

# NEWS FROM PEACEHAVEN

September 2021

## AGM AND CELEBRATION

The Friends of Peacehaven AGM will be held at the Nursery Shed on **Friday 24 September, 5 pm**. The official business shouldn't take more than half an hour, and after that it will be party time – because we'll be celebrating exactly 15 years since Peacehaven Botanic Park officially opened.

It was in December 2004 that farmer Stan Kuhl signed the agreement to donate almost 5 ha of his land to the community for a botanic park. Work began on the park in early 2005, and a meeting was held the following February to form the Friends of Peacehaven Botanic Park. Over the next few months the Friends and Council worked together with energy and dedication, and the official opening of the park took place on Sunday 24 September 2006.

Please join us to celebrate the park's 15th birthday!

**RSVP:** [peacehaven3@gmail.com](mailto:peacehaven3@gmail.com) by **Monday 20 September**.

## WATTLE DAY: 1 SEPTEMBER

The wattles around Highfields and Crows Nest have put on a particularly good show this year. By now most of them are past their best, but, to mark our nation's Wattle Day, here on the right is a shot of a sprig of late-blooming wattle in the editor's garden.



## SPRING IS HERE AT LAST

Spring seems to have been coming and going, with warm days interspersed among colder ones and a few frosts persisting. But now that September is here the warmth feels more convincing, and perhaps it's time to put those extra blankets away.

Out in the bush it has been a wonderful year for hardenbergia or native sarsaparilla (*Hardenbergia violacea*), particularly in areas affected by earlier bushfires, where it made a spectacular show of purple. It's attractive as a garden plant, either climbing on fences and stumps or allowed to sprawl on the ground.

*Hardenbergia and wonga vine (Pandorea pandorana) running riot on a hakea stump*

## MUSIC IN THE PARK

There will be a Music in the Park event on **Sunday 12 September** featuring local identities **The Hobsons**. Their music is catchy and their lyrics real and relevant.

Pack a picnic, bring your friends and family and enjoy the music in spring sunshine. But please take care to observe all Covid-19 regulations.

**Time:** 1 pm to 3 pm

*The Hobsons*



## NOMINATIONS FOR COMMITTEE

You will already have received the email calling for nominations for the new Management Committee. Please do consider putting your name forward. You're welcome to nominate either for a specific position or as a general committee member. And a reminder: nomination forms need to be received by email or at the nursery by **Friday 10 September**.

Committee members will be elected at the AGM on **Friday 24 September**.