PADBURY COMMUNITY GARDEN NEWSLETTER # 3

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This is a growing season characterised by some very cold and clear days, along with warmer, rainy and windy days and the occasional sunny day or two. It is a good time to start preparing garden beds for planting edibles as the soil warms up during the day.





Welcome! Firstly, I'd like to welcome our new look committee with some returning as well as new faces. I'd also like to welcome our paid members as well as those who have shown an interest through our Facebook group.

The last year can be summed up as one of learnings. We learnt that almost all processes to get things done take much longer than expected, but we are an Incorporated association with the necessary insurances and more recently recognised as a not-for-profit charitable body.

So to the year ahead in which we are focussing on securing the land on which to build the garden. We are also be looking to increase our paid membership, offer a range of workshops and events. Your input is always welcome so please reach out to me through our email padburycommunitygarden@gmail.com

Finally, welcome to our new look newsletter. I hope you enjoy it and a big thank you to all contributors!

2022 PCG Chair - David Hay

On your marks, Get ready, SOW!

Don't forget to take note of sow by dates on seed packets. But don't fret theres still a chance an expired pack will have a few viable seeds. Heres a simple test to do before they head to the compost pile!

- Sprinkle about 10 seeds on a couple of sheets thick of damp paper towel
- Fold paper towel over and store inside a sealed bag.
- Place bag somewhere warm but not direct sunlight. Check regularly and hopefully some seeds will germinate in a couple weeks! Pot them up in a seedling container with a 1:1 mix of sieved seed raising mix and vermiculite.

Popular summer crops to sow in late winter or early spring

Tomato

Capsicum

Eggplant

Chilli

Watermelon

Beetroot

Corn

Padbury lemon trees have been working hard all season! Got too many sitting on the kitchen bench? Try one of these finger licking recipes!

Lemon Yoghurt Cake

- 3/4 cups sugar
 eggs
 1/2 tsp salt
 tsp lemon juice
 lemons grated
 3/4 cup oil
 cup natural yoghurt
 cups self-raising flour
- 1. In a bowl, mix rind, oil, eggs and sugar with a fork.
- 2. Add remaining ingredients and combine well.
- Pour into greased ring tin and bake at 180C for 30 minutes.
- 4. Leave to cool then turn out and dust with icing sugar.

Lemon Curd

¾ cup fresh lemon juice
¾ cup white sugar
½ cup unsalted butter,
cubed
3 large eggs
1 tablespoon grated
lemon zest

- Combine lemon juice, sugar, butter, eggs, and lemon zest in a 2-quart saucepan.
- 2. Cook over mediumlow heat, whisking constantly, until mixture thickens and bubbles, about 6 minutes

Lemon Butter Prawns

25g butter

- 1 tbsp extra virgin olive oil 1 garlic clove, crushed 1 tbsp plain flour 1 cup chicken or fish stock 1/2 cup cooking cream Juice of 1 lemon Finely grated rind of 1 lemon 1 tsp Dijon mustard 600g green prawns Cooked linguine, to serve
- 1. Heat butter , oil and garlic in a medium frying pan over a medium-high heat until butter has melted. Add flour and cook for 1 minute, stirring, until mixture bubbles.
- 2. Pour in stock , stirring constantly to prevent lumps forming. Add cream and lemon juice and rind . Cook, stirring, for 3 minutes or until sauce boils and thickens. Add mustard . Season with salt and pepper.
- 3. Add prawns . Simmer, stirring, for 3 minutes or until prawns are cooked through. Sprinkle with chives and serve over pasta .

What We've Been Up To

With the proceeds of your memberships and fundraisers you've supported we were able to become an incorporated body, pay for insurance, join the Australian Community Garden network, and pay for PCG to become a Registered Charity. We have also held a few free workshops for our paid members.





We have to prove to the City of Joondalup that we have membership. Hence the importance of your continued support and paid membership renewals. The City will give us tenure once we prove that we are a financially viable PCG. Gibson Park will be the garden's potential future site.



THANK YOU for all those supporting us in our first foundational year.

2022 PCG Vice Chair - Ellen Ender

ANNUAL MEMBERSHIPS

If you would like to be part of the PCG or know more about what we do, then please contact us through <u>PadburyCommunityGarden@gmail.com</u>

Annual fees for Padbury Community Garden

Single \$15 | Family \$25 | School Group/Organisation \$30

Follow the QR code to complete the form. Please pay via bank transfer - the details on form.

Thank you for your ongoing support of our community!



What's Next?



We still have some work to do before our dream comes alive with the community garden up and running 🕵 🌾 👙

The Committee and hopefully it's Members, will be spreading the word about the PCG to the Community, local businesses and wider area to increase memberships and support in writing.

Cur clever Fundraising Sub-Committee will be putting their minds together to come up with some weird and wonderful new opportunities for our members to experience and grow from, as well as ways to expand our funds.

The Committee members involved with seeking out new funding opportunities will be learning new skills in Grant writing, and then putting their feelers out to identify any new opportunities to apply for suitable Grants.

Other Committee Members will continue their job from registered the PCG as a Charity and following up with ensuring we become an Endorsed Deductible Gift Recipient (DGR).

The Committee will continue working closely with other local Charities and Not-for-Profits in mutually beneficial activities.

All the activities above will add essential elements to the PCG Business Plan that will be presented to the City of Joondalup. This Business Plan will be the way we can prove the community's need, want, and support for the garden, now and into the future.

There are exciting times ahead and we look forward to providing you with the next exciting update.

2022 PCG Secretary - Sandy How

NEW 2022 COMMITTEE

Chair - David Hay Vice Chair - Ellen Ender Secretary - Sandy How Vice Secretary - Leona Liddelow Treasurer - Renee Meakin Vice Treasurer - Lindsay/Sean Meakin Fundraising Coordinator - Sue Allgood Media Coordinator - Heather Pate Committee Member - Sonya Elek Committee Member - Vanessa Albury Committee Member - Paula Williams



Fundraising

We are working hard to bring more fun and interesting workshops to our community. If you have any ideas or know anyone who would like to hold a workshop with us, please contact us.

2022 PCG Fundraising Coordinator -Sue Allgood



24 SEPTEMBER - 1 OCTOBER 2022

The Whitfords Lions Club have asked us for volunteers to man a stall that is hiring gophers, wheelchairs, baby strollers and pull along wagons. In return, the Lions will donate \$300 a day making it \$1500 as a donation to the Padbury Community Garden.

There are two shifts to choose from Monday to Friday: 9am - 3pm or 3pm -9pm.

Please message Ellen Ender if interested to help out as a Lions volunteer and gain free entry and free parking to the show

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PAINTING WORKSHOP EMU EDITION

Gabrielle from Pickled Paintbrush is back to bring us her contagious enthusiasm to teach us how to paint this goofy emu! Tea and coffee provided.

Saturday 27th August 2:30-5:30 pm

Padbury Hall, 2 Caley Road

\$65+booking fee per person

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