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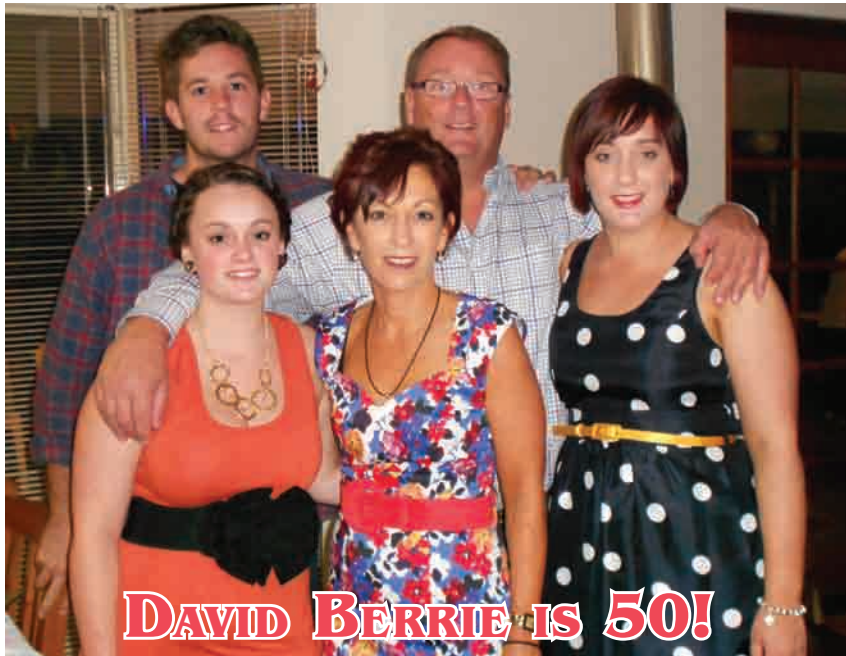
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## DAVID BERRIE IS 50!

Local Araluen resident David Berrie recently celebrated his 50th birthday with a party for 90 people held at the family home. The celebrations also continued with a week spent in Bali, the highlight being a cocktail party which was held with another close friend also turning 50 and 30 close friends who all travelled to Bali to make sure the boys had a wonderful night!! David is pictured above with his gorgeous kid's Alexandra, David and Julia and his wife Thea.

## June Cover: Art from Ashes

The June cover celebrates a junction between art and renewal after fire. Six months ago, Martin residents suffered from a potentially devastating fire that swept across the eastern corner of Martin. After the destructive fires of February 2011, residents were naturally very apprehensive. A year later the bush has regenerated. Local musician and conductor Adam Brockway, together with his business partner Jeremy de Vries-Turnell, saw an opportunity to create 'art from the ashes'. Their newly formed choir Naya Chorale made the trek to the Cotter's property in Martin to be involved in this creative photo shoot. The resulting photos are stunning - well done to photographer Jeremy de Vries-Turnell for the shots. See story page 21.



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# ANZAC Day ..... in China

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*Soon after five in the morning on Wednesday April 25<sup>th</sup> three other Roleystoners, plus two blowins from Kelmscott and one from Darlington, purposefully climbed Snow Lion Hill.*

As I trudged up behind them the intermittent sparkle from their LED head lamps reminded me of fireflies flitting through an African night of my youth. But this was not Africa. This was southern China. We were climbing up Snow Lion to a platform which we knew commanded a most spectacular view of the Li River and the surrounding limestone karst towers. There on the platform we waited for dawn to break so that we could conduct our own ANZAC Day service. The sleepy silence was broken now and again with our murmurings as we prepared our little ceremony. From way down in the dark below echoes of a cock crow wafted up.

Slowly the world below and around us emerged. The blacks and black-greys of the night began dissolving to reveal a mist covered landscape. There behind the darker silhouettes of the nearest limestone towers in the east, a pale grey sky lit up a magical scene. A trail of warm, grey-white mist was lifting off the river to wrap itself around the base of the towers. Some vapours were left behind clinging to the banks and the low-lying village on the other side.

A number of tower peaks pierced through a flat grey cloud. The furthest summit began to glow pink and grey. This was followed by a bird's muffled 'cheep' then two and then soon: a dawn chorus! Our already raw emotions were jangled into pity and sadness as bugle sounds of 'The Last Post' cut into the scene. The wonders of modern technology: Graham's ipod, attached to a mini speaker, was playing.



*Above: 'Anzac Day in China' Fettes Falconer Graham and Linda Cragg with wreath and Liz 'everywhere' Dunn.*



Greg's choking voice then read from his iphone the ANZAC Day words. And the words were no doubt nearly in unison with those reading them out in memorial centres throughout Western Australia, for China is in the same time zone:

*"They shall grow not old  
As we that are left grow old.  
Age shall not weary them,  
Nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in the morning:  
We shall remember them".*

A 'wreath', a head - garland of flowers purchased from an old lady the day before, was laid against the railings by Linda.

In the minute's silence that followed we listened to the wake-up sounds of the village on the far bank below. Another cock crowed, and soon after came the brassy bugle sounds of 'Reveille'.

I allowed the sights and sounds to burn into my wonder-filled China memory folder before I turned to follow the others winding their way down to our friendly Snow Lion hotel, and breakfast.

*Fettes Falconer*

*Below: The China Group in daylight. Heather and Charles Croft, Fettes Falconer, Linda Cragg, Liz Dunn and Greg.*



# Targa Tasmania – Roleystone is well represented

Local Classic Triumph enthusiast Bruce Pollock (navigator) and his long term friend Gavin Adams recently competed in the Targa Tasmania rally. Their aim was just to finish but the result was far better than they had expected - and they had a wonderful time:

Being a motoring enthusiast, the pinnacle of automotive events is without doubt the tarmac rally series which includes Targa Tasmania.

This event is supported internationally with entrants from many parts of the globe. The format of this event covers many competition 'special stages' ranging from just a few, up to nearly 60 km in length. These stages involve some of the most winding and twisting roads imaginable. To be competitive, the driver needs assistance from a navigator who 'calls' the stage in order to guide the driver through hidden hairpins, blind corners and crests where the road can rapidly disappear unless adequate warning to the driver is delivered in time. Unfortunately for a few, there were a number who did not complete their stage due to the calls being inaccurate, too late or that the driver just did not respond. A very expensive lesson for those in that situation.

The car we drove was a 1968 Triumph TR5. This car has been successfully campaigned in other tarmac rally events, but never Targa Tasmania until this year.

To prepare the car took many months of re-building, restoring and plenty of pre-planning in order to try and eliminate any weak spots. But as many in motor sports very well know, there are just some things you cannot be prepared for. Such was the case for our old Triumph, we failed to complete 2 stages due to mechanical 'issue' and on the second last day a valve spring in the engine broke reducing our capacity to remain competitive. We are so very grateful to the resourcefulness of our service crew who sought another valve from an old workshop near Strahan and had us up and running again for the next and final day. A tribute to bush mechanics if ever there was one. The spring came out of an old motor bike!!!

Our aim was to simply finish. 5 days of shear torture in an old car took its toll as we now have a lot more rattles and squeaks than when we began.

On arriving at the Wrest Point Casino on the final day to drive through the



finishers arches, the sense of relief was almost overwhelming emotionally.

We were extremely pleasantly surprised to learn we had won our class and were presented with a very impressive pewter reminder for posterity.

*Would we do it again?????*

We're already in planning mode for 2013. Our motto is 'never say never' however when asked this question at the finish, I had to have a think about the answer.

This adventure reinforced what we already knew, that is the value of team work. Without the support from our service crew not only to keep the car running and competitive, but when things went wrong, the team spirit rose and we all managed to find something to smile about later.

*Bruce Pollock*



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*The new site is at the edge of the new school and the new custom built Kindy and Pre-Primary blocks consist of 5 class rooms, a toy shed, and two fenced off play areas. There is a special parking area nearby for dropping off and picking up the kindy and pre-primary kids only. The Gumnut day care centre is also very conveniently situated next door. There are now a total of 4 Kindy classes (about 80 students in total) under the supervision of teachers and aides: Aileen Keffe, Sheryle Ancliffe, Caroline Hooper, Jody Allison, Karen Aldridge and Helen Bryant.*

*Paul Mutton*



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## TESTIMONIAL

To Whom it May Concern,

I first listed my property for sale with a local Kelmscott Real Estate Agency in early 2010 who offered a low priced sales commission. It is said that if you pay peanuts you get monkeys - and that is exactly what I got. Little communication, seemingly little interest in actually getting the property sold, and after having the property on the market for four months, I ended up exactly where I had started from.

