



MEDIA REPORT 2013-2014





Tea time: Carly McAllister and Paula Fletcher get into the spirit of the Mad Hatter's Tea Party.
Photo: TOM HUNTLEY

Mad Hatter's Tea Party a big hit

No one was late for the Mad Hatter's Tea Party held on Sunday afternoon.

The sold-out event saw 60 people attend the tea party which launched the inaugural Totally Wild Tea Cosy exhibition held by Fossick Handmade.

Co-owner Tina Bryce said they were only expecting around 30 or 40 tea cosy entries, but ended up doubling it with more than 60.

"Everyone was much in awe of the number of creative entries," Ms Bryce said.

"The whole installation is a real shot of colour – it will really

put a smile on your face, there are some very quirky entries."

Four \$100 vouchers were given to the winners of the four categories.

Esperance's Laeticia Muller was the overall winner with her "Sophina the African Tea Queen" design, Annie Laing was awarded KBULG's recycled category prize with her "Plas-TEAic" cosy, Michelle Jansen won the Best Wild Garden with her "Garden Party" cosy and the only child entrant, Sarah O'Dwyer took out the best Crazy Critter prize with her "Coral Cups" design.

Votes are still being taken for the People's Choice Award until July 14.

"We encourage everyone to come along and check out the exhibition and cast your vote to help find a deserving winner for the remaining category," Ms Bryce said.

Ms Bryce said the "big hit" of the afternoon was the Alice in Wonderland themed photo booth.

"Everyone had a great time dressing up with the props and taking photos with their friends," she said.

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Tree planting at community park

The annual Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group tree planting day will be held next Saturday.

Local environmentalists will descend on the community park, on the corner of Altham Street and Sewell Drive, between 9am and 11am

Last year about 200 people rolled up

their sleeves, put on their gum boots and gloves and got dirty planting more than 3000 trees.

KBULG will be hoping to beat last year's attendance.

There will be a free sausage sizzle and prizes to be won throughout the day.

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KBULG in action!



CEO UPDATE

Welcome to KBULG's Winter Newsletter! I can't believe how fast this year has flown by and that we are in July already! I'd like to mention some of the projects KBULG has completed in the last few months. In May we had our annual 'Clean Up Kalgoorlie-Boulder Day', where approximately 50 community members helped to clean up 1000kg of rubbish out to the tip. KBULG's working towards a project to keep the road clean, however, we would like to ask the community to help us by covering/steering your load when taking rubbish to the tip. Also in May KBULG together with local Indigenous guides, hosted our annual Karkurra Park Driveway Culture Trail during the Heart of Gold Festival, which was again a huge success.

In June KBULG held a 'Wormfest' workshop where we gave away 50 Wormfests, lots to educate and encourage the community to reduce their green waste from the tip into their gardens. Last weekend the City put on a fabulous weekend 'Yak Feed' and KBULG was there teaching our local children the importance of regenerating and protecting the Great Western Woodlands and playing to become 'environmental superheroes'. We are so proud of the younger generation and their dedication to the important cause. Finally this week was NAIDOC week and KBULG once again with local Indigenous guides took groups through Karkurra Bushland Park and gave people the opportunity to learn about native flora & fauna, bush medicine, bush tucker, historical events and stories of the Dreamtime.

I would like to finish up by thanking our hard working staff, volunteers, the community and ALL our sponsors for their help. KBULG is successfully achieving our vision of 'working towards a Better Environment, Better Lifestyle for the people of the Goldfields'.

Kim O'Reilly



NAIDOC Week, Valerie Stokes and Kim O'Reilly.

Native Plant Group

Do you want to meet new people and learn how to propagate and seed local native plants?

Come along to KBULG's

Native Plant Group and help us to "Green the Goldfields". Native Plant Group is held on the first Sunday of every month at the Karkurra Community Nursery, Karkurra Bushland Park (near small car park on Tumbarn Way, Hannans) 1:30-3:30pm. No experience necessary, everyone is welcome!

For more information please contact admin@kbulg.org.au or 0418 935 498

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Tree Planting Day

COMMUNITY TREE PLANTING INFORMATION

The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and KBULG invite you to attend **COMMUNITY TREE PLANTING DAY!** Come prepared with sturdy shoes, gloves and towel. Don't forget your hat and sunscreen!

Have **FUN** and get **DIRTY** planting! Enjoy a free drink and sausage sizzle on us!

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Get kids keen on the environment

Make it fun!

Harness creative energy into making posters about what goes into the recycling bin and turn mundane tasks into games and challenges. Who can have the shortest shower? Who can sort the recycling the fastest?

Get Gardening.

Involve kids in maintaining a veg patch, turning the compost, worms.

DIY Craft Project

Instead of throwaway use bits and bobs from the house and garden. Kids will love it and be consuming less!



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 off-lead then the Kalgoorlie Arboretum located on Hawkins Street (adjacent to Hammond Park) is the perfect place for you.



GOLDFIELDS COMPOSTING PILOT STUDY

"Closing the loop" Waste Not - Want Not

150 Goldfield residents volunteered to join a KBULG pilot study involving a food scrapping recycling system. The project is being co-ordinated by Kalgoorlie Urban Landcare Group (KBULG), with funding supplied by the Waste Authority of Western Australia and Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC).

The aim of the project is to create public awareness and community education program, focusing on waste prevention and waste recovery.

Empowering, encouraging and engaging the community of the Goldfields in understanding and being involved in the waste cycle and the effects waste has on our environment.

WormFeast is an environmentally responsible way to dispose of green waste and food scraps while promoting earth worms and improving the health of your garden. Watch this space for outcomes from the study.

- WormFeast is great for the garden
- Good for the planet
- Fun for kids

For more information about wormfeast visit www.wormfeast.com.au.



FOOD for thought



WINTER gardening guide

- Winter is a good time to carry out major landscaping tasks in the garden. Keep efficient use of water in mind in terms of plant types and watering systems.
- Pruning and weeding is a top job to do at this time of year. Deciduous fruit trees love a good old haircut now, except for your apricot!
- Check the soil moisture before watering and hold off if it has recently rained. If watering is needed do it first thing in the morning. A decent drenching a couple of times a week is better than a quick daily water.
- Top up mulch on your veggie patch, herb garden and ornamental beds. Try to mulch after watering, to

a depth of about 7cm and be careful not to cover delicate young seedlings. Choose sustainable, low environmental impact mulch, one that will enrich your soil as it breaks down.



- Feed winter flowering plants and leafy winter vegetables with a seaweed tea or low environmental impact liquid fertiliser.
- Move deciduous trees and shrubs while they are dormant. Winter is a good time for transplanting trees and shrubs as the cooler reduces stress.
- Spread blood and bone all over the garden, including the compost.
- Winter is the time to plant bare-rooted deciduous fruit trees with a nice shape, or forget to prune them back before planting them out (best thing to ask the local nursery to do it). Remember to make sure you have correct pollinators to ensure

GREEN TIPS TO KEEP WARM THIS WINTER!

Heating your home can be very expensive. Here are some tips on how you could reduce your heating bills:

- Cover drafty windows, use heavy curtains and blinds to stop heat from escaping from your windows
- Let the sunshine in during the day
- Rug yourself up in warm clothes instead of

using the heater

- Find and seal cracks and gaps, 25% heat can escape that you use to warm your home
- Close off any rooms that aren't in use
- Install insulation in your house or top old and thinning insulation, you might be able to save 50% total cost of heating. T

Environment!

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- Read.** There are many children's books with environmental messages that are great to read together.
- Take the family on a bushwalk and get to know your local environment.** Karikuria Bushland Park is a great place to start!



Local Plant Profile



SCHOENIA CASSINIANA

Common Name: Pink Everlasting
Scientific Name: Schoenia Cassiniana
Size and Form: 0.1m Width - 0.1m height
Flowers: Pale Pink
Leaves: long, thin leaves
Habitat: Prefers light to medium well-composted soils in a protected sunny position, drought and frost tender.

Interesting Facts:

- Excellent for cut flowers or for drying and preserving.
- The name is a reference to the fact that they make excellent dried flowers, and do seem to last forever.
- Showy annual daisy with pink paper-daisy flowers in winter or spring.
- Grows relatively easily from fresh seed sown in autumn.
- Everlastings are annual flowers that are endemic to WA and make up a large part of the spectacular wildflower display that occur every spring.



SCHOENIA CASSINIANA

Food Glorious food! We eat it, we love it, it unifies us and sustains us. We all love eating out but how much do we throw out?

Food waste affects every household in Australia economically and environmentally.

Recent figures show that up to 40% of an average household bin is FOOD. Costing an average household \$1.036 per year, this money could be spent on paying your winter bills.

Aussies throw out \$8 billion worth of edible food every year that is 4,000,000 tonnes of food each year. Aussies throw out 3 average size fridges of food or 345kg for edible food per household.

Environmentally the consequences of food waste are devastating.

Food rotting in landfill creates greenhouse gases that are 25 times more potent than carbon pollution that comes out of a car exhaust. When you throw out food, what you see in this bin is not the only waste.

You're also throwing away the massive amount of resources it took to

get that food all the way from the "paddock to your plate."

An estimated 25-40% of fruit and vegetables are rejected even before they reach the shops mostly because they don't match the consumers' and supermarkets' high cosmetic standards.

That includes all elements of production, processing, storage, refrigeration, transportation and cooking.

To educate Australians about the consequences of food waste and to generate greater awareness log on to www.FoodWise.com.au to learn how you can reduce the amount of food you are sending to landfill.

DO SOMETHING!

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notch crop!

Consider a green manure crop to add some life and love to an overworked veggie patch. At this time of year try faba bean, field pea, oats and wheat. This will improve your soil incredibly, and, for a bit of forward planning, you'll find it well worth the effort!

On really cold days, why not head out to the shed, and sharpen, clean, oil and maintain your garden tools. Sounds tedious, but it's really rewarding, and will save you cash and plant illness in the long run.

Now is a great time to plant local native plant species. For further information on types of plants contact KBULG or come down and join one of our many community Native Plant Groups.

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ATTRACT WILDLIFE TO YOUR GARDEN!



Kalgoorlie-Boulder residents can play an essential role to help maintain and improve habitat for local fauna in their garden. If you want to attract native fauna into your garden without harming them you can:

- Provide a healthy habitat by removing weeds and planting indigenous plants in your garden.
- Maintain a fresh water source
- Create a bird bath
- Put up wildlife boxes
- Provide an area which is safe from predators such as dogs and feral cats. Keep your domestic pets inside at night.

If you are fortunate enough to have native fauna at your place remember that they are wild animals, not pets. Wild animals should be observed from a distance and should never be fed, cornered or made to feel threatened.

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 Karikuria Park shows part of a regeneration zone north of Kalgoorlie.



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

Number of Adults: _____ Children: _____

*Financial Membership entitles you to have voting privileges and 50% 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.

Comments: _____

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COMING EVENTS!

Saturday 20 July

• Annual Tree Planting Day

Tuesday 30 July

• Tidy Town Judges in Kalgoorlie-Boulder

Sunday 4 August

• KBULG Native Plant Group

Sunday 1 September

• KBULG Native Plant Group



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Some quick ways to check if you may be responsible:

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If you're unsure, you can always contact us on 13 10 87* or email enquiries@westernpower.com.au to check if you are responsible and how you can make sure they stay in a safe condition.

TIDY UP FOR TIDY TOWNS!

LET'S MAKE KALGOORLIE-BOULDER SHINE

The city of Kalgoorlie-Boulder has been entered into the 2013 Tidy Towns - Sustainable Communities Awards. The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Tidy Towns Committee has put together an amazing submission showcasing the fantastic achievements of the Kalgoorlie-Boulder community.

The Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Judges will be visiting Kalgoorlie-Boulder on 30 July to assess the efforts of our community and see our beautiful City.

KBULG are urging you to tidy up your patch of Kalgoorlie-Boulder by picking up rubbish and weeding and tidying up

gardens and verges. Or go one step further and get some friends and family together to clean up your street, a local park or a vacant block.

Let's show the Judges how beautiful Kalgoorlie-Boulder is! Free Clean Up bags are available from the KBULG office.



CONTACT

KBULG IS YOUR COMMUNITY ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION ORGANISATION

If you have concerns or questions about the environmental issues in Kalgoorlie-Boulder, if you require further information about or would like any environmental education resources, please contact us and we will be happy to help! For 40 years KBULG has been working for a Better Environment and Better Lifestyle for the people of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

COMMUNICATE - EDUCATE - PARTICIPATE

KBULG is located at Karikuria Community Nursery, Karikuria Bushland Park, Tumbarri Way, Hannans.
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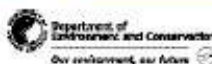
Rotary volunteers spent the morning at Karikuria Nursery and propagated over 800 native plants & filled over 1000 pots with soil for future propagating projects.



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Plans to turn region green

■ Mike Exell

The annual Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group tree planting day is set to hit Boomerang Crescent this Saturday.

