

Walpole Weekly

26th March, 2025

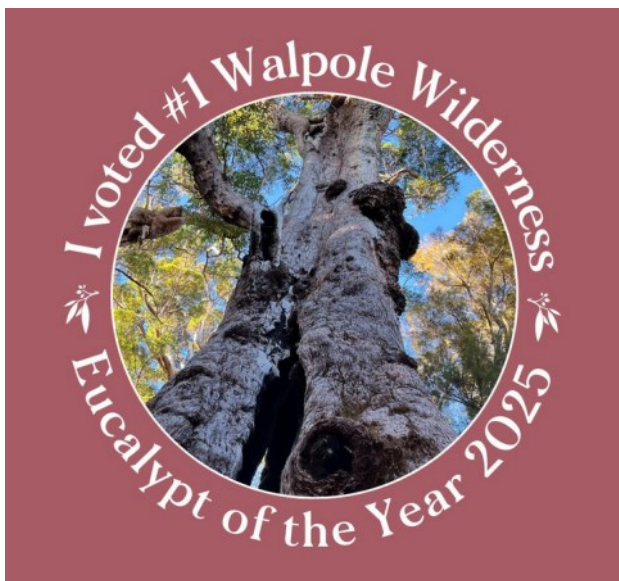
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And the winner is... the Wondrous Forests of the Walpole Wilderness!



Eucalypt Australia is thrilled to announce that the 2025 Eucalypt to the Year is awarded to the Wondrous Forests of the Walpole Wilderness in Western Australia!

In the 8th annual Eucalypt of the Year (The Travel Edition), we chose to celebrate iconic Australian destinations that are synonymous with their gumtrees. That the Walpole Wilderness won by public vote will be no surprise to those who've explored its diverse and inspiring landscapes - from giant Tingle and Karri forests to ancient Jarrah, Marri, and Red-flowering Gum woodlands!

Receiving over a metre of rain annually, the Walpole Wilderness grows some of Australia's most enormous eucalypts. With tall forests on hilltops, unique peatlands

in lowlands, and woodland slopes, it's home to more than 45 Eucalyptus species and two Corymbias!

Amongst the gums dwell some very special native wildlife, like the beautiful Sunset Frog - found only in the region's peat wetlands - the reclusive southern forest Quokkas and the tiny Pygmy Tingle Trapdoor Spider, which lives in equally tiny burrows in Tingle bark.

And in a coup for Western Australia, in second place we have the Bronzed Beauties of the Great Western Woodlands - the largest temperate woodland on Earth, twice the size of Tasmania and home to 30% of eucalypt species.

Coming in third, we have those iconic Alpine Rainbows, the Snow Gums of the High Country - a beloved landscape whose future hangs in the balance.

Threatened by climate change, changed fire regimes and, in the case of the Great Western Woodlands, land clearing, these precious, unique landscapes need our love and protection now more than ever. You can do your bit to care for the Eucalypt of the Year and our wild places around Australia by visiting, cherishing and championing these landscapes, and making choices that support their protection and care. When we value nature, we send the message that we care about its health and protection.

Thank you to all who voted and took part in this year's #EucalyptoftheYear2025 campaign!
Happy National Eucalypt Day 2025, everyone!

~ Eucalypt Australia. Learn more at: www.eucalyptaustralia.org.au





Women's Wellness in Walpole 2025

Harnessing the Energies of 2025

- Where: Ficifolia Community Gardens
- Date: Sunday, 30th March 2025
- Time: 8:30 am (Chi Gong is best practised early)
- Price: No charge

Please wear comfortable clothes for Chi Gong practice. Bring a plate to share.

What to Expect

- 8.30am Chi Gong with Rosemarie Warnock
- 9.30 am Chinese Astrology - The Year of the Snake with Rosemarie Warnock
- 10.30 am An insight into Western Astrology for 2025 with Sandra Walker

It started before the end of 2024, so you are probably already feeling it, March is a huge month, so this workshop aims to give you an overview of the year to come but also help you to understand the big energies that have been impacting your life since the start of the year.

Our local Traditional Chinese Medicine Practitioner, Rosemarie Warnock, will begin the day with a Chi Gong session to help us ground and balance before leading us into a fascinating discussion about the Chinese Year of the Snake.

