

THE M A N D U R A H
GARDEN CLUB INC.



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BUS TRIP 15TH
OCTOBER

CLUB PRESIDENT



I was hoping for a few warmer days now that spring has sprung, but Mother Nature had different ideas, and we do need the rain.

One advantage is not having to do any watering except for the pot plants under cover. My **Azaleas** are blooming, so lovely and come along just as the **Camellias** are finishing. The **Camellias** were outstanding this year, especially the "Volunteer" - really put on a show. My **bluebells** have also popped up and the **Lachenalia**, along with weeds.

Keep well, and any suggestions always welcome.

Regards

Susan

"God made rainy days so gardeners can get their housework done"

NEWS FROM THE GARDEN



**SNAP OFF THE
FLOWERS &
STOP THE
SPREAD OF
ARUM LILIES**

Did you know **Arum Lilies** can spread by both seed & underground corms? The seed passes through birds very quickly. Thankfully the seed does not have long-lived dormancy in the soil & is only viable for 12 months

Stop Seed Set & you can stop movement.

While chemical control is most effective, one quick action can be taken now to reduce their spread:

SIMPLY SNAP OFF THE FLOWER HEADS BEFORE THEY SEED!

Cut as close to the top of the flower stem as you can - this stops developing seeds from drawing energy.
Once the flowers turn yellow & dry, seeds become viable - so remove & bin them.

Don't forget: Arum Lilies are toxic, so always wear gloves when handling them.

This easy step helps stop the next generation of weeds from spreading - especially when spraying, slashing or digging out is not an option.

GARDENING PROGRAMMES ON TV, RADIO & PRINT



ABC IView:

Gardening Australia: Series 36 Episode 26 - Grey Water ReUse & Mini Green House variations.

CLICK ON THE LINK: Grey Water video from Josh

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ql1vopqPPWg>

CHANNEL 7:

"Grosse Pointe Garden Society (Series) (Tuesdays)

YOU TUBE:

Brilliant outdoor DIY idea.

<https://www.youtube.com/shorts/X-gf3Vwa9lQ>

BOOKS:

"Recipe for a Kinder Life" by Annie Smithers - a love story of the land & food.

Available to borrow from the Falcon Library - non fiction

A GREAT RECIPE

MAGIC SLICE

(Recipe provided by Chris Hardie)

Ingredients: (BASE)

125g Melted butter

¼ cup Plain Flour

¼ Cup Caster Sugar

Combine & press into a paper lined slice tin, bake at 170° until golden brown, approximately 15-20 minutes. Cool slightly.

TOPPING:

1 Cup Milk choc bits

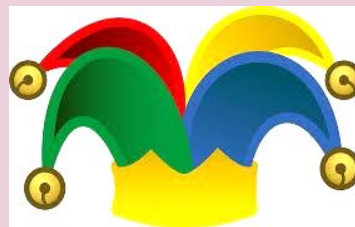
1 Cup Coconut,

1 Can Condensed Milk

1 cup Raisin or Sultanas & 1 cup Flaked Almonds.

Sprinkle Choc bits, Raisins & Coconut evenly over the base, pour over condensed milk, then top with flaked almonds, bake at 170° 25-30 minutes, or until golden brown. Allow to cool in the pan before cutting.

Caution - it browns very quickly!!



A GOOD JOKE

12. Dad, can you put my shoes on? No, I don't think they'll fit me.

13. Why do you smear peanut butter on the road? To go with the traffic jam.

14. Where did Napoleon keep his armies? In his sleeves.

15. Did you hear about the actor who fell through the floorboards? He was just going through a stage.

16. What kind of music do the mummies listen to? Wrap music.

17. The broom was late today because it overswept last night!

18. What happens if a seagull flies over the bay? It will become a bagel (Bay-gull)!

19. What caused the bicycle to collapse? Because it was two tired.

MOSQUITO YARD SPRAY

Combine: a Big Bottle Blue cheap mouthwash, 3 cups Epsom salt, 3 stale 12 oz cheap beers (*ensure salt is dissolved*).

Spray anywhere you sit outside, around pools - will not harm plants or flowers. Mosquitoes will be gone for approximately 80 days. Mosquitoes & bugs hate it!! Leaves a nice minty smell.

A greener Mandurah starts here. 🌱

Through the new Treebate initiative, you can now claim up to \$150 back when you purchase and plant a native tree from a local nursery.

Treebates will be running over the next four years.