Last year the event saw 200 people plant over 3000 trees and KBULG chief executive Kim O'Reilly said she hoped this effort will be topped this year. "This year we are aiming to plant about 5000 plants so we are hoping even more people than last year come down," Ms O'Reilly said.

"We have worked closely with the council in order to make this day an annual event and they deserve a lot of credit for the preparation work they have done.

"The aim of the event is to green the goldfields, so we decided Boomerang Crescent could use a little revitalisation.

"It is a really big job we are tackling so we may even come back to the same site next year."

The event will get under way at 9am on the corner of Altham Street and Sewell Drive, where the group will meet before heading to the site of the planting.

Ms O'Reilly said the event is about much more than just planting trees. "We are only actually planting for two hours on Saturday morning so it will be a good chance to do something positive for the local community," she said.

"KCGM will be running a barbecue so after the planting everyone gets the grab a bite to eat and catch up."



Turning green: Getting ready for Saturday's tree planting at Altham Park are Robert Taylor, Lisa Short, Anne Petz and Kim O'Reilly.
Photo: MARY MILLS

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Helping hand: Sonja Weinlioh and Chris O'Reilly braved the cold for the tree planting day.

Photo: PAUL BRAVEN

Green thumbs up for tree planting

■ Mike Exell

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group will mark down 2013 as another successful year for its annual tree planting day.

Braving the coldest day of the year, the volunteers rugged up and planted an array of trees and shrubs along Boomerang Crescent for two hours on Saturday morning.

KBULG chief executive Kim O'Reilly said she was pleased with the turnout despite the

cold weather.

"We had about the same number of volunteers as last year which I was over the moon with because I was very nervous that morning because it was so cold," Ms O'Reilly said.

"We planted between 3000 and 4000 plants during the two hours we were down there which was up on last year.

"The preparation side of things was much better than last year which is a real credit to everyone involved."

Ms O'Reilly said the input from the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder was key to the event's success.

"The council really helped us out by doing a lot of the ground work which enabled us to have a successful plant," she said.

"They organised the mulching and reticulation of the area before we got there which made it much easier for us.

"This meant we could get it all done quicker and out of the cold, so it was definitely appreciated."

Green thumb volunteers get down and dirty



Dantae King and Giselle Armstrong. Photos: PAUL BRAVEN

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group volunteers braved the coldest day of the year, planting an array of trees and shrubs along a local street last Saturday.

Boomerang Crescent is now bursting with life, with between 3000 and 4000 new plants on the street.

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Dianne Te Hau



Left: Graeme Smith and Greg Ritchie.



Right: Sonja Weinlioh hard at work.



Trevor Jones and Barry Watts.

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City is tidying up for awards

■ Mike Exell

The Tidy Towns awards are a point of pride for regional communities across the State and Kalgoorlie-Boulder is again in the running for the 2014 awards.

The local effort is being headlined by the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group.

When the judges visit the city on July 30, KBULG chief executive Kim O'Reilly said she would be showing them various projects around the city the group has undertaken.

Ms O'Reilly said the group hoped to do well this year after Port Hedland cleaned up in the 2013 awards.

The tidy town awards recognise regional centres environmental projects across Australia and the awards are split into regional, State and national categories

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Rising high: Rich green of an umbrella tree reaches skyward.



Man of the land: Danny Sheehan in his clever front garden full of native plants. PHOTOS: TEENA CAMARATA

Enjoying life in a waterwise setting

■ Paul Simpson

A man with the bush in his soul, Danny Sheehan loves nothing better than stoking up a winter's fire drum and having friends around for an evening's company.

His quarter-acre block in Lamington has a large front and backyard, giving a sense of the vast bush just a kilometre or so from his northern suburbs home.

The Sheehan family are long-time residents of the Goldfields.

In fact, Danny's father Jack (commonly known as Dave) started up the bush two-up with Nick Turich nearly 70 years ago.

The two-up was closed down for a decade, but Danny re-activated it during the Racing Round a few years ago with John Bowler's help.

Now every month, usually on a Saturday, Danny runs the bush two-up in its traditional place just past the speedway north of the city.

With such a pedigree ingrained deep in the red dirt and history of the region, it is no surprise to learn there is nowhere else he wants to be.

"I couldn't imagine being anywhere else," he said.

"It is my home, where my family lives and where I have made my life."



Original flavour: Old metal mining pot is a feature in this rustic garden.

His garden, front and back, is full of native plants, fruit trees and wild daisies, a wood-fired oven which he occasionally fires up to cook pizzas and roast dinners, and plenty of chairs for his many visitors to sit and enjoy the region's ambience.

A new addition, which he loves,

is his worm farm, he acquired one after they were being given out by KBULG a few months ago.

His is set in the ground and he dutifully puts food scraps in to feed the hungry little critters.

All in all, it is a delightful residence, with plants chosen to be waterwise and healthy.



Wild daisy: Gazanias may have originated from South Africa, but they have made a memorable mark in Australian gardens.



Growing strong: Cactus flowers in the winter sun in Lamington garden.

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Outdoor cooking: Wood-fired oven, used for pizzas and meat roasts, is a talking point in the rear garden.



Soil booster: Food scraps go into the worm farm which is Danny's latest addition to his large backyard.



Hardy bloom: Geranium with red flower and distinctive leaf shapes.



Native fruit: Quandong tree on the front verge for five years. It recently withstood over-vigorous council pruning, much to Danny's anguish.



Fire drum: The scene of many a winter's evening in the Sheehan home when friends pop in for a visit.



Task done: Axe and wheelbarrow filled with wood.



White light: Flowering succulent with brown colouring.

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Jonell Armstrong and Jessie Brooking.



Tamati Te Hau gets his hands dirty.



Kainoa King having fun.



Nicola Murdoch and Matthew Marman.

Greening up the city of gold

Kalgoorlie-Boulder green thumbs were out in force last Saturday morning planting trees.

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group's annual tree planting day had nearly 200 attendees plant more than 3000 plants.

The volunteers banded together

to do some good for the environment despite the unfortunate luck of the event being held on the coldest day of the year.

All those in attendance were treated to a sausage sizzle once they had planted their fair share of trees.



Steven, Lydia, Jorja and Angus Logan with Korker Roo.

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Ian Butler, Graeme Smith and Balinda Lee. Photos: PAUL BRAVEN



Kim O'Reilly, Anne Petz, Korker Roo and Marty Lake.



Jackson and Lauren Willis.



Lea Van Rensburg with Imogen Rundle, Anna and Craig Van Rensburg and Anya Rundle.

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Green thumbs: Robert Taylor, Peter Ashton, Lisa Short, Anjali Avgeris, Kim O'Reilly and Rhonda Ashton at the Karlkurla nursery. Photo: TOM HUNTLEY

Tidy Towns judges praise city

■ **Mike Exell**

The Tidy Towns judges have praised Kalgoorlie-Boulder on its efforts to become an environmentally-friendly city.

Husband and wife judging team Peter and Rhonda Ashton have spent three days in the city following weeks of travelling looking at other communities.

Mr Ashton said Kalgoorlie-Boulder was in a strong position to be considered for the overall regional award.

"When we're judging we look at eight different categories which cover a variety of environmental areas," he said.

"We choose a winner in each

category and then we choose an overall regional winner, who then competes to be the State and national winner.

"The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group has put in a strong entry this year with all the work they have been doing.

"The city has never been very successful at the awards because there haven't been consistent entries over the years, but that looks like it has changed.

"I lived here 40 years ago and the difference from back then is unbelievable."

The message the judges want to send is the awards are not necessarily going to be given out to the towns which invested the

largest amount of money in projects.

Mr Ashton said he was looking for the town that did the most with what they have.

"It's very hard to compare towns to each other because one day we'll be visiting a city of 30,000 and then next day it will be a small community of 200," he said. "Due to the size disparity, we can't give the awards to who saves the most water or plants the most trees, it's all relative to the town's size.

"For example, we were in Leonora the other day and the work the town is doing is fantastic and the whole community have got behind it."

Kalgoorlie Community Nursery Takes the Next Step

Support from Rangelands NRM WA has allowed the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group (KBULG) to expand operations at its Karlkurla Park native plant nursery, benefitting both the local environment and the community.



CEO of KBULG, Kim O'Reilly said funding provided by Rangelands NRM WA through the State NRM Office had enabled the appointment of an additional part time nursery coordinator.

"This has allowed us to not only increase the number of plants we can provide each year to the community and school groups we work with, but also better meet their specific needs," she said.

"It has also given us greater scope to service a growing demand from the general

public for locally grown native plants, for use in 'water wise' home gardens".

Originally established in 2002 and mostly staffed by volunteers, the nursery has produced thousands of native trees, shrubs and ground covers each year for use in local community and school revegetation programs. The plants grown have also been used to re-vegetate parts of the Karlkurla Park itself; an important area of regenerating bushland on the northern outskirts of Kalgoorlie - Boulder.

Ms O'Reilly said the appointment of the additional part-time nursery coordinator, Robert Taylor, has complemented the existing position held by local girl Lisa Short.

"Robert's extensive knowledge and experience in, and deep passion for, growing native plants in arid areas fits in very well with Lisa's enthusiasm and willingness to learn", she said.





"With the guidance of KBULG committee member Peta Osborne, their energy and knowledge have also been pivotal in the re-establishment of the local Native Plant Group. Robert's skills in native seed collection will also allow us to reduce our reliance on purchased seed."

The expansion of the Karlkurla Park nursery is just one of a number of initiatives undertaken by the KBULG over the last 12 months, which have further built its reputation amongst the community it serves.

For further information on the Karlkurla Park native plant nursery or other KBULG projects, contact Kim O'Reilly on 0429 805 521 or visit their website.

Image ©KBULG: Coordinators Lisa Short and Robert Taylor hard at work at the Karlkurla Park native plant nursery

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Linda Crook, Wayne Astill and Barton Loechel.

Climate and mining

The launch of the Climate Adaption in Regional Mining Value Chain Study was held last week at the Chamber of Minerals and Energy WA's Kalgoorlie-Boulder office.

The study, undertaken by the CSIRO, examined the effect of climate change on the supply chain for the resources sector in the Goldfields region.

CME Goldfields' manager Linda Crook said the project was an opportunity for regional stakeholders to discuss the future of the region under a changing climate.

"The study identified the main vulnerabilities of the various elements of the regional mining value chain. Impacts on water and energy supply were identified and viable pathways to regional adaptation are explored in the study," Ms Crook said.

The study was the result of a collaboration between the CMEWA, the CSIRO and the Goldfields Environmental Management Group.



Rob Botica and Cat Wharton.



Carl Paton and Andy Whiteley.



James Milne, Kim O'Reilly, Carol Mann and Ashley Owen.



Wayne Astill, Jarod Dashwood, and Abnesh Chetty.

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SEEING GREEN

KCGM volunteers showed their green thumbs at the annual Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group (KBULG) Tree Planting Day. The event is one of many community engagement projects hosted by KBULG to involve residents in the rehabilitation and protection of their local natural environment.

Our volunteers joined with local families and residents to help revive a community park in South Kalgoorlie. After a busy morning of planting, everyone enjoyed a free sausage sizzle cooked up by KCGM employees and a few lucky participants also received a draw prize gift voucher.

KBULG is the peak environmental body in the Goldfields and has been conserving and establishing native vegetation in the region for nearly 40 years.

For more information on the not-for-profit organisation visit www.kbulg.org.au.

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Sustainable gardens focus of awards

■ Mike Exell

The importance of having a sustainable garden in the Goldfields will be recognised by the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group as they launch their annual garden awards.

The Sustainable Garden Quest, previously known as the Waterwise Garden Competition, is focused on all aspects of creating and maintaining a sustainable garden.

This includes the overall appearance, colour and tidiness of gardens and verges.

KBULG chief executive Kim O'Reilly said the competition is about engaging the local community in taking pride in their gardens.

"This is a great opportunity to get outside and have a tidy-up of your front garden and verge and enter the competition," Ms O'Reilly said.

"This competition is all about rewarding those people who are trying to do the right thing by creating a sustainable garden.

"The judges will be looking for gardens which are suitable to our semi-arid climatic conditions but also attractive, well-maintained and aesthetically pleasing."

The competition has several different categories which include home and business owners, schools, tenants and edible gardens.



