



Celebrating
Community



Thank a Volunteer Day 2021

Thank You

The contribution volunteers make to our community is deserving of celebration.

Your efforts and care make a difference to the daily lives of so many and the Town of Bassendean acknowledges and thanks you for all you do.

Communities that care for one another are strong and resilient. That's what you bring to our Town.



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Celebrating Our Volunteers

The Town of Bassendean acknowledges that there are many groups doing amazing work in our community.

The groups featured in this booklet are those that have registered their information with the Bassendean Volunteer Centre and sent us information about their achievements in time for inclusion in this publication.

Please see page 27 if you want to register and be included in the next publication.

Our volunteers, supporting community groups, sporting clubs, schools and other not for profit organisations are at the heart of the Town of Bassendean.

On the following pages you will find a selection of Community Organisations and their achievements.

Contact details for each of the groups are included for your reference.



Bassendean 55Plus Association

The Bassendean 55Plus Association is a social group promoting activities and information to the over 55 age group in the Bassendean community.



Key Achievements:

We have continued to support all activities which include Art, Chair Yoga, Crafts, Game Day and Carpet Bowls

- We decided to offer activities to a younger demographic to encourage more participants; although they cannot become members they are happy to come along.
- For Seniors Week 2021 we joined with the Volunteers, had Morning Teas and a luncheon with a quiz which was enjoyed by all.
- Going forward we are looking at introducing more activities to bring the Community to a place where there is caring, fun and inclusion.

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<https://www.facebook.com/Bassendean-55-Plus-Association-104358047579795>



The Bassonovas

The Bassonovas are a Community Samba Percussion Group based in the suburb of Bassendean, just 10 km east of Perth City. They first began in Feb 2007 and today continue to party in WA with their own funky compositions and rhythms from Brazil!



Key Achievements:

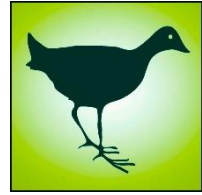
- Volunteered and performed at the Bassendean Markets 10th Birthday Celebrations.
- Helped raise funds for the Kalamunda Bush Fire Brigade and RFDS.
- Obtained a grant from the Town of Bassendean to purchase new drums and instruments related to the culture of African Drumming.

sites.google.com/site/bassonovas/



Friends of Bindaring Wetland

Friends of Bindaring Wetland have formed to liaise with Local government and our community in the pursuit of long term rehabilitation of our local wetland, Bindaring Park, which is connected to the Swan River.



Key Achievements

- We are delighted with the work done in the north section of the reserve by the Town of Bassendean in 2021. The two main water inlets have been cleared and revegetated with native wetland species. The Bassendean Preservation Group grew 450 plants for the north sector and 500 for the mid-sector and helped us put them in.
- We also partnered with the Bassendean Preservation Group to secure grants through the state and federal governments for place-naming bollards for the reserve, to be installed in the 2022.
- Since the last Thank A Volunteer Day, the Friends have contributed 136hrs of hand-weeding in the mid-section, over 13 pleasant Sunday mornings.

<https://www.facebook.com/BindaringParkFriendsBassendean/>



Bassendean Bowling Club

Established in 1934, Bassendean Bowling Club is a friendly local member-based sporting club that caters for lawn bowls, darts, pool, and functions and events.



Key Achievements

- We run a very successful Community Barefoot Bowls competition that is open to community members by nomination.
- We offer a fantastic bowls experience at a level that is suitable for new and experienced players for women and men and field 12 men's and women's sides each week throughout summer with pennant bowls played on Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturdays.
- New reverse cycle air-conditioning is being installed throughout the building to create a fantastic and comfortable experience for our guests
- Our greens are amongst the best in the state..

<https://www.facebook.com/bassendeanbowlingclub/>

www.bassendeanbc.com.au



Ashfield Community Action Network

Ashfield Community Action Network (AshfieldCAN), established in 2008, continues to contribute to the community of Ashfield and, more broadly, the Town of Bassendean. Regular community events such as the annual Dog's Breakfast, Christmas and Christmas in July as well as park weeding events (Weed and Feed) and free family BBQs in Gary Blanch Reserve are characteristic of AshfieldCAN's community engagement.



Key Achievements

- Coming to fruition this year was the establishment of the Lookout Park (shown below) at the junction of Villiers Street and Hardy Road, overlooking Ashfield Flats Wetland, the Swan River valley, and the Darling escarpment beyond. This project was years in the making and is an outstanding example of what can be achieved through the efforts of volunteers.
- The Lookout Video Project is a work in progress; a collaborate effort between CJ (Cyril Jackson) Arts House and the Town of Bassendean. The full outcomes of this outstanding project are still to be published.