Finally, Sandra Walker will take us on a journey through the major planetary shifts taking place in 2025 from a Western Astrology perspective. You will leave with an awareness of the big energies at play this year and tips on how best to work with them.



Register at: info@walpole.org.au
Phone 9840 1395



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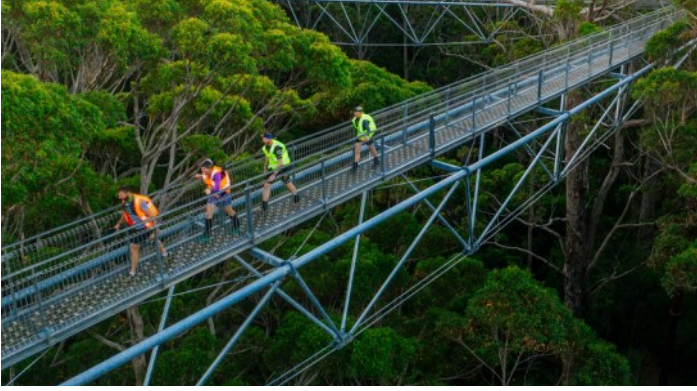


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Delirious West Race is back!



Just three weeks to go until the Delirious West 200 mile race! Starting in Northcliffe on Wednesday 9th of April and ending in Albany Sunday 13th, runners will cover 354km of Bibbulmun track, with Walpole serving as the halfway point! The Walpole Sport and Recreation Centre is one of four 'sleep stations' of the race; come down Thursday 10th April and cheer them on!

From Saturday 5th April there will be pink flagging tape, some arrows placed around Walpole townsite and along the Bibbulmun track.

These are course markers for the race - please **DO NOT REMOVE OR MOVE** these markers as doing so will place runners at risk.

We have course sweepers who will remove all markings once the last runners are through. Thankyou for your cooperation and understanding.



~ Jodie Pearce

Classifieds

Physiotherapy

Now at Walpole Health Clinic
0409 745 777

Work

Quotations invited for the repair of
roof top guttering
Please contact Jim: 0436 190 350 or
info@valleyofthegiantsecopark.biz



Applications are invited from not-for-profit organisations for grants from the Op Shop for the benefit of Walpole and its people.

The Volunteers have been working hard this year and we would like you to benefit.

Application forms are available from
the Op Shop between
9:30am and 11:30am
Mon - Sat

Please return forms to Op Shop or to
PO Box 210 Walpole.

Approval meeting will be held on:
Friday 11th April



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Phone: 9848 3908
Email: hfm-denmark@hfmlegal.com.au

Weekly events

Day	Details
Monday	<p>Mahjong at Walpole Community Hall, 10am - Noon Mahjong at Nornalup 2pm - 5pm Contact Gail on 0427 689 028 for venue details. Zumba at Walpole Sport and Recreation Centre, 5:30pm - 6:30pm Doctor Services at Walpole Health Clinic by appointment 9840 1173 Pickleball 9.30am-11.30am at Walpole Rec Centre Forget Me Not Café 10.30am - 12.00pm at BP Café 3rd Monday every month Pilates Anna-Marie, Walpole Community Hall 6pm</p>
Tuesday	<p>Weight Watchers at the Anglican Church Walpole, 9:30am Country Club Scourgers Golf 12:30pm Autumn Club at Walpole Sport and Recreation Centre, 1pm Pilates Anna-Marie, Walpole Community Hall 9am</p>
Wednesday	<p>Stretch and Tone Class at Walpole Sport and Rec Centre, 9 -10am Doctor Services at Walpole Health Clinic by appointment 9840 1173 - Telehealth only 10am - 2pm (Every last Wednesday each month) Walpole Country Club Social Bowls 12:30pm Yin Yoga with Emelie at 20 Bellanger Road, Nornalup 9am and 6pm</p>
Thursday	<p>Pathology Pathwest at Walpole Health Clinic 8:30am -11:30am JR Karate at Walpole Sport and Rec Centre 3:15 - 4:15pm Yoga with Jenny Nornalup Hall 5:30pm Anglicare Financial Counselling 1st Thursday every month by appointment - contact CRC Ladies golf 10.30am at Walpole Country Club Pilates Anna-Marie, Walpole Community Hall 9am and 6pm Community Lunch at Walpole Hotel/Motel 12pm Gardening Together at Ficifolia Gardens 9.00am</p>
Friday	<p>Walpole Menshed at LIA Miguel Place, Walpole, 9.30am -12:30pm Table Tennis and Games at Nornalup Community Hall, 5 - 7pm Doctor Services at Walpole Health Clinic by appointment 9840 1173 (Fortnightly) Zumba Gold at Walpole Sport and Rec Centre, 9 -10am Craft Group at Walpole Community Hall, 2nd and 4th Friday 9:30am Meals on Wheels Delivery Walpole Community Bus trip every second Friday of every month Yin Yoga with Emelie at 20 Bellanger Road, Nornalup 9am Pickleball 10am-12pm at Walpole Rec Centre</p>
Saturday	<p>St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church Service at Walpole, 3:45pm Yoga with Jenny Nornalup Hall 9am Ficifolia Garden Together 3-5pm All Welcome</p>
Sunday	<p>St George's Anglican Church Service 10am Ficifolia Gardens Busy Bee 10am, second Sunday of every month – All Welcome Walpole Country Club Scourgers Bowls 12:30 pm Walpole Country Club Men's Golf 12pm</p>

