## **Membership 2022 2023**

#### Annual memberships are due 30 June

Return form to the letter box at 20 King Street Coogee 6166

Individual membership\* \$50 incl GST Family Membership\* \$80 incl GST Junior Membership\*\* \$20 incl GST Individual plot fee\*\*\* \$120 incl GST

## Please complete this section and make payment using Electronic Bank Transfer

Your details Date	
Name	
Email	
Address (Optional)	
Phone	
Signature	
Nominated by (Existing member)	
Payment	
Donation received:	\$
Membership received:	\$
Total	\$

Electronic Funds BSB: 086 - 170

Account no 273 494 317 Reference: Your name

# Children and pets

We encourage and welcome children if under the direct supervision of a responsible adult. Pets are not allowed in the lower two thirds of the garden area.

# **Member requirements**

- Uphold the rules of Coogee Community Garden WA Inc.
- Respect the rights and opportunities of others using the garden.
- Take pride in our Garden and ensure it is left in a tidy state upon leaving.

### Do's and Don'ts

- Only use products endorsed for pest and disease control by the management committee.
- Do not grow weedy species.
- Do not smoke on the grounds.

# Health & Safety in the Garden

- Volunteers and visitors to the grounds have a duty to themselves and others to be safe.
- Undertake activities safely including using personal protective equipment (provided) and undertaking safe manual lifting procedures.
- Clean and store tools correctly after use.
- Report any hazards, damaged tools or equipment.
- Only operate mechanical and electrical equipment if approved.
- Seek help if unsure or assistance required.
- Be responsible for your personal possessions.
- Be aware that Bees and Nut trees live in the garden! (For those with allergies!)

# **Coogee Community** Garden WA Inc.

20 King Street Coogee WA 6166

2022 - 2023 **Community Garden** Membership Form





<sup>\*</sup> eligible for one vote, \*\*ineligible to vote at meetings,

<sup>\*\*\*</sup> optional individual garden plot if available, please enquire.

## **Our Objectives**

- Develop and maintain a community garden that is accessible to the whole community.
- Foster community engagement, cooperation, and the enjoyment of gardening, community arts and other cultural activities.
- Use and promote practices to reduce, re-use and recycle materials and energy, and reduce waste going to landfill.
- Develop healthy and local food production and distribution to community members.
- Promote and facilitate health and wellbeing in the community

## Membership

Spare time on your hands? Love gardening? Love the outdoors? Keen to gain and share gardening knowledge? Want to meet like-minded people? Want to participate in group activities and join an enthusiastic and passionate team? Join the Coogee Community Garden WA, and enjoy the following benefits:

#### Member benefits

- Garden produce on harvest days
- Free herbs
- Garden newsletter
- Attend our Members meetings
- Attend garden workshops, events, busy bees
- Volunteer and assist with gardening activities, open days, serve on the committee, etc.
- Swap and share produce including herbs, vegetables, fruit, seeds, potted plants
- Access a growing library of gardening resources

#### Volunteer

Talk to us about how you can help:

- Garden maintenance production beds, native bush tucker gardens, fruit trees and herbs (including planting, harvesting, propagation)
- Become a volunteer guide for newcomers
- Open Day helper various activities!
- General maintenance, minor construction etc
- Assist with fundraising e.g. sausage sizzles

# **Our History**

The Coogee Community Garden WA was founded by a group of residents who had the passion and vision for creating a garden accessible to all. The group was incorporated on the 15 November 2018 and a license agreement for the garden land area at Rotary Park was signed with the City of Cockburn on 9 June 2021. The first community planting day was held on 7 August 2021 at a "turning of the sod ceremony". Following this, the garden quickly took shape with the development of a community shed, access pathways and an outdoor gazebo area. The official opening day for the garden is planned for Saturday 15 October 2022.



https://www.facebook.com/coogeegardenWA



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# **Aboriginal Six Seasons**

#### Birak (December - January)

During Birak season the rain eases and the warm weather really starts to take hold. The afternoons are cooled by the sea breezes from the south west.

Traditionally this was the fire season. An almost clockwork style of easterly winds in the morning and sea breezes in the afternoon meant that this was burning time of the year for Noongar people and they would burn the country in mosaic patterns.

#### Bunuru (February - March)

Bunuru is the hottest time of the year with little to no rain. Hot easterly winds continue with a cooling sea breeze most afternoons – if you're close to the coast.

Traditionally this was, and still is, a great time for living and fishing by the coast, rivers and estuaries. Because of this, freshwater foods and seafood made up major parts of the Noongar people's diet during Bunuru.

#### Djeran (April - May)

Djeran season sees a break in the really hot weather. A key indicator of the change of season is the cool nights that bring a dewy presence in the early mornings.

The winds will also change, especially in their intensity, with light breezes generally swinging from southerly directions. Many flying ants can be seen cruising around in the light winds

## Makuru (June - July)

Makuru sees the coldest and wettest time of the year in the South West. Traditionally, this was a good time of the year to move back inland from the coast as the winds turned to the west and south bringing the cold weather, rains and occasionally snow on the peaks of the Stirling and Porongurup Ranges.

#### Djilba (August - September)

This is the start of the massive flowering explosion that happens in the South West. Beginning with the yellow flowering plants such as the acacias. Djilba is a transitional time of the year, with some very cold and clear days combining with warmer, rainy and windy days mixing with the occasional sunny day or two.

## Kambarang (October - November)

The Noongar Season 'Kambarang' is represented by the colour yellow as it symbolises the return of the hot weather. During Kambarang season,we see an abundance of colours and flowers exploding all around us.