With a growing membership and some wonderful new projects on the horizon, we are looking forward to 2022.

<https://www.facebook.com/ashfieldcan/>



Eden Hill Community Action Network

Over the last year we've engaged in a range of activities and projects to work towards our objectives. In an effort to keep the Eden Hill community informed of our own activities and other happenings in the area we have kept the community informed on a number of important local topics including:



- Underground power in Eden Hill and parts of Bassendean
- The Mary Crescent Reserve 'greening project'; Our Park, Our Place
- The Jubilee Reserve masterplanning process:

We have also been continuing to work toward making Eden Hill an even safer community through the following activities:

- Actively encouraging residents to get to know their neighbours
- Distributing material from Neighbourhood Watch WA
- Including Neighbourhood Watch tips and information on our Facebook page and in email updates.

www.edenhillcan.org.au



Bassendean Preservation Group

BPG seeks to improve Bassendean by engaging the local community through river and park enhancement projects.



Key Achievements

- Over 3,000 seedlings grown and planted out in 2021 - significantly more than 2020. Dedicated members and volunteers worked at the GroCentre on a weekly basis to care for our young plants, do maintenance and make preparations for plant outs. Planting rushes will continue over summer when river tides permit.
- 2 projects received grants in 2021, to be implemented early in 2022 – one from the state government to double the capacity of our native seedling benches– the other is with Friends of Bindaring for federal funds to install place-naming bollards across Bindaring Park.
- Talented members have built a fresh website that can receive enquiries and accept membership payments online. We are now on Instagram and continue an active presence on facebook.

www.bpginc.info



Bassendean Walking Group

The Bassendean Walking Group meet frequently to go on 45- 60 minute walks in various locations around Bassendean.



Key Achievements

- Despite COVID-19, they have managed to keep the walking group running through the pandemic and keep everyone fit and healthy
- Brought a sense of community and connection to people during the year



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<https://www.yourmove.org.au/things-to-do/bassendean-walking-group/>



5000Meals (Prepare Produce Provide)

5000meals program is a WA initiative that engages professional chefs, schools and volunteers to take surplus food, that might otherwise end up in landfill, and turn it into nutritious meals for people in need.



Key Achievements:

- PPP encourages secondary schools to run the program in one or more of their home economic classes as part of the curriculum. For home economic teachers who sign up, 5000meals provides a kit to assist them in rolling out the program in their kitchen. 5000meals also provides these classes with a professional chef visit that will facilitate a workshop
- 5000meals Community Kitchen is headed up by professional chef Tanya Healy. Every Saturday morning volunteers are encouraged to join Tanya in a commercial kitchen to take surplus produce and cook an especially tailored bulk recipe. The meals that are created from this recipe are packaged, labelled and frozen ready for distribution to local agencies.
- Zero Waste Workshops provide opportunities to build networks, find inspiration, and develop activities for the classrooms that promote advocacy..



<https://www.facebook.com/5000meals>

<https://www.facebook.com/PrepareProduceProvide>



Friends of Success Hill Reserve

Friends of Success Hill Reserve was formed in 2009 with the following aims:

- Recognition and protection of the Indigenous Heritage and restoration of the unique ecological biodiversity of this Class A bushland reserve.
- Pro-active management for the long-term health and sustainability of the reserve through non chemical weed management.
- Ensure equitable and representative community engagement with state and local government.

Key Achievements (working with the Town of Bassendean and The Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions):

- The planting of hundreds of native species by volunteers in the reserve during the winter and Ongoing hand weeding
- A solarisation project.
- Non chemical weed control and restoration works on the river embankment.
- The planting and ongoing care of tree's and banksia's in the reserve area.

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Bassendean Community Transport

The Town of Bassendean offers a community transport service for residents who have limited or no access to private transport and have difficulty accessing conventional public transport.



The service is operated by a team of dedicated volunteer drivers and reception staff.

Key Achievements:

- Have continued with their regular services, including assisting people to get to medical appointments on time at various locations across the Perth metro area.
- An average of 145 journeys per month are coordinated by 6 receptionists, 8 drivers and one helper.

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Bassendean Community Men's Shed

The Bassendean Community Men's Shed is for members to meet, share or learn skills, converse, work on projects or just come and have a cuppa.



Key Achievements

- Opening of our new shed at 1A May Holman Drive on 10th September, 2021
- Formation of the "Shed Men" band made up of shed members playing guitar and bass with some harmonica and good fun.
- Held community sausage sizzles

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<https://www.facebook.com/bassendeanshed/>



Hanwell Way Men's Shed

We are a small shed in membership numbers, though we are eager to increase our numbers. We specialise in accepting men with challenges be they physical or mental, and this also includes their "carers" if they have one with them.