Weekly events

Upcoming Activities

Time	Date	Details
9.30am to 12.30pm	Thursday March 27th	Oseca Aged Care Process Community Workshop at Manjimup Health Hub
1.30pm to 4.00pm	Thursday March 27th	Cyber Security IT Workshop with Brian Taylor at Walpole CRC
8.30am	Sunday March 30th	Women's Wellness Harnessing the Energies of 2025 at Ficifolia Community Garden
8.00am to 1.00pm	Saturday April 5th	Walpole Markets at Pioneer Park
3.00pm to 5.00pm	Sunday April 6th	Rego Day for Denmark Walpole Football Club at McLean Oval
9.00am	Wednesday April 9th	Play in the Park at Walpole Sport and Rec Centre
6.00pm to 8.00pm	Thursday April 10th	Rufous Whistler live at Bar Tarifa, Denmark
10.00am to 11.00am	Friday April 11th	Storytime for children ages 0 - 6 at Walpole Public Library
TBA	Sunday April 13th	Great Southern Living Soil with Kim Frankowaiak at Ficifolia Community Garden
9.30am to 12.30pm	Wednesday April 16th	School Holiday Programme: Woolly Beast Wilderness Walk Meet at Walpole CRC
9.30am to 12.45pm	Thursday April 17th	School Holiday Programme: WOW Wilderness Tour Meet at Walpole CRC
9.00am to 3.30pm	Wednesday April 23rd	School Holiday Programme: Pemberton Aerial Adventure Meet at Walpole CRC
5.00pm	Saturday May 24th	The Giveback Getdown 2025 at Walpole Country Club

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PARKS AND
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Denmark Easter Markets are back and they need you!



The well-loved markets by the river in Berridge Park were first started in 1982 and ran for 40 years until 2022. After a three year slumber, and in response to community calling for their return, they are back!

Commencing Easter Saturday, the Markets will revive the celebration of handmade, handgrown arts, crafts and produce. All day live local musicians and entertainment on the awesome stage in front of the river, plus creative displays and fun activities. Come, enjoy or even better, get involved!

The team from the markets are looking for stall holders and volunteers to come to the markets. To bring the markets back to life, we need **you!**

If you handcraft, make art, grow produce, or cook, we'd love to have you as a stallholder. If you're keen to lend a hand, we need volunteers for promo, marketing and other bits and pieces in the lead up, setup, pack-down, gates, bin fairies, and more!

Get in contact at:

www.denmarkriverartsmarkets.com.au

Or email markets@denmarkriverartsmarkets.com.au for more information.

See you Easter Saturday 19th April, 9am-3pm.