Listing my house for sale with Maggie Burke Real Estate was a completely different experience. Certainly not the cheapest agent to list with, but there is another saying - you get what you pay for, and in this case it was a high level of professionalism.

The first stage in the sales process was to work out how to enhance the presentation of the property. I believe that the work that was put in at this stage was critical to achieving the end result.

Throughout the sales process I was kept up to date continually, and home opens were held consistently.

Being a small agency with a limited number of homes for sale meant that the level of service provided throughout the sales process was much higher than that which you would get from a larger agency with a larger volume of listings.

Maggie and her team displayed a level of enthusiasm and tenacity that you don't see with most other agents. The end result was that my property was under offer within four weeks and I achieved my listing price.

After dealing with many Real Estate Agents during my professional career, I would be pleased to recommend Maggie Burke Real Estate to any prospective home seller.

Christian Buttle

Formerly of Clifton Hills,  
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**LONDON TO  
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 IN 1972  
 TRAVEL BLOG**

*In April 1972 David and Jackie Elliott (and a few friends) decided to do what many young people decided to do in that era - pack up their jobs and go travelling. They were both working in London and they gave up their good jobs to do the trip of a lifetime - London to Perth overland, overwater and a bit of air travel thrown in.*

*The blog shows how intrepid they were setting out with little preparation, an unreliable car and lots of enthusiasm.*

*The trip was obviously: exhilarating, uncomfortable and packed brim full of life challenges.*

*So why don't you follow them. Read more: <http://blog.travelpod.com/travel-blog/entries/40years2late>*

*Here David Elliott introduces us to the trip. At the time of publication they have been right thru Europe and are heading into the middle east.*

*They are now one month into a five month trip.*

*'It has taken us 40 years to write this travel blog. There was a shortage of blogs in 1972. I thought it would be interesting to blog a journey that took exactly 5 months as Jackie and I travelled by car, boat, air and train from London to Perth, Western Australia. Rather than reveal the route we took, I will add some notes from a log I kept on a near daily basis and include some interesting photos of a couple of hippies and some of the sights they saw.*

*We didn't realise we were hippies though. We were just going somewhere, although it wasn't clear where that somewhere was.*

*We had both resigned from our jobs, Jackie as*



*Above; David and Jackie Elliott (with the Mickey Mouse T shirt and Jackie seated) with friends in Greece.*

*Below: a more recent photo of the couple.*



a nurse and me as something or other in the Meteorological Office at Heathrow Airport. The 21st April was our last day in London as we loaded the Bedford Dormobile we had bought for 110 pounds. It was already fitted out with a kitchen and sleeper so all we had to do was pack. What an exciting food supply we were to take with us. Catering packs of:

- Chicken and vegetable soup
- Mashed potato powder
- Marmalade and jam
- Cornflakes
- Dried milk
- (and oh yes, some bottles of RUM).

Our plan was to leave early tomorrow morning. So if you have a few moments now and then, join us on the journey of a lifetime by occasionally checking my blog.

Some days may be interesting, some may be dull but some of our "hippy" photos may make you smile.

*David and Jackie Elliott*

*On the last post before going to print their 'mate' Chris had decided not to go on and had tried to sell their van and tyres in Athens without them knowing! After a huge argument they resolved to keep the van and Chris got the Music tapes! Fair exchange?*

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## Phil Helps Create Life Saving App

Phil Aked, a retired pilot now living in Araluen, along with Senior Constable Ian Davidson recently came up with the idea that has led to the development of an invaluable tool for search and rescue. The Police Air Wing Helicopter is frequently asked to find people who are lost in varying circumstances and this tool (soon to be available as an app) will provide a wonderful boost. It will soon be available and everyone is encouraged to download it, and the best news is that it will be free. It will be available as an Android application at first, but, hopefully, iPhone will follow.

Expertise was needed to develop the App, and this was provided by Edith Cowan University School of Computer and Security Science students and has now been developed into the finished product.

The App transmits the person's exact location via GPS, to rescue services, allows the light from the phone to be more visible from the helicopter, and has a survival guide compiled by an expert in the field. There are other features which, with one touch, allow a speedier and more efficient rescue.

The smart phone can now become an emergency beacon.

The App was nominated as a finalist in the Tertiary Student Category of the 2012 WA Information and Technology Awards. The whole development team and their partners attended the presentation on 30 March 2012, and were delighted to win in their category.

Many congratulations to all involved for an App that has the potential to save lives.

## Soraya Asks for help to Volunteer in Cambodia

My name is Soraya Haynes, I am 15 years old, I live in Roleystone and am currently doing year 11 at Willetton SHS. I am contacting you in regards to a volunteer placement I am doing in Cambodia during December 2012 with Australian Volunteers Abroad.

During this placement I will be working in orphanages and care centres located in the Cambodian capital, Phnom Penh. My volunteer work at the orphanages will include teaching and caring for children, and helping where I can with day to day organization and any maintenance or building needs. My parents have agreed to this trip on the condition that I raise all of the money required for airfares and accommodation myself.

Cambodia is one of the poorest countries in the world. Years of war have destroyed infrastructure and opportunity. One third of Cambodia's population live below the poverty line on less than \$1 per day, 70% of city dwellers live in slums, 45% of Cambodian children show some

degree of malnutrition and only 57% reach grade 5. Unexploded land mines left from the war and diseases including HIV, Tuberculosis, Malaria and Dengue Fever also have a terrible impact on the population.

All of this means many Cambodian children have no access to education or medicine and endure very sad and difficult lives. I really want to draw people's attention to this situation. I will be writing an article in the Courier about my trip.

I am also asking for donations. The cost of the trip is \$3269. I am working part-time and selling chocolates at school to earn the money I need. So far I have raised \$1000. I intend to raise as much money as possible so any extra can be donated to one of the orphanages. Any help Courier readers can offer will be very much appreciated: please email me on: soraya-sahara@hotmail.com

Thank you very much.

**Soraya Haynes**



She was one of a team of young Aussie boxers who went to New Zealand for her first big fight night. This is Kalani's first International fight and she won with a technical Knock Out score of 29-8 in the second round.

This amazing young girl has only been training for 2 years and trains at Fox's Boxing Gym. 'She had the crowd on her side, it was sensational,' Mum Wendy said.

Kalani will continue to train for the Golden Gloves in November this year. Her ultimate aim is to represent Australia at the Olympics.

*Well done Kalani.*  
*Pictured top: The Fight*

## NEW CHAMP KALANI

*At the recent Aussies v Kiwis Fight Night in New Zealand held on Saturday 19th May 2012, Roleystone's 14 year old Kalani Grant was a real star.*

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## NAAMA AMRAN'S SUCCESS

*Naama Amram is currently working as in-house editor with book publisher Fremantle Press. Naama is the daughter of Ita Goldberger from Genesis in the Hills Vegetarian Restaurant. Her job involves editing manuscripts in their various stages, guiding books through the production process, and supporting the Press's publishers. Naama gets to work with authors, illustrators, designers and printers. She declares: 'it's an amazingly varied job!'*



This year Naama was invited to chair a session at the Perth Writers Festival with writers Glen Duncan, Michael Robotham and Alan Carter. The session was themed 'Portraying Evil' and was selected as a feature by ABC TV and The Monthly's Slow TV. Naama is also an author and has had a short story, 'The Exhibition', published in a beautiful book called The Kid on the Karaoke Stage & Other Stories. Naama has been invited to read from this and other stories at several events including performing at Cottonmouth, which is a regular spoken word event in Perth.