Trailer loads of fun: Kalgoorlie Miner general manager Tracee Relph, Bergie's Soils owner David Bergmeier and KBULG chief executive Kim O'Reilly. Photo: TOM HUNTLEY

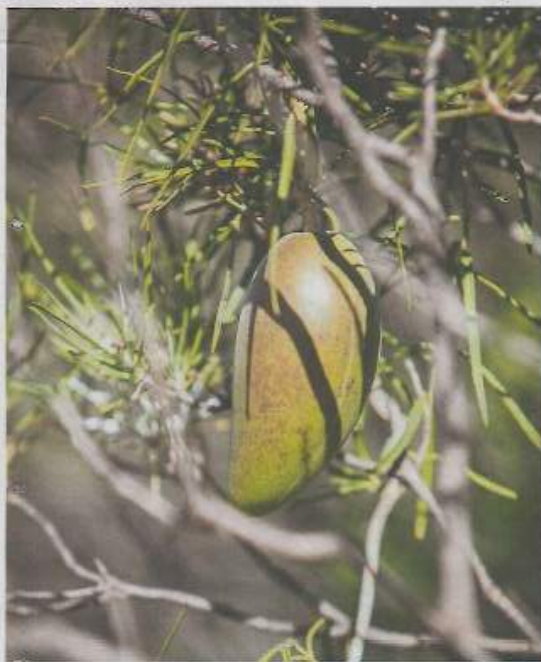
This year's prize includes a share in \$1500 to spend at Bergie's soils and trailer loads of mulch all to further promote water-wise and eco garden practices.

Flyers, judging criteria and nomination forms are available

from several locations around the city including Lotteries House, Bergie's Soils and the *Kalgoorlie Miner*. Entry forms may also be requested by email from admin@kbulg.org.au.

Nominations close at 5pm on September 19.

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Native silky pear: A karkurla, after which the park and Kalgoorlie are named.



Treasured asset: KBULG chief executive Kim O'Reilly beside a tan wattle in Karkurla Park. Photos: TOM HUNTLEY

Nature is blooming at bushland park

■ Paul Simpson

As spring draws closer, the jewel in north Kalgoorlie is in radiant shape.

Karkurla Bushland Park is a wonderful place to visit at any time, but now is perfect.

The park, owing everything to the foresight of the late Doug Krepp, who fought tooth and nail for it to be formed, comprises 200ha of natural regrowth bushland.

Its name comes from the local Aboriginal word for the silky pear, one of the many native bushes, trees and small plants in the park.

The karkurla also gave its name to Kalgoorlie.

There are about 7km of walking trails within the boundaries.

Managed by the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group and the city council, the park is treated as a pampered child.

Last April, KBULG moved its offices from Lotteries House to the park.

The move was a logical one, according to the organisation's chief executive, Kim O'Reilly.

"We were able to unify our office and nursery staff to work together," she said.

"It also means there is a pres-



Best time: Native daisies in full bloom in Karkurla Bushland Park.

ence of those whose job it is to care for the area within the boundaries.

"This is the best time of the year to view the park as it is now starting to bloom.

"It should reach its peak within the next few weeks."

KBULG is planning on getting some pedestrian counters installed in the park, to provide a more accurate idea of the number of visitors.

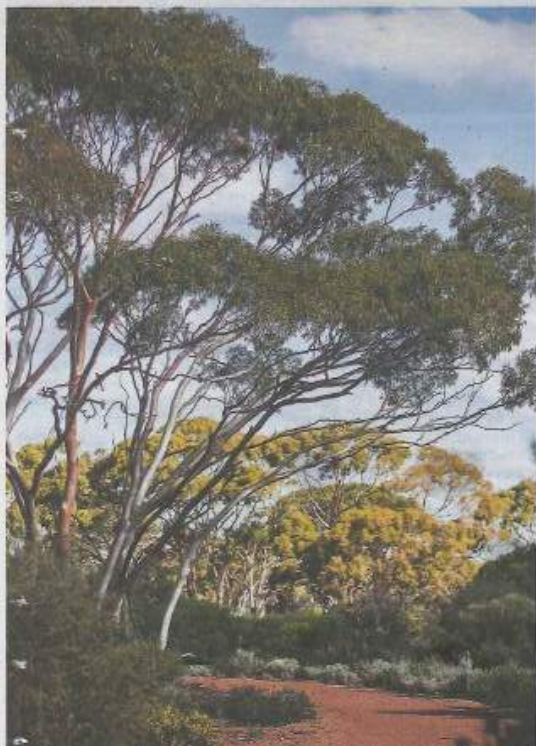
These counters were donated for

the Great Western Woodlands by the Department of Environment and Conservation.

"They are going to install the counters in the near future," Kim said.

"Signage will be placed at each intersection to ensure people don't get lost."

Anyone wanting to become a volunteer with KBULG, land management or tree planting, should phone Kim on 0418 935 498.



Regal peace: Beautiful salmon gums sway over the bushland trail.

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Picture perfect: The best of the Greater Western Woodlands and the Aussie bush.



Gentle movement: Desert cassia beside a walkway is a kaleidoscope of yellow and green.



Pink flowers: A tall example of the prolific mulla mulla.



Lightness of touch: Cotton bush flourishes in the park.



Green dream: One of many native eremophila.



Native Hop Bush: This can grow up to 3m tall.



Sweet smell: Delicate flowers of a lemon-scented gum captures the eye.

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Residential

Owner Maintained / Tenant Maintained

Community

Schools / Community Organisations

Commercial/ industrial

Business and Industry

Edible garden (vegetable/fruit/bush tucker)

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Entries Close 19/09/2013
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KBULG in action!

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group's ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

6.00pm on Thursday 3rd October 2013 @ Lotteries House
(Corner Wilson and Macdonald Streets, Kalgoorlie)

If you would like to nominate for the
KBULG EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
please contact us for a nomination form and
submit before 24th September 2013

Support your
local community
environment and
conservation
organisation!

Please RSVP by 1st October 2013

Refreshments provided - RSVP - Telephone: 0418 935 498 or email: admin@kbulg.org.au
www.kbulg.org.au

CEO Update

Welcome to KBULG's Spring Newsletter! Today is the last day of winter and the days are now getting longer and warmer. This is my favourite part of the year and as a bonus, the wild flowers have started to bloom. Karlarlie Bushland Park is certainly the place to be to experience our local natives and the serenity of the Great Western Woodlands.

Last month KBULG held its annual Community Tree Planting Day and this year together with the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, we chose a section along Boomerang Crescent, South Kalgoorlie to revegetate. Despite being the coldest day of the year, we had over 100 volunteers brave the cold and windy conditions to help us plant between 3,000 - 4,000 plants! It was a massive community effort and I would like to say a BIG thank you to all those who participated. The fabulous orange brigade of KOGM volunteers were in force on the day too, apart from helping us plant, they also cooked a sausage sizzle to feed all the hungry workers - thank you to our major sponsors for

this event, the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and KOGM for your ongoing support!

Earlier this month, KBULG joined Beyond Gardens and the Water Corporation at their annual GardenWise Seminar in Kalgoorlie. Over 100 people attended and learnt valuable information, including why it's best to plant local natives in your garden.

KBULG, together with Western Power, Bergie's Soils and the Kalgoorlie Miner has recently launched the annual Sustainable Garden Quest. We would like to invite you to help us raise awareness in our community on the benefits of planting local natives, and enter your garden in our quest to find and reward the lucky winners.

I would like to finish up by thanking our hard working staff, volunteers, the community and ALL our sponsors. With your help, KBULG is successfully achieving our vision of 'working towards a Better Environment, Better Lifestyle for the people of the Goldfields'.

Kim O'Reilly



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Kalgoorlie-Boulder Sustainable Garden Quest

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Entries Close 10/09/2013
Winners Announced 05/10/2013



reconstructed

RECYCLED ART competition

Theme = 'in my garden'

- 3D Sculpture / Mixed Media \$300 Cash Prize
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- High School Class Entry \$250 Vouchers
- Community Group \$250 cash Prize / Vouchers
- Peoples Choice Award \$200 Cash Prize

reconstructed Art Competition and Exhibition coinciding with
RECYCLING WEEK 11th-17th
2013

Enter now!


Entry forms and conditions are available from the
Kalgoorlie Miner, the Goldfields Arts Centre or email
admin@kbulg.org.au.

Entry forms and artwork must be submitted by Mon-
day the 11th of November. \$5.00 Entry.

For more info visit www.kbulg.org.au

WATER SAVER TIP

Check for leaks
in pipes, hoses and
connections



KALGOORLIE-BOULDER URBAN LANDCARE GROUP

BETTER ENVIRONMENT

Local Plant Profile

Ptilotus obovatus

Common Name: Cotton

Scientific Name: Ptilotus obovatus

Aboriginal Name: Mata (Desert), Purampurampa (Desert)

Size and Form: Small, shrub to 0.6m in height, stems.

Flowers: Flower heads are small balls with pink tips.

Leaves: Light, grey green.

Habitat: Widespread throughout the Goldfields, except in salt

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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



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 natural cleanser, deodoriser and disinfectant. Borax is also used to kill ants and cockroaches.
- ✿ There are THREE ways to reduce the use of chemicals: Buy less, Buy better, Buy different.
- ✿ Be Smart when buying and look at the labels for toxic products! Buy products that are biodegradable and recyclable.
- ✿ Think Safe when cleaning and disposing of chemicals.

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BETTER LIFESTYLE

Profile

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Common name: Cotton Bush

Scientific name: *Ptilotus obovatus*

Location: Matakuru (Great Sandy National Park) and Purpurarra (Great Victoria National Park)

Form: Small, soft, bushy, rounded in height, with multiple

flower heads are white grey fluffy tips.

It has grey green foliage.

It is widespread throughout the region except in saline and flooded

areas. Favours shallow red, sandy, rocky loam soils in shrubland and woodlands and gravelly hills.

Interesting facts:

- Has edible grubs in roots.
- Down from flowers used for ceremonies or for decoration.
- The soft branches are used to line wooden dishes used to carry babies.



green clean

Sorax is a naturally occurring mineral salt. It cleans, deodorises, bleaches and disinfects. Sorax is also used to control pests such as ants and cockroaches.

Here are THREE things to remember!

1. Reduce the use of household cleaners by buying less and looking for natural safer alternatives.

2. 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.

3. Think Safe when you are handling and/or storing all cleaning agents. Also make sure you dispose of them legally and safely.



GARDENING TIP
Weed and renew mulches on garden beds

PRUNING

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



SPRING GARDENING TIPS



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 Eremophila 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.
- 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.

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COMING EVENTS!

Sunday 8 September 2013
Spring into Your Native Garden Lecture
— WA Museum 2.00pm

Thursday 19 September 2013
Entries close for the Sustainable Garden Quest

Sunday 13 October 2013
Goldfields Spring Festival

Saturday 5 November 2013
Sustainable Garden Quest Winners Announced

Friday 15 November 2013
Opening Night — Reconstructed Art
Competition Exhibition

KBULG Native Plant Group
Sunday 01 September 2013
Sunday 06 October 2013

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- ☐ 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.

Comments: _____

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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.

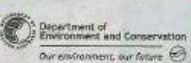
Or if you want something
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Admire the many hued
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Dog leads a must in Karkurla, Eckert says

Local dog owners are being encouraged to keep their animals on leashes in Karkurla Bushland Park.

With native wildlife returning to Karkurla, the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group are urging residents to keep the wildlife safe by ensuring dogs are kept on leashes in the designated parks.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said it is important in ensuring the wildlife's habitat is safe.

"Dogs can often displace native wildlife and birds from natural areas," Ms Eckert said.

There are a number of off-leash

parks in the city, including Rydal Park on Rydal Street, Gribble Creek on Speculation Road, the arboretum on Hawkins Street, Edwards Park on Piccadilly Street, Dwyer Street dam and bushland between the Eastern Bypass Road, Lane Street and the Eastern Goldfields Regional Prison.

Meanwhile, Wallace Park is now officially a dog exercise area between 8am and 9am following an amendment to local dog laws at Monday night's council meeting.

No submissions were received during the public consultation period which closed on September 20.

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**Kalgoorlie Miner
Reconstructed Art Competition. 19/10/2013, 24/10/2013,
31/10/2013**

REDUCE - REUSE - RECYCLE

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RECYCLED ART COMPETITION

THEME = 'IN MY GARDEN'



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Exhibition - Friday 15th November 2013
at the Goldfields Arts Centre

For more info contact KBULG on 0418935498 or admin@kbulg.org.au

Kalgoorlie Miner





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Kalgoorlie Miner 05/10/2013

Quest for best gardens at an end

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group sustainable garden quest has come to an end with entries from all around the city impressing the judges.

Sarah Campbell of West Kalgoorlie took out first prize in the coveted residential owner maintained category with her stone fruit planting and veggie selection.

John Paul College took out the school garden award while the Quality Inn Railway Motel took out the commercial category.

KBULG chief executive Kim O'Reilly said the independent judges were very impressed with the high quality of gardens.

"Travelling around to visit each garden allowed the judges to see that many Kalgoorlie-Boulder residents were endeavouring to have gardens which are suitable to our conditions," Ms O'Reilly said.

"The feedback from the judges was they were particularly impressed with the amount of effort and planning which had gone into the many different gardens and the use of a variety of native species."



Green thumbs: Lisa Short, Bob Hutcheson, Kim O'Reilly, Gary Brooks, Mike Lucas and Tony Crook.
Photo: MARY MILLS

of nominations showed the amount of pride locals took in their gardens.

