoor area open so mums and their daughters were sitting outside," she said.

Despite facing an impromptu rival fashion show from some of the younger attendees, Mrs Thompson said her display of 1960s-style clothing also went down a treat.

Seeking to evoke the bubbly, post-war, happy style of the 1950s, the mother-of-three makes most of her clothing from recycled fabrics and said she wanted to make an im-
pact and statement with her cloth-

ing. "It's a reflection of how I want to see the world. I have three little girls," she said.

"If I can reflect how I want to see the world, I'm hoping the world will then respond."

Following on from the weekend event, Mrs Thomson said there were discussions under way about holding a similar event during this year's Race Round.

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A Celebration of the Arts
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The Kalgoorlie Miner and the Artgold are giving you the chance to win tickets to some of the amazing events happening around the Goldfields in May.

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Kalgoorlie Boulder Community Garden Inc's Chris Nieuwenhof, Ryan Wilson, Alana Saint, Kim Eckert, Wendy Duncan MLA and Jennifer Nicholls at the proposed garden site near Hammond Park. Picture: Mary Meagher

Site secured to grow City's community garden

■ Tegan Guthrie

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Community Garden has finally laid its roots, with a site location and vital funding secured for the project.

Following a public consultation period, an acre of vacant land adjacent to Hammond Park has been confirmed as the location, trumping another proposed site near the William Grundt Memorial Library.

With \$20,000 secured from the Royalties for Regions Goldfields-Esperance Development Commission's Community Chest Fund, the project is finally in the design stage.

Chairwoman Jennifer Nicholls said she was excited to see things moving forward and expected work would begin as soon as fencing was completed.

"We would like to start by erecting compost bins and collecting materials to create

compost to make our own soil, so by the time the beds are formed we will have it all ready to go," she said.

"The first part of the design stage is just to have some sort of shed for the storage of tools and a meeting area, plus a general layout of where the beds would go on the property.

"We are also planning to have chickens and looking at an aquaponic set up and maybe a tunnel house for propagating seedlings."

While an acre of land is available for the garden, the group plans to start on a quarter of an acre and slowly grow the garden.

The community garden is expected to be used to educate the community on gardening, waterwise practises, and will also include garden lots people can purchase as their own or share with another.

For more information visit the group's Facebook page or phone Jennifer on 0450 902 929.

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Paula Fletcher, Kate Fielding and Jesse Gordon. Pictures: Louise White

Crafters become cosy over cuppa

Scottish comedian Billy Connolly is said to have made the following observation on tea cosies.

"Never trust a man who, when left alone in a room with a tea cosy, does not try it on."


One particularly zealous tea-cosy fan is rumoured to have taken this sentiment to heart earlier this month at Fossick Handmade's Mad Hatter's Tea Party with some rather creative headgear.

Creativity was not in short supply at the party, however, with tea cosies based on pop sensations Miley Cyrus and Taylor Swift, as well as flowers and cacti.

Part of the 2015 Tea Cosy Competition, the works will be on display at Fossick Handmade until June 8.



2015 Tea Cosy Competition best overall winner Helen Humphrey.



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Bobby-Lee Field with her winning entry in the wild garden category for best floral-themed cosy, titled HV-drangas Tea for Two.



Maxine Ennor and Lynda Fletcher.



Corrine Rowe and Stacey Warrenner.



Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group was involved in having a boardwalk constructed across Gribble Creek to provide access to a trail through areas of natural bushland in Karlkurla Park. Brenden Westbrook, Jan Hendren, Paul Mofflyn from the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and John Mathew are seen here checking out the area last year. Picture: Mary Meagher

Boardwalk improves access to park

MAYOR'S VIEW

■ Ron Yuryevich

City residents and visitors alike can now enjoy the convenience and accessibility of a new boardwalk in Karlkurla Park.

The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, with sponsorship from Lotterywest, has recently completed the construction of the more accessible boardwalk in the park to replace the old, narrow pedestrian bridge that had deteriorated.

Karlkurla Park is a popular venue for residents and visitors to Kalgoorlie-Boulder, showcasing the region's flora and fauna as part of the Great Western Woodlands, the largest semi-arid woodlands in the world.

The park also hosts the popular weekly ParkRun events, which

attract up to 200 participants for free, timed, weekly 5km runs, school groups and weddings.

Karlkurla Park is an A-class reserve managed by the City with support from the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, so it is important that the path and facilities are maintained to ensure all park users are safe.

The new boardwalk has been constructed using recycled and sustainable materials to be wider, with improved access and safety for park users, including those with wheelchairs and prams, making Karlkurla Park a beautiful and accessible destination for our whole community.

