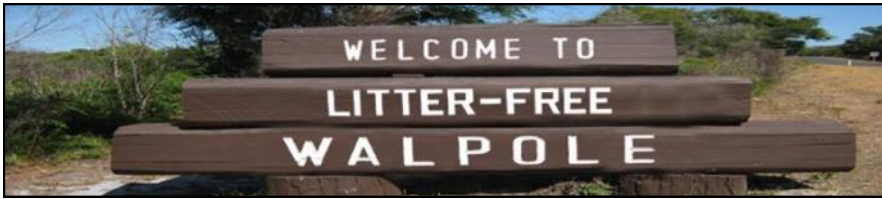


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Keep Australia Beautiful, Western Australia Tidy Towns Judges came and saw ...

Michael Filby with judges Rohan Swan and Nicola Adcock



On Wednesday 6th September, bright and early, Tidy Towns judges Rohan Swan and Nicola Adcock arrived to meet with the Walpole Tidy Towns group which included Jennifer Willcox, David Tapley and Michael Filby. The purpose of their visit was to inspect first-hand the projects that had been included in the submission, previously lodged. Every town that enters the Sustainable Communities Competition receives a visit from judges to verify the topics forming the submission.

Walpole had been scheduled a 2 hour visit, so a very tight time-frame was devised whereby the most topics could be visited and inspected, with key people representing the groups on hand to

convey details and confirm and verify any queries.

It was our pleasure to escort the judges with first stop being The Hub where we met with Liz and David Edmonds and Robert Skesteris, Vice President of Walpole Nornalup National Parks Association. The now annual Bio Blitz was fully demonstrated verbally and visually; as was The Tale of Two Trees - the Red Tingle and Red Flowering Gum seminar facilitated by Liz - and scheduled for a re-run this year; the third item at this venue was the fire that was originally a prescribed burn, turning into an out-of-control wildfire ravaging over 10,000 hectares in North Walpole last December.

Walpole Op Shop was next call, where President Jenny Skele and volunteers spoke about the funds donated to local causes since its inception - over a quarter of a million dollars!

Michael Filby was up next, opening his shed to reveal the bags of litter that had been collected only the day before along Highway 1 north of Walpole, up to Vasse Highway turnoff. Unravalled was a very long length of Main Roads bunting used at road works, plus a large bag of cat's eyes and road lining markers, obviously discarded in the roadside verges along the Highway.

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Dave Tapley with judges



Principal of Walpole Primary School, Stuart Klose was pleased to make himself available for a guided tour of the Containers for Change project and future plans. We viewed the school veggie garden, orchard, and, of particular interest, the chickens and ducks as they roamed freely around amongst the children, obviously very comfortable in their environment.

Ficifolia Community Garden was next, where the community purposes were explained, including the new Entertainment Shell decking. The fact that children's events, and birthday parties were held was of particular note.



Judges with Stewart Klose and Dave Tapley

Walpole CRC was the next stop on the itinerary with two of the Young Legend entrants being present to speak with the judges about their achievements to date as well as their long-term personal and professional goals. Manager, Cherie Smith, was pleased to provide a guided tour of the complex, including the Community Meeting Room and the past Tidy Towns Awards taking pride of place along one wall. The outstanding support for seniors was further explained, covering Meals on Wheels, Community Lunches and the Aged Care Support programme.

A drive down Nockolds Street showed off the recently renewed drainage and kerbing at the 'top end' and the new paint finishes on some commercial

and community premises including Burton Realty, St John Ambulance Mural, Philippine Magic. The main street really did look a treat in the spring sunshine.



With Davina Eden Austen

Last stop, as time was running short, was the Long Bay Carpark with EV Chargers and a meeting with

Davina Eden Austen, Manager of Walpole Visitors Centre, who spoke about the great Eco Tourism Workshop recently hosted. The Bibbulmun Track's 25th Anniversary event of the previous week was also conveyed.

Walpole Weir, the Walpole River catchment and drinking water project, was on the list but time did not permit a visit. Given that Walpole is the wettest area in Western Australia and drinking water has had to be carted for many years beggars belief and the plans for new bores are very much welcomed.

A huge thanks to the Shire of Manjimup, Walpole Work Camp, some businesses and community groups that pulled out all stops to ensure that Walpole on Parade was as good as it could be, given the intense winter we had experienced to date.