Naama pinpoints the decision to pursue this career in September 2007, when she returned from travelling and studying in Spain. Before she went away she had been working full-time in an office and she felt like she still hadn't found her calling. When she returned to Perth she considered her options: 'I knew I wanted to work with language, and I already had a BA in Communications from ECU. After meeting with the wonderful Liz Byrski at Curtin University, I enrolled in their one-year Graduate Diploma in Writing and Publishing. That course set me off on my writing/editing/publishing journey. My teachers enlightened and inspired me.'

'By the end of the year I knew I wanted to be a literary editor. I started working as a freelancer while also volunteering with different publications to build up my skills. Together with friends from uni, we started dotdotdash – a tri-annual magazine for literature and art. We somehow had 540 people come to our first launch and the magazine is still going strong today – now in its ninth issue. In 2010 I applied for and secured one of four publishing internships offered nationally by the Australian Publishers Association (APA), which meant six months full-time work in-house at Fremantle Press. I am incredibly grateful to the APA for that chance because at the end of the internship Fremantle Press offered me a new contract! I'm pretty well in love with that place.'

Naama's mother and aunt (Ita and sister Rivka) opened Genesis in the Hills Vegetarian Restaurant, in 2007 and she is amazed at how they have nurtured the arts and creativity in this location:

'I am amazed by the developments I find every time I visit – a new art exhibition, a community shop, new tables nestled in the trees. They're indefatigable! And very community orientated. My family moved to Roleystone in 2003. My mum said she fell in love with the place from the first visit. I was eighteen and studying at uni, but Roleystone for me is about family – it's the beautiful place where my family chose to live and work and be part of the community.'

A wide range of locals have influenced and helped Naama into her career:

'Tony and Betty Winder across the road have been wonderful neighbours and friends to us. And I met one of my best and wisest friends, Galatee, through her mother in Roleystone. Artist Susan Angwin has been a great supporter of dotdotdash. And Gabby Lammers, daughter of our family friend Jenny, is a gorgeous musician I often see in Perth. There's a ton of creativity in Roleystone.'

I've also met a lot of people through Genesis. I think there's a really open vibe in the community and in my experience people are always happy to have a chat and learn about each other. I think this openness



*Far left: Editor Naama with the love of her life - books. Left: at Genesis in the Hills Vegetarian Restaurant with her grandmother Leah.*

– a great help. And then there's my grandmother Leah – she supports me with words of encouragement, soul-nurturing food and an outrageous wealth of proverbs in seven languages. My aunt and uncle, cousins, brothers – we're all there for each other to grow and learn together.'

Naama wants to help others tell their stories with impact. She also wants to spend more time with her own writing moving from short stories to the long form.

'My family is a great inspiration to me as I make my choices in life. Integrity, creativity, engagement, kindness and dedication are things I strive for. I learned from both of my parents that whatever it is you do, you should try to do it well – and always dare to be who you are.'

and curiosity about the world around us is fundamental to writing and storytelling.'

'My family has supported my choices every step of the way. In the words of one of my favourite bands, Tinpan Orange: 'They are to me like a hand is to a glove'.'

'Mum has worked with the arts for as long as I can remember. My dad, too, was a fierce advocate of the arts in Israel, where I was born. In fact, dad was directing the summer camp of an organisation called Matan (Arts and Culture Project for Youth) when mum went into labour – so my first days in the world were spent among dancers and musicians! But more recently, Genesis is of course a great supporter of the arts, including local musicians, visual artists and writers. They've stocked dotdoddash magazine right from Issue One without charging us any commission and they let us use the space for workshops

## Ruth & Doris Step Down

At the August AGM of the Roleystone Seniors Ruth Martin and Doris Green will step down as 'caterers extraordinaire' serving up wonderful lunchtime treats to our seniors. Ruth has provided Monday Lunchtime meals at the Seniors club for 14 years and for the last 6 and a half of these years she has been supported by offsider Doris.

The couple have also catered for larger functions too: Christmas Parties, Melbourne Cup Luncheons and often catering for up to 80 people when other seniors clubs visited with the Roleystone Seniors. They have had a ball.

Ruth reflected: 'It's been great fun and I have loved every minute of it. I am still happy to come back and help out occasionally but I have had enough of the regular commitment.'

Seniors President Geoff Chandler was full of praise for the pair: 'They've done a fantastic job over the years and will be sorely missed by the club.'

The Roleystone Seniors club would like to invite anyone who is interested in filling this role to make contact as they are still very keen to maintain this service for the seniors of Roleystone.



*Pictured above Ruth cooking in 1998. Below: Doris Green, Geoff Chandler and Ruth Martin at the Seniors.*



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# Editorial

LINDA MOORE

JUNE 2012



Welcome to our first month of winter. Cold mornings, beautiful deciduous trees and the smell of wood smoke (perhaps too much when there is no wind!) Perhaps even some good rain. I for one welcome the change of season.

Roleybushcare would like to encourage everyone to use this season to plant some plants endemic to our area. They have provided a wonderful poster showing some of the best types to plant - see page 24.

The recent news from the City of Armadale's Development Services Committee to give approval to the rezoning of the Old Primary School site has offered our community a real Win-Win solution.

Most residents were clearly in favour of the land going towards Aged Care. The different voices that argued for retention of the bushland west and south of the oval (this was obviously strongly supported) and for retention of the oval (referred to as The Green) also seemed to have had their arguments heard.

My understanding is that there is some discussion for at least a proportion of the oval to be retained to utilise the recycled sewage and that this oval space may be available for use by the wider community.

Thus the recommendation is that the land is offered with some restrictions. Of course this still needs to pass the full Council Meeting and the Planning Commission and also we need to wait until the developer submits plans, but we are on the way. My thanks to everyone who worked hard to achieve this result.

Our community is renowned for strong involvement in decisions and I believe that this nearly always results in a better outcome. However I must speak against the

tactics employed by some recently.

I am not a fan of the inflammatory email, the casual blog that incites others to harrass our representatives or even the 'way out there' text message. Sometimes I cringe at what people say; these unhelpful comments seem especially prevalent on the largely anonymous social media.

Unreasoned argument does more to create division and just does not achieve a successful outcome. So all who feel passionately about a cause should have the opportunity to have a say, but then they should listen and let our elected decision makers weigh up what is best for our community.

The June Courier is again packed with some great stories.

One of the great parts of my job is that I can share the excitement when someone wants a 'good news story' published.

Recently I had a call from Wendy, the mother of Kalani, who had just come home from her first International as a boxer. (See page 11).

The pride in her voice was amazing. She never planned for her daughter to become a boxer, but she has and has done it well and her Mum is the proudest Mum in Australia!

Likewise the Tretheweys whose daughter Lydia has achieved great academic success at Curtin (see page 22.) And mums - thanks for sharing! Well done! Congratulations to everyone who has achieved success or has just had a go.

So please enjoy reading our June Courier.

Linda

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## ARALUEN BOTANIC PARK SPRING TIME TULIP FESTIVAL

I attended a meeting of the Armadale Business Association the other day and I got talking to the Deputy Mayor of Armadale and another couple of councillors. I assured them that by far the majority of Roleystone residents support the return of the Spring Time Festival at Araluen and that the event has been a long time 'must attend' event for many, many West Australians and interstate and international visitors. They advised me that they would like to have this information brought to their attention.

I acknowledge that some may be slightly inconvenienced by this festival but with extra off road parking and better traffic management, I believe this will be minimal.

If you think, like I do, that we in Roleystone are as worldly and as open hearted as those who are neighbours to the likes of: The Royal Show, Sky Show, Crufts Dog Show, The Chelsea Flower Show and many more wonderful events, for the greater good and enjoyment of many many good people, please send me an email in support. I will see it gets to the right people. Don't forget that the showcasing of our beautiful suburb will enhance property values and visitors bring much needed revenue & support local employment.

Please drop me a line at [rob@fidock.com](mailto:rob@fidock.com)

**Rob Fidock JP**  
Principal

## Response to May Editorial

Your May 2012 editorial eulogising the Orchard industry may, like reports of Mark Twain's death, be an exaggeration. Calling for government support for orchardists to transition out of the industry is similarly presumptive. These views are no doubt genuinely held by one so impassioned from a past family association; yet editorial responsibility suggests the need for more balance.

