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presents



Fridgetown Fest



2024



WINTER CAPITAL OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

JULY

www.fridgetownfest.com.au

Welcome to the Fidgetown Fest 2024!

Welcome to the JULY edition of FRIDGETOWN FEST 2024, another cosy celebration of all the wonders and joys that winter has to offer! Compiled by the dedicated team of volunteers from the BGTA, this festival encourages us to embrace all that is warm and wonderful about winter in the South West.

July's highlights include Ghost Walks, a weekend full of Dungeons & Dragons, Puzzletown fun, a Permaculture workshop and Chocolate! Whether you're a local looking to enjoy all that your community has to offer, or a tourist seeking a memorable winter experience, we invite you to join us by embracing the cold and joining in some heartwarming activities!

Thank you for being a part of it!

Fidgetown Fest Committee 2024
Bridgetown Greenbushes Tourism Association (BGTA)

stuff in July

29th June – 14th July

PUZZLETOWN6255

PUZZLETOWN6255 - 154 Hampton Street

Join in all the puzzling fun for children and adults alike. Two weeks of activities designed to entertain and challenge participants of all ages including Crack the Code, Geocaching, Dungeons and Dragons, and much more. Heaps of puzzles and puzzling activities will be on in the Brierley Jigsaw Gallery. Be wow'ed by the largest collection of completed Jigsaw Puzzles in the southern hemisphere.

For Puzzletown info: puzzletown6255@iinet.net.au

5th – 7th July

GIANT BOOK SALE

Masonic Lodge, Hampton St. Bridgetown

Come and grab a bargain book

5th, 6th, 12th and 13th July

7pm-8.15pm \$10a, \$5c/student, \$25 family (2a2c)

HISTORICAL GHOST WALK

Police Station Museum, 148 Hampton Street

Join us on a guided walk through the streets of Bridgetown where you will encounter characters from the past, who have a tale to tell. You will learn some of the town's history, of its early settlers and hear about some strange happenings! Tea, coffee and biscuits included at the end of the tour.

Bookings <https://www.trybooking.com/CPFDC>

Enquiries: 0417174103, bridgetownhistory@iinet.net.au

5th July

7.30pm No cost

TADPOLE'S KARAOKE @ SHAMROCK **Shamrock Hotel, Greenbushes**

Come along to Tadpole's Karaoke for a great night. Lots of fun and laughs!

Enquiries tadpoleskaraoke@outlook.com

6th July

8.30am – 12.30pm or when sold out!

INTERNATIONAL CHOCOLATE DAY **Bridgetown Community Kiosk, Hampton St**

The Belles are celebrating this important day with a chocolate inspired bake stall! Raffles, goodies to buy, some craft. Come on down to the community kiosk, but better be quick – we are usually sold out by 11am.

Contact: Karla Paget 97611288, 0407470664

Enquiries: greenbushesbelles@gmail.com

6th July

10am – 2pm, \$75 pp Includes workshop, materials, tea/coffee, nibbles and lunch.

MAKING MEMORIES WORKSHOP **Crafting Fabric Memory Bowls**

Uniting Church Hall, 106 Roe St

Turn fabric scraps into beautiful vessels of memories! Fun and easy to make – no sewing required. Take fabric scraps from old shirts, child's clothing or Granny's old tablecloth. Suitable for all ages. Just bring along your memorabilia. Limited spaces.

Jay Thiele 0407989448 or jayran100@hotmail.com

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6th July

6pm

@willow_whispers_bridgetown proudly presents
ISABEL RUMBLE
with **Simon London and Mark Gretton**
Bridgetown Pottery Restaurant

A new voice in Australian music captivating audiences around the country.

Soup and crusty bread available from 5pm

Tix phone or text Pip Mills 0427 611 088

BYO drinks - no corkage

8th & 22nd July

9.30am – 12 noon

BRIDGETOWN HUB COOKING Workshops
with **Tash's Cottage Industries**

Cnr Roe & Steere Streets. Parking off Roe Street

July 8th - PATE, BREAD, TERRINE \$20 pp (+bf)

July 22nd - WINTER CURRIES \$10pp (+bf)

Both workshops include demonstration, plus hands on help, plus eating!

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL.

