February - March 2024 - Bunuru Season Newsletter



It is with some pride and much gratitude that we can announce that establishment of the community garden has begun! We are proud that the hard work, patience and perseverance of the PCG Committee over the past 32 months has come to fruition and grateful for the wonderful people involved in making this happen. There's not enough room to mention everyone individually but the determination and passion shown by the PCG Committee, and support of our community through fundraising activities and donations, has helped make this dream a reality.

The Phase 1 garden area, as you may have noticed, has been fenced off for public safety to allow some initial paths to be created. This first stage will provide the community garden with a starting point of a number of raised beds, allowing us to invite our members and the broader community to really get involved! We have already submitted applications for funding to add plantings and ground garden beds to enhance the area, but it is a step-wise process, so everyone's patience is required.... including ours!

We are keeping everyone updated on the garden's progress via a blog on our website. These posts are being shared across our social media platforms as well.

If you have been holding back to get more involved when the hand on part starts, well now is the time. Please reach out through our <u>website</u>, become a <u>paid member</u> and keep up to date as to the upcoming Busy Bees to get this show on the road!!

We look forward to seeing you at the upcoming events in and around the community garden.

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge the Whadjak Nyoongar people, the traditional custodians of the boodja (land) in which we live and are creating our community garden. We pay our respects to Elders both past and present.







What's been happening at Padbury Community Garden Inc ?

Initial community garden design has been approved by the City of Joondalup

PCG <u>website</u> has been launched

PCG <u>Library</u> is open for borrowing

The establishment of the community garden has begun

Safety fences are up, the grass has been removed and the paths have been laid

Up and coming events for 2024

MARCH

Community Crafting Easter Egg Hunt Committee Meeting Busy Bees at the Garden

APRIL

Committee Meeting Busy Bees at the Garden Community Crafting Kids' Painting Workshop Busy Bees at the Garden

Padbury Community Garden - History in the Making



Padbury Community Garden - Inaugural Busy Bee Weekend



Are you just sitting around home this long weekend? Why not pop on down to the community garden and start getting involved??

Please come and join us for our Inaugural Busy Bee Weekend!! We are starting to get the community garden ready for the first garden beds to be set up and getting the area ready for our first Easter Egg Hunt for the kids.



When:Saturday 2 March
AND Monday 4 MarchTime:7:30 - 9:30amLocation:Padbury Community Garden,
140 Gibson Avenue, Padbury



Come and be the first to see and walk on the brilliant new paths laid by Coast Projects and team. Morning Tea will be provided, please BYO your mug for a cuppa and heaps of fun is guaranteed! Bring the whole family to join in the fun!

If you have a broom, wheelbarrow, shovel and/or rake you can bring along with you, it would be much appreciated.

Please let us know you are coming by RSVPing on our FB events (click on the dates above to take you to the events) or via <u>email</u>, and let us know how many people will be attending, so we have enough delicious morning tea for all.

Can't wait to see you there

Compost, Worm Farm and Bokashi Workshop



Thank you to Sonya and Karen for presenting this informative sustainability workshop for PCG and to all who attended.

Thanks to everyone who supported our raffle, and a big Congratulations to Sara who won a Bokashi Bin. We hope you enjoy learning this composting method and have success using it in your home.





This month in Bunuru is getting cooler but the soil is still warm enough to encourage growth in your new greenery – so they have some time to establish their roots before the cold weather sets in!

Fruits and Vegetables

When planning your garden and deciding on which vegetables to plant in the final month of Bunuru, consider the wide variety of options available to you. March is the perfect time to plant **tomatoes**, **melons**, and **strawberries**. From the earthy sweetness of **beetroot** to the vibrant greens of **broccoli** and various types of **cabbages** like green, red, or savoy, there is a rich tapestry of flavours and colours to choose from. Don't forget to add some crunch with **carrot seeds**, the mild onion flavour of **leeks**, and the crisp freshness of lettuce. For a peppery kick, **radishes** are a great choice, while the gentle flavour of **spring onion** can enhance any dish. And why not try **turnips** for something a little different? With these vegetables in your garden, you'll be well on your way to enjoying a bountiful and diverse harvest.

Flowers

The later month of Bunuru is a wonderful time to start planting a variety of beautiful flowers. These flowers not only add colour and fragrance but also attract pollinators like bees and butterflies. **Alyssum** is a delicate and fragrant flower that blooms in clusters, creating a lovely carpet of colour. **Lobelia** is known for its striking blue, purple, or white blooms that add a pop of colour to any garden. **Stock** is a versatile flower with a sweet scent that comes in a range of colours, perfect for borders or containers. **Pansies** are a popular choice for early spring planting, with their cheerful "faces" in shades of purple, yellow, white, and more. **Snapdragons** are tall and elegant flowers that come in a rainbow of colours, attracting hummingbirds with their tubular blooms. **Sweet peas** are beloved for their enchanting fragrance and pastel-coloured blooms, making them a favourite for bouquets. **Violas**, with their charming "faces" and vibrant hues, are perfect for adding a whimsical touch to your garden beds or containers.

By planting these flowers in Bunuru, you'll be able to enjoy a colourful and fragrant garden throughout the spring and into the summer months.

Happy planting!

Join us for Community Crafting

Register your interest on our <u>website</u>

Everyone is welcome

BYO your own craft or just come for a chat

Bring a friend or come on your own to meet a new friend

Make time for yourself

Get th<mark>at lovely project</mark> finish that's just been sitting around the house Saturday 16 March12 - 4pmFriday 19 April9am - 1pmFriday 21 June9am - 1pmSaturday 13 July12 - 4pmFriday 16 August9am - 1pmSaturday 14 Sept12 - 4pmFriday 18 October9am - 1pm

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HAPPY





Come and join Padbury Community Garden Inc. for a free Easter Egg Hunt in the

community garden!!



Good Friday, 29 March @ 10.00am

Prizes for the most creative Easter Bonnets <u>Please RSVP on our website to ensure the</u> Easter bunny knows how many eggs to hide



Keep your eyes peeled for seeds popping up on Facebook from Ben for sale, with proceeds going to the garden!

Proudly celebrating

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