The phasing out of dimethoate and fenthion by the federal and state governments has been flagged for years and is very much in the public interest. Persistent organic pesticides (POP's) can not only affect our grandchildren but in some cases their grandchildren as well. Aldrin, Chlordane and Dieldren were all banned a generation ago, sadly only after millions of tonnes were applied throughout the world and years after the causal links were made to millions of people suffering the debilitating effects from exposure, reported deaths from these POP's is no exaggeration.

Dimethoate is classified in North America and Europe as a Group 2 long term human toxic whilst fenthion is classified as Group 3 environmental toxic. Their use is either banned or heavily restricted in most of the developed world. The formal ban in Western Australian will be welcomed by most.

On the destruction wrought by the white tailed black cockatoos you ask a somewhat loaded question ... 'So what can they (orchardists) do when they are up against a protected and well loved enemy (cockatoos)? This must be a problem that we all need to sort out as no one wants the destruction of this already at risk bird but what can local orchardists do when their livelihoods are threatened?'

Let's all hope that the solution is not that chosen by orchardists shown in the ABC documentary "On a wing and a prayer" earlier this year. Shooting to kill is banned; shooting to frighten or otherwise scare via gas cannon is restricted by government legislation and guidelines to all but remote locations. Sacrificial plantings and netting have been shown to be effective, as are other forms of deterrent that don't offend the Environmental and Conservation legislation.

Hanrahan was exaggerating when he said we'd all be ruined, to suggest that the banning of dimethoate and fenthion or enforcing DEC regulations to protect endangered species might prove the ruin of local orchardists is, likewise, an exaggeration. To do so is to underestimate the ability of our orchardists to persist and thrive whilst continuing to serve as stewards of the land.

*Mr. Peter J Stewart  
Roleystone*

*Thanks for your comments Peter. Reasoned, alternative argument is always welcome. Ed*

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## SHOPS RUBBISH COLLECTION REVISITED

In the last edition of the Roleystone Courier I invited neighbours adjoining the Jarrah Road Shopping Centre to let me know how they felt about being woken at 4:30 am each morning when the bins were being emptied into the dumpster. They certainly told me and I discovered I was not the only one who felt this way!

Thank you to Tony Thompson, the commercial property manager of Realmark who manages the Roleystone Shopping Centre. Tony contacted the contractor and it was agreed that the bins be emptied after 6am. Recently, on one occasion, they started emptying at 5:45 am. Since then all times have been after 6 am. Well done to all of you who contacted me and again Tony – may the contractor uphold his promise and the solitude remain.

*Mike*

## LUCKY ESCAPE FOR DOG

It was entirely my fault when I let my dog off the lead whilst walking on the Thompson Rd track today 03/5/12 when he took off and allayed a roo despite my calling out to him.

The roo was in full height staring down at my dog in full composure while my dog barked and barked. This seemed to last for at least half an hour. A runner came by, then another gentleman came and assisted in catching my dog but the roo in trying to get away from the scene got caught up in the fence. These two gentleman and another couple, finally freed the roo from the fence with wire cutters.

I simply wanted to thank them all so much for their care, time and patience. It was a horrid situation. I don't know the names of these dear people but heaven knows what would have happened if they hadn't turned up. Thank heavens the roo was unharmed and my dog is now permanently on the lead.

Oh dear.

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## Meegan & Matthew Wed in Koh Samui

Matthew Weir and Meegan Hyde-Weir are extremely excited to announce that they are now married. On March 11th, 2012 in a beautiful intimate ceremony at the Five Islands Restaurant on Koh Samui in Thailand, Matthew and Meegan stood barefoot in the sand and exchanged personal promises to each other that they had written together. Meegan was walked down an aisle of rose petals by her father, John Hyde, to meet her new husband and there they were married in front of a small gathering of friends and family. Beside Matthew and Meegan as bridal party were Jose and Michaela Jeronimo, their very close friends.

With the breathtaking ocean sunset as a backdrop, the newly connected couple and their guests enjoyed a beach side wedding reception with great music, sumptuous Thai dishes and tropical cocktails. The guests, along with the bridal couple, were invited to light Chang Mai lanterns, make a wish and set them



adrift in the night sky which made for some very beautiful memories. Their first dance was under a fairy lit tree on the sand to "At Last" by Etta James. Meegan made the decision to hyphenate her last name as a tribute to her father as he has no sons to carry on the Hyde name. Meegan and Matthew are both delighted and proud to have taken this step together and feel that their relationship has only deepened and strengthened as a result.

Meegan and Matthew

## Double The Pleasure

Our twin girls Francesca Maya and Lili Alexandra who were born at Armadale Hospital on 2nd March 2012. The proud parents are Andrew Murray and Sharleen Blair from Roleystone. The girls are pictured with their big sister, 3 year old Annelyse. Andy and Sharleen







## Lumen students climb to great heights....in Milan

19 Lucky Lumen Christi students recently enjoyed a wonderful 2 week cultural experience in Italy. Their extensive itinerary included visits to famous cities such as Milan, Verona, Perugia, Florence, Venice and of course Rome, the seat of the Catholic Church. Though not able to meet the Pope, visiting St Peter's was a remarkable experience. In each location there was so much to try and absorb, when visiting tourist sites, checking out local customs and food and of course using the Italian language. Amongst the many highlights, memorable activities included climbing all 247 steps to the top of Il Duomo in Milan and visiting the Colosseum in Rome. On the day trip to Pisa students were fascinated by the

leaning tower. Great fun was had posing for leaning photos in front of the tower. The history, architecture, artwork and of course the lovely food and fabulous shops, all contributed to making the trip such a rewarding adventure. Fond memories of so many good times will be remembered and shared for many years to come.

*Anne Kennedy*

*Publicity Lumen Christi College*

*Above: This was taken at the top of (cathedral) Duomo in Milan. Emily Yates, Teacher and Tour Organiser- Ms Anita Saftich, Katlyn Lupica, Emma Bubnich, Sonya Lombardo, Kara Malkovic, Teacher - Trevor Still and Sarah Linnegar. Kate and Sarah are Roleystone Girls.*

## Selena is very Welcome



*Dion, Danette and Kye would like to announce the birth of our beautiful daughter/sister Selena May.*

*She was born on the 29th of March 2012 at KEMH weighing 3010gms.*

*Selena's big brother Kye was very excited to meet his sister. He likes to have lots of cuddles, kisses her forehead and says: 'I love you Selena'.*

*Dion and Danette Isgar*

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## New Roleystone Community College Website by Chris Horgan

The new Roleystone Community College website is now up and running after one of the community minded parents, Chris Horgan, was commissioned to do the job and donated about 75 hours to get it running. In just a few weeks Chris has transformed the website from a mediocre off-the-shelf advertisement driven site to a great looking and well organised one, full of useful information. Although it is designed with the school's parents in mind, it showcases the many diverse and interesting programs run by the school for the kids and presents the school achievements for those unfamiliar with the schools capacity. Behind the front cover it has been designed so that the teachers can easily update and post information about their classes programs. The school's P&C committee will share the site and queries to the school and P&C can be made via the website.

Chris's creation can be viewed at [www.roleystonecc.wa.edu.au](http://www.roleystonecc.wa.edu.au)

It is a great example of what can be achieved when a passionate parent's skills can be used to support the community school. Well done Chris!



Above: Chris Horgan with the new website he has created.

Seen at 'Perfect Pizzas with Low Food Miles' - next page:

1. Claire Spry and Yasmin
2. Justine Davis (event co-ordinator) Alex Taylor and Loli Davis Pinner
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## PERFECT PIZZA'S WITH LOW FOOD MILES

*'Creating wonderful fresh food sensations from local produce and instilling a love of food in the younger generation..... 'This is the aim of a dynamic group of mums, the team from The Grow Project, based at Roleystone Community College. On Saturday 19th May they hosted, an event with a difference based on Jamie Oliver's Global Food Revolution'.*

A large number of people gathered together and created some wonderful appetising pizzas.

The public were invited to come along to the Roleystone Community College Garden and make healthy pizzas and with all of the ingredients provided from outlets within 15 km of the school. This included flour, cheese, olive oil, chicken, fruit and veggies. A wide variety of local businesses donated time and products to the group. Organisers Pam and Justine were full of praise for the wide range of people who supported this initiative.