Booking/contact Book via Humanitix

Enq: 9761 2139 or admin@bridgetownhub.com.au

13th July

11.30am-3.00pm

SIP AND SHOP

Loft Handmade Boutique - 117 Hampton Street

Justine invites you to come and enjoy the Loft's high quality local and Western Australian handmade products. These include homewares, clothing, jewellery, baby and children's wear, gifts and much more. Enjoy a glass of bubbles, if you so desire.

Bookings not required. Just wander in!

13th and 14th July

8.30am – 5pm daily. Sessions start 9am and 2pm.

\$12.50 per session

BLACKWOOD DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS WINTERFEST

Bridgetown Show Grounds, 38 Peninsula Rd

The world's most popular tabletop roleplaying game returns to Bridgetown for a weekend of fun and adventure! Come and try your hand at Dungeons and Dragons, with one of our fantastic Dungeon Masters. All levels- from beginner to veteran. Roll some dice, slay some dragons and let your imagination run wild!

In between games browse our Winter Markets for delicious food and a range of merchandise.

While primarily an adult event, children 12+ may play if accompanied by an adult at all times.

Bookings: www.dndwinterfest.com.au

Enquiries: info@dndwinterfest.com.au

July 13th

Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7pm start. \$20pp

DUNGEONS AND DRUNKS (18+)
presented by **Blackwood D&D Winterfest**
Bridgetown Show Grounds, 38 Peninsular Rd

The Blackwood D&D Winterfest action doesn't stop when the sun goes down. Come and join us for an adult only (18yo+) night of vanquishing evil and battling dragons.

This evening session is designed to keep the fun going, while also allowing adult players to let their hair down. Food and drink available at the venue (**no BYO**).

Bookings: www.dndwinterfest.com.au

Enquiries: info@dndwinterfest.com.au

13th July

DINER EN BLINDER

Bridgetown Pottery Restaurant

From 6pm- A puzzling night involving food and the lack of one of your senses - what was that you just put in your mouth???

BYO drinks - no corkage

Bookings/enquiries: Pip Mills 0427 611 088

13th July

10am – 1pm By donation

WA BUSH FIRE MUSEUM

166 Hampton Str, opposite the Fire Station.

The W.A. Bush Fire Museum and Heritage Group is dedicated to collecting, preserving and displaying the history of Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades and other firefighting agencies involved in bush fire prevention and management within Western Australia.

www.bushfiremuseum.org.au

15th July

10am and 1pm, Gold coin donation

GAMES UNPLUGGED

Bridgetown CRC- 150 Hampton St

Come and join in a fun morning or afternoon of playing games. Choose from good old fashioned games or some of the more modern. Scrabble. Canasta. Cribbage. Settlers of Catan. Ticket to Ride. Azul and many more.

Bookings: Bridgetown CRC website "Events Page"

17th July

5.30pm – 6.15pm

LIVESTREAM KITCHEN TABLE GOSPEL SINGALONG

Join Mary Myfanwy and drummer Daun Crozier, for this intimate, interactive livestream from the cosy Teapot Farm kitchen.

Hosted on Mary's Facebook music page.

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19th & 28th July ROLLER SKATING Bridgetown Leisure Centre

Friday 19th 7.30 – 9.30pm, \$10 entry.
Sunday 28th 10am – 12pm, \$7 entry.
\$5 quad hire (or BYO). Cash only.
Kids 12 & under require adult supervision.
Details: www.facebook.com/bridgetownrollerskating

20th July 10am, \$5 pp, free for members of the Greenbushes Community Garden & Blackwood Permaculture

PERMACULTURE 101- JO & MIKE KAYE Greenbushes Community Garden 23 Blackwood St, Greenbushes

Permaculture is a holistic approach to designing sustainable systems that mimic natural ecosystems. Jo and Mike Kaye will talk about key principles of permaculture and share examples. Absolute beginners and seasoned long-term fans all welcome. Bring a plate of food to share for morning tea/lunch. Refreshments and soup will be available by donation. Produce and seed swap table too. Bring the family, but no pets.

Booking: www.events.humanitix.com/permaculture-101-with-jo-and-mike-kaye

July 20th to 28th

Thursday to Sunday 10am to 3pm Gallery hours.