Key Achievements

- We have received positive feedback from carers and guests about how the men who come along feel secure being in a shed that welcomes them and genuinely cares for their wellbeing.
- We have made efforts to assign our individual members to projects that are more appropriate for their abilities, which will then boost their sense of achievement.
- We have involved the shed's members and their carers in fabricating shed structures.

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Bassendean Historical Society Inc.

The Bassendean Historical Society (Inc.) aims to foster and encourage an understanding of the history and heritage of the Bassendean district.



Key Achievements

- Bassendean Historical Society Inc celebrated their 30th birthday in August 2021 with a morning tea for past and present members at Bassendean Memorial Library with including Freeman Bevan and Jennie Carter and former Library Manager Allan Caddy. President Mark Johnston is cutting the cake in the photograph.
- Members opened the Pensioner Guard Cottage every Sunday from February to July for over 150 visitors.
- Members continue to assist the Local Studies Librarian with administrative and research work in Bassendean Memorial Library.

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<https://www.facebook.com/BassendeanHistoricalSociety>



Repair Café Bassendean

Repair Café Bassendean is an initiative based in Bassendean that aims to minimise waste and strengthen our community. All are welcome.



We are now in the process of starting the “Share Shed in Bassendean”.

Key Achievements

- We held 9 sessions with 250 items brought in and 193 items repaired successfully.
- We toured Bassendean with our sessions popping up at The 5Four Store, Hawaiian’s Shopping Centre, Caff On Broadway and Guildford Town Hall.
- We started the Repair Café Café where we sell tea & coffee, toasties and world famous scones as a fundraiser.



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<https://www.facebook.com/RepairCafeBassendean>

<https://www.facebook.com/shareshedbassendean>

<https://repaircafebassendean.org.au/>

Bassendean RSL Eastern Regional

The Eastern Regional RSL is a place run by the service person for the service person. A great place to have chat, coffee in the morning or beer in the evening.



Key Achievements:

- Poppy stand was held in November at the Bassendean shopping centre
- Coordinated and run ANZAC day and Remembrance Day services on behalf of the RSL and the Town of Bassendean
- Opened the hall to community groups for use

<https://www.facebook.com/Bassendean-RSL-Eastern-Regional-1578714082392389/>



Bassendean SES

When a natural disaster strikes or an emergency situation arises, DFES's State Emergency Service (SES) volunteers can be found providing a wide range of volunteer services to help the community cope from the impact a disaster.



Key Achievements:

- Bassendean SES has committed 4562 person hours from members to Training Admin and callouts to incidents such as Cyclone Seroja.
- In the Kalbarri and Wooroloo bush fires plus Search and Storm damage, the total for call outs was 1685 person hours of the above total.
- This is one of the largest member commitment for our unit in many years.

<https://www.facebook.com/BassendeanSES>



Women Can International Inc

Women Can International Inc. is an association focused on supporting women to find and take the next step in their journey. We do that through events, educational opportunities, mentoring and legacy projects. We currently have a small team of very dedicated volunteers who support the Association and are always open to more!



Key Achievements:

- Launched the Inspiring Legacy Project at Bassendean Community Hall, with participation of approximately 50 women who left the event feeling very inspired and raving about the event.
- Hosted a retreat for women at Anapana Ridge in October, with 14 women participating and learning how to Heart-Set Journal and finding their next steps in their journey.
- Currently running the MYI Project out of the Bassendean Youth Services, a one night a week, 10 week program, which is a young women's mentoring program that explores identity through the five senses.

www.womencaninternational.com

www.facebook.com/womencaninternationalinc



GROW WA

GROW is a community-based organisation that has helped thousands of Australians with their recovery from mental ill-health through a unique program of mutual support and personal development. **The**

Grow Program is based on a 12-step program of personal growth of mutual help and support. The program is all-inclusive and draws on many principles for mental, social and spiritual health.



