

The Climbing Rose Newsletter
THE MANDURAH
GARDEN CLUB INC.

August, 2026

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CLUB PRESIDENT



Hi Everyone,

Thank you all for your vote for the Special Resolution as required by Consumer Affairs, (Consumer Protection - Department of Local Government, Industry Regulation and Safety) it was unanimous. All the paperwork and payment has been lodged, and now we wait. The AGM went well - new Committee members and welcome all to the 2026-27 financial year. I am not a winter person, though I know there are those that love it, but the rain awakens the weeds, and there are many at the moment. I do hope you are all keeping well, and those that haven't been are on the improve.

Best regards

Sue Lansdown

Weeds are flowers too, once you get to know them. (A.A Milne)

NEWS FROM THE GARDEN

TIME TO REFRESH THE STRAWBERRIES

Resist the urge to keep every runner. Propagate from your healthiest best-producing plants.

SPRING FLOWERS YOU CAN GROW IN POTS



GARDENING PROGRAMMES ON TV, RADIO & PRINT



ABC: *Monty Don's Rhineland Gardens. (NEW SERIES)*
Friday 7.30 pm.

YOUTUBE:

Garden Gurus:

"Troforte" Fertilizer for Citrus. "Citrus & Fruit Tree Boost"

CLICK ON THE LINK BELOW:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5tKkIMzZ-ks>

BETTER HOMES & GARDENS:

Series 32 Episode 11:
Staking Dahlias



A GREAT RECIPE

BAKED LEMON TART

Pastry:

1 ¾ Cups Plain G.F. Flour

½ Cup Almond Meal

1/3 Cup Icing Sugar

180 gr. Chilled Butter

1 Egg and Chilled Water

Filling:

5 Eggs

¾ Cup Caster Sugar

300 ml. Thickened Cream

2 Tablespoons Zest and ½ Cup Lemon Juice

Process dry ingredients with butter and egg and enough chilled water to bring the dough together, wrap and chill for 15 minutes, then bake blind at 200° in a flan tin.

Beat filling ingredients then pour gently into flan case, reduce oven to 160° bake for approx. 30 minutes or until custard is set. Cool completely before removing from tin.

Make your house smell like a fresh winter morning. Gently heat ½ cup olive oil over low heat 3 - 4 minutes. .



Add strips of mixed citrus zest, cinnamon sticks & whole cloves. Allow to cool & infuse your house



Paddy & Murphy are working on a building site. Paddy says to Murphy 'Im gonna have the day off, I'm gonna pretend I'm mad!'

He climbs up the rafters, hangs upside down & shouts 'I'M A LIGHTBULB! I'M A LIGHTBULB!'

Murphy watches in amazement!

The Foreman shouts 'Paddy you're mad, go home.' So he leaves the site. Murphy starts packing his kit up to leave as well. 'Where the hell are you going?' asks the Foreman. 'I cant work in the friggin dark!' says Murphy.



A snail & a frog were having a drink. The frog asked the snail "if you could have anything in the world

What would it be?" The snail answered. "I'd like a really fast car with a big **S** on it."

The frog looked confused. I get why a slow snail would like a fast car, but why would you put a big **S** on it?

The snail answered" I JUST CAN'T WAIT TO HEAR PEOPLE SAY - **OH, LOOK AT THAT ESCARGOT!!**

GREEN THUMB ANSWERS TO JULY QUIZ

1. The Botanical name for daffodils & jonquils is *Narcissus*.
This means it's in love with itself. **TRUE OR FALSE**
FALSE. While *Narcissus* is a legendary Greek character who fell in love with his reflection in a pool, then drowned or wasted away & turned into a flower, the botanical word for daffodils comes from the Greek word *Narke*. This means being in a stupor or feeling numb.. It's where the English word *narcotic* originated. All parts of daffodils & jonquils are poisonous.
2. All roots live underground. **TRUE OR FALSE**
FALSE. Most roots are underground where they absorb nutrients from the soil & support the plant above, however, there are also aerial & adventitious roots, such as those on ivies to help them climb walls & on epiphytes such as orchids. Prop or buttress roots hold up heavy branches such as those on the Moreton Bay Fig. Stilt roots help anchor plants in bogs & lift the photosynthesising parts to get greater access to light.
3. Leaves not only move in a breeze or to face the sun, they can also dance **TRUE OR FALSE**
TRUE: Leaves aren't renowned for their rapid movement, but the dancing tree is one exception & has quite the reputation for its routines, especially when exposed to music. The leaves with the speediest movements belong to the Venus Fly Trap.
4. Roses, Cacti & Lemon Trees all have thorns. **TRUE OR FALSE**
FALSE: There are 3 types of sharp, pointy bits on plants - Thorns, spines & prickles. All have been developed to prevent the plant being eaten by animals. Prickles are an extension of the stem's skin - despite all the poetry, Roses have prickles!
5. The Quiver Tree trembles when the weather is cold. **TRUE OR FALSE**
FALSE: The quiver tree doesn't quiver & is not technically a tree. This large succulent from Africa gets its common name because the indigenous people hollowed the branches to use as quivers for their arrows.