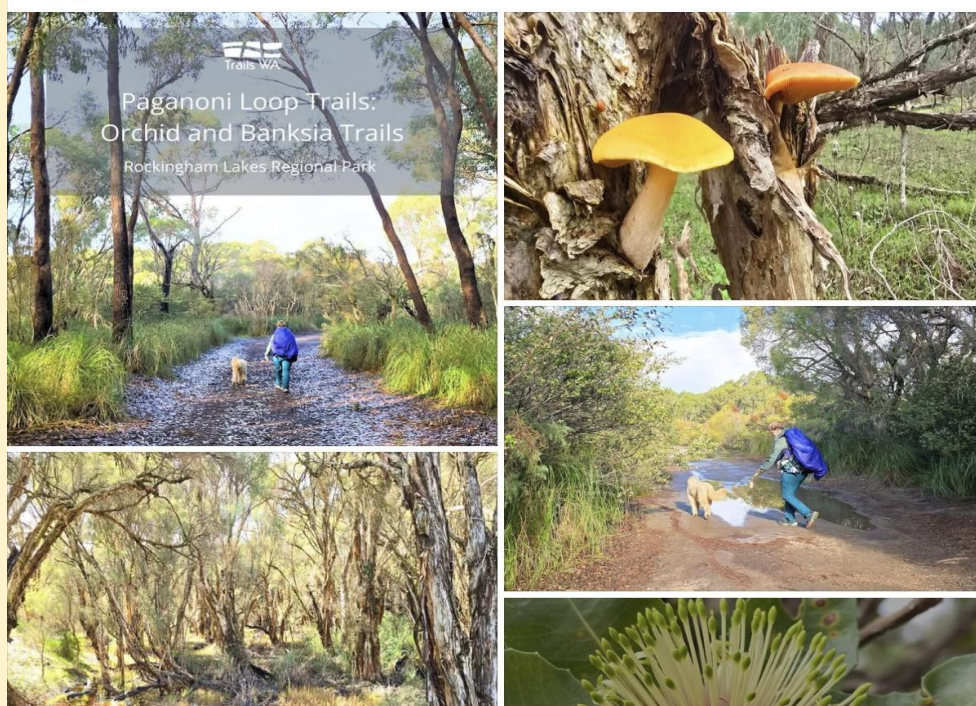
TREEBATE

Help make your neighbourhood greener and get a cash rebate too. For the next four years, up to 10,000 Western Australians a year can **claim a rebate on the purchase of native trees to plant in their backyards.**

Claim on the ServiceWA app 

🌿 Discover the Paganoni Loop Trails in Rockingham Lakes Regional Park

Located in Karnup (just about 45 min south of Perth), these trails are a perfect combo of peaceful bushland, vibrant wildflowers, charming fungi, and wildlife spotting opportunities.... 🐨 🦋





3 GARDENS AND A NURSERY

- Arrive by 7.50 am
- Bus leaves at 8.15 - back by 4 pm
- Bring your own food & drink (i.e. morning tea & lunch).

**WEDNESDAY 15TH
OCTOBER**

**PREFERRED METHOD OF PAYMENT IS BY CARD AT
THE SEPTEMBER MEETING or BY DIRECT DEPOSIT**

BSB: 036-157 ACCOUNT: 208 453

(Reference your Name & Bus Trip)

***CASH PAYMENTS MUST BE IN AN ENVELOPE, MARKED WITH
YOUR NAME/BUS TRIP & EXACT CHANGE***

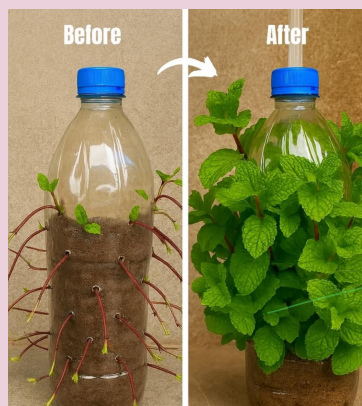
**\$30 Members \$35 Non-Members
(SORRY NO REFUNDS)**

DID YOU SEE OUR GROUP PHOTO IN THE LOCAL PAPER?



Jessica Gillespie
Merilyn Ide
Valerie Taylor
Angie Ricupero
Liss Macarthur
Jacqui Seaborne
Jillian Fester
Jenni Ward
Lorraine White
Pam Toner

POT FEET: Place bottle tops with the smooth side up under your pot plants in a drip tray & fill with water. Creates humidity in hot weather, without waterlogging sensitive plants.



Growing Mint
Root cuttings in water first.
Pinch Tips to encourage bushy growth
Make drainage holes in base

Amazing uses for empty bottles



1. Twist off bottle caps from water bottles.

PEOPLE ARE STILL ASKING - SO HERE IT IS AGAIN

How to identify plants & flowers using your Phone & Google

IPHONE

Open the Photos app on your iPhone and select a picture with a clearly defined subject, such as a flower or animal.

Check the info ("i") icon at the bottom of the screen.

Tap the little icon in the center of the photo to bring up the Lookup search results. The function can work for buildings, pets, food, plants and other things.

ANDROID

Android phone users can use Google lens similarly:

They can snap a picture, view it and tap the "Lens" feature. **This will trigger Google** to show what the plant is

Google Lens icon looks like this



Here's a link to a YouTube video for further explanation:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mTcxLZnv9fg>



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NEXT MEETING WEDNESDAY 8TH OCTOBER 2025



GUEST SPEAKER

Robyn Foreshore
Volunteer Guide For Kings Park

Venue is - Mandurah RSL Club
Unit 5/20-22 Rouse Rd, Greenfields - Opposite Gilberts

To facilitate setting up by the Committee, **doors will not open until 1.30 pm**

Meetings are 1.30pm for a 2pm start
As parking is in short supply, please park
across the road.



PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN CUP
FOR AFTERNOON TEA!

COMING UP..

- 4-5 October: Rose Society of WA Spring Show
 4-5 October: WA Gerbera Society State Championships

BUS TRIP - WEDNESDAY 15TH OCTOBER



- 17-18 October Kelmscott Agricultural Society Show
 17-18 October Busselton & Districts Flower & Pot Show
 18 October Geranium & Pelargonium Society plant sale
 25 October Brunswick Agricultural Show
 25 October Gidgegannup 2025 small farm field day
 31 October Canning Agricultural Show
 1-2 November South West Rose Society spring show
 2 November Epiphytic Cacti & Hoya Society Show
 8-9 November Palm & Cycad Society & WA Fern Society Plant Sale.
 22-23 November Cactus & Succulent Society State Championships

FUTURE GUEST SPEAKERS

NOVEMBER



Sue Lansdown
Hibiscus

DECEMBER



Xmas Celebration

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