Key Achievements:

- We continue to hold our free weekly meetings for Mental Wellbeing
- We have a monthly group social
- We welcome new members at all times
- Grow offers lots of training and workshops to all members

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www.grow.org.au



Bassendean Railway Museum

The Railway Museum at Bassendean is Western Australia's premier museum devoted to railway history. The collection is highly significant as it is the only such one in Western Australia that aims to tell the story of all railways across the state



Key Achievements:

- On 21 August there was the ceremony at Wonnerup House, near Busselton to recognise the 150 years of loco-hauled railways in WA on the location where the first locomotive 'Ballaarat' operated. The plaque for the monument was unveiled by Hon David Templeman MLA, Minister for Tourism, Heritage, Culture and Arts.
- We held two major events at the Railway Museum in Bassendean – the Model Rail Expo in June as well as our annual RailFest in October. Together those two days saw 2,800 people visit. Both events were run in conjunction of local groups and kindred bodies.
- Completed the restoration of two steam locomotives – the sentimental favourite 123-year old Leschenault Lady and the truly Western Australian Midland-built 'Greenmount' S- class. Both gave demonstration runs to the delight of the public and drew vary large crowds. Over two days Leschenault Lady's appearances in Boyanup resulted in 2,700 people attending – clear record crowds for the South West Rail and Heritage Centre.

<http://www.railheritagewa.org.au/museum/pages/bassendean/>



Bassendean Wider Vision Group

The Bassendean Wider Vision group members meet in the Main Hall under the Council office every Wednesday morning at 10.00 am. The goal is to inform, entertain and provide social opportunities for the community. On the first 3 Wednesdays of the month they have a guest speaker, followed by morning tea and on the 4th Wednesday a social day.

Highlights:

- Pat Butler was part of the Bassendean Bowling Club winning their competition.
- Big morning Tea for Cancer & Lunch and tour of Fairbridge Farm.
- Arthur Leggett's 103rd birthday.
- Great speakers thanks to Merle Andrews.
- Having Christmas Lunch at the fabulous Bassendean Bowling Club.
- We are a very friendly and happy club.

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<https://www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/listings/community/44/wider-vision>



Bassendean Association for Creativity & Enterprise

The Bassendean Association for Creativity and Enterprise (BACE) aims to enable communities to unlock and harness their creative capital. The group is hosting a series of events this year, which centre around three main objectives:

- Imagination Liberation Sessions - Encouraging skill sharing and connection between people of different backgrounds and ages in a conversational, fun and relaxed way
- The Nautilus Project - Providing opportunities for people to learn how to harness their creativity, earn extra income and further develop their enterprise skills.
- Frankly Speaking - Inviting local experts and enigmas from the community to share their valuable experiences through a series of free talks hosted at local business venues.

hub4creatives@gmail.com

www.facebook.com/hub4creatives



Morley Baptist Church

Morley Baptist Church is located at 33 Hanwell Way, Bassendean. We love to reach out to the community and one of the many things that it is involved in is distributing left over bread to those who need it. We would love you to see you there.



Highlights:

- Three nights a week volunteers go to bread shops and take what is left over, package it and distribute it to various locations.
- 13 Volunteers work nonstop all year round.
- We have a Christmas festival on the 12th Dec 5pm to 7.00pm with lots of free activities for the children, food and entertainment and then Carols 7 to 8.30 pm.

www.morleybaptist.org.au



Town of Bassendean Updates:

Town of Bassendean Community Directory:

We would love to keep in touch. Please update your groups contact information in the Community Directory, to receive information from the Town:

<https://www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/listings/community>

Sponsorship and Grants Program

Open to Community Organisations in the Town of Bassendean.

Eligible applicants may receive funding of up to \$2000 to help deliver activities that promote a vibrant, connected, and inclusive community.

[For more info visit the : Town of Bassendean website](#)

Town of Bassendean Community Awards 2022

Nominations Open Now till 31 January 2022

The Town of Bassendean Community Awards is an exciting opportunity for the Town to recognise and acknowledge individuals, community groups and businesses for their excellence in the community.

[To Nominate go to the Town of Bassendean website](#)

Bassendean Volunteer Centre

Bassendean Volunteer Centre is an initiative of the Town of Bassendean :

- Offering training, information and resources relating to volunteering
- Promotion of Volunteer positions and Community groups
- Matching the skills, interests, and availability of potential volunteers to available positions.

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Bassendean Community Directory

Community Activities

Bassendean Book Club	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/listings/community/book-clubs
Bassendean Bowling Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeanbowlingclub
Bassendean Melody Club	www.facebook.com/groups/1725834957645789
Bassendean Scrabble Club	www.freewebs.com/scrabblewa/clubs.htm
Bassendean Walking Group	yourmove.org.au/things-to-do/bassendean-walking-group/
Bassendean Writers Group	bassendeanwriters.wordpress.com/
Community Cinemas	www.facebook.com/telethoncommunitycinemas
Eden Hill Dog Fellowship	www.freewebs.com/edenhilldogfellowship
Hanwell Way Community Men's Shed	www.mensshedswa.org.au/sheds-near-you
Hotham Valley Tourist Railway	www.hothamvalleyrailway.com.au/
Mainly Music Bassendean	www.facebook.com/mainlymusicbassendean
Northern Districts Orchid Society Inc.	https://www.ndos.org.au
Railway Museum	www.railheritagewa.org.au
St Vincent De Paul	www.vinnies.org.au/shops/view/340
Wider Vision	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/listings/community/44/wider-vision