Time will tell which of the 30 towns in WA that entered will be selected as winners, but we gave it our best shot!

~Jenny Willcox



With Liz Edmonds



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Advance Health Directive Packages Now Available at Walpole CRC



A Guide to Making an Advance Health Directive in Western Australia



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In a proactive effort to empower our community members in Walpole and ensure their well-being, the Walpole Community Resource Centre is pleased to announce the arrival of 30 Advance Health Directive Packages, plus 30 additional forms. These essential packages are now available for collection, and understanding their significance can make a vital difference in your future healthcare decisions.

What Are Advance Health Directive Packages?

Advance Health Directives, often referred to as AHDs, are legally binding documents that allow individuals to outline their preferences and instructions for medical treatment in case they become unable to communicate or make decisions regarding their healthcare. The Advance Health Directive Package provided by the Department of Health contains all the necessary forms and guidance to help you create your AHD.

Why Are Advance Health Directives Important?

Empowerment: Advance Health Directives empower you to have a say in your medical treatment when you cannot express your wishes due to illness, injury, or incapacitation. This ensures that your values and beliefs are respected during medical decision-making.

Clarity: By specifying your preferences in advance, AHDs provide clarity for your healthcare providers and loved ones. This clarity can help alleviate stress and uncertainty during challenging times.

Personalisation: AHDs allow you to personalise your medical care instructions. You can specify the types of treatment you want or do not want, choose a healthcare agent to make decisions on your behalf, and indicate your preferences regarding end-of-life care.

Peace of Mind: Having an Advance Health Directive in place can offer peace of mind to both you and your family. It reduces the burden of decision-making during emotionally charged situations and ensures that your healthcare aligns with your values.

Call into the Walpole CRC to collect a free Advance Health Directive Package which will provide you with a package containing all the necessary forms and instructions to help you create your AHD. If you need help to fill out the form there is help available via death doula Kit Bewley in Denmark kitbeweley@gmail.com or Jenny Willcox in Walpole. Otherwise, there is plenty of information in the package as to who else can help you to fill out your AHD.

Remember, it's never too early to plan for your future health care. By taking this proactive step, you can ensure that your medical decisions reflect your values and preferences. Your health, your decisions, your peace of mind.

~Walpole CRC

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Nature Notes: Weedy Wattles



Spring has been breaking out all over and as we went up to Perth recently it seems the further north one travelled the more spring had broken out. The harbinger of spring is that wattles start flowering.

Australia has more than a thousand species of wattle and it is the national floral emblem on which our sporting colours are based. Spring is characterised by the sunny yellow blooms, a cheerful sight on any day. Unfortunately for south west Western Australia, the Sydney Golden Wattle or *Acacia longifolia* has become one of our more persistent woody weeds.

This beautiful garden escapee normally hides in plain sight but come spring it puts on an amazing display and grows 10m tall! Our native wattles are usually smaller. Instead of round blooms it has long yellow fluffy flowers. However, some indigenous wattles, notably *Acacia drummondii*, also have long blooms but this generally flowers earlier.

Why is it a problem one might ask, well:

- Dense stands raise the nitrogen content of the soil.
- Fire stimulates the germination of hundreds of seeds.
- It competes for space, light, nutrients and water with natural bush.
- It is not natural habitat to local wild life.
- It is poisonous to stock due to cyanides in the leaves.
- It provides potent fuel for fire.

A weed is just a plant in the wrong place. Australia has many environmental weeds and they disrupt natural ecosystems. All of them are beautiful garden escapees. How can we help? Well don't try to weed plants out unless you know what you are doing; you

may end up spreading the problem. Don't plant the Sydney Golden Wattle. Instead, as Josh from Gardening Australia recommends, plant Jam wattle *Acacia acuminata*. Other Wattles recommended by Sabrina Hahn are:

- *Acacia denticulosa*, the Sandpaper Wattle - this also has long rod-like flowers. Grows 2-4m high and 3m wide.
- *Acacia aphylla* - this attracts wrens to your garden! 1m high and 2m wide.
- *Acacia drummondii* grows in the understorey of the forest and can stand a shady position. 1.5m high, has neat foliage.
- *Acacia glaucoptera* - the flat-leafed wattle. This is an unusual plant, having blossoms that emerge from the sides of the leaves. It grows 1.5m high and 2m wide.