'It was a fantastic day of food education and fun! We certainly achieved our challenge without a single ingredient travelling more than 15kms from where it was made or grown! This could not have happened without huge support from local producers. I would like to especially mention: Our pizza hero Nunzio Nici who is known as 'The Pope of Pizza' He has an iconic pizzeria in Northbridge Il Padrino. Nunzio cooked the pizzas to perfection.'

Sally Rainoldi from Roleystone Orchard was amazingly generous and supplied apples and pears for our lovely RCC girls to juice. Jo from Giglia Orchard in Pickering Brook supplied us with generous amounts of tomatoes, eggplants, garlic and capsicum. Jo's Mum Maria let

us sample her amazing sauce which it turns out Nunzio had helped make a few weeks earlier... how well connected is our part of the world. We had flour and yeast from Millers Foods in Byford and delicious Italian style cheeses from Borello Cheeses in Oakford. Freda and Catarina Papalia provided veggies and beautiful sauce.

There were so many other local people who brought ingredients from their gardens and kitchens. Helen and Louren from RCC put in a huge effort to prepare food and let everyone know what was happening. The Good Guys in Cannington were kind in donating 2 pizza ovens, one of which was raffled on the day and won by a delighted Angela Harris.

**Caroline Legg**

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# Roleystone Based Film Wins International Award

Success in an international film award has brought accolades to a select group of students and staff from Roleystone District High School who featured prominently in the short film *Hugh Jackman Saves The World*, directed by Canadian Lee Chambers.

The students were involved in multiple aspects of the production and they acted in it too!

They have recently been told that the film has been awarded the best Screen Writers Award at the Northern Ontario Music and Film Awards.

'Hugh Jackman Saves The World' was shot on a cold wet weekend in 2011 for the Make It Short Film Project. Director of Photography David LeMay of Perth used s16mm film and incorporated the talents of the Film & TV students from Roleystone District High School.

The actors in the short film, all from Roleystone, included: Tara Horsman, Tess Clapton, Corey Damen and Rhiannon Bamford-Purchon.

The students are confronted after playing with their cell phones and iPads apparently involved in mindless teen activity, but secretly their activities are far deeper....

Rhiannon who played Tina in the story said: 'I found the experience really interesting and I learned a lot, especially working with Lee Chambers because he was so good and he knew so much when he trained us for our roles.'

The production team included students Hannah Brunton and



Georgia Siroen who are both now exploring further career opportunities in film at TAFE in 2012. They were guided in the process by Andrew Pheasant from the school, Roleystone local and film aficionado, Bob Hart along with David LeMay and Lee Chambers.

Lee Chambers dedicated his win to the students of Roleystone: 'to have been able to share my passion for film production with young people in Australia and give them hands on experience through this Make it Short Film Project was extraordinary,' he said.

The film is due to be released over the next few months.

*Above: Rhiannon Bamford Purchon as Tina, approaches the group.*

*Below: Lee Chambers Directs students Tess Clapton, Corey Damon and Tara Horsman*



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Six months ago a bush fire swept across the eastern corner of Martin, destroying property and endangering homes. Local musician and conductor Adam Brockway, together with his business partner Jeremy de Vries-Turnell, saw an opportunity to create art from the ashes. Adam, an ex-Roleystone District High School student and now resident in Martin, is a member of the pioneering Brockway family who have been resident in the Roleystone area for over 60 years. Adam grew up in Roleystone and following the fires that devastated our area in February 2011 he volunteered to perform 2 pieces, (including the theme from Schindler's List) at the community rebuilding concert at Kelmscott Hall.

Adam and Jeremy have started several vocal ensembles over the past 5 years, and Naya Chorale is their latest creation: a choir of 38 professional musicians, ranging in age from 16 to 45, brought together to perform 'high quality, hot, A Capella repertoire that uplifts singers and



audiences alike'.

'Naya Chorale is a first-class musical ensemble, and we wanted a first-class photo shoot to propel them into the public eye. The evening sun shining through the regrowth, together with the stark contrast of new leaves against burnt black tree trunks took my breath away. It was exactly what I was looking for,' said Jeremy de Vries-Turnell, the choir's business manager and Director of Photography.

Once the location had been found, experts in photography, art and fashion were brought in to design the concept for the shoot. The phrases "nymph-like", "otherworldly" and "the lost children" became dominant, and costumes were chosen to express this.

On the day, a convoy of cars containing a small army of choristers and photography crew drove to the end of Douglas Rd, (far enough to be considered a road trip, according to the choir!) and were ushered through hair and makeup in the living room of the Brockway household.

After that, it was a race against the clock to get all the shots needed while the sun was in the right position. The weather forecasts in the week leading up to the shoot had predicted showers for the Sunday afternoon, however in the end all that came was some moderate cloud cover - perfect light for photography!

"I laughed when I looked at the preview of the first shot - the colours were amazing!" Naya Chorale would sincerely like to thank the Cotter family for allowing them to use their land for the shoot.

The full set of photos are available to download at [www.nayachorale.com](http://www.nayachorale.com).

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*Local identity Adrienne Catalano hosted a 'Biggest Morning Tea' in the Afternoon on Friday 18th May to help raise funds for the Cancer Council.*

Adrienne reflected that she had attended numerous 'Biggest Morning Teas' and she was keen to give it a go and host one herself. Her mother in law had died of cancer in 2002 so she had firsthand experience of the devastation cancer can have on a family. Adrienne approached the Roleystone Neighbourhood Family Centre and they agreed to offer her the room for no charge. She then approached her mum and a group of friends who agreed to help out and the ball was rolling. Friends baked cakes and biscuits and with lots of support the room was decorated and ready. Over 40 people turned up on the day and had a wonderful time, good food and a relaxed atmosphere led to the ambience. They even had a kids table with teapot colouring-in to keep the little ones amused. There were some great prizes donated including a wonderful gift wrapped basket from Myriad Gifts, a gift voucher from Pink Wax Beauty Salon and some beautiful cakes from Karmalicious. These formed the major prizes for the raffle. To date over \$300 has been raised for cancer research. Adrienne was delighted with the wonderful community spirit and has plans to host the event again next year.



*Above: Adrienne Catalano and Julie Stack Horgan. Photos: Marit Dew.*

## LYDIA WINS CURTIN AWARD

*Local girl, Lydia Trethewey, is photographed with her proud grandparents Madge and Stanley Rigby shortly after being presented with the Vice Chancellor List award. Membership to the Vice Chancellor List is presented at the completion of each semester to the top 1% of all Curtin students. This is the third time that Lydia has received this award and her family are delighted with her achievements. Lydia attended Roleystone Primary School, Roleystone District High School and Lesmurdie Senior High School. She is currently studying a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree.*

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## COMMENTS IN SOCIAL MEDIA UNHELPFUL

*Recent misinformation and negative assertions in local social media and the public arena in regard to a community group of volunteers I have had the privilege to work with over the past year compel me to offer public comment and correct some obvious misunderstanding.*

Over the past twelve months I have been involved with two groups of Roleystone residents that have been working hard towards establishing a Men's Shed and a Community Garden in Roleystone.

The benefits of such facilities are enormous and will provide both activities and the potential for improved social amenity to all Roleystone community members regardless of age. Membership to both organisations is open to anyone over the age of 16 years. Younger members of the community accompanied by a parent or guardian are also welcome.

Co-location would provide these two groups with mutual benefits both financially and in community interaction and integration and to this end they have been working together researching possible sites around Roleystone that would provide adequate suitable land to develop these community facilities. The search for a suitable site is ongoing and no one site has yet been agreed to or promised. The groups are in constant discussion with the City of Armadale and other Roleystone community groups in relation to potential sites and mutually beneficial interaction.

It is disappointing that from time to time some in the community seem to want to limit our social growth and improvement to by getting "stuck" on a single issue project rather than a whole of community approach. It is disappointing when an

individual supporting one already funded project belittles the efforts of others. It is disappointing when misinformed knee jerk comment on the intentions and efforts of any group is made in public or social media without any prior discussion with the particular group on the area of concern. To denigrate the efforts and work of other community members, particularly in public or social media can only be considered a disincentive and detrimental to achieving ongoing positive community involvement. It was even more disappointing to me as a community member when recently both the Men's Shed philosophies and the conduct of the project group, was denigrated and belittled in social media and subsequent public comment by inference, innuendo and misinformation.