The City is committed to facilitating the inclusion of all community members, especially

people with disabilities, through the improvement of access to its functions, facilities and services, through projects such as the installation of the new Karlkurla Park boardwalk, which are underpinned by the council's commitment to its Access and Inclusion Plan for People with Disabilities (DAIP).

The DAIP outlines the ways in which the authority will ensure that people with disabilities have equal access to, and inclusion in, the functions, facilities and services offered.

The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder adopted the first Disability Service Plan in 1995 to address the barriers for people with disabilities wanting to access the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder's functions, facilities and services.

The DSP addressed both the

statutory requirements under the WA Disability Services Act and the obligations under the Commonwealth Disability Discrimination Act.

The DSP has undergone one internal review since 1995 before the development of the 2006-11 DAIP. This was then updated for 2011-16.

Since the adoption of the initial disabilities plan, the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder has implemented many initiatives, including the installation of a wheelchair-accessible lift in the Kalgoorlie Town Hall, the continuation of paving of footpaths that had been undertaken with smooth, gentle slopes aligned on both sides of the road to making crossing easier and safer and extensive use of tactile pavers, where required, to

increase safety for people who are visually impaired.

The City has also increased accessible play equipment for children with disabilities, increased the number of ACROD parking bays, installed multipurpose toilets throughout the City, and has plans to install a wheelchair-accessible lift in the Boulder Town Hall.

It is important that the whole community is aware of the DAIP, and people should notify the City if they anything limits the inclusion of any member of our community.

It is there for use by the community and we need your feedback to assist us as we strive to make our City more inclusive.

■ Ron Yuryevich is the Mayor of the City of Kalgoorlie Boulder.

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High school knife threat

■ Andrew Brosnan

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Community High School went into lockdown yesterday after a man allegedly armed with a knife entered the grounds and allegedly assaulted a 14-year-old student.

Six police officers converged on the school's Boomerang Crescent campus just after 11am to arrest the 18-year-old, who allegedly punched the child before threaten-

ing nearby staff and students. Police said the man had walked onto the school grounds, prompting staff to enact the school's incident plan while they waited for officers to arrive.

The victim of the alleged assault was taken to Kalgoorlie Hospital with minor injuries immediately after the incident.

Police said the man did not resist arrest, but had discarded the knife when officers arrived. The weapon

was not found until several hours after the alleged attack.

After finding the knife, police charged the man with common assault and carrying a weapon with intent to cause fear.

The *Kalgoorlie Miner* understands both the victim and the man know each other, with the alleged assault linked to an argument which took place earlier this week.

The intruder is too old to be a student at KBCHS, which caters for

students in Years 7-10, and it is understood he is not directly related to anyone at the school.

Principal Vicki Bogensperger yesterday told the *Miner* the incident appeared to be a random event and was now a police matter.

"Thankfully it appears this was a random, one-off incident and while some students were a little shaken, no-one was seriously hurt," she said.

"This was a totally unpredict-

able event, but staff acted swiftly and decisively, calming things down until police arrived."

In a letter sent to parents yesterday, Ms Bogensperger said the school was not expecting any further issues to arise.

Parents were encouraged to contact the school if they believed their children needed additional support. The man is due to appear in Kalgoorlie Magistrate's Court on June 25.



THE GLOVES ARE ON

While volunteers will be targeting the vacant lot next to Hannans Boulevard, Kalgoorlie-Boulder Clean-up Day is a chance for everybody to help beautify the city.

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Picture: Louise White

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KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert, Local Tobacco Action Group (Population Health) member Andrea McGill and Julieane Sander (KBULG) get ready for the annual Kalgoorlie-Boulder clean up day. Picture: Louise White

Volunteers butt in to clear Boulevard of rubbish piles

■ Tegan Guthrie

The gloves will be coming on and sleeves will be rolled up on Sunday for the annual Kalgoorlie-Boulder Clean Up day.

Goldfielders are being asked to donate a few hours of their day to help improve the appearance of the city, one patch at a time.

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group has chosen the vacant block beside Hannans Boulevard for the quick two-hour tidy up from 9am.

They will also clean the space to the back of the shopping centre, which joins KBULG's regeneration zone.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said although the same spots were tidied during last year's clean-up, litter had continued to pile up.

"We chose this spot because it is fairly visible to the public and because it is not owned by the City, so they are not responsible for cleaning it up," she said.

"Someone needs to take respon-

sibility and clean it up ... and many hands make light work so we are hoping we get quite a few people along to help out."

The Salvation Army has cancelled its weekly church service and will instead be bringing the congregation to help with the clean-up and provide a sausage sizzle.