Actually wattles are interesting in the way they don't all have true leaves but some have *phylloides*. These are leaf stems modified to function as leaves and the true leaves disappear from the plant altogether.

But don't plant these if you live in the eastern states - they may become a weed there!

Information from the West Australia and ABC News and Gardening Australia

~Alison Kenworthy



Weekly events

Upcoming Activities

Time	Date	Details
10am to 12pm	Thursday 14th September	MYOB workshop at Walpole CRC
12pm	Monday 18th September	Death Café and shopping - Denmark
All day	Saturday, 23rd September	Walpole Community Markets at Pioneer Park
12pm to 2pm	Friday 29th September	Jane Kelsbie MLA visits Walpole
6pm	Friday 29th September to Sunday 1st October	Walpole 2023 Bioblitz
To be advised	Wednesday 11th October	Centrelink Mobile Van is coming to Walpole
All day	Saturday 7th October	Walpole Community Markets at Pioneer Park
All day	Saturday 21st October	Walpole Community Markets at Pioneer Park

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Weekly events

Day	Details
Monday	<p>Mahjong at Walpole Community Hall, 10am - Noon</p> <p>Mahjong at Nornalup 2pm - 5pm Contact Gail on 0427 689 028 for venue details.</p> <p>Zumba at Walpole Sport and Recreation Centre, 5:30pm - 6:30pm</p> <p>Doctor Services at Walpole Silver Chain by appointment 9840 1173</p> <p>Pilates with Anna-Marie, 20 Bellanger Rd Nornalup. 10.30am fortnightly</p>
Tuesday	<p>Weight Watchers at the Anglican Church Walpole, 9:30am</p> <p>Country Club Scoungers Golf 12:30pm</p> <p>Autumn Club at Walpole Sport and Recreation Centre, 1pm</p> <p>Pilates with Anna-Marie, 20 Bellanger Rd Nornalup. 6.00pm</p>
Wednesday	<p>Basketball for Kids Every Wednesday at the Walpole Sport and Rec Centre - 3pm</p> <p>Tone and Stretch Class at Walpole Sport and Rec Centre, 9 -10am</p> <p>Doctor Services at Walpole Silver Chain by appointment 9840 1173 - Telehealth only 10am - 2pm (Every last Wednesday each month)</p> <p>Walpole Country Club Social Bowls 12:30pm</p> <p>Yin Yoga with Emelie at 20 Bellanger Road, Nornalup 10.30am and 6pm</p>
Thursday	<p>Pathology Pathwest at Walpole Silver Chain 8:30am -11:30am</p> <p>JR Karate at Walpole Sport and Rec Centre 3:15 - 4:15pm</p> <p>Yoga with Jenny Nornalup Hall 5:30pm</p> <p>Anglicare Financial Counselling 1st Thursday every month by appointment - contact CRC</p> <p>Ladies golf 10.30am at Walpole Country Club</p> <p>Pilates with Anna-Marie, 20 Bellanger Rd Nornalup. 10.30am</p>
Friday	<p>Walpole Menshed at LIA Miguel Place, Walpole, 9.30am -12:30pm</p> <p>Table Tennis and Games at Nornalup Community Hall, 5 - 7pm</p> <p>Zumba Gold at Walpole Sport and Rec Centre, 9 -10am</p> <p>Craft Group at Walpole Community Hall, 2nd and 4th Friday 9:30am</p> <p>Storytime at Walpole Library 10am (Held fortnightly during school term)</p> <p>Meals on Wheels Delivery</p> <p>Walpole Community Bus trip every second Friday of every month</p> <p>Yin Yoga with Emelie at 20 Bellanger Road, Nornalup 10.30am</p>
Saturday	<p>St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Service at Walpole, 3:45pm</p> <p>Yoga with Jenny Nornalup Hall 9am</p> <p>Ficifolia Community Garden Market Stall/ Trading Fortnightly 10am – 12 noon</p>
Sunday	<p>St George's Anglican Church Service 10am</p> <p>Ficifolia Gardens Busy Bee 10am, second Sunday of every month -- all welcome</p> <p>Walpole Country Club Scoungers Bowls 12:30 pm</p> <p>Walpole Country Club men's Golf 12pm</p>

Denmark Classic Boat Show



Denmark Rowers have been gearing up for the second Denmark Classic Boat Show on Sunday 24th September (10am-3pm) in Berridge Park, Denmark.