We live in a unique part of Perth and have in Roleystone, Karragullen and surrounding areas a physical environment second to none but one which I believe is in need of improvement to our limited social amenity for all ages. The realisation of projects driven by residents of Roleystone that grow and integrate our community socially should I believe be applauded and supported if we have any desire to make Roleystone an even better and more unique place to live than it already is. The translation of community ideas into realised projects is after all the foundation of a strong community.

My request to those who continually seem to have the need to use social and public media to score self promoting points is to please recognise that the efforts and the projects being promoted by our community volunteers are invaluable to the development and growth of our community.

Please make sure of your facts, talk to the people involved and get on board to grow, integrate and improve our social and physical amenity for the benefit of the whole community.

*Chris Johnston*

## Walking for Fun and Fitness

I would like to start up a walking group in the area so I'd like people to contact me if they are interested in walking once a week in Roleystone. My goal is to be active while making some new friends who live in the area. I'm not expecting people to be

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*Pam Bailey*

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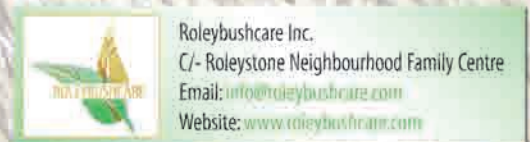


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Chair Ian Colquhoun thanked all present: 'I would like to thank all of our volunteers for their many hours of devoted service. This year we had more volunteers than ever – with over 70 volunteers giving over 2000 hours of voluntary service. They don't all help every time but they help out when they can and this is truly appreciated.'

Some of the wonderful Roleybushcare members pictured include:

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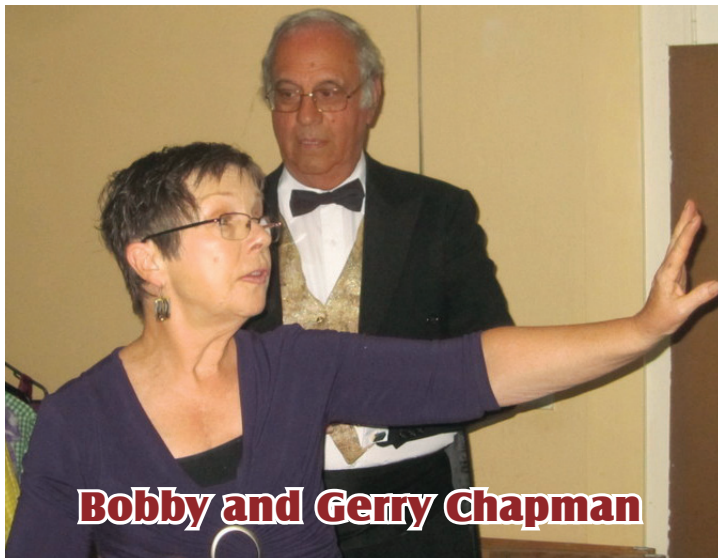
## Roleystone Theatre News

Our first production of the year has ended with critical acclaim and the cast and crew are well into rehearsals for Shakespeare's Much Ado About Nothing. This is a fine example of the kind of comedy enjoyed by audiences that is timeless. Director, Paul Treasure, has ensured that this production will be true to the original and be thoroughly enjoyable. Patrons are in for a real treat. There are still a couple of parts left to fill for 20-40 year olds, both male and female roles. If you were hesitating before or missed out on auditioning PLEASE make contact with Paul Treasure (0402530529, pauljtreasure@gmail.com) to discuss the show and the roles still available. Theatre goers can find out all about our productions - and buy tickets - on our web page ([roleystonetheatre.com](http://roleystonetheatre.com)) and this enables purchase, using credit cards etc. Of course, tickets are also available by ringing Bobbie or Gerry Chapman on 93975730. Our recent Old Time Music Hall, performed at the Roleystone Country Club, was a great success thanks to the efforts of the cast. The audience was full to bursting so as a fundraising venture for the Country Club it went very well.

The audience revelled in the opportunity to hear and sing along with a beloved repertoire of songs that do not often get an airing. They also had the opportunity to laugh, boo, hiss and cheer with the expertly done melodrama (ok, poetic license there with the "expertly" descriptor - the melodrama was made even more amusing by the fact that it was evident many characters forgot their lines!).

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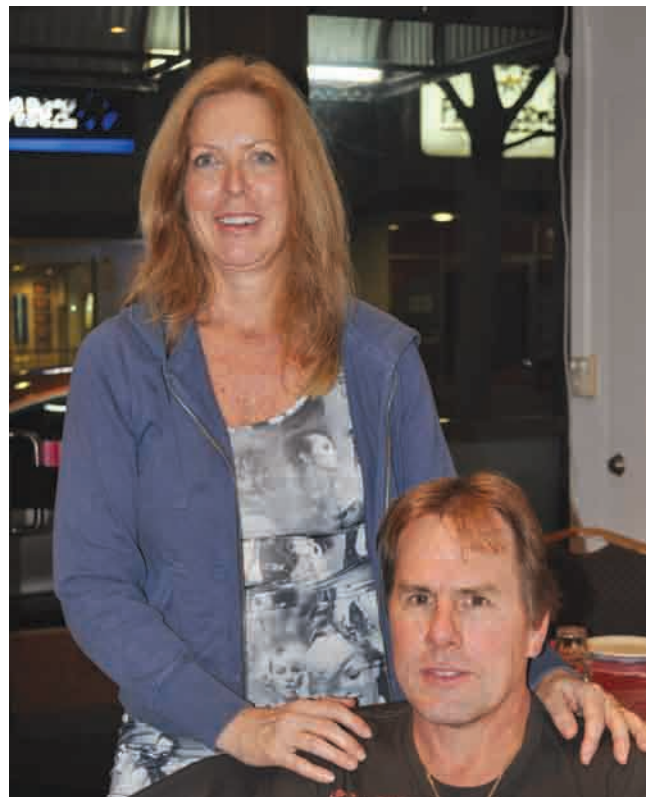
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## ARALUEN NOTES



**TULIP PLANTING 9 & 10 JUNE**  
We still have around 50,000 tulip bulbs to plant! The volunteers we had for the May planting days were fantastic and judging by the chatter and laughter, also had a lot of fun. We invite you to come along on Saturday 9 or Sunday 10 and join

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At the last state election, the Liberal Party committed to thoroughly investigate the merits of power-to-weight restrictions for novice drivers. At the time, we may have been criticised for not implementing restrictions; however, good policy should be about making informed decisions, rather than blindly accepting what is popular at the time.

Once in government, this commitment was fulfilled and a thorough independent study was carried out through the Road Safety Council, with some interesting findings. In all, 11,321 serious injury crashes in W.A. from 2001-2008 were analysed, and of those crashes, only 0.2 per cent involved a 17 to 19 year old driver in a high performance vehicle. In considering the research, the Road Safety Council recommended that the Government not introduce power-to-weight restrictions as they were unjustifiable and had little, if any, road safety benefits.

The proposed power-to-weight restrictions only exist in Australia and similar interstate schemes have placed a burden on the public because such restrictions are complex and create costs and confusion amongst car buyers, sellers and users, particularly in

regard to shared vehicles. It is also interesting to note that of all the states that have introduced such restrictions, none have evaluated their effectiveness in reducing road trauma.

When dealing with road safety, there are many policy options to choose from and although saving lives is something we all want, pushing for policies without evidence or consideration can be counterproductive. Evidence based measures provide us with the best means of making our roads safer and in terms of improving novice driver safety, the Barnett Government has already followed the Road Safety Council's recommendations on mobile phone bans, passenger restrictions and increased hours of supervised driving experience.

Further information on road safety initiatives, and how to be safer on our roads, is available on the Office of Road Safety website ([www.ors.wa.gov.au](http://www.ors.wa.gov.au)), or alternatively you can contact my office on 9452 8311, for this, or any other matter.

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Recognized on several fronts as leaders in environmental excellence for the learn to swim industry they have not been content to sit back and rest, but continue to look for ways to improve their environmental sustainability.