THINGS WE MADE - COMPETITION AND EXHIBITION

THINGSweMAKE- 131 Hampton St

Come in and judge the entries in the latest "Things we Made" exhibition, where all artists use the same base materials to make an artwork to enter in the competition and the winner is chosen by you!

Booking/contact details: Mel on 0459934517 or Facebook - Things we Make Bridgetown WA

21st July

12pm

@willow_whispers_bridgetown proudly presents TOBY BEARD

Bridgetown Pottery Restaurant

An intimate acoustic winter Sunday with complimentary "Isles" mulled wine
Soup and crusty bread available from 11:30am

Tix phone or text Pip Mills 0427 611 088
BYO drinks - no corkage

July 21st

4.30pm – 6.30pm

TRANSITION BRIDGETOWN OPEN SPACE- "Heat Vulnerability and Drought" Uniting Church Hall, Roe St

It might be winter in Fridgetown, but remember how hot and dry it was from January to April? Carole Green, from the WACOSS heat vulnerability project, will share the results of her research into heat vulnerability in WA and lead a discussion on how we can help our community develop effective heat resilience. Come and share your ideas!

To register: transitionbridgetown19@gmail.com or via Humanitix Bridgetown events

24th July

5.30pm – 8.30pm

\$99 pp includes snacks and herbal teas.

JOURNAL MAKING

Slow Grow Project - 87B Hampton St

Create a hand stitched bound journal using plant dyed papers and offcuts. Materials provided.

Booking: www.slowgrowproject.com/creative-huddles

26th – 28th July (and 2nd–4th August)

Evening and Matinee performances

ONE ACT PLAY FESTIVAL

Bridgetown Repertory Club

Warm yourself with a night of short plays of varied genres and themes, at the Bridgetown Repertory Club. Experience the richness of dramatic storytelling in condensed form.

Info at: <https://www.facebook.com/BRIDGETOWNWRT/>
or <https://www.bridgetownrepertoryclub.com.au/>

27th July

9am - 11am

ASHBIL COMMUNITY GARDEN PRODUCE STALL AND WORKSHOP 17 Stewart St along the old railway line.

Freshly picked organic, spray-free produce, available for a small donation. Preserves and seeds also available. Tea, coffee and homemade goodies if you would like to stay for a chat. From 9.30 – 10.30 - garden workshop. See FB page for details or see notices at IGA, the Library, Blackwood Fresh, and Ashbil Gardens.

Also, BLACKWOOD ENVIRONMENT SOCIETY (BES) PLANT SALE

Huge range of endemic plants, prices from \$1.10 - \$4.50 (eftpos and cash). BES is a not-for-profit Landcare nursery that relies on volunteers and plant sales to operate. Free copy of 'On the Blackwood' with each purchase.



Throughout the Festival

Every day

FREE, bookings not required, can be done any time

BRIDGETOWN & GREENBUSHES WALK TRAILS

Many trails available... long, short, bitumen or bush. Pack a raincoat. Winter is a beautiful time to be out in the bush, or to follow the history of our towns through the buildings that remain.

Every day

FREE, bookings not required, can be done any time

BRIDGETOWN & GREENBUSHES ART TRAILS

We are a haven for artists! Follow the map to find all the artworks around the streets of Bridgetown and Greenbushes.

Every day

\$3/book, bookings not required, can be done any time

BRIDGETOWN HERITAGE TRAIL

We are the only heritage listed town in the South West. Follow the history of Bridgetown with a detailed booklet, filling in the stories of the area.

All trail booklets available for free download from www.bridgetown.com.au. Printed copies from the Bridgetown Visitor Centre (\$3 each) 08 9761 1740

Every day

FREE, bookings not required, can be done any time

GEOCACHE PUZZLETOWN

The biggest treasure hunt in the world is also here in Bridgetown. It's free, it's easy and it's called geocaching. To learn more and download the free official app visit geocaching.com/playyou'll be hooked!

Enquiries: puzzletown6255@iinet.net.au

Every day

WINTER IS HERE - SO ARE SOUPS FATS 179 Hampton St

A weekly delightfully different soup special.