"It was great to see how many

people had used local native and edible plants which are suited to our local environment," she said.

"I would like to congratulate everyone who entered and en-

courage you and other garden lovers to enter next year's quest in search for Kalgoorlie-Boulder's most sustainable garden."

MIKE EXELL



Sun smart: Easter Goldfields College students Isaac Moide, Ian Ryder and Owen Dimer with workshop presenter Pam Foulkes-Taylor. Photo: TOM HUNTLEY

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Learning smart ways to beat the sun

■ Leticia Laing

Sunscreen, hats and shirts are the last resort in skin cancer prevention, but nonetheless they are essential tools in the armoury.

Volunteers and staff from the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group and the Golden Mile Loophole Railway Society were at the Loophole Museum on Tuesday to learn more on protecting their skin against the sun's harmful UV rays. Volunteers included Eastern Goldfields Regional Prison inmates and Eastern Goldfields College students.

Find Cancer Early project officer Pam Foulkes-Taylor was on hand to present the latest research and basic skills on how to be SunSmart according to the Cancer Council of Western Australia guidelines.

"The best protection against the sun is engineering controls such as shade sails or changing the working hours staff are exposed to the sun," she said.

"UV rays are a class 1 carcinogen, both employers and the workers need to make sure they are SunSmart."

KBULG chief executive Kim

Eckert said she had spoken to Mrs Foulkes-Taylor earlier this year about holding a SunSmart workshop for KBULG's employees because they do a lot of work outdoors.

"Having been on the Loophole Committee for the past five years, they also have a great volunteer base that could benefit from this invaluable information," she said. "It's important for employers and employees to be aware of the risks and do everything they can to prevent skin cancer."

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Caltrop on the move again

MAYOR'S VIEW

■ Ron Yuryevich

Following some late rains and an early taste of summer, there is a lot of new greenery springing up around Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

It is an unfortunate fact of life that much of this vegetation is weeds and most of the weeds are caltrop.

This fast-growing ground cover has small leaves, little yellow flowers and large, sharp prickles.

It can thrive even in desert climates and poor soil.

Like many weed species, this plant has many common names, including puncture vine, caltrop, cathead, yellow vine, goat head, four corner jack and hindi.

Caltrop is an introduced species that is found throughout Australia.

It germinates rapidly after summer rains and produces a spiny burr.

The burrs readily stick to animals, car tyres, shoes, or anything they come into contact with, and the prickles can be very painful if you or your pet steps on them.

Caltrop is commonly seen along the verges and back laneways of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, spreading out to cover large areas and posing a threat to walkers, pets and bicycle tyres.

The city's work crews are busy with the caltrop eradication program in public areas, with ongoing slashing and sweeping of footpaths, and spraying in laneways,



Weed busters: Graeme Campbell and Kim O'Reilly spray caltrop last summer. Photo: HELEN McDONALD

verges and broad-acre areas as wind and rain conditions allow.

While the city's work crews will continue with the caltrop eradication program, which the city has been undertaking since 2000, this pervasive and prickly weed continues to take hold throughout Kalgoorlie-Boulder and we are turning to residents for help.

If all residents could take the time to help control this noxious weed, by removing and destroying the weed on their own property

and adjoining verge, it would go a long way to preventing further spreading.

Despite its prickles, caltrop is a relatively easy weed to remove, especially when it has grown to cover a large area.

The best way to pull up caltrop is to roll it up like a mat, so you can easily access the root area.

Then you can use a garden fork to loosen the root and pull out the weed.

Make sure you use gloves and al-

ways try to collect any fallen seeds to ensure the plant doesn't grow back in a cleared area.

Dispose of caltrop by tying it up in a plastic bag and putting it in the bin.

Large areas of caltrop can be safely poisoned using a foliage herbicide such as glyphosate, which is commonly sold as Roundup.

For more information on weed eradication, phone the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder manager of parks and reserves on 9021 9600.



High standard: The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group's Lisa Short, Kim Eckert and Anjali Augeris with some of the recycled art. Photo: MARY MILLS

Reconstructed wonders

■ Tegan Guthrie

The winners of this year's Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group Reconstructed Recycled Art Competition have been announced, but there is still time to vote for the People's Choice.

During the opening of the exhibition in the Goldfields Arts Centre foyer last Friday, eight of the nine category winners were announced by three independent judges.

Three categories for three dimensional works were won by Ruth Koedyk with her piece *The Apple Tree*, Terri Short with her *Media Garden* and Fiona Mary Thomson with *Nana's Memory Garden Sown with Love*.

Lesley Nazzari took out the two dimensional award with her piece *Backyard I*, Flynn Baroni was awarded for his piece *Crocy* in the under 12s junior award and Rachael O'Donnell was awarded the Youth Individual prize for her piece *Bird Houses in My Garden*.

Lynda Burch from East Kalgoorlie

Primary School scored the Primary School Class Entry with *Echidna Garden* and the Goldfields Individual and Family Support Association won the group entry award with its piece *Our Garden Treasures*.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said more than 70 people attended the opening of the exhibition.

"All the winners in the categories did a fantastic job and we look forward to having more entries next year," Ms Eckert said.

"The quality of the art pieces is definitely improving, the standard is getting higher and the awareness is definitely getting out there."

"The purpose of the competition is to encourage people to think twice before throwing things in the rubbish or recycle bin, and think of what else it could be used for."

The art prize, sponsored by Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines and the *Kalgoorlie Miner*, will be on display until December 6.

Votes for People's Choice will be taken until the exhibition closes and the winner will be announced on December 9.

Park given a makeover

Nature will not be the only thing users of Karluwanta Park can enjoy as they stroll, run or cycle through the more than 200 hectares of natural regrowth bushland.

Last Saturday morning visitors to the Park celebrated a healthy makeover of its walking trail signage, developed in partnership between local agencies.

Launched to coincide with the Kalgoorlie Parkrun, the signage allows visitors to easily navigate the many trails as well as learn some healthy facts and physical activity tips.

Goldfields Population Health, Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, Goldfields Midwest Medicare Local and Beja Garbarringu Health Service joined forces to encourage the community to take full advantage of exercise opportunities at the park.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said she was very pleased to have the directional signage installed.

"It is now even more user-friendly and we hope to see the community make the most of what the park has to offer," she said.

Goldfields Population Health public health nutritionist Rachael Nugent said now is the perfect time to enjoy being physically active outdoors.

"More than half of the Goldfields population are not doing the recommended physical activity of 30 minutes for adults and 60 minutes for children to achieve health benefits," she said.

"It is a timely reminder for people in the Goldfields to get involved in the many physical opportunities available here."

LETICIA LAING



Scavenger Hunt: Tamsyn Colwell-Morse, Ashley Colwell-Morse, Brigitte Colwell-Morse, William and Emma Schimanski and Maddison Colwell-Morse.



Big walk: Chiana Jones, Sophie, Allison and Ella Hunter.



Golden Gift Books, created by East Kalgoorlie Primary School.

Art? – the question is now answered

Any self-respecting high school art teacher will always ask a troubling Year 8 question on their first day: "What is art?"

For years this question has plagued scared 12 and 13-year-olds, but local artists have tackled it head on in the 2013 Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landscape Group Remastered Recycled Art Competition.

The competition, which had prizes for 10 categories, invited artists against recycled materials and asked them to create something in the theme of "In My Garden".

Eight of the nine category winners were announced at the exhibition's official opening at the Goldfields Arts Centre on November 15, with the people's choice award's voting continuing until December 8.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said she was very pleased with the level of environmental awareness throughout the 46 entries.

"Although there are a few less entries than last year the quality is absolutely fantastic," Mr Eckert said.

"You can see the awareness in the community has increased and people are getting more excited about using recycled material as art."

"The people who are interested are not really putting in a lot of effort and it is fantastic to see a bit of really good quality entries."

Mr Eckert said she was very impressed with the entries, especially

by the category winners, and hoped they would inspire others to enter next year.

She wouldn't identify her favourite entry but said she was very impressed with Terri Short's "Melia Garden", made up of old CDs, videotapes and cassette tapes.

"The garden entry was definitely one of my favourites as it was such an interesting take on the theme and a really good use of recycled materials," she said. "It was really well thought out, the boxes were put together using old videotapes and backed with old CDs."

"One of my favourite parts of it was the bases on top which were made using cassette tapes and the flowers were made out of DVD cover inserts."

"It's amazing Terri was able to come up with the idea and pull it off in the fashion she did."

"It was a well-deserving winner for the three-dimensional category."

She said the competition was just one way KBULG spreads the message, to use, recycle, message throughout the community.

"It is important people think of what can be re-used before they throw it out," Mr Eckert said.

"It's also important to educate the children and show how things can be used for art and other purposes."

In vote in the People's Choice Award, complete one of the entry forms available from the exhibition at the Goldfields Arts Centre.

MIKE EXELL



Terri Short with her winning entry.



'Mr and Mrs Timmy' by East Kalgoorlie Primary School.



In My Garden from St Mary's Primary School.



'Apple Tree' by Ruth Koeddy.



Boulder Primary School's Rainbow Fish.



'Backyard', an entry by Lesley Mawson.



Ruth Koeddy's 'Kettle Fish'.



Heather Mutch, Beryl Boase and Janette Kavanagh.

Recycled art show

Local residents turned out in force for the opening of the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group Reconstructed Recycled Art Competition, held in the Goldfields Arts Centre foyer last week.

Winners were announced at the opening, but people can still vote for the People's Choice.

The art prize, sponsored by Kalgoorlie Consolidated Gold Mines and the *Kalgoorlie Miner*, will be on display until December 6.



Fiona Mary Thomson.



John Rees and Robert Taylor.



Lynda and David Burch.



Laurissa, Joe and Shelby French.

Regional housing strategy

Esperance stakeholders had an opportunity to provide input into the development of a Goldfields-Esperance Regional Housing Strategy this week.

Issues raised included the cost and barriers to developing housing, social housing access, access to finance, housing age and quality, suitability of current housing and mix, capacity of infrastructure to service development and risks and challenges for the housing market. Goldfields-Esperance Development Commission district manager Shane Laddelow said the strategy was being developed at a critical time for the Esperance and the South East region. "The community has raised significant concerns about the lack of affordable and available accommodation in the region," he said.

"The one-on-one consultations this week will help inform and develop a strategy for future housing investment to help tackle those issues".

He said the strategy was part of a Statewide demand and supply forecasting project, led by the Department of Housing and Landcorp.

"It is aiming to develop an evidence base to help decision-makers plan and provide optimal housing allocation for the region," he said. The strategy is expected to be finalised early next year.

For details phone Rose Riley on 9083 2200 or email rose.riley@gedc.wa.gov.au

WELCOME TO HANNANS NORTH TOURIST MINE



HANNANS NORTH TOURIST MINE OPEN DAY

To celebrate St Barbara's Festival, we are holding an open day at Hannans North on Sunday December the 9th from 9am to 4pm.

Bring the family along and try your hand at gold panning and two-up, sit in the seat of a dump truck and learn about dry-docking from an expert.

Discover the people, Boulder's rich history, local places and wildlife with the Eastern Goldfields Historical Society and Kalgoorlie Boulder Urban Landcare Group.

Enjoy a picnic in the Chinese Gardens, use our BBQ facilities, or purchase lunch from the food vans attending.

Entry Fee: Adults \$10, Children and Seniors \$5, Family (up to four children) \$30.

Hannans North Tourist Mine is located just off the Goldfields Highway, 1.5km north of Hannan Street, Kalgoorlie.

From the 8th of December, we are open Sunday to Friday, 9am to 4pm. Closed public holidays.

For further information call 9322 1666.



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KBULG in action!

CEO Update

Welcome to KBULG's Summer Newsletter! Once again, the year has flown by and I can't believe tomorrow will be the first day of Summer! This edition of KBULG's newsletter is jam packed with all our recent community involvement, expert information on how to look after our environment and some handy "summer" tips - please read, learn and enjoy!

With tomorrow also being the first Sunday of the month, our Native Plant Group will be meeting at the Kalbarri Bushland Park Community Nursery 5:00pm-8:00pm - if you would like to find out more about our local native plants, please come along to this free informative session. The Native Plant Group will not meet in January however, will convene monthly again on Sunday the 2nd of January 2014, at a new time of 10am-12pm - so please note this in your diaries and we hope to see you all then.

I would like to thank up to thinking our hard working staff, volunteers, the committee, our community and ALL of our sponsors for their dedication and support throughout 2013. With your help KBULG is continuing to achieve our vision of "working towards a Better Environment, Better Lifestyle for the people of the Goldfields".

Merry Christmas and Happy 2014

Kim O'Reilly



The making of Franny the Queen of this year's Lighting of the Christmas Tree (from left) David Ayres, Don Hart and Kim O'Reilly

KALGOORLIE-BOULDER WINS TIDY TOWNS 2013 REGIONAL AWARD



KBULG and the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder's (COB) ongoing efforts were once again recognised by winning the Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities 2013 Regional Award for Natural Environment Conservation in the Central Western Goldfields.