Lidia Flocco - Ray Copestake

(Click on the photo above for Video & Audio if you have YouTube.)

Alternatively click on the link below

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nt-8fhdvBtU&t=5s>



BUS TRIP - 26TH AUGUST

\$35 MEMBERS or \$40 NON-MEMBERS

Unfortunately non-refundable

Payment secures your place on the Bus

2 GARDENS & A MUSEUM

(3 Toilet Stops)

Leaves Dudley Park Bowling Club Car Park at 9.00 am - Back at 4 pm.

Arrive no later than 8.40 am please.

**MORNING TEA PROVIDED, BUT BRING YOUR OWN CUP!
YOU WILL ALSO NEED TO BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH.**

OUTBACK Bloom

mullewa's WILDFLOWER FESTIVAL

**THURSDAY 27TH AUGUST TO
SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST**

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WESTERN AUSTRALIA



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THURSDAY 27TH AUGUST 2026

9:00am – 4:00pm	Wildflower Show	Town Hall
10:00am	Opening Ceremony	Town Hall
11:00am – 1:00pm	Inside Wildflower Country	Marquee
1:30pm – 3:00pm	Bush Tucker Journey with Wendy Merry	Marquee
1:30pm – 3:30pm	Guided Wildflower Walk	Lover's Lane

FRIDAY 28TH AUGUST 2026

9:00am – 4:00pm	Wildflower Show	Town Hall
9:00am – 12:00pm	Native Seed Card Workshop	Marquee
10:00am – 12:00pm	Inside Wildflower Country	Marquee
1:00pm – 3:00pm	Guided Bush Trail Walk	Scenic Lookout, Maley Street
1:00pm – 3:00pm	Wildflower Painting with Sunflower Studio	Marquee

SATURDAY 29TH AUGUST 2026

9:00am – 4:00pm	Wildflower Show	Town Hall
9:00am – 11:00am	Monsignor Hawes Heritage Talk	Marquee
10:00am – 12:00pm	Inside Wildflower Country	Marquee
1:00pm – 3:00pm	Wildflower Phone Photography with Sophie Xiang	Marquee
1:00pm – 3:00pm	Guided Wildflower Walk	Lover's Lane

SUNDAY 30TH AUGUST 2026

9:00am – 2:00pm	Wildflower Show	Town Hall
9:00am – 11:00am	Wildflower Phone Photography with Sophie Xiang	Marquee
11:00am – 12:30pm	Wildflower Society Talk	Marquee
1:00pm – 3:00pm	Guided Bush Trail Walk	Scenic Lookout, Maley Street

Enjoy **country-style teas** and **light lunches** available for purchase in the adjoining Lesser Hall.

4 SALE

PLANTS - GARDENING EQUIPMENT - POTS
FURNITURE - ART - BOOKS - CLOTHES

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Include details and photos



HONEY FOR SALE

Rob Garrett (Guest
Speaker July
meeting)

0450 288 221

WA WOOL PELLETS

(natural product)

Call Des

0474 424 735



FREE - Pots &
smooth river bed
stones - Phone
Sheryl-lee
0412385032

NEW COMMITTEE FOR 2026

Back Row L-R
Shelley Lane
Barbara Randall
Adriana Tetley
Glenys Billing
Margaret Hovland
Jann Hudson



Front Row L-R
Michelle Campbell
Sue Lansdown
Meg Martin
Sheryl-lee Moroni

3 Missing faces:
Cass Perry
Nola Faulknall &
Maxine
Shorthouse

PATRON & OFFICE BEARERS

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Margaret Hovland Nola Forknall

Barbara Randall Jann Hudson

Shelley Lane

WEB PAGE & NEWSLETTER EDITOR: Sheryl-Lee Moroni:

CLUB DIRECT BANK PAYMENTS: BSB: 036-157

ACCOUNT: 208-453

REFERENCE: Your Name

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 12th August 2026



PETER HISCOCK

**National Sales & Marketing Manager
TROFORTE FERTILIZERS**

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, TOGETHER WITH A PLATE
TO SHARE!**

THERE IS ALSO A \$7 ATTENDANCE FEE

COMING UP...

7-16	August	Nannup Flower & Garden Show
26	August	Bus Trip - 2 Gardens & a Museum
29-30	August	South Eastern Orchid Society of WA
27-30	August	Mullewa Wildflower Festival
		Championships Canning Showgrounds
12-13	September	Perth Orchid Fair - John Septimus Roe School
19-20	September	Garden Clubs & Societies Plant Fair - South Perth Community Centre

FUTURE GUEST SPEAKERS

SEPTEMBER



LESLIE CLIFF FLORISTRY

OCTOBER NEUTROG



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