Owners Lari and Bill McDonald admit to still hanging onto many of their hippy roots and feel excited that many environmental concerns they raised in the past are now being accepted as the way of the future.

*Pictured at right: Emily Seebohm and Brittany Elmslie, Lari and Bill McDonald, Laurie Lawrence and CEO of ASCTA and Swim Australia, Ross Gage.*



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## GARDENING NOTES JEAN: 9397 5547



This month has been superb for doing our long neglected gardening chores and generally enjoying life.

I believe we are supposed to be getting ready for our July/August pruning. I know that my roses are still flowering, the grapes I pruned prior to leaf fall and for fruit trees I prefer to wait until they flower so I do not miss the beautiful display. The same with Autumn leaves, they are too beautiful to miss seeing by premature pruning.

The Roleystone valley is looking gorgeous. Our spectacular deciduous trees are in full colour. These should be a 'must' in everyone's garden. It is a great time to buy these now while they still have autumn foliage particularly if you are looking for specific colours.

Today we enjoyed the garden group with a walk through the gardens followed by a showing of pictures from the China tour. Anyone interested in life could not fail to be impressed.

In March 2014 The Camellia Society will tour Portugal and Spain, then in 2016 we go back to Dali in China. One of the special features other than Camellias is their locally quarried marble, each piece seems to be an art work. The Conference is subsidised by the Chinese; I paid about

\$3000 for two and a bit weeks of the tour and we had medical and police escorts all the way!

In 2018 the tour visits France and in 2020 it will be held on the Island of Goto near Nagasaki in Japan.

In our own gardens the sasanqua Camellias are coming into flower, brightening the yard and the local nurseries. I would suggest if you want to liven your garden up for the darker days of winter, you should visit Araluen to view them in flower and then go to the nurseries to see what is available; then you will have colour throughout the year. By seeing these every few weeks it is easy to make a choice. Camellia Society meetings are the second Monday each month from April to November, at the Uniting Church Hall McDonald Street Como. The Hall is normally open by 7.30 and our meeting concludes with supper at about 9.30. Our new president Bob Person happily welcomes visitors and new members.

I am not sure whose garden the Garden Group will visit on the third Thursday in June, so if we gather at 24 Orana Way at 9.30, we can then car pool for our outing. Over the many years we have been meeting we have had so much wonderful and interesting hospitality.

Now that the rains have come, make a point of eliminating any weed patches that bother you, keep warm and enjoy your garden.

Jean

## Country Club Ramblings



# Print smart

*Quite a lot of great events have been happening at the Club recently. It's good to see the support from members and friends, coming to these events and making them successful for the Club. Recently we had an Old Time Music Hall which was performed by artists from the Roleystone Theatre. (See the photos on page 26 and 27). I was very impressed with the whole show, particularly the solo performances. We have some really talented people living in our community.*

The whole night went very smoothly and the participation in the sing-a-long was really impressive. A big thank you to Gerry and Bobby Chapman for comparing and producing this magnificent show for the Club's benefit. The talented Lyn Wilkinson provided 'first class' piano accompaniment to round off this fun filled night.

On May 16th we had the famous Drifters performing at the Club. The place was filled to capacity to see this group that have been inducted into the hall of fame. They sung some of their classic songs including: Save the last Dance for Me, Under the Boardwalk and Stand by Me, to an enthralled audience. Over 150 people packed the function room to enjoy the wonderful show.

It was a mammoth task but well worth it based on the feedback. A sumptuous smorgasbord dinner was provided by our club caterers 'Food For Thought'. This was without doubt the biggest function the Club has ever had, so our thanks to Margaret Stevens.

What is next I hear you ask? Well I am currently looking at several options: we have the Club's 40th Birthday celebrations coming up soon. Also in the mix for next month is an Italian pasta night and we are aiming to have a Cliff Richard and the Shadows Tribute band coming soon too.

Come into the Club and glance at the notice board to keep tuned on what is coming up.

We have recently installed a juke box in the games room and I can happily say this is a 'thumbs up' judging by the money that has been put into it so far.

In an endeavour to make our Country Club more family oriented the back room has been recently decorated and a TV/ DVD player will be installed in there soon. Parents will still be required to supervise their children's entertainment but it does give a 'kid space' to our Club.

A lot of positives I'm sure you'll agree. Any suggestions??? Give me a call. I would love to hear form you?

See you at the Club soon.

*Lester North  
President*



*He has had his hair cut since this shot!*

## Proposed New Name Change and altered Constitution for the Club

The committee has recommended the Club's name be changed at the Annual General Meeting to Roleystone Community Club.

The proposals are available from Margaret Munn by email on [margaret@celebrantwedding.com](mailto:margaret@celebrantwedding.com) or a hard copy can be sent by mail please call 9397 1247. Members please make sure the Club has your email address by contacting Margaret on the above email and or number.

Every financial member will receive a Notice of Motion about the constitution and the name change prior to the AGM.

The AGM is to be held on Sunday the 8th July at 11.00 am.

*Jeff Munn JP*

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### NEXT FIELD DAY

This will be a planting field day in the Hall Road Bushland Reserve on Sunday 10th June. Meet in Lockyer Rise between 9.00am and noon. Remember to check our website at 8.00am that morning in case we have to cancel. We will plant in the rain but not in windy or stormy conditions due to safety concerns.

*Pictured: below left Terry and Jan Dawson at the plant sale in 2011. Below right, Lee Hassam treats a tree for Dieback at a field day.*



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## The Importance of Soil Health in Relation to Plant and Human Health

*The June meeting of Roleystone Organic Growers will be about improving human health from the soil up.*



With so much degradation of soils these days, it is important to improve the nutrient density of our food while at the same time reducing the assault on the soil associated with farm chemicals. Organics involves a long list of what you cannot do, but there is a lot you can do to produce highly nutritious food.

Phil den Boer from Nutri-Tech Solutions will

explain what the home gardener can do to improve their soils and at the same time improve the nutrition in homegrown food. He will show what home garden products are available locally and when they should be applied.

Phil was a market gardener for many years, where he grew over 30 different crops.

He was also a part of a group of farmers who started the very successful Albany Farmers Market.

The meeting is on Wednesday June 13th at 7.30pm in the Roleystone Family Centre, 19 Wygonda Rd, Roleystone. Entry \$3-members free. Enquiries to Lisa on 9399 2312.

**Lisa Porter**

*Pictured at left: Phil and Heidi den Boer with humous and kelp for the garden.*





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## RECENT EVENTS

*Thank you very much to everyone who came to our recent busy bee. The garden has had a trim - special thanks to June and we now have a paved entrance to our courts 5 and 6 so well done to Mel and Bob and all our helpers.*

*See Mel and Bob at right.*

## COMING EVENTS

### AUTUMN TOURNAMENT.

We will be holding our autumn tournament on Sunday 27 May. This will be a doubles event and we will interchange partners. The weather is forecast to be fine and we are looking forward to a great day.

### CHRISTMAS IN JULY DINNER

We will be having our annual Christmas in July dinner on Saturday 7th July. We will have tennis in the afternoon followed by a roast dinner & desserts and quiz and we will also be watching the Wimbledon ladies final. Signup sheets will be at the club soon and we are limited to 55 people so put your name down early.

### 2012 AGM

All members are requested to keep Sunday 5th August available for our annual general meeting. This will start off with our meeting at 2pm and then an afternoon of tennis will follow.

We need 15 members for a quorum so please come along if you are available. It shouldn't very long and then we can all have afternoon tea and enjoy some tennis.

### SOCIAL TENNIS AT THE CLUB

#### Mornings

Wednesday morning Social Tennis from 9.00 am (Members \$2.50 & non-members \$5.00). We normally have a morning tea break about 10.30. Please come along and enjoy a fun morning of tennis.

Alternatively on Friday mornings the family centre run social tennis (9-11am) which has a crèche provided.

#### Afternoons

Sunday afternoon Social Tennis from 2.00pm. (Members free & non-members \$5.00). Newcomers are most welcome.

Please come along and enjoy some great tennis. Contact Tracey on 9496 0053 for more information.

#### Nights

Monday night - Social Tennis from 7pm till 8.30pm. Members \$1.00 & non-members \$5.00.