The award particularly recognised the commitment in its on-going effort in environmental conservation.

The judges spent three days in the city and were guided through the different community and conservation programs KBULG organises and manages.

Some of these are: Community in Action - KBULG Nursery and Native Plant Group, Annual Community Tree Planting Day, Clean Up Kalgoorlie and COB.

Up Kalgoorlie-Boulder City, COB constructed Art Competition, Music, memorabilia and other "treasures" and the management of the "Green Trail", 3500 hectares of natural vegetation, including Karibura Bushland Park.

The judge Mr Ashton said they were looking for the city that did the most with what they had. Peter Ashton accepted the award on our behalf at the award ceremony. Congratulations to everyone for their contribution to this well-deserving award. Well Done KBULG and COB!

KBULG Welcomes New Management Committee

KBULG held its Annual General Meeting on Thursday the 03 October and after a brief summary of the year's abundant activities and acknowledgement of our fantastic committee members, the new 2013/2014 committee was elected.

We are pleased to welcome Peter Osborne as acting elected Chairperson and Jim Thompson has again filled the position as Vice Chairperson, and Rod Bickas who after 14 years still continues to be the Treasurer and Susan Williams has nominated to fill the position as secretary.

A big thank you to all the outgoing committee members for their contribution over the last year, your assistance, during 2012/2013, has been greatly appreciated.

Sustainable Garden Competition 2013

Kalgoorlie-Boulder's annual Sustainable Garden Competition organised by KBULG was a great success again this year.

The competition is not only about showing the community in taking pride in their gardens, it is about rewarding those people who are trying to do the right thing and adapting their gardens to suit the semi-arid climate of the Goldfields.

There was a new category introduced into the competition this year "Edible Garden".

The standard of nominations were exceptionally high across all categories and judges were particularly impressed with the amount of effort and planning which has gone into the many different gardens and the use of native and edible species.

We would also like to say "Thank you" to our judges for volunteering their time and being part of the competition.

Congratulations to all our winners and for participating in the competition this year:

- Residential Greenhouse: Sarah Cardwell
- Residential Greenhouse: Sharon Lyle and Sharon Grindle
- Residential Tenant: Melinda & Betty Poole
- School Group: St. Mary's - John Paul College
- Industry: Ripley Camp - Quality Inn
- Edible Garden: Residential: Sarah Cardwell
- Edible Garden: Community: Golden Mile Loops and Highway Station



Lighting of the Christmas Tree Street Party

KBULG was at the Lighting of the Christmas Tree Street Party this year again, kids had the opportunity to make snowman decorations from recycled bottle caps and ribbon. It was a fun night of arts and crafts for the kids.





STOP CALTROP WEED!

CALTROP is taking over our City! We need your HELP.

CALTROP is a nasty, ground covering noxious weed with yellow flowers that produce seeds with very prickly spines. Known to attack the innocent feet of adults, children and pets alike.

Approach with caution, be sure to have well equipped weaponry such as gloves and a shovel. Completely remove, collect & bag all roots, plants & seed material to prevent escape. Place sealed bag into your green wheeled bin.

For more info contact Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group

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BETTER ENVIRONMENT

Local Plant Profile

Climbing Saltbush

Climbing Saltbush -
Size and Form: twining herb stems spreading to 1 m diameter
Flowers: tiny yellow flowers and low fruit most of the year
Leaves: leaves 20-30 mm long
Habitat: It grows on a wide range vegetation communities.



SUNSMART®

KBULG along with the Golden Mile Loopline staff and volunteers took part in an in house SunSmart workshop in preparation for summer.

The council council seminar provided staff and volunteers with critical and educational information in protection against the sun's harmful UV rays and how individuals and workplaces can take actions to reduce sun exposure. The best protection for staff working outdoors is to wear the appropriate clothing, check work hours to reduce exposure and to have sufficient shade where possible. Both employees and staff have an equal role in making sure they are sunsmart. This information session provided staff and volunteers with a great insight that has been adopted into our workplace and homes.



Thank you Pam Prosser-Taylor from the Cancer Council

RECONSTRUCTED - RECYCLED ART COMPETITION - NOVEMBER 2013

KBULG hosted our annual deconstructed art competition in November this year.

The deconstructed art competition is about creating community awareness about the waste cycle and ultimately reducing the amount of waste going to landfill. It encourages the creation of artwork from reused and recycled materials.

The competition was a huge success, KBULG hopes to continue the project again next year as part of its ongoing objective of encouraging and educating the community about waste reduction within our local community.

The quality of the entries this year was extraordinary, making judging very difficult. After lots of hard work and being creative with waste materials, the winners of the exhibition were announced on Friday 15th November!

Over 100 spectators attended the exhibition on the night. The people's choice award is still open until Friday 06 December, so get down to the Goldfields Art Centre and cast your vote before it's too late.

Contact KBULG Phone 0418 935 498
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Find us on Facebook
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The winning entries were:



1st Place - Recycled Art Competition Winner 1



2nd Place - Recycled Art Competition Winner 2



3rd Place - Recycled Art Competition Winner 3



4th Place - Recycled Art Competition Winner 4



5th Place - Recycled Art Competition Winner 5



6th Place - Recycled Art Competition Winner 6

Thank you to all our sponsors and the Goldfields Art Centre for your on-going support.

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- Leaves and bark

✗ UNACCEPTABLE ITEMS

- Kitchen waste including fruit and vegetable scraps, animal droppings, general recycling and rubbish, large logs, branches and stumps which will make the bin difficult to lift

Green Waste should only be put in the Green Waste recycling bin and not bagged. Materials should be no larger than 30 centimetres in diameter





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Interesting Facts:

- It is usually found growing along the ground, often around tree trunks, or on low shrubs, fences, or supported by tree trunks in a variety of soils and conditions.
- It is extremely vigorous and hardy, able to withstand very dry conditions, frost, saline conditions or salt-laden winds.
- These plants provide food for adult butterflies and their larvae.

PLEASE HELP OUR COMMUNITY BY PARTICIPATING IN KERBSIDE RECYCLING

- When you put materials into your recycling bin, don't ever put them in a plastic bag.
- Don't put overwrap of glass, drinking glasses or ceramic mugs in your bin. Just 2kg of overwrap glass can contain enough lead to make a person's blood lead levels rise to dangerous levels.
- All types of printer cartridges are now recycled all around Australia through the 'Cartridges 4 Planet Ark' program. In Kalgoorlie you can drop off your cartridges at any Australia Post outlet, Harvey Norman, Dick Smith, Cartridge World and Online Business Equipment.
- Drink cans are commonly recycled. However, many people forget about the cans they drink from away from home. Don't throw them in a recycling bin when you're finished and if you can't find a recycling bin take them home with you and recycle them with your other home recyclable items.
- Keep recycling those newspapers and magazines! Last year, we recycled the equivalent of 1 billion newspapers.



into newspaper and other paper materials. When it comes to newspapers and magazines, we are regularly the best readers in the world.

Recycle out appliances, jars and bottles before putting them in your recycling bin. They don't have to be spotless, just give them a quick clean.

Remove the lids from bottles and jars before putting them in your recycling bin. Place boxes, paper bags or cardboard boxes containing food and food waste into your recycling bin. Take out all food items before putting them in your recycling bin. If the cardboard/paper bag or paper bag is too soiled or greasy it can't be recycled.

47% of Australia's household waste is made up of organic waste (the food scraps and garden cuttings). That's a huge amount of waste to add to landfill, so think in a compost bin, bokashi bin or worm farm to make good use of your organic waste and keep it out of landfill.

For more information contact Clearaway telephone: 08 9301 5585.

Ho Ho Eco!

Top Tips for a Greener Christmas



CHRISTMAS LIGHTS: They get hot and expensive to run so buy LED lights instead. They generate light through the electronic movement of particles. They last for up to ten years and use up to 80% less electricity than other lights.

CHRISTMAS CARDS: Pick up a free 'Cards 4 Planet Ark' recycling envelope from Australia Post and recycle your cards after Christmas. Send electronic Christmas cards by email - this will save paper OR cut pictures out of old Christmas cards and make new ones for next year.

TOYS AND BAGGIES: Recharge batteries, so use a battery re-charger... Rechargeable batteries can usually be re-charged up to one thousand times.

FOOD: If you're having a traditional Christmas dinner, think about a free-range organic turkey and organic vegies. Recycle all your food scraps and left over food in your home compost/worm farm.

FOOD WASTE: Plan ahead and try not to over order - there is only so much you can fit in your tummy! Make sure you get the leftovers back in the fridge quickly and have a plan for them. If you won't eat them within three days, then freeze or give away. Find out where in your area will take leftover food. Compost what you can as well. We know disposable crockery and cutlery is really handy and saves so much work. But, they really have an impact on the planet, particularly if they are not bio-degradable.

PLATES: Avoid using disposable plates or plastic cutlery, and only use the dishwasher once it's full.

BEFORE YOU HEAD OFF ON HOLIDAYS: Make sure you turn off all the lights in the house, switch off computers and televisions and all the electrical appliances that you can at the wall.

RECYCLE: anything you can after the Christmas feast...that includes cans, bottles, corks, cardboard...and if you got something like a new mobile phone as a present, make sure you recycle the old one by taking down to your local Telstra Shop.

WRAPPING PAPER: Get creative - wrap presents in re-usable items like tea, tea towels, beach towels, pillow cases, scarves, table cloth etc. which makes for a great bonus gift! If you choose to wrap presents, make sure wrapping is recyclable, the paper wrap, not plastic or cellophane wrap.

TRINKETS: Treat someone to a 'personal present' such as theatre tickets, flying lesson or a trip to the cinema - they're very personal gifts and don't come surrounded by stacks of packaging!

SHOPPING: Say 'No' to plastic bags - when doing your Christmas shopping, take a reusable shopping bag with you.

CLOTHES: Over 80,000 tonnes of old clothes will be thrown away this Christmas, so if you do get a new wardrobe, make sure you donate your old clothes to a local charity shop.

Remember - this Christmas - Reduce - Reuse - Recycle!

RECYCLING BY THE NUMBERS

WE all know they have something to do with recycling, but what do these numbers and letters on plastic containers actually mean?

Found on: Soft drink, water and juice bottles, some plastic jugs

Type of plastic: Polyethylene terephthalate (clear, tough and rigid)

Recycled into: Bottles, packaging film, clothing and carpet fibres

Found on: Milk bottles, shampoo and cleaning product bottles

Type of plastic: High-density polyethylene (opaque, hard or semi-flexible)

Recycled into: Films, kitchen bins, pallets, agricultural pipes

Found on: Cordial and juice bottles, shampoo and detergent bottles

Type of plastic: Polypropylene (clear and rigid or translucent)

Recycled into: Pipes, flooring, shoes

Found on: Squeeze bottles, garbage bins

Type of plastic: Low-density polyethylene (soft and flexible)

Recycled into: Films used in building, agricultural pipes

Found on: Rigid Packaging, lunch boxes and microwave containers, toys

Type of plastic: Polypropylene (hard but flexible)

Recycled into: Crates, boxes, pallets

Found on: Lightbulbs, disposable cups and cutlery, meat trays, gloves

Type of plastic: Polystyrene (clear or opaque and rigid) or expanded polystyrene (light foam)

Recycled into: Synthetic timber

Found on: Wide range of products

Type of plastic: All other plastics - Laminates, acrylics, nylon, polycarbonate, polycarbonate, phenolics, acrylonitrile butadiene styrene

Recycled into: Agricultural piping, furniture fittings, fence posts, pallets

DUST! DUST! DUST

In recent months we have experienced some very dusty days and as a science approacher it is interesting to know how surface and particles are related up and coming along by weather conditions resulting in dust storms.

Dust storms are natural events and are usually common in the arid and semi-arid regions. However, more of the storms affecting us in urban Kalgoorlie are caused by wind-blown dust from the town's perimeter.

These 'dust storms' reduce air quality and visibility and have adverse effects on people's health, especially those who already have respiratory problems. In addition they have an adverse effect on covering everything outdoors and sometimes inside with a layer of dust.

So what can we do? We can reduce the problem by minimising or reducing the common sources of dust in Kalgoorlie.

Dust emissions can be minimised/reduced in the following ways:

- Limiting the creation or presence of disturbed surfaces.
- Reducing wind speed at ground level.
- Using dust prevention techniques.
- Containing and removing dust from its sources.