~ Jennie Newman / Denmark CRC

REGO DAY!
DENMARK WALPOLE JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB
PLAY FOOTY MEET THE COACHES
Free Sausage Sizzle for Dinner
BOYS & GIRLS Y3 - Y8
Club Merchandise Available
SUNDAY 6th APRIL 2025, 3-5pm at McLEAN OVAL

Preserved in Walpole



Ficifolia Community Garden were very proud to host the Preserve Your Harvest on Sunday. It was well attended with 14 willing participants in attendance hanging on every word of the facilitators. Stalwart preserve champions Vicki Neill and Chris Bellanger showed us just how it was done.



We chopped, peeled, boiled, sliced and added just the right amount of spice to make it a fabulous day. The output was gloriously colourful and tasty with everyone being able to take home some tangy sauerkraut, brinjal eggplant pickle and many other different forms of crispy preserved veges, including eggs.

You've heard of the 'saying sugar and spice with all things nice', well that is just what it was. One other thing that was super great was when we were short of fresh ingredients we just went out into the garden and picked our own, including fresh herbs. There was not one jar that did not get filled or one CWA Book that went home untarnished with more love added.

I'm super excited to be part of our great community coming together to share this great facility, knowledge and laughter.

Thanks so much to Vicki and Chris and to FCG for hosting this lovely event.

~ Nicole Munro





Your weekly food and coffee guide

What's on offer in and around Walpole this week...



Bow Bridge Road House 'Homemade burgers, coffee, cakes, fish and chips, liquor and groceries.'

9840 8062

Open Wed-Fri 9am-5pm, Sat-Sun 9am-4pm, closed Mon-Tues

Peaceful Bay Fish and Chips

9840 8060

Mon-Wed 11:30am-3pm | 4pm-6pm and Fri-Sat 11:30am-3pm | 4pm-6pm, Sun 11:30am-3pm

Nautilus Café - Peaceful Bay Caravan Park

0428 571 031

Open 7 days from 7am-12pm

Tree Top Restaurant Tree Top Walk Motel - 45 Nockolds Street

9840 1444

a la carte dining 6 nights (not Sundays) Takeaway also available

Walpole Hotel/ Motel 'Open for Lunch and Dinner 7 days a week'

9840 1023

Open every day Lunch 12pm-2pm, Dinner 6pm - 8pm, Cnr Boronia Ave & South West Hwy, Walpole

Rufous Whistler will perform for a musical night out in Denmark



To date, the band have experienced sell out shows and house concerts in Queensland, as they now make their way down the east coast.

Their four WA dates focus on regional and country areas, with shows in Bridgetown (Friday 11th April) and Busselton (Saturday 12th April), followed by a Fremantle show on Sunday 13th.

With raw storytelling, nimble picking, fiddle, and harmony-rich vocals, Rufous Whistler deliver electrifying tunes that have in a short time earned international airplay, AMRAP chart success, and a dedicated following.

Their live show - equal parts heartfelt and high-energy - has captivated audiences, and it is now Walpole and Denmark area's chance to experience it. Bar Tarifa, at 89 Strickland St (Denmark), just down from the Co-Op and Bakery, is a special place to see and hear music. Its intimate stage area, with a backdrop of trees and greenery, and ample long bar with relaxed seating, provides a great opportunity to see music 'up close' and in a memorable way. Their wine and drinks list, and food, is just a bonus on top! Rufous Whistler will play from 6pm through to around 8pm - plenty of time to get home safe.

For more info head to: <https://rufouswhistler.com/>

~ West Bound WA

Melbourne (Naarm) contemporary folk act Rufous Whistler will play Denmark!



The band has added four WA dates to a national tour to launch their debut album, 'National Panic', including a free entry show at Bar Tarifa, Denmark at 6pm on Thursday, 10th April.

Rufous Whistler will play in a special duo format of guitar and fiddle, to suit Tarifa's intimate vibe, and will be showcasing tracks off 'National Panic' such as the incredibly catchy 'Honey', the contemplative but intentional 'I Mean It', and the jaunty folk of 'River Gum Tree'.

'National Panic' will be ABC Country's album of the week on Saturday Night Country with Beccy Cole this Saturday 22nd March.

Rufous Whistler's national tour includes a huge list of dates covering almost every state and territory - the band were incredibly keen to ensure WA was included from the very outset, which is quite rare for a debut and new artist.