Population Health promotion officer Andrea McGill, who is also a member of an informal tobacco action group, said cigarette butts were the number one most littered

item in Australia. "In the Goldfields we have a significantly higher number of smokers compared to the rest of the State," she said.

"And by not effectively disposing the butts causes a serious litter problem to our local environment."

The clean-up group will meet at the Boulevard headframe at 9am, and aim to be finished by 11am.

Volunteers are encouraged to bring their own gloves and sturdy footwear.

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Leonora bolsters waste bid

■ Jasmine Bamford

The Shire of Leonora is getting on the front foot in a bid to host the Federal Government's proposed radioactive waste dump, earmarking \$20,000 to pay for independent advice on the controversial project.

A site for the waste management facility was also disclosed in council documents yesterday, with the agenda noting an area dubbed Location 51 had been put forward as a possible host site within the Shire.

Shire chief executive Jim Epis confirmed the Shire was awaiting the release of the Federal Government's shortlist for sites — expected within weeks — but admitted Leonora had a "one in 100" chance of hosting the facility.

"The Shire of Leonora didn't have any freehold land suitable for such a facility, so we are supporting the nomination of an individual person," Mr Epis said.

"If the nomination is successful, then the Shire is prepared to assist in the process of informing the local community and arranging

locations for briefings to the local community and businesses."

Mr Epis said community consultation had not yet been conducted as it was unlikely Leonora would be chosen as a host proponent.

"We just don't want to waste the time of people in the community," he said.

"The probability of this site being chosen is probably 100 to one — at least we've got our foot in the door — but we think the site will probably be in the Northern Territory or South Australia."

The host site's landholder, Glenn

Baker, is a Shire of Leonora councillor who has agreed to nominate his freehold property near Mt Malcolm as it fits the criteria of being about 81ha, is close to road, rail and power infrastructure and is about 15km from Leonora.

The latest developments follow a council resolution on October 21 last year that vowed to support the opening of a nationwide volunteer process for nominating land as a potential site for a radioactive waste management facility.

But Leonora's interest in uranium is not new, with council unani-

mously acknowledging "uranium is now inevitable" back in 2009.

At the same meeting, council voted to adopt a positive attitude to the mining and transportation of uranium material and agree that the storage of waste products within the Shire be considered and further investigated.

The Federal Government is assessing nominated sites based on "important criteria and objectives", including community well-being, a stable environment, environmental protection, safety, security and economic viability.



PATH TO SUCCESS

One of the city's favourite bushland destinations is sporting some new infrastructure after Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group unveiled a new bridge this week.

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Picture: Mary Meagher

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KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert, KBULG administration officer Jess Dann and nursery officer Jan Hendren on the new bridge. Picture: Mary Meagher

Recycled bridge creates better park access

■ Jasmine Bamford

A new recycled-plastic bridge has finally been unveiled in Karlkurla Bushland Park after months of planning and construction.

The project, completed last week, got under way after the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group received a \$40,000 Lotterywest grant to complete the build, part of \$1 million worth of grants to nature trails across WA.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said the new infrastructure was required to replace a worn wooden boardwalk across Gribble Creek, which was

no longer fit for use. "The park has been getting noticeably busier and busier and this new bridge will ensure groups such as Parkrun have the best access to Karlkurla Bushland Park," she said.

"We have also recently added counters to the park entrances so we can monitor just how popular the park has become."

The new wider and safer bridge was constructed by Fostinelli Engineering and is more suitable for prams and disability access than its predecessor.

City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder Mayor Ron Yuryevich lauded Karlkurla for being a popular venue for residents and visitors to Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

"Karlkurla Park is an A-class reserve managed by the City with support from the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, so it is important that the path and facilities are maintained to ensure all park users are safe," he said.

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Fee attack swivels to APLA

■ Jasmine Bamford

Lobby group Goldfields First has sided with Mines Minister Bill Marmion in an accelerating fight over environmental reform, announcing he should not have to shoulder all blame for the dispute. The apparent backflip comes after calls for the group to show restraint following a blistering and unexpected attack on Mr Marmion last week.

Goldfields First issued a statement yesterday announcing the blame for "this stupidity" could be

laid at the feet of Amalgamated Prospectors and Leaseholders Association president Mike Lucas.

Goldfields First member Graeme Campbell, who is also a member of APLA, called for Mr Lucas' resignation based on accusations he betrayed his own members by failing to properly consult over a 0.25ha trigger for Program of Works fees.

"If Mr Lucas attempts to deny his mismanagement and all this evidentiary material, it further highlights why there needs to be a Royal Commission into the De-

partment of Mines and Petroleum," Mr Campbell said.