Control a dust source by:

- Limiting a surface to soil surface (e.g. paving).
- Gravel pits, including holes and cracks for landscaping etc. Cover these with wind-imperious fabric.
- Construction sites - these are strictly regulated and required to contain and manage dust. Report if regular dust problems.
- On-site road verges - especially if these are paved and paved on. Cover the soil, either vegetate or add surface gravel, but limit the amount of fine particles.
- Cover loads and trucks throughout the town. Lower your speed, use airlocks to prevent dust from falling off the truck. High vehicle speed increases the amount of dust stirred up from non-paved roads and verges. Don't drive off-road vehicles on a dirt road - stay on paved roads.
- Barbed wire and fence posts. Vegetate, or paint, at least the top, preferably with a herbicide substance. In some cases painting, matching or painting the structure, apply gravel or mulch to the road.
- Don't use natural or artificial windbreakers or wind screens. If we work together and deal with the dust sources around our homes we can reduce these if we control them.

COMING EVENTS!

KBULG NATIVE PLANT GROUP
 Sunday 01 December 2013
 1.30pm to 3.30pm
 Sunday 02 February 2014
 9.00am to 11.00am

KBULG will be closed from the 20 December over the Festive Season and re-open on the 06 January 2014.

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

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☐ Social Membership (free) (individual, junior or family)

Number of Adults: _____ Children: _____

*Financial Membership entitles you to have voting privileges and 50% 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.
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GARDEN WATER SAVING TIPS FOR SUMMER

The hot summer months are fast approaching and one thing we quickly become aware of over summer is just how valuable water is and the importance of conserving it. Did you know that the average household garden is the largest consumer of water? Here are some tips on how to reduce water consumption in your garden whilst keeping it looking at its best.

- Mulch your garden, preferably with organic mulch to a depth of 100-150mm. Mulch can reduce evaporation from soil by up to 100%. Mulch is like a blanket on the soil, it keeps the soil cool and it reduces evaporation because the soil is not exposed to dry air and drying winds.
- Apply a soil wetting agent to your lawn and garden beds. This will help prevent the soil from repelling water.
- Add water saving crystals to lawns and pots.
- Install a water tank. During hot, dry summer months, collected rainwater is ideal for use on the garden to help lawn and plants thrive under difficult conditions.
- Minimise lawn areas as they can large amounts of water. Only water them at night and use sprinklers which produce large droplets, rather than fine mist.
- Consider water efficient lawn alternatives, e.g. hardy attractive ground cover plants, mulches and paving.
- Install drip irrigation where practical as it is the most water efficient means of irrigating plants. Check all the sprinklers, drip pens, spigots etc in your pre-existing irrigation system to ensure there are no blockages or water spraying onto paths.
- Water longer and less frequently. This encourages the development of deep root systems, which makes plants more drought tolerant.
- Select the right plants. Choose plants local to the area and group plants with similar water requirements.

KARLKURLA BUSHLAND PARK

New signage was installed at Karlkurla Bushland Park with the assistance of our local Department of Parks and Wildlife staff members in November. The signage will allow users of the park to have a clear understanding of all the different walking trails available at each interpretation and provide information about the surrounding flora and fauna of the Great Western Woodlands. Karlkurla Bushland Park has been increased last traffic due to activities such as Park Run and Community Meet in relation to walking programs, additionally school groups and bushwalks are also coming through the park daily.

We are providing guidance to keep dogs on leashes in Karlkurla Bushland Park. The Bushland Park is an 'on-leash' area, dogs are permitted at each entry gate, along with 15m for dogs to pick up after your dog.

Native wildlife is coming back to Karlkurla and we want to ensure that we keep their habitat safe. Dogs can often chase native wildlife and birds from natural areas. We have several expert experts of reptiles and

native to the park. Dogs must always be under the control of the owner, keeping your dog off-leash can be dangerous to your dog and other park users.

Most owners don't believe their dogs would attack native wildlife, however all types of domestic dogs will instinctively chase wildlife when they see them moving through the bush or on the ground. It's just a natural response. Please be responsible and look after the safety of our wildlife and our very friends.

The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder offers a number of off-leash parks for dogs to run free.

These areas are:
 • Fossil Park - Fossil Street
 • Gibb's Creek (Spencer Rd to Wilm 20)
 • Adventure - Hamilton Street
 • Edwards Park - Percy Street
 • Deane Street - Deane Street
 • Bushland between Carlton Avenue Rd, Lane Street and Goldfields Highway
 • Plaza

For more information please contact the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder on 9021 9600 or visit their website on www.kbulg.org.au

If you are a working dog contact the council on 9021 9600 during business hours or 9021 9600 for after hours or on weekends or public holidays.

Let's work together to protect our native wildlife, maintain the safety of our community and very friends at Karlkurla Bushland Park by keeping your pet on a leash at all times.

MAKE YOUR OWN ECO CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

Bottle Cap Christmas Decorations

Materials: bottle caps
 - white, black, orange, and red acrylic paint
 - paintbrushes
 - clothes
 - hot glue gun and glue sticks
 - buttons
 - cotton
 - optional: glitter and/or sparkle Mod Podge

Merry Christmas everyone!

KBULG demonstrated ECO Christmas Decorations at the Lighting of the Christmas Tree at the 27th November - Here's how we made ours:

STEP 1: Paint the inside of each bottle cap white. It's a little tricky getting it to coat completely, so you'll probably want to do several coats, letting it dry in between. It won't take long if they're spray painted.

STEP 2: Glue three bottle caps to a piece of clothes. You'll also want to put a bit of glue to between each bottle cap to hold them together. Press a loop with the top of the clothes and glue to place.

STEP 3: Use the end of a paintbrush or a toothpick to paint eyes, a nose, mouth and buttons on your snowman.

STEP 4: Tie a clothes or yarn between the front and around bottle caps to make a scarf and around with a button if you like.

KBULG would like to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!
 MAKE IT GREEN AND KEEP IT CLEAN!

Thank you to all our valued sponsors

WELCOME TO HANNANS NORTH TOURIST MINE



HANNANS NORTH TOURIST MINE OPEN DAY

To celebrate St Barbara's Festival, we are holding an open day at Hannans North on Sunday December the 8th from 9am to 4pm.

Bring the family along and try your hand at gold panning and Two-up, sit in the seat of a dump truck and learn about dry-blowing from an expert.

Discover Kalgoorlie-Boulder's rich history, local plants and wildlife with the Eastern Goldfields Historical Society and Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group.

Enjoy a picnic in the Chinese Gardens, use our BBQ facilities, or purchase lunch from the food vans attending.

Entry Fee: Adults \$10, Children and Seniors \$6, Family (up to four children) \$30

Hannans North Tourist Mine is located just off the Goldfields Highway, 1.5km north of Hannan Street, Kalgoorlie.

From the 8th of December, we are open Sunday to Friday, 9am to 4pm. Closed public holidays.

For further information call 9022 1664.



KBULG offices close for Christmas break

■ Mike Exell

The precious eco-system of the Kalgoorlie-Boulder environment never stops working, but the workers who tirelessly serve it will soon break for Christmas.

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group will close its office at the Karikurla nursery on Friday for two weeks before gearing up for a big 2014.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said the break was the "calm before the storm" as the group had big plans for early 2014.

"The break really gives us a chance to recharge the batteries after a long year finally winds down," Ms Eckert said.

"It also gives us the chance to plan for what we're going to do in the new year, as the start of summer is traditionally one of our busiest periods."

"One of the things we'll be doing in the new year is going to all the schools



Kim Eckert

and talking to new students about the environment."

Ms Eckert also said the group's planting and sustainability programs would be returning in 2014.

The office at the nursery will reopen on Monday, January 6.

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10 KALGOORLIE MINER MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2013

Season's Greetings



RSM Bird Cameron
Chartered Accountants

Seasons Greetings from Bill & all the Staff at RSM Bird Cameron, we will be closed from 23rd December & reopen 6th January. From Management & Staff.



KALGOORLIE
Golf Course

The crew at Kalgoorlie Golf Course wish all members and the community a swinging festive season! We hope you all tee off with a hole in one in 2014!



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Wayne, Rosa and the team would like to thank all their valued clients and wish everyone a safe and Merry Christmas and a prosperous New Year for 2014.



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Jonas, Angie, Carol, Carlie and the team at Civic Kalgoorlie would like to wish all valued customers a Merry Christmas and we look forward to seeing you in 2014.
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Wishing the Goldfields a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!



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STOP CALTROP WEED!

CALTROP is taking over our City! We need your HELP.

CALTROP is a nasty, ground covering noxious weed with yellow flowers that produce seeds with very prickly spines. Known to attack the innocent feet of adults, children and pets alike. Approach with caution, be sure to have well equipped weaponry such as gloves and a shovel. Completely remove, collect & bag all roots, plants & seed material to prevent escape. Place sealed bag into your green wheelie bin.

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Saturday, January 11, 2014

OPINION

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Caltrop again on the march in city

MAYOR'S VIEW

■ Ron Yuryevich



It's that time of the year again, when, after our summer rains, our outback city erupts into a temporary display of lush green vegetation.

It is an unfortunate fact of life that much of this vegetation is weeds, and that most of the weeds are caltrop.

This fast-growing ground cover has small leaves, little yellow flowers and large, sharp prickles.

It can thrive even in desert climates and poor soil.

Like many weedy species, this plant has many common names, including puncture vine, caltrop, cathead, yellow vine, goat head, four corner jack and bindi.

Caltrop is an introduced species that is found throughout Australia.

It germinates rapidly after summer rains and produces a spiny burr.

The burrs readily stick to animals, car and bicycle tyres, shoes, or anything they come into contact with.

Caltrop is commonly seen along the verges and in laneways of Kalgoorlie-Boulder.

It spreads out to cover large areas, posing a threat to walkers, pets and bicycle tyres.

The city's work crews are busy with the caltrop eradication program in public areas, with ongoing slashing and sweeping of footpaths, and spraying in laneways, on verges and broad acre areas as wind and rain conditions allow.

While the work crews will continue with the caltrop eradication program, which the City has been undertaking since 2000, this pervasive and prickly weed continues to take hold throughout Kalgoorlie-Boulder and we are asking residents for their help.

If all residents took the time to help control this noxious weed, by removing and de-

stroying it on their own properties and adjoining verges, it would go a long way to stopping further spreading.

Despite its prickles, caltrop is a relatively easy weed to remove, especially when it covers a large area.

The best way to pull up caltrop is to roll it up like a mat so you can easily access the root area.

You can use a garden fork to loosen the root and then pull out the weed.

Make sure you use gloves and always try to collect any fallen seeds to ensure the weed doesn't grow back in a cleared area.

Dispose of caltrop by tying it up in a plastic bag and putting it in the bin.

Large areas of caltrop can be safely poisoned using a foliage herbicide such as glyphosate, which is commonly sold as Roundup.

For more information on weed eradication, phone the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder manager of parks and reserves on 9021 9600.



Weed: Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group's Korker Roo with some caltrop.



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Sign up: Allison Hunter is looking for helpers for the Mother's Day Classic run. Photo: MARY MILLS

Volunteer for Mother's Day Classic

■ Leticia Laing

Australia's biggest fundraiser for breast cancer research and treatment will be held in Kalgoorlie-Boulder for the first time at Karlkuria Bushland Park.

The Mother's Day Classic has been a major fundraising event since 1998.

It is held annually on Mother's Day throughout Australia.

The fun run will follow the same 5km course through the park as the weekly Kalgoorlie-Boulder parkrun.

One of the local organisers, Allison Hunter, said although the

event was not until May, she was seeking volunteers and registrants to get involved.

"Anyone is welcome to join the organising committee or volunteer at whatever capacity they can," she said.

"If we have enough people we want to have a mini-market with stalls, so mums can enjoy a lovely outing on Mother's Day.

"I've known people going through breast cancer, so I hope the Mother's Day Classic will be a tribute to the survivors and those who have lost their lives to cancer."

Proceeds from the

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Mother's Day Classic are donated to the National Breast Cancer Foundation, a not-for-profit organisation that promotes and supports research into breast cancer prevention and treatment.

The Goldfields Women's Health Care Centre on Dugan Street will be hosting a meeting for those interested in learning more about volunteering for the classic.

It will be held on Tuesday, February 25, at 5.30pm, at 15 Dugan Street.

For more information, phone 0448 505 204 or email allisonod@hotmail.com.



Get weeding: Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group chief executive Kim Eckert pulls up caltrop.
Photo: PAUL BRAVEN

Campaign to tackle city's caltrop

■ Mike Exell

The caltrop weed is the sworn enemy of bare feet and bike tyres throughout the Goldfields and the summer rain has made this year one of the worst seasons ever.

Caltrop, also known as doublegees, is an invasive ground cover weed with seeds encased in a sharp thorn which can cause a significant amount of pain.

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group has been running campaigns in conjunction with the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and

Department of Parks and Wildlife, to get residents to dispose of the weed. KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said people needed to know how to identify the weed and where to look for it.

"Caltrop has very firm leaves and can produce small yellow flowers but the big thing people need to look for is the thorns which are green and can be quite large," Ms Eckert said.

"It thrives in dry dirt patches where there is little competing vegetation, so areas like vacant lots and laneways is where the weed will grow.

"Even if it is not on your

property, we encourage people to dispose of the weed so it does not spread and cause others to have a nasty surprise."