Community Groups

AshfieldCAN	www.facebook.com/ashfieldcan
Bassendean 55 Plus Association Inc.	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/listings/community/9/bassendean-55-plus-association-inc
Bassendean Eastern Regional RSL	www.rslwa.org.au/branch/eastern-regional
Bassendean Historical Society Inc.	library.bassendean.wa.gov.au/services/local-studies/bassendean-historical-society.aspx
Bassendean Lions Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeanlions
Bassendean Men's Shed	bassendean.mensshedswa.org.au
Bassendean Preservation Group	www.facebook.com/bassendeanpreservationgroup
Bassonovas	sites.google.com/site/bassonovas
Eden Hill Community Action Network	www.edenhillcan.org.au

Friends Of Bindaring Wetland	www.facebook.com/pg/bindaringparkfriendsbassendean/about
Hanwell Way Community Men's Shed	www.menssheds.wa.org.au/sheds-near-you
Maltese Association of WA	www.malteseassociation.wa.org.au
Repair Cafe Bassendean	www.facebook.com/repaircafebassendean
Success Hill Action Group	www.facebook.com/successhillactiongroup
Swan Rotary Club	swanrotary.org.au

Community Services

Bassendean Community Transport	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/community/community-services/community-transport.aspx
Bassendean Library	library.bassendean.wa.gov.au/
Bassendean Little Free Library	www.facebook.com/bassendeanlittlefreelibrary/
Bassendean Seniors & Disability Services	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/community/community-services/seniors-disability-services.aspx
Bassendean Volunteer Centre	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/community/community-services/bassendean-volunteers.aspx
Bassendean Youth Services	bys.net.au/
Narcotics Anonymous	www.na.org.au/multi/meetings/
Ranger Services	www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/services/rangers-community-safety/ranger-services-cats-dogs.aspx
RYDE Program	www.ryde.org.au
Street Doctor - Ashfield	wacconnect.org.au/street-doctor-at-ashfield/
Technology for Ageing and Disability WA	tad.wa.org.au/
Therapy Focus Bassendean	therapyfocus.org.au/locations/
Westcare	westcare.com.au/

Sporting Clubs

Ashfield Sports Club	www.facebook.com/ashfieldsportsclub/
Bassendean Amateur Football Club	bassendeanafc.com.au/
Bassendean Caledonian Soccer Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeancaledonians/
Bassendean Galaxy Basketball Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeangalaxy/
Bassendean Junior Cricket Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeanjuniorcricketclub/

Bassendean Junior Football Club	www.facebook.com/bassendeanjfc/
Eden Hill Little Athletics	www.facebook.com/edenhilllittleathleticsclub/
North Bassendean Little Athletics Club	sites.google.com/site/northbassendeanlac
Bassendean Tennis Club	www.bassendeantennisclub.com.au/
Strikers Christian Football Club	perthstrikerscfc.com.au/
Swan Districts Football Club	www.swandistrictsfc.com.au/
Swan Districts Softball Club	hwww.facebook.com/pg/swan-districts-softball-club
WA Christian Football Association	www.wacfa.com.au/
Spiritual/ Religious	
Bassendean Church of Christ	www.bassochurch.org.au/
Bassendean Presbyterian Church	bpca.org.au/
Church on the Rise - St Mark the Evangelist	www.stmarksbassendean.church/
Eckankar Society of WA	www.eckankar-wa.websytle.com.au
Karla-Bidjar SDA Fellowship	karlabidjar.adventist.org.au/
Morley Baptist Church	www.morleybaptist.org.au/contact
St Joseph's Parish	<u>www.perthcatholic.org.au/Parish.htm?parish_id=-50499994</u>
Education	
Anzac Terrace Primary School	anzacterrace.wa.edu.au
Ashfield Primary School	www.ashfieldps.wa.edu.au
Bassendean Primary School	bassendeanps.wa.edu.au
Casa Mia	casamiamontessori.wa.edu.au
Cyril Jackson Senior Campus	www.cyriljackson.wa.edu.au
Ed Connect Australia	www.edconnectaustralia.org.au
Eden Hill Primary School	www.edenhillps.wa.edu.au
St Michael's Primary School	www.stmichaelsbass.wa.edu.au



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