The "evidentiary material" to which Mr Campbell referred includes a copy of a ministerial briefing paper from Mr Marmion's office, which documents how Mr Lucas suggested the 0.25ha threshold for POWs to DMP environment boss Phil Gorey.

But responding to the allegations yesterday, Mr Lucas labelled Goldfields First members "a mob of wombats" and categorically denied suggesting the 0.25ha threshold to the department.

"It is a blatant lie that I set up this 0.25," he said.

"I've had a resounding vote by the executive committee on my presidency, who have decided they want me to stay there.

"It is purely a personal attack now because they can't win on subject matter or on facts."

In another development yesterday, Mining and Pastoral MLC Robin Chapple said he intends to move to disallow the regulations to the Mining Act if they were introduced to parliament.

"I will personally make it my

mission to make sure these outrageous new fees are not applied to small miners and individual prospectors scraping to make a living across the Goldfields region," he said.

"Why not increase basic tenement costs or decrease the exploration and drilling incentive subsidy?"

"Introducing flat fees such as these are an... unfair solution to a problem of the Government's own making."

Mr Marmion was contacted for comment.

A GROWING LEGACY

Community groups dug deep at Kalgoorlie Cemetery yesterday, planting an array of native seedlings at the infant memorial.

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Picture: Louise White



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Gloria Moyle, holding Aria Broughton, 2, Bella Skinn, 3, seated, Gerald Roadnight, Julieane Sander and, back, Jen Hendren, Kim Eckert and Lisa Lane with Willow, 2, at the Kalgoorlie Cemetery community planting day yesterday. Picture: Louise White

Plantings to provide peaceful backdrop to infant memorial

■ **Jasmine Bamford**

The age-old maxim many hands make light work was on show at Kalgoorlie Cemetery yesterday during a community planting day to revitalise the infant memorial.

Co-ordinated by Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, the busy bee was supported by the Goldfields Women's Health Care Centre, the Kalgoorlie-Boulder

Cemetery Board and many community-minded residents.

Eremophila and other native seedlings, donated from KBULG's Karlkurla Bushland Park nursery, were planted around the outer wall of the infant memorial.

Within a few years, they will mature and provide a peaceful backdrop for the private courtyard that encloses the memorial.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eck-

ert was approached by the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Cemetery Board to provide native plants for the project and decided it was the "perfect community project" to attract her organisation's support.

"So we've donated the plants rather than allowing (the cemetery board) to purchase them," she said.

"I wanted to get the Goldfields Women's Health Care Centre in-

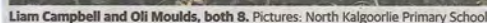
involved because I thought it was a really good collaboration."

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Cemetery Board administrator Gaye Newton thanked KBULG and GWHCC for their support.

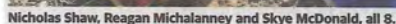
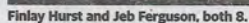
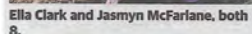
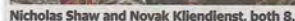
"I think it's nice for parents to have somewhere to come," she said.

"They don't need to put ashes in, it could just be a memorial for a baby they've lost a long time ago."

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"It encouraged the students to have an interest in the environment by learning how plants grew and evolved — a fun and educational activity that has wide-reaching benefits, especially for young children."



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Department of Parks and Wildlife conservation officer Jennifer Jackson, KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert and KBULG chairwoman Peta Osborne with the new guide. Picture: Louise White

Group releases updated guide on native flora

■ Jasmine Bamford

After more than 12 months of targeted research, the second edition of a native plant guide has been completed and is available for Goldfields plant enthusiasts.

The project, funded by Rangelands NRM, has been a labour of love for Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group (KBULG) chief executive Kim Eckert.

Ms Eckert recommended the re-print on the basis it included new species and updated information on popular favourites such as the "beautiful" spiny grevillea.

"It is a bit prickly, but the flowers are amazing and that's a Goldfields native," Ms Eckert said. "Some of the plants in the book are not directly from the Goldfields, but because we've done tree planting it's not all natural vegetation in the park."

The first edition of the plant guide

was overseen by former KBULG landcare officer Kylie Payne and went to print in 2003. But as the organisation grew and Ms Eckert took the helm, a revised guide was needed.

"It needed updating and to be revised," she said. "We provided extra information in the guide, and we updated the existing information and we added additional species into the guide."

"The eremophilas obviously make a beautiful residential plant and we are trying to showcase and promote the water wise native species; they are fabulous for residential gardens."

Ms Eckert said it was a must-have guide for plant enthusiasts because it not only provided information about the species but included other interesting facts rarely mentioned in conventional plant guides.

Native plant guides can be picked up directly from KBULG or from landcare centres in the Goldfields.