Ms Eckert said the best way for people to remove the weed was to pull it out by the roots rather than spraying, but urged people to wear gloves.

"Products like Round Up do a decent job over a large area, but the best method is to don the gloves and pull it out by the roots," she said.

"Once it is pulled out, make sure you bag it up and bin it straight away so it goes where it belongs - the tip."





Taking to the streets: Kim Eckert, Laurie Ayres, dog Archie and Paul Mofflin are ready to tackle the city's caltrop. Photo: MARY MILLS

Prickly problem again raises its head

Mike Exell

The caltrop weed is one of the worst pests in the city, with its very sharp thorns lodging in many bicycle tyres and bare feet over the years.

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group has been at the forefront of the fight against the "double gee" for the past couple of years and the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder has also played its part. Parks and reserves manager Paul Mofflin highlighted the efforts the city made to

for the control of weeds on verges throughout Kalgoorlie-Boulder, which includes the control of caltrop," he said.

"The city has sprayed laneways for the past 12 years to control weed growth, with \$170,000 in this current year's budget.

"The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder also offers a service to residents whereby if the resident cleans the verge of litter or weeds, we will collect the material upon request."

"We take this very seriously and hope residents also play their part and help dispose of the weeds on their property."

great caution. "The best way for people to remove it is to put on gardening gloves so your hands don't get pricked by the thorns and pull it out by the roots," Ms Eckert said.

"Products like Round Up do a decent job over a large area, but the best method is to pull it out by the roots and make sure the seeds don't get left behind.

"Once it is pulled out, make sure you bag it up and bin it straight away so it goes where it belongs - the tip."

To remove a large collection of weeds,

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The Legend at Karthala: Another Part.

Welcome to K2EE's Autumn Newsletter! The past few months have flown by with head Christmas/New Year issues and we are all back into the swing of another beautiful year! We have set the dates for all our events and have already hit the ground running! The nursery out at Kersfield Bushland Park is 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.

On the first Sunday of every month (next one is the 11th of April) we have our Native Plant Group - the time has changed to 10am - 12pm and you are invited to come along and help in the nursery and learn how to propagate local native plants.

World Environment Day is coming up on the 5th of June and to coincide with that, we have scheduled our "Clean Up Kellogg-Boulder Day" on Saturday the 7th of June so if you want to do it, help keep Sunday with the "Clean Up Austin Day," please join us for just a couple of hours. It's a wonderful idea... helping our community and our environment. Location yet to be confirmed. Please enjoy reading all the useful information and handy tips in this latest edition of *KELLOGG*. Grow for the season ahead.

I would like to finish up by thanking our hard working shift volunteers, the community and ALL our sponsors. With your help KIRIG is achieving our vision of "working towards a Better Environment, Better Lifestyle for the people of the Goldfields".

Kim Eckert

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RIPS INTO YOU!

CALTROP is taking over our City! We need your HELP!

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KEEP AUSTRALIA BEAUTIFUL WA -
YOU KNOW IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO

Literary criticism to be a different beast in Western Australia. While the 2012-13 National Literacy Index had also shown that in Western Australia there had been improvements in their skills over the last few years, the volume of their has increased, primarily due to an increase in the reading of plastic, paper and cardboard items. Therefore, there is considerable work to be done to achieve a national and state literacy by working collaboratively with community groups, government and business and considering to inform and encourage the community to change their behaviours.

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

Feedback from the community suggests that the roadside litter is an increasing problem. Especially littering of takeaway containers, bottles and cans.

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going to make a
difference.

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

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get it

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 How can you get involved and promote the
 campaign message?
 Join the fight against liver and do your bit.
 To learn more about the "Don't... and liver
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 08 6047 0339 or visit:
 www.liveraction.org.uk to obtain free "Don't...
 message. Watch the ad on YouTube http://
 www.youtube.com/

A BUIS will be hosting a Clean Up Boulder Day in support of Clean Up Australia day on 7 June 2014. Please email info@buis.org.au for more information or visit www.buis.org.au for details.

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POWER SAFETY



However old it is, we suggest you take the time to have it checked by a licensed electrical contractor to make the wiring and ensure it meets national safety requirements.

For information on licensed electrical contractors, visit edc.ny.gov.

Early morning provisions —
the walking game.

War on effect, June through August is a bad time for trees and other debris being blown into powerlines. At best, this Gen. means shutting power outages, and at worst, this day being down powerlines and

So if you are steel cladding powerlines, report them to us at Western Power on 4333 8111.

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Saturday 7th June

Stay tuned for location details
(Please bring your gloves, hat, sunscreen and water!)



For further information please contact: JRM/C or GILBERT@uic.edu or www.jrm/c.org

COMING EVENTS!

Sunday 6 April 2014
Native Plant Group at Karikurla Bushland Park – KBULG Nursery, Tumbbarri Way
Entrance – 9am to 11am

Sunday 4 May 2014
Native Plant Group at Karikurla Bushland Park – KBULG Nursery, Tumbbarri Way
Entrance – 9am to 11am

17-25 May 2014
Heart of Gold Festival

Saturday 24 May 2014
Karikurla Dreaming Culture Trail – Karikurla Bushland Park

TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP!

Join Kalgoorlie-Boulder's leading community environment group

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☐ 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.

Comments: _____

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COMPOST AWARENESS WEEK 5 - 11 MAY 2014

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 waste, and is a critical step in reducing the volume of rubbish 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 brickies, 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 readymade compost bins for sale. Please give us a call if you'd like more information on composting.

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Karikurla Dreaming Culture Trail

Saturday 24th May 9.00am
 Karikurla Bushland Park
 Main Carpark
 Paddington Drive, Hannans

Experience the Karikurla Bushland Park with local Indigenous & KBULG guides. Learn about native flora & fauna, bush medicine, bush tucker, historical events & stories of Dreamtime (approx 2hrs).

Adults \$12 Students \$7
 Tickets are available from the Goldfields Arts Centre on 9088 6965
 For more information contact KBULG on 0418 935 498 or email admin@kbulg.org.au
 www.kbulg.org.au

60 EARTH HOUR

08:30 Saturday March 29, 2014
 See your world in a whole new light
 www.earthhour.org

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?

Thank you to all our valued sponsors









Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group chief executive Kim Eckert in Karlkurla Bushland Park.



A dog takes an enthusiastic dip at Rotary Peace Park.

As the celebrations for Parks Week (March 3-9) wrap up, Kalgoorlie-Boulder shows some of the different parks around the city.

Fields of green in

Kalgoorlie-Boulder may be only a stone's throw away from the Nullarbor Plain, but the first thing many people notice about the city is how green it is.

Travellers from Perth are greeted by the Usher and Centennial parks before they head deeper into the city, where there is more lush greenery to be found.

The Arboretum

The popular location in West Lamington is a favourite with dog owners throughout Kalgoorlie-Boulder with its walking tracks, trees and a miniature lake.

The lake is the park's headline act, with many a dog excitedly sprinting towards it on hot days before leaping into the water at full speed to cool off.

However, it is not the lake that draws visitors.

The walking trails, which extend almost to the edge of the golf course, are very popular.

They provide some light exercise while putting on a nice display of the region's native flora.

Although it is a mixed-use park, which means pet owners must be mindful of other users, dogs seem to rule the roost during the hot summer days, when shade is a valuable commodity.

Karlkurla Bushland Park

Karlkurla Bushland Park is also very popular with dog owners, although the human exercisers greatly outnumber their canine friends.

The park is home to the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, which has undertaken a significant amount of work within its boundaries.

In addition to running its nursery out of the park, the group has undertaken extensive rehabilitation work on the native vegetation. The upgrades have also extended to the park's network of walking tracks, which have had new signage erected to help those who may



The Victoria Park fountain and rotunda in Hammond Park.

have taken a wrong turn.

These upgrades have attracted a new exercise community Kalgoorlie-Boulder parkrun, which has grown in leaps and bounds since it was launched a couple of months ago.

More than 100 keen runners take to the park's tracks each Saturday morning for a timed 5km run and the event continues to grow in popularity.

Loopline Park

Loopline Park takes visitors on a trip back to a time before the Super Pit when fossickers panned for gold.

Not far away from the original Golden Mile, and next door to the Eastern Goldfields His-



John Braven places a wreath at the Loopline Park war memorial.



Jason Tadic enjoys the facilities at Kingsbury Park.



Anais and Brigh Haslam Bowling with dogs Ruby and Coco at the arboretum.



Ross Wood, Kim Eckert and Paul Mofflin join the fight against caltrop. Photo: MIKE EXELL

Competition to beat back weed

■ Mike Exell

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group battles every summer to control the spread of the caltrop weed and two more organisations have joined the fight.

The City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and the Goldfields Nullarbor Rangelands Biosecurity Association have teamed up with KBULG to launch a competition encouraging residents to clear caltrop from their laneways and verges.

The competition, which runs from today until April 7, asks residents to take before and after photos of problem areas, which do not have to be near their property.

The organisations have teamed up to give the first 100 people to register a voucher to redeem a bottle of Round Up weed killer from Bunnings Warehouse Kalgoorlie.

GNRBA executive officer Ross Wood said the association had joined in the fight to help stop caltrop spreading out to the rangelands.

"The GNRBA's job is to assist pastoralists to control weeds and pests out in the Lands and this is an important part of this," Mr Wood said. "As many people from town drive out into the bush and onto pastoral leases, there is a high risk of caltrop being spread to these areas and causing significant problems for pastoralists."

"This is why GNRBA have sponsored this competition, to encourage our community to support us and help us get rid of this noxious weed."

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckart said people should still collect the weed, bag it and put it in the normal rubbish bin for disposal.

"Even if the weed has already been sprayed, residents should still bag it and throw it away. It's all about cleaning up our community," she said.

The winners of the competition, with a grand prize of a 64gb iPad Air, will be announced on April 10. For further information or to register, contact Ms Eckart on 0429 805 521 or ceo@kbulg.org.au.

Council looks at community garden plan

■ Mike Esell

Kalgoorlie-Boulder could soon follow the example of New York and Barcelona with the city investigating the level of interest in developing a community garden.

The city council approved the first steps on Monday with a community consultation workshop set to be held in the near future.

Community gardens are a place for people to grow fruit and vegetables who do not have space at their own residence.

The gardens have also been known as a meeting point for people to socialise over a common interest.

City officers recently travelled to Perth to investigate such initiatives and found it takes a group of dedicated residents to keep the gardens running.

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group has been collaborating with the city on the idea since it was first raised during budget deliberations last year.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said there were many benefits to building a community garden in the city.

"These gardens are great meeting points as it brings people together who might have similar interests but would otherwise not have met," she said.

"They will also give us access to locally grown fruit and vegetables as well as the chance for people to learn skills of each other.

"We obviously don't know what path the council is going to go down yet with regards to what type of garden it is but it has the chance to be very beneficial for the community."

Community gardens have proved a hit in big cities as they provide a dedicated space for gardening in otherwise what is traditionally a "concrete jungle".

Mayor Ron Yuryevich said it was necessary to gauge the public interest in the project as Kalgoorlie-Boulder did not fit the typical profile.

"Community gardens are very popular in places where there is a lot of high density living such as in inner-city," he said.

"They are not normally as popular in places where there are a lot of large blocks as people can have their own gardens in their backyards.

"Kalgoorlie-Boulder has mix of properties with some quarter acre blocks to units to smaller, more modern, block sizes in Karlkurla and Hannan.

"This is why we're running the consultation to see if there's a demand for such a garden within the city."

Mr Yuryevich said even if there was enough community support for the project, there were still a lot of logistical issues to be figured out before it could go ahead.

"Obviously we need to figure out a location which is going to be able to serve the community now and into the future," he said.

"In most cases a not-for-profit organisation usually runs it and pays the running costs, so that would have to be set up and the council could look at giving them some money each year.

"It is all a long way down the track but the process has started so anything is possible."

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Competition stops weeds

■ Mike Exeli

The record January rains caused one of the worst seasons for the notorious caltrop weed in Kalgoorlie-Boulder as it sprung up in many laneways and open spaces.

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group, the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder and the Goldfields Nullarbor Rangelands Biosecurity Association teamed up to launch a competition to eradicate the weed.

The competition called on residents to clean up caltrop in public areas.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said Peter Burger of South Kalgoorlie won a new iPad Air for his work around the Goldfields Oasis recreation centre.

"Peter did a great job getting rid of the caltrop near the Oasis but there were many others who did really well," she said.

"There was an overwhelming response to the competition but Euth and Carwyn Monck deserve a special mention for the work they did."

Mr Burger said he got the idea for treating the area south-east of the Oasis playing fields during bike rides.

"I ride to the Oasis four times a week to go to the gym in the mornings and I was sick of seeing this weed every morning," he said.

"I decided to do something about it and after a couple of hours work the area was pretty well clean of the weed."

GNRBA executive officer Ross Wood said it was a fantastic achievement.