Dine-in (delivery and T/A available)
FATS 9761 2313 or 0413 024 941

Every day

BELLS OF BRIDGETOWN

Listen out for the Bells of Bridgetown ringing the Angelus at midday and 6pm each day. The original bell is located at Elysian, Bridgetown, where guests have the opportunity to ring the bell.

Details: www.elysianbridgetown.com/ring-the-founding-bell.html

Every day

9am-8pm. Spot light viewing by night.
18+ \$5, 80+ free. Please feed the Honesty Frog

PERRIER SCULPTURE GARDEN BRIDGETOWN

2 Dreyfus Street

Drive into the roundabout and feel free to explore the sculptures. Over 30 sculptures by award winning sculptor Kim Perrier who is represented in national and state galleries. Cast bronze. Lightweight concrete. Wood. Carbon. Metal. Stone. Exotic materials.

Enquiries: 0467 421 782 or 0418 611 130



**THE 2024
DONNELLY
VERANDAH RESIDENCIES**

June - August

FLOEUR ALDER
ROB GEAR
SUE LEEMING
HOLLY O'MEEHAN
JILL PAYNTER-O'MEEHAN
CIM SEARS

find out more about the residency artists
For updates, workshops, performance and other information, and images of works in progress please visit:
thedonnelyverandahresidencies.com



**GRAB A
FRIDGETOWN FEST SOUVENIR**

Cute reusable hot/cold cups featuring our rugged-up bear, perfect for a warming beverage on a cold and misty morning.

Only \$10.95, with five great colours to choose from, plus find a bonus chocolate treat inside!

Free delivery to your Bridgetown accommodation, or collect from a central point if

COLD MORNING, HOT DRINK



bridgetownhighpand@gmail.com - a Bridgetown High School P&C initiative

Throughout the Festival

Every other Sunday

July 7th & 21st

8am – 12noon Free Entry

BRIDGETOWN SUNDAY MARKETS Blackwood River Park

An iconic community market at the Blackwood River Park, this event has been running for many years. Rug up with your winter warmest and head down to the markets. Runs fortnightly on a Sunday morning. Always a great community morning with an eclectic mix of stallholders selling local fruit and vegetables, crafts and trinkets, food, homewares, jams, coffee, artisan made and much more. Centred around the children's playground, this is the place to meet the locals and their dogs, chat to friends, stock up for the week and perhaps find a treasure!

Enquiries : Bridgetown Visitor Centre 08 9761 1740

Wednesday – Sunday

SECRET PICNIC ADVENTURES

Pick up your picnic basket from your starting location and solve clues to determine your next pickup point. Fill your basket up as you go along. Once you have all your picnic ingredients, you are directed to your secret location to enjoy your picnic at your leisure.

Bookings can be made at
www.secretpicnicadventures.com

Fridays

5:30 - 7:30pm

Free entry, bookings not required

LIVE MUSIC @ THE CIDERY

43 Gifford Road

Local musicians-

July 5- MDV MUSIC

July 12- DREANA

July 19- MELLOW DEA

July 26- MARTIN LEE CROPPER

Light meals, craft cider, beer, gin and wine.

Enquiries: The Cidery 9761 2204
www.thecidery.com.au



Every Sunday

5.30 – 8pm dinner

THE SHAMROCK SUNDAY ROAST

The Shamrock Hotel, Greenbushes

Enjoy a traditional Sunday roast dinner at this award-winning hotel
Enquiries: 0412 596 716

Wednesdays, Fridays, Saturdays

10am – 2pm,

\$5 adults, \$2 children

GREENBUSHES DISCOVERY CENTRE

38 Blackwood Road, Greenbushes

A number of interactive displays focused on Mining, Timber Milling and Land Care. There are 25km of walk trails around Greenbushes including a Heritage Amble and the Mine Lookout, all of which are free.

Bookings not required.

Enquiries: Leonie 0427 643 065 or leave a message at the Discovery Centre on (08) 9764 3883
www.greenbushes.net.au

1st – 29th July

10am-2pm

20X20 ART EXHIBITION

The Rabbit Hole Community Arts Hub

Lower level 87 Hampton Street

Come and explore the amazing work of our local artists.

All donated artwork for sale at \$50 each. Funds raised go to the upgrade of exhibition and workshop facilities at The Rabbit Hole.

Enquiries: therabbitholebridgetown@gmail.com



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