Thought for the day

The best thing about the future is that it only comes one day at a time.

Abraham Lincoln



The Walpole Country Club sincerely thanks the many local and regional businesses for their sponsorship of this year's Pioneer Cup. The event was a huge success with over 200 players visiting the town. Huge thanks and appreciation also go to the many volunteers from the community who "made it happen".

Pioneer Cup 2025 Sponsors

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Update

**We will be closed from
4th April to 29th April**

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Walpole Times to Remember



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Tue to Fri 9am-4pm

Walpole Nornalup Visitor Centre

Tues-Fri 9am-4pm Sat 9am-2pm

Library 9840 1108

Wed 9am-12pm and 1pm-3:30pm

Fri 9am-12pm and 1pm-3:30pm,

Sat 9am-12pm

Walpole Weekly

Monday 10am Deadline:

Tues to Fri 10:30am-3pm

Walpole Op Shop

Mon- Fri 9:30am-11:30am; Sat 10am-1pm

St Francis of Assisi Catholic Church

Sat 3:45 pm

St George's Anglican Church

Sun 10am

Walpole Waste Transfer Station

Tues and Thu 1pm-5pm; Sun 9am-5pm

Peaceful Bay Refuse Site

Wed 9am-1pm; Sun 1pm-4:30pm

Warren-Blackwood seat falls to the Nationals



In Warren-Blackwood, the state's most marginal regional seat, Bevan Eatts has ousted incumbent Labor MP Jane Kelsbie. The swing against Ms Kelsbie was only 5 per cent, with the Nationals and Liberals boosting their votes.



The Nationals also claimed victory in Albany. Mr Eatts said the dual wins were a huge boost for the Nationals.

"I put it down to the fact that it is a grassroots community... we've got the track record of listening and looking after regional WA," he said.

"People often asked me what I could promise if I was elected, and I always said if you had an issue, you could get in touch with me and you'd have strong representation with good communication."

~ Samantha Goerling, Kate Forrester and Paul Cook / ABC News

NORMALUP VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

NOTICE OF AGM

Normalup Fire Shed

Friday 11th April 2025 5pm
Light refreshments & Nibbles after the meeting.

Photo of the week!

Be sure to email your photos to weekly@walpole.org.au



Photo by Jill Haymann

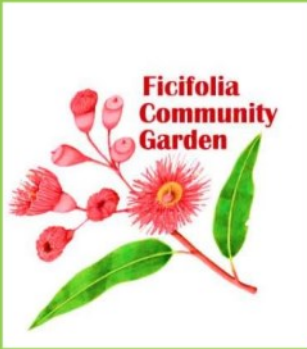
"I see these quokkas frequently on the track near Swarbrick Jetty early in the morning."

Weekly poetry from Walpole's very own Shirley M Wild



Spirits Rising

The fiery earth ethereal beauty hides,
Though bellbirds sing in praise of it all day.
Remembering seasons past their love abides,
They tell it all in their sweet roundelay.
And I await the time when gentle Spring,
To all the barren land her blessing gives;
Then with the joyous bellbirds I do sing,
To see that beauty 'neath the land still lives.
No savage soil could quench the spirits rising there,
For, 'way beyond my poor human sight,
Fields of flowers with beauty rich and rare,
Weave rainbow carpets, stretching far into the light.
I hope someday, to an everlasting I transmogrify,
So my paper daisy face brings joy,
to every passer-by.



2025 FICIFOLIA COMMUNITY GARDEN SUSTAINABLE WORKSHOP SERIES

Grow, Learn, Connect! Join us in 2025 for four engaging workshops designed to enhance your gardening skills, promote sustainability, and bring the community together. Whether you're a beginner or an experienced gardener/farmer, there is something for everyone!

WORKSHOPS

13TH APRIL 2025



GREAT SOUTHERN LIVING SOIL – KIM FRANKOWAIK

Discover the principles of regenerative soil health and sustainable gardening with Great Southern Living. This workshop will provide insights into improving soil structure, boosting plant vitality, and fostering a thriving garden ecosystem. Learn about soil food webs, microbes, composting, worm farming and lots more. We will be looking at creating and maintaining worm farms.