"This competition was all about showing how a little



Peter Burger receives an iPad for his work clearing caltrop in the O'Connor area from Kim Eckert of KBULG. Picture: Paul Braven

community action from everyone could go a long way to controlling this problem," he said.

"Hopefully (this competition) will encourage people to be wary of what they take onto the lands."



Chief executive Kim Eckert with Lisa Short, Anjali Ayerlis, Brent Johnston, Monika Dvorakova, Timothy ...
Picture: Tegan Guthrie

Follow the Dreaming Culture Trail for chance to learn about indigenous ways

■ Tegan Guthrie

Goldfielders are invited to experience bushland in a way like no other during the Karikurla Dreaming Culture Trail today.

Members of the indigenous community and of the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group will guide the tour, teaching participants about native flora and fauna, bush medicine, bush tucker, historical events and Dreamtime stories at 9am.

The tour coincides with the

Heart of Gold Festival and is often one of its most popular events.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said there were places for up to 30 people to attend this year.

"It's always really popular and it's also held around the same time as National Sorry Day, so that is a special part of it for us as well," she said.

"To bring the two cultures together for the tour is fabulous."

Ms Eckert said after the tour a camp fire with billy tea and dam-

per with quandong jam would be held at the top of the lookout.

She said she would love to be able to hold similar trail events regularly for Kalgoorlie-Boulder residents and visitors alike to experience.

"It's just a matter of finding, and having enough money to do so," she said.

Tickets are \$12 for children and \$22 for adults. Contact the Goldfields Arts Centre on 9088 6900 or online at www.goldfieldsartscentre.com.au.

Rules apply for firewood collection in Goldfields

■ John Ely

Chilly nights have moved into Kalgoorlie-Boulder but people looking to stoke the fireplace have been asked to do so responsibly.

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group chief executive Kim Eckert said many people gathering firewood irresponsibly were unaware of the consequences of their actions.

"Firewood collectors target dead trees often with hollows and fallen timber as these are immediately able to burn and produce less smoke," she said.

"Dead trees and fallen timber are a vital habitat for a diverse range of fauna including a number of threatened species.

"It also plays an essential role in maintaining forest and woodland nutrient cycles."

Ms Eckert said even nature reserves like Karikurla Park could fall victim to negligent firewood gatherers, with an incident last year being an example.

"We caught someone within the park boundary and they'd actually driven into the park illegally



Kalgoorlie Urban Landcare Group chief executive Kim Eckert warns people not to cut down trees in Karikurla Bushland Park. Picture: Paul Braven.

and cut down a tree," she said. According to the Department of Parks and Wildlife, a number of restrictions apply to gathering firewood in the Goldfields.

One restriction is people cannot collect or cut wood within 20km of the City of Kalgoorlie-Boulder, in order to maintain the health of vegetation protecting the city from dust storms.

A similar 7.5km restriction applies to the towns of Kambalda and Coolgardie.

Additionally gathering is not allowed within 2km of station homesteads and active mine sites.

Firewood cannot be sold, exchanged or traded for commercial gain.

When gathering firewood correctly, a DPaW spokeswoman en-

couraged people to leave standing trees as they provide habitat for bird species such as mulga parrots, Major Mitchell's cockatoos, and tawny frogmouth owls.

She encouraged people to leave fallen trees containing hollows as they are used by species such as the pygmy possum and echidna.

Gathering firewood incorrectly can result in fines or prosecution.

Bush trekkers relish cultural tour



Kim Eckhart, Delson Stokes and Dallas Harris perform a welcome to country ceremony. Pictures: Mary Mills

Goldfielders trekked through Karikurla Bushland Park learning about indigenous culture during the Karikurla Dreaming Culture Trail at the weekend.

Members of the indigenous community and Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group guided the tour, which taught participants about native flora and fauna, bush medicine, bush tucker, historical events and Dreamtime stories.

The event, held on Saturday, finished with a camp fire at the look-out with billy tea, damper and quandong jam.

The tour was one of the final events of the annual Heart of Gold festival, which concluded on Sunday.



Delson Stokes.



Dallas Harris, Ruth Monck, Lisa Short and Anjali Augers.



Participants embark on the Karikurla Dreaming Culture Trail.



Nikki Angus, Julie Field and Marion Mullin.



Peter and Janet Erikson.



Participants learnt about indigenous culture.



Dallas Harris with Carwyn Monck, 13, and Ruth Monck.

Environment on agenda

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group is facilitating a Waste Wise program for teachers at O'Connor Primary School today.

The 1.30pm session was planned to link in with tomorrow's World Environment Day, an initiative designed to raise awareness of the world's most critical environmental issues.

Topics to be covered include applying for Waste Wise grants, encouraging student leadership and how to be a health-promoting school.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said children were the target of World Environment Day messages.

"Today is really a teacher's (personal development) day to get the teachers involved so they can pass it on to all the kids," she said.

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Students Ophellie Tomlinson and Lleyton Benn, both 13, with Kim Eckert and Erin Farley. Picture: Paul Braven

Green thumbs enjoy getting hands dirty

■ Jasmine Bamford

Students in Kalgoorlie-Boulder last week lived up to the age-old adage many hands make light work.

Aside from weeding, tree planting and a good deal of shovelling, school groups learnt about their natural surrounds under the careful guidance of environmental group Conservation Volunteers.

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group chief executive Kim Eckert said the educational sessions, which incorporated a gamut of schools, also connected a range of environmental groups.

Conservation Volunteers' Erin Farley said she was surprised to learn many participants had not ventured previously into Karkula Bushland Park.

"They've been really into the weeding — you set them a challenge ... and they've been getting really competitive," she said.

"Some of the kids also really enjoyed the tree planting."

Ms Farley, who holds a degree in conservation and wildlife biology, said Karkula park was beset by people trampling through the fragile regeneration zone.

"People not sticking to the paths

and people walking in with seeds — not cleaning their shoes — that's how all the weeds are coming in," she said.

Also present was Goldfields Wildlife Rehabilitators' Rowena Walker who came accompanied with joeys and a wombat.

"We've been here every day this week and we've also had the Conservation Volunteers out at the wildlife centre," she said.

"I was really surprised with the kids because we had a few cushy jobs — one was painting some decking — but ... they really liked the physical work."



O'Connor Primary School student Amber Simmons, 8, is flanked by teacher Tim Zanotti, Waste Wise Schools' Jennifer Weston, Healthy Schools WA's Andrea McGill and KBULG's Kim Eckert. Picture: Mary Mills

Teachers share ideas to reduce waste

■ **Jasmine Bamford**

A few dozen educators gathered at O'Connor Primary School yesterday to learn new wastewise tricks and share ideas on ingraining sustainability principles in students.

The full-day workshop was facilitated by the Waste Authority WA, the WA Healthy Schools Project and the Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group.

The workshop adopted a hands-on approach, focusing on how to build a garden bed, plant

vegetable seedlings and the steps required to fix soil type.

Handy tips such as adding clay to the Goldfields' sandy soil were discussed among participants.

Teachers from secondary and primary schools attended the session, which was run in conjunction with World Environment Day.

WED, a United Nations initiative which is celebrated today, aims to raise awareness of the world's environmental issues and engender a commitment to sustainable practices.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said although the Waste Wise Workshop was held for teaching professionals, the message "is for all of us".

"Recycling is the last resort, along with landfill," she said.

O'Connor Primary School teacher Tim Zanotti said he was aligned with a nature-play philosophy which encouraged children to spend time outdoors.

"I have a passion for embedding values centred around environmental sustainability into students," he said.

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Call for community garden committee

The Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group is calling for community members who would like to be part of a community garden committee.

KBULG chief executive Kim Eckert said the group had already held a meeting to gauge

public interest, but another meeting was required to find people willing to help set up the community garden.

"From a set-up perspective, it's better that a community group is established because that way as a community we can get not only

funding from the council but also other sources of funding," she said.

The development committee meeting meet at 6pm on Tuesday.

For more information email ceo@kbulg.org.au or call 0429 805 521.

Helping hands required to keep the city spic and span

■ Jasmine Bamford

A crew of clean-up warriors has appealed to the wider community to roll up their sleeves and help rescue a small patch of home turf from the scourge of rubbish.

It may be an annual event but Kalgoorlie-Boulder Clean-Up Day aims to instil sustainability principles that survive the year.

Volunteers will meet at the front of Hannans Boulevard Shopping Centre at 9am tomorrow.

Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group chief executive Kim Eckert urged everyone to get involved.

"We'd like to see as many people as possible come along to help us keep the city clean," she said.

"I think people realise it's a great way to get involved in the community and help preserve the place where we live."

Ms Eckert said the day, which was held to account for March's Clean-Up Australia Day, was about more than rubbish collection —



Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group's Kim Eckert, Anjali Augeris and Lisa Short are ready to get their hands dirty as part of Kalgoorlie-Boulder Clean-Up Day. Picture: Mary Mills

she stressed it embodied community spirit.

"It's about getting together with like-minded people and working on a project to benefit the entire community," she said.

"We had between 50 and 100 volunteers last year — to get a few

more volunteers this year would be awesome."

This year, volunteers will help clean up the empty block next to Hannans Boulevard Shopping Centre.

They will also clean the space to the rear of the shopping centre,

which joins KBULG's regeneration zone.

Those wishing to take part need only bring a hat and water bottle.

Following the clean-up, there will be a sausage sizzle.

For more contact 0429 805 521 or ceo@kbulg.org.au.



Hardy band of KBULG volunteers clean up city's act

About 30 volunteers rolled up their sleeves for yesterday's annual Kalgoorlie-Boulder Clean Up Day. The turnout was smaller than last year, but the volunteers still managed to pick up a truckload of rubbish from land next to the Hannans Boulevard Shopping Centre. Pictured are Kalgoorlie-Boulder Urban Landcare Group chief executive Kim Eckert and acting chairwoman Peta Osborne. Picture: Louise White

World-class facility needed for off-road drivers

It seems most people have forgotten how bad the dust was in the 1970s, when a north wind would blanket the town.

When Julian Grill became the local MP, he set up the dust abatement committee.

This committee was the forerunner of the Kalgoorlie Boulder Urban Landcare Group.

Under his leadership, the committee scrounged money to erect fences around the town to exclude horses, motor vehicles and motorbikes.

This strategy was very successful very quickly and it improved the air quality

immensely. In recent years the number of off-road vehicles has increased enormously and the fences have suffered as a result.

KBULG has just finished upgrading the fences on the area north of the town adjacent to the Kalgoorlie-Leonora railway line.

It is hoped people will respect the fence and keep to the tracks, as this was a prime source of dust.

There are plans to start a regeneration program in the area during the winter.

The council has erected a sign saying off-road vehicles are not permitted within 5km of the

town, but this is just not good enough.

To start with, it is virtually unenforceable and as there are probably more users of off-road vehicles than there are golfers, they deserve some consideration.

If we could convene a meeting of all the interested parties, it should be possible to decide on some areas and construct a world-class facility with circuits to cater for all skill levels.

Catering for four-wheel-drive vehicles would require a bigger area, but with quality facilities, attracting national events to the town would be very feasible.

The cost of setting this up would not be great as I am sure there would be a lot of volunteer work.

The council could help by converting all tree loppings to mulch to cover areas where dust was a problem.

From my own experience, mobile phone coverage would not be a problem, but for safety reasons this would have to be assured.

This is something that can happen if people want it and I would be happy to assist.

Graeme Campbell,
Kalgoorlie



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Active residents banish winter blues with Parkrun

■ Tegan Guthrie

Goldfielders are showing no signs of letting the chilly winter mornings get in the way of their weekly Parkrun commitments.

Attendance is averaging 120 or more at the popular event at the Karlkurla Bushland Park-based event, which takes place at 8am on Saturdays.

Organiser Allison Hunter said the addition of marked rocks along the track would enable new participants to complete the track with confidence.

The rocks indicate the start, finish and each kilometre of the course and directional arrows are also placed where paths split to keep people on the right track.

"It enables people to know exactly where the course is, not just during the event, but outside of Parkrun hours as well," she said.

"People can go and do what we call a freedom run, so they can practise and monitor their times and it gives them a goal to be able to improve their run a bit."

Mrs Hunter said many par-



Grant Wholey, Kim Eckert and Nigel and Allison Hunter with one of the new Parkrun signs in Karlkurla Bushland Park. Picture: Louise White

ticipants used Parkrun to kick-start their weekend.

"It can be a struggle to get up on a Saturday morning, especially in winter, but a lot of people have said it really boosts their energy for the whole day," she said.

With just four months until

Parkrun Kalgoorlie-Boulder celebrates its first anniversary, Mrs Hunter said she hoped anyone who had yet to give it a go would go along.

"A lot of people get confused with the name and think they have to run it," she said.

"But we have heaps of walk-

ers and joggers — you get to go at your own pace.

"It's all about achieving what you want to achieve."

For more information, phone Mrs Hunter on 0448 505 204 or register online at www.parkrun.com.au/kalgoolieboulder.

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