

On the trail

What's happening in the Shire

September 2025

From the President

Hi everyone,

Spring is a spectacular time in the Perth Hills. Our trails are alive with wildflowers, local businesses are buzzing, and there's a strong sense of community connection.

October brings Local Government Elections, giving you the chance to help shape the future of our shire. I encourage you to read the candidates' profiles carefully and take part in this important democratic process. In South Ward, no election is required as only two nominations were received. Congratulations to Cr Luke Ellery on his re-election and a warm welcome to Cr-elect Ben Heptinstall.

Once the new Council is sworn in, we'll be focusing on several priorities that matter to our community. These include progressing the Mundaring Cultural Hub, reviewing the Keeping of Cats Local Law to balance environmental and community needs, and evaluating waste services to ensure they are efficient and sustainable.

At the heart of every Council decision is our commitment to community safety, good planning and protecting what makes the Perth Hills unique. Thank you for continuing

for working with us to create a thriving, sustainable future.

Paige McNeil Shire President





Mundaring Hills Open Studios is back this October and it's the biggest yet!

Over nine days, from Saturday 18 to Sunday 26 October, 81 artists will open the doors to 30 studios and 4 venues across the Perth Hills.

From painters and sculptors to glass artists, jewellers and photographers, there is something to spark everyone's imagination. Visitors will also have the chance to enjoy demonstrations, workshops and artist talks, offering a rare insight into the creative process of our amazing community.

Studios are open 10am-5pm on weekends and 10am-4pm on weekdays. With so many stops along the trail, it's a wonderful opportunity to plan a day out, meet our local artists and support their work.

To plan your scan QR code and view the full list of participating artists.



Mandoon Bilya Bioblitz Festival

10am to 3pm • Mundaring Sculpture Park

Live performances, family fun, stalls & giveaways. Learn about caring for Country and citizen science. By Bibbul Ngarma Aboriginal Association



Scan QR code or visit bibbul.org/mandoonbilya-bioblitz/

04 to 05 October

Blade and Leather Showcase

10am to 4pm • Mundaring Arena

See WA & interstate makers: blacksmiths, leathersmiths, sharpeners & more. By Perth Hills Events & Laughing Fish Forge



Scan QR code or visit facebook.com/events/ mundaring-arena/blade-andleather/836328631761904/

01 to 31 October

Spring Quenda Count

Across the Shire of Mundaring

Join the Spring Quenda Count! Track local bandicoots & support conservation.



Scan QR code or visit mundaring.wa.gov.au/ environment-waste/animalsnative-and-feral/octoberspring-quenda-count.aspx