25TH MAY 2025



DUGITE FARM – BYODYNAMICS PREPERATIONS

Join Leonie and Brett from Dugite Farm for an immersive workshop on biodynamic preparation making. Learn how to harness natural rhythms and organic preparations to enhance soil vitality, improve plant health, and create a self-sustaining farm/garden ecosystem. Perfect for gardeners and farmers looking to integrate biodynamic principles into their practice.

24TH AUGUST 2025



MARK TUPMAN - AGROECOLOGIST

This workshop will explore the essential principles of orchard care, focusing on soil health, bio-fertiliser application, and effective pest and disease management. Participants will gain a deeper understanding of what makes soil fertile, the key biological processes that support its development, and practical techniques to enhance soil vitality to ensure healthy, productive trees. Led by Mark, an expert with over 20 years of experience in organic and biodynamic production, this workshop provides valuable insights into maintaining thriving orchards through sustainable and holistic approaches.

9TH OCTOBER 2025



YANN TOUSSAINT – SUSTAINABILITY AND ENVIRONMENTS

In this school holiday workshop, Yann will lead an interactive session where children will learn to create bee houses and worm farms, connecting with nature while fostering a deeper understanding of the importance of these vital ecosystems. With his wealth of experience and passion for community engagement, Yann's workshops inspire participants of all ages to take part in hands-on environmental action.

Contact Ficifolia Community Garden at fcgwalpole@gmail.com to register your interest

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Letters to the Editor

Please note:

Below are responses to letters included in the 19/03/2025 Walpole Weekly. As these letters relate to a sensitive topic, we will print responses for one week more.



A response on behalf of Forestry Australia (WA Branch)

I read with interest the recent letter to the editor from Dr Carole Peters.

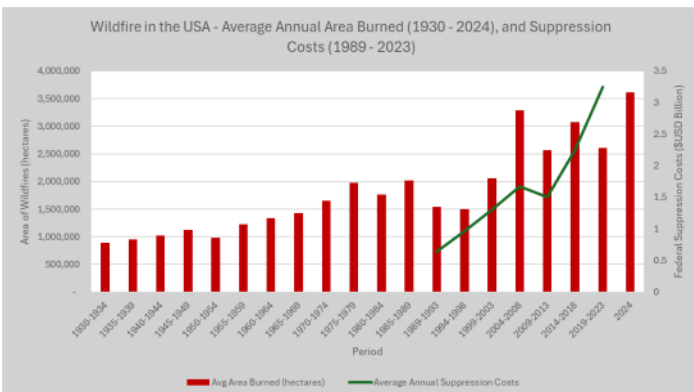
Fire management in Western Australia is the envy of the world. Successfully managing bushfire risk requires both mitigation and suppression. One without the other leaves citizens and their property dangerously exposed.

Dr Carole Peters of the WA Forest Alliance advocates resources and funding diverted from vital mitigation towards increased suppression. This is a misguided policy proposal that will result in larger fires, more intense fires, devastating damage to the environment, loss of life and ever-escalating firefighting costs.

Dr Peter’s proposal flies directly in the face of evidence from around the world. In the western United States, a policy of aggressive and massive industrial scale suppression, applied for nearly 100 years, with enormous aerial fleets has been acknowledged as an economic and environmental disaster.

In the period since 1989, the area burned by wildfire in the US has increased by 68%, and the Federal government expenditure on suppression has increased by a 500%.

The US has now abandoned the single-minded suppression-only model. California, one of the worst affected states, is now investing US \$2.5 billion to



rapidly accelerate prescribed fire and mechanical fuel reduction activities, in conjunction with funding for aerial resources and on-ground fire fighters.

Ms Peters has provided a textbook example of the motte-and-bailey fallacy: the activist position retreats to a defensible-sounding call for ‘more suppression funding,’ while continuing to advance an extreme agenda of total fire exclusion and anti interventionism. The real aim is to discredit prescribed burning, not to improve fire safety.

~ Brad Barr

Response to DBCA



Photo: Uralla Luscombe-Pedro

It is great to see DBCA contributing to discussion about wildfire in the *Walpole Weekly*. However, readers might well ask themselves why DBCA was allowed extended time to respond in the same edition to Carole Peters’ and obviously given advance notification of her letter, unusual editorial practice to say the least.