The show has doubled in size from the inaugural show two years ago and will include vintage, classic and retro designed boats, predominantly built of wood. Of particular interest is the recent restoration of a 1920s Albany racing yacht 'Sweetheart' which, like its sister ship 'Gloria', has been converted back from a motor launch to its original sailing configuration.

Wooden boat restoration and boat building in Denmark has continued to the present day and the show has several examples including the two St Ayles Skiffs built by Denmark Rowers last year. In the Denmark Riverside Club there will be displays of historic pictures from the Denmark Historical Society depicting boats and scenes from waterways in and around Denmark. In addition there will be model yachts, beautiful kayaks and recently built dinghies on display and a chance to sign up to row, paddle a Dragon Boat or sail.

The show coincides with the Great Southern Classic Car Show in Denmark, so there will be plenty to interest all-comers.

Join us for a sundowner barbecue (4pm - 7pm) in the Denmark Riverside Club and join in singing sea shanties with Denmark's Salty Seadogs.

Contact David Cliff
denmarkrowers@iinet.net.au

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New Food Safety Laws: A must-read to anyone selling food



Western Australia has recently implemented new food safety legislation known as the 3.2.2A Food Safety Laws, designed to safeguard public health and maintain high standards in the food industry. As a food business owner or manager, it is essential to be well-informed about these laws to ensure compliance and avoid potential penalties or closures.

WA Food Safety Legislation - Overview: The primary legislation governing food safety in Western Australia is the Food Act 2008 (WA), enforced by WA Health. This Act mandates that all food sold in the state must be safe, suitable for human consumption, and meet the standards in the Food Standards Code.

Critical Requirements for Food Businesses: Food Business Registration: It is mandatory for all food businesses to register with the appropriate enforcement agency in WA. This applies to fixed premises and mobile food businesses like market stalls, food trucks, and any community group that may handle food, i.e. sausage sizzle, cake stall, burgers, etc.

Food Offenders List: WA Health maintains a publicly available Food Offenders List that includes details of all food businesses and individuals convicted of offences under the Food Act 2008. Offenders' details remain on the list for up to 24 months.

Federal Government Requirements: The overarching standard for food safety in Australia is governed by the Australia New Zealand Food Standards Code, regulated by Food Standards Australia New Zealand (FSANZ). The Code is divided into four sections, including food safety standards.

Essential Training Requirements: In December 2022, FSANZ Standard 3.2.2A was passed, necessitating that all food businesses that serve food must always have at least one designated Food Safety Supervisor on staff. Additionally, all Food Handlers must

undergo training to meet specific standards.

Responsibilities of Food Safety Supervisors: Food Safety Supervisors have critical responsibilities, including overseeing daily food safety implementation in the workplace and training other Food Handlers. They must complete specific nationally recognised Food Safety Supervisor training. If a Food Safety Supervisor leaves the business, a replacement must be appointed within 30 days.

Grayson Hindmarsh, Principal Environmental Health Officer in the Shire of Manjimup says:

My interpretation of the Standard (attached below) is as follows:

- *One-off sausage sizzle's that make application for a one-off trading permit,*
- *Sporting Clubs, such as Football Clubs, Hockey Clubs, Soccer Clubs etc. that are required to register as a food business,*
- *Fetes and Community run events that have their own stall under the umbrella of the Overarching Trading Permit,*

do NOT require compliance with Standard 3.2.2A. They are still a food business requiring to notify or register at my discretion.

The standard does not generally apply to:

- food handling for or at an event raising funds solely for charity (e.g. a sausage sizzle)
- businesses that only manufacture or wholesale food (e.g. a manufacturer of bulk ham that is sold packaged to supermarkets)
- other food businesses that are not serving or retailing unpackaged food that is potentially hazardous and ready to eat (e.g. service station selling food that remains in its original packaging, coffee van that only sells food that is not potentially hazardous).

Further details are provided under sections IV (for category one businesses) and V (for category two businesses). Attachment 1 has a decision tree for determining which category a business fits into.

Clause 3 also sets out an exemption for fund raising events:

3.2.2.A—3(2) This Standard does not apply to the handling of food for or at a fund raising event.

The standard does not apply to food handling activities for or during a fund raising event. A fund raising event is considered a one-off event and is defined as 'an event that raises funds solely for a community or charitable cause and not for personal financial gain' (in Standard 1.1.2).

This exemption has been included because fund raising events are often run by volunteers and are only run now and then. It is considered impractical to require the food handlers to do a food safety training course, or for the organisation to have a food safety supervisor or maintain records for these events. However, organisations at fund raising events still have to ensure only safe and suitable food is sold, and meet the requirements of Standards 3.2.2 and 3.2.3.

Local Council Requirements: Local councils play an essential role in food business registration, monitoring compliance, offering education and advice, and enforcing regulations. Health Inspectors

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employed by local councils have the authority to enter food business premises at any time, request evidence of proper food safety training, take samples, issue fines, and even close a business immediately if it poses a severe public health risk.

Consequences of Non-Compliance: Failure to comply with the 322A Food Safety Laws may result in significant implications for food businesses.

Temporary Closure: Serious offences may lead to a temporary closure, preventing further trading until compliance is met.

Significant Fines: On-the-spot fines can be issued for each offence committed, amounting to substantial sums.

Prosecution: For severe breaches of the legislation, WA Health may initiate prosecution proceedings against the food business.

Brand and Reputation Damage: Serious food safety incidents widely reported in the media can severely damage the reputation of a food business, making it challenging to recover public trust.

As a food business owner or manager, being well-versed in the new 3.2.2A Food Safety Laws and ensuring full compliance is crucial. Affected businesses must implement the requirements **before 8th December 2023**. By adhering to these regulations, businesses can maintain their reputation, protect public health, and avoid legal repercussions.

Additionally, nationally recognised food safety courses offered by approved providers like AIFS can help businesses meet the training requirements and stay abreast of the latest food safety practices.

For more information, you can go to this Tool guide:

https://www.health.wa.gov.au/~media/Corp/Documents/Health-for/Environmental-health/Food/PDF/Food_Safety_Management_Tools_Guide.pdf

For an accredited course for Food Handling: <https://www.ehawa.org.au/events/event/foodsafe-online-2023>

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~Trinity Smith

St John Walpole-Nornalup Sub-Centre: Latest membership and Transport Costs

Membership / Transport Cost		
	Cost	
Benefit Fund Membership Family	\$107	Dependants under 18 years of age. The day they turn 18 a single membership is required
Benefit Fund Membership Single	\$64	18 years and above
Pensions		
Over 65 Pensioner	No Charge	
Self Funded Over 65 Pensioner	50%	
Centrelink Pensioner Under 65	50%	100% Disability
Centrelink Pensioner Over 65	No Charge	
Ambulance Transport		
WLP Home - DMK	\$1,000	
WLP Home - Nursing Post	\$489	
Nursing Post - ALB	No Charge	

Walpole Nornalup Sub-Centre is in dire need of volunteers, both Ambulance and VSOs (Volunteer Support Officers.)

A VSO can take up roles on the Committee, be a Community Car driver, wash and clean vehicles and/or buildings or support Chair, Secretary as need arises.

All your life experiences mean you have something to offer, please make yourself known. The Sub-Centre committee is evaluating a replacement building programme in the years going forward.

The Annual Review Meeting will be held on 25th October 2023, at the Sub-Centre, 5pm.

For ALL WA Benefit Fund members and Aged Pensioners travelling interstate:

FOR EACH STATE THERE IS A DIFFERENT (OR NO) RECIPROCAL AGREEMENT IN PLACE.

Please contact sub centre for complete details of specific States or your private health fund.

~Ivan Woodhams, Walpole-Nornalup Sub-centre



The Walpole Nornalup Visitor Centre is currently developing a new Strategic Plan. The plan will guide decision making on the future of the Visitor Centre over the next five years. We are very keen to understand your views on how best to deliver visitor servicing into the future.

We invite you to complete a short survey to provide input into the Strategic Plan. The survey will take 15 minutes – so grab a cuppa and click on the link below. Please feel free to share the link with other community members and business owners. We want to hear from current and former members, as well as other businesses and the wider community. The survey will close on 23rd September.

The survey is being managed by local consultant Dr Lenore Lyons from Concept 2 Strategy. If you have any problems completing the survey, please contact her at: lenore@concept2strategy.com.au.