With all due respect to the firefighters who do the dirty and difficult work of fighting fires, I must take issue with Stefan de Haan’s listing of fire mitigation measures which I quote here in full: “creating or upgrading firebreaks, slashing or mulching tracks or boundaries to modify the fuel structure, maintaining and establishing access to water supplies and, fuel reduction through prescribed burning.” Readers might be surprised to learn that prescribed burning, far from being the last in a series of measures, is by far the largest.

DBCA has a target of 200,000 hectares to be burned each year in the South-West of WA, a figure that does not include large areas that burned in fires such as the recent 40,000 hectare wildfire started by lightning this summer, the 14,000 hectares burned by arsonists near Hazelvale last April,

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or even the 10,000 hectares burned following an escape from a DBCA burn North of Walpole in November 2022. When doing its burns, DBCA is allowed to injure or kill unlimited numbers of threatened species and is not even required to monitor those numbers or to treat or euthanise suffering animals.

DBCA is routinely exempted from fire prohibitions, with the result that fire-fighting equipment that might be needed to fight wildfire in high fire risk periods is being used for prescribed burning. The kicker to all this is that statistical analysis shows that overall prescribed burning as it is currently done does not reduce the amount of wildfire. The reason for this possibly counter-intuitive conclusion is that the benefits for firefighting of having recently burned areas are negated by the enormous areas of highly flammable not-so-recently burned country that is never allowed to reach a mature state (40+ years since fire) when flammability declines.

The conclusion to draw from all this is not that all prescribe burning should end. But it should be practised in a strategic way, alongside other fire risk reduction and modern fire detection and suppression methods, so that harm to the environment as well as risk to human lives and property is minimised.

~ Jonathan Schultz

Editor's response

The *Walpole Weekly* acknowledges the importance of fair and balanced discussion on issues as significant as fire management. In this case, we made the editorial decision to allow DBCA additional time to respond so that readers could access a full spectrum of views within the same edition.

This was done to encourage informed debate and provide context to what is a complex and often polarising issue.

We also recognised that, at the time, DBCA staff were actively involved in managing extensive local fire activity, and we did not want to distract from that critical work.

Our aim was to support community understanding while respecting the operational demands placed on our local firefighters and agencies.

We appreciate the contributions from all sides and remain committed to publishing a diversity of views on matters that impact our region.

~ Cherie Smith



We welcome your opinion

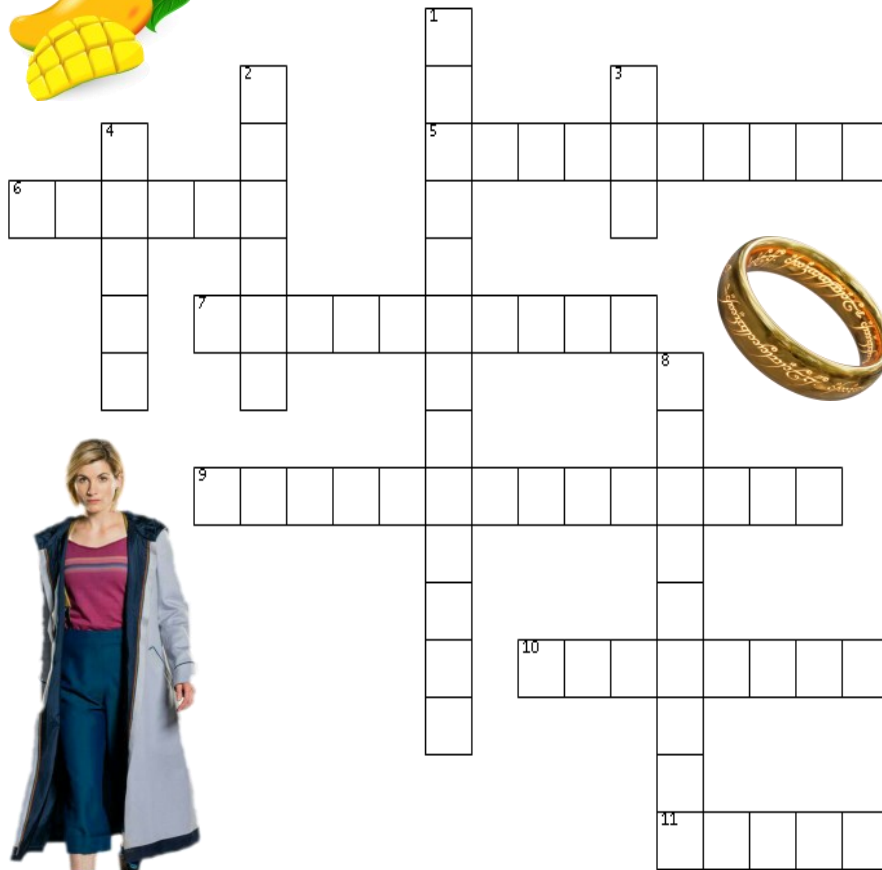
The *Walpole Weekly* values freedom of expression and welcomes contributions and feedback from readers via letter or email on any topic of community interest:

- 1) All content submitted for publication must provide full name and contact details.
- 2) The Walpole CRC will no longer print anonymous letters.
- 3) Any content published may be edited to enhance flow, clarity, spelling, and grammar—not facts or meaning—therefore the writer should carefully check facts and consider their choice of words.
- 4) Should content be deemed by the Editor to be too long (**should be no more than 250 words**), incomprehensible, libelous, illegal, or incite a sensitive issue, then it will not be published.
- 5) In the case of content being rejected, the writer/s will be notified of the decision by the Editor.
- 6) Should the writer dispute the Editor's decision they should take it up in writing with the Management Committee of Walpole CRC.
- 7) The Management Committee will make the final decision on whether or not to publish the content in the next available edition of the *Weekly*.
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Weekly Quiz *Find out the answers next week!*

ACROSS

5. A popular lassi variety made with yoghurt, mangoes and cardamoms
6. A Bed and Breakfast that FLYS!
7. Popular regency romance TV series based on books by Julia Quinn
9. The first female Doctor Who
10. A decorative lamp featuring a coloured wax mixture and a clear or translucent liquid
11. Popular, gooey, and stretchy substance. Often green.

DOWN

1. Perth comic artist and author of the Home Time book series
2. Capital of Tasmania
3. They moo all day, they're a ____
4. Bilbo Baggins' cousin.
8. Terrestrial wetland ecosystems in which waterlogged conditions prevent plant material from fully decomposing



Walpole

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Walpole Markets



Known for great hot dogs, great coffee and a selection of out-of-this-world stalls, the Walpole Markets is open on April 5th at Walpole's Pioneer Park, 8am-1pm.

Do you ever feel lost on the first day of the weekend, wondering what to do? The Markets offer something for all ages. Maybe you want a cabbage? Or an indoor plant? Or a hand-knitted beanie? Perhaps you'd like a fish painted on your hand or an excuse to catch up with friends. Maybe you just want to shamelessly dance by yourself at a public venue. Or maybe you just need a coffee because mornings are hard.

Get on down and buy some stuff.

~ Walpole Weekly

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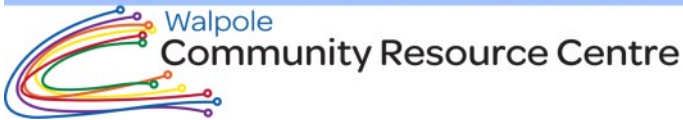


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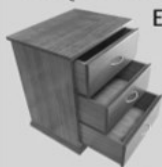
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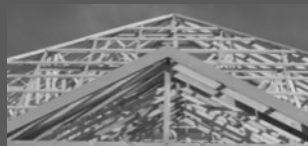
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Time: 9:30am-12:30pm

Meet: Walpole CRC

Bring: Walking shoes, hat, water bottle

Price: \$5



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Date: Thursday 17th April 2025

Time: 9:30 am- 12:45 pm

Meet: Walpole CRC

Bring: Walking shoes, hat, water bottle

Price: \$10

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Date: Wednesday 23rd April 2025

Time: 9:00 am- 3:30 pm

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