Survey link: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ZGHLVLF>

~Davina Eden-Austen




**Show your Walpole Pride
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Weekly sport

Results for Sunday 10/09/23 Ross and Marion Muir Trophy

Winner: Frank Zalmstra 37 points
R/Up: Steve Walpole 35 points

L/Putt 18: Carl Knipe
Birdies: Graham Becker 14



A lovely day for golf saw Frank Zalmstra hold it together to win the day from Steve Walpole - they both played very good golf.

The fine weather saw 15 players take part in the day sponsored by Ross and Marion Muir, big thanks to Ross and Marion for their support.

Next week we are playing on Saturday because a few of us are off to Mt Barker for an Open Day Scramble on Sunday, hoping to come back winners.

The footy is heating up with Collingwood and Brisbane in the box seat, the poor old Saints are out! I think this year will be Collingwood v Brisbane Grand Final. Who to pick? Dare I say it, GO THE PIES!

Next Week: Saturday 16th, Stroke CYP points.
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~Norm Hawkins

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Spring in Walpole: A Two-Week Adventure Awaits!



Following the success of our recent Eco Tourism Workshop, the Walpole Nornalup Visitor Centre invites you experience the Walpole Wilderness through a range of fun and family-friendly activities suitable for all ages. A

two-week adventure awaits, filled with fun, excitement, and a deep dive into ecological exploration. Our pilot programme is scheduled from September 23rd to October 8th, perfectly timed to capture the vibrant beauty of spring.

A Natural Wonderland

Walpole is a paradise for nature enthusiasts, adventure seekers, and anyone yearning to reconnect with the great outdoors. With its pristine forests, rugged coastlines, and diverse wildlife, this region is a natural wonderland waiting to be discovered.

What Awaits You

- During the two weeks of springtime wonder, you'll have the opportunity to:
- Hone your survival skills with Anthony, a local combat survival instructor.
- Walk on the Wild side with the Woolly-Beast Yowie and its trusty interpreter guide.
- Delight in a sunrise walk with local bird watchers.
- Women, grab your bestie and explore the wilderness with an intro level guided walk.
- Kids, grab your parents for an intro to bushwalking and nature play.
- Learn how to use your smart phone to contribute to the conservation of our forest.

All while embracing the blossoming wilderness and the opportunity to witness the magic of spring as it

breathes new life into the forests, painting them with a kaleidoscope of colours and filling the air with fragrant blooms.

Our Dedication to Sustainability

As responsible guardians of this pristine environment, we are committed to sustainable and eco-friendly tourism. Our activities are carefully crafted to ensure that the wilderness remains untouched, preserving its natural beauty for future generations to cherish.

Government Support for Vibrant Communities

We are proud to have the support of the State Government through the Department of Local Government, Sport, and Cultural Industries as a major supporter of the Walpole Nornalup Visitor Centre.

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity to experience the wonders of Spring in Walpole. Secure your place today by contacting the Walpole Nornalup Visitor Centre on 08 9840 1111. Join us in celebrating the beauty of nature, and let's embark on this remarkable journey together!

~Davina Eden-Austen

Walpole Nornalup Visitor Centre Manager



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Our expert speakers, Convenor Dr Carole Peters, hosts - the WA Forest Alliance and the Royal Society of Western Australia - sponsors and supporters all worked voluntarily for this not-for-profit event. The full day forum attracted outstanding reviews and an almost capacity audience at the University Club of Western Australia, located on the UWA campus overlooking Matilda Bay on traditional Whadjuk Noongar land.

All participants were invited to write to WA Environment Minister Reece Whitby to request an independent expert inquiry into prescribed burning policies and practices, particularly in southwest WA.

This week the Environmental Protection Authority of WA has announced its recommendation for an independent scientific review, intended to give full consideration to contemporary science and knowledge on the impacts of prescribed burning on a range of environmental issues, particularly in the context of our changing climate. EPA Chair Professor Matthew Tonts said, “An independent review under the Environmental Protection Act 1986 would call on the expertise of independent scientists to consider prescribed burning approaches and implementation”.

Community concern regarding the impacts of broadscale prescribed burning on our South West Biodiversity Hotspot is high. Pervasive smoke pollution heightens concern about the frequency, scale and intensity of planned burns, risks to public health and safety, risks to biodiversity, and the escalating risks of climate change. Our highly qualified and experienced speakers expanded the conversation on how best to protect our natural landscapes and our people for a sustainable and healthy future.

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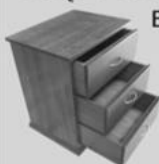


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