### COACHING

#### Junior coaching.

Thursday afternoons from 4pm. These sessions run within school terms. If you are interested in enrolling in coaching, please contact our club coach Cameron Fenner on 9457 9704 or 0439 960 629 or email Cameron at [frontiertennis@hotmail.com](mailto:frontiertennis@hotmail.com)

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# REZONING FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL SITE A WINNER

*At the time of writing this article to meet the Roleystone Courier deadline the Roleystone Karragullen Seniors Housing Committee are absolutely delighted to report that the rezoning of the Roleystone Primary School site went through Council's Development Services Committee on Monday night with ease.*

It now has to be formally approved this coming Monday night, 28 May at a full Council meeting. As it has the full support of our two Councillors with no real concerns from other councillors, we have no reason to believe it will not go through. The rezoning application then goes onto the WA Planning Commission for their approval and then onto the Minister for Planning for the final sign off.

The Government will then put the site out for sale by tender. Once it is purchased we can expect to see what the new owner's development proposals may be. The development proposal will have to go through Council processes. This could mean at least another 18 months to 2 years.

187 submissions were received - 121 supporting 45 objections 17 just comments and 4 from Agencies: 64.7% in support. Council Officers noted that this many submissions in support of a proposal is not often seen. It is generally only when community disagree that they have a high rate of submissions.

The City believes that the support is a clear indication of the work done to this point and that the community see aged persons' development as critical. The Seniors housing committee wish to thank all residents who have supported them in many ways and for all who sent submissions in. We also acknowledge and thank Council Officers for their excellent report.

This report with the conditions of approval can be viewed online at Council web site or at City of Armadale Libraries or Office.

**Pat Hart**  
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**Roleystone Karragullen Seniors Housing Committee**

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## S.A.F.E. Kittens

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a shelter. All SAFE animals are purchased after all vet work is done which includes sterilization, micro chipping, vaccination and worming. They cost \$175, which only covers all the vet work.

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So after I finish my day job at the Roleystone Family Centre I go home to care for 5 extra furry babies until they find their new homes. So if you want one of these lovely animals as your new pet please ring on 0418 556717.


*Deeana White*





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*The photo above: Mel Stokes, Linda Mellors and Brian Betts dressed for the occasion.*

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*Hi everyone especially our Footy tipsters. We have some very strong punters this year with Harry Newell leading the way scoring 3 wins over 8 rounds. if he keeps going like this, a legend will be created! See below Harry in 2009!!!!*

*Bev Krebs has followed closely on his heels with 2 wins from the 8 games and Wayne van Uden, Sharon Knapp and Graham Pound (alias Premiers 2006) are all sitting on 1 win.*

The Bombers look very sliik this year as does St Kilda with ex Eagle Scott Watters at the helm. Geelong and Carlton not so consistent but knowing their finals strategy they seem to get there in the end. Richmond and Sydney have shaken a couple of teams to date, Collingwood, Hawthorn, Bulldogs and North Melbourne are still in the mix and what about Adelaide's strong start as well as Port's resurgence? With regards the Eagle's/Freo's Derby result with Worsfold's 243 record over Mick Malthouse there should be no doubt.

Good on Giants and Goldcoast but come on Melbourne!! The ladder stands at: Harry with 58, Bev 56 followed by Doreen Davis, John Montgomery (alias Monty 1) and Graham on 54. The overall leader for Footytips.com is only on 55 - how do you feel now Harry? Happy tipping.

Mike



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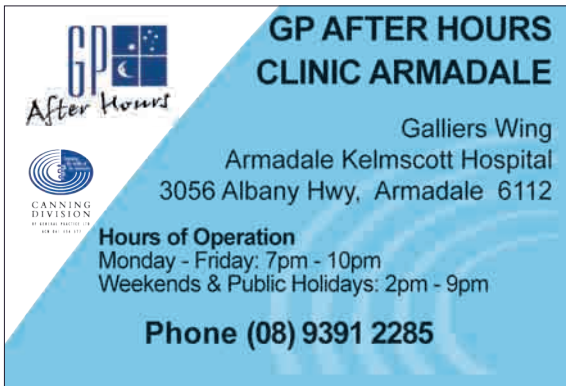
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AUGUST	25 July	4 August
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DECEMBER	21 November	1 December

May has seen further progression of the Roleystone Primary School rezoning. At this stage the report has only been seen by the Development Services Committee and is still to be seen by full Council and then passed onto the State Government for comment. The rezoning proposal that was advertised to the public was for "restricted" residential use - the restriction on the residential use was that it was for "aged or dependent persons dwellings" not regular family homes. This restriction was considered appropriate because of the need for additional aged persons accommodation & the advantageous topography & location of the site.

The density allowed for aged persons accommodation in an unsewered area is R12.5, which equates to 40 dwellings. The City may grant the 1/3 density bonus (for a total of 60 dwellings) for aged persons accommodation but this is dependant on approval by the Health Department and provision of additional private open space. The City received 187 public submissions. Approximately 65% of residents were in favour of the aged persons accommodation proposal and 55% for retention of the western/southern bushland. The oval & bushland are iconic to the community; many residents & their children have attended the school and been to the autumn festival & concerts in the park. The trees themselves are also a much admired part of Jarrah road, quintessential to Roleystone. As the site is unsewered, the greatest constraint on development of the land has been the waste water treatment ^ this has limited the

**Cr Grant Nixon**  
0418449611

**Cr Caroline Wielinga**  
0488 900 307

number of dwellings and required a certain area of land not to be built upon to irrigate the treated waste water from that many dwellings. So far the recommendation is that the rezoning for aged persons accommodation will go ahead, the western/southern bushland will be preserved and the City is reserving the right to create a "public access easement" over the bushland & oval in the future when the land has been sold to a developer (and detailed planning of the site commences). A public access easement would enable restricted public access dictated by a written deed whilst still leaving the ownership of the land with the developer (a necessity for the irrigation area). This is another milestone in the long journey for additional seniors accommodation. Next we await the State Government's comments and then a developer.

Cross Park and Springdale Park have just started the master planning stage of their future. This is part of an across city strategy to look at the management of Armadale's assets. This is the opportunity for Roleystone residents to write to the City about their needs and aspirations for both Cross Park and Springdale Park.

## Skate Park Update

*Although some residents claim a new skate park was "promised" several years previous, the Council only endorsed the redevelopment 11 months ago in June 2011.*

There may have been "needs" previously identified but no budget. One year ago something called the "Public Open Space Strategy" funds for "Precinct I" were finalised by the last sales of public open space within our locality. These funds were combined with "cash in lieu" funds from developers of Chevin woods.

This total pool of money was only to be spent on public open space in Roleystone. Thanks to past & current councillor lobbying, one item is to receive the majority of these funds - the skate park redevelopment.

In a locality where over half of the voting population are over 55 years it was determined that such a significant portion of the funds should go to the youth because the youth here are relatively isolated and at risk of "negative social and emotional effects" and this has a ripple effect to the rest of the Community.

So far there has been public consultation for the skate park and a draft concept design produced. Without putting too

fine a point on it, this time line is arguably pretty good for a Government body.

At the same time, as part of a City wide investigation into its public buildings & infrastructure, the City is also investigating several of its older main community-activity centres. The first two to receive funding in February this year were Cross Park-Springdale in Roleystone & John Dunn-Rushton Park Kelmscott. There has been a long history of accumulated infrastructure at Cross Park and before anything else is added a "Master Plan" will be prepared to guide future additions/renovations in the park. This is to make sure new additions, such as a new skate park, are placed in their most optimal position relative to existing and proposed new City/community buildings.

This long term planning of Cross Park is seen as a logical way to ensure optimal use of the park into the future. The aim is to make it a better place for all users together as a community, not as mutually exclusive entities.

Although this process is to take a few months, there is no real delay to the skate park because it is happening concurrently to the other finalisation details of the skate park.

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## May Weather

Weather Statistics provided by David Elliott:  
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### Rainfall Stats

*May 2012, 49.2 on 10 days (until May 26)*  
*May Average 135.0 on 12 days*  
*Total Jan 1 to May 26 2012, 191.2 on 28 days*  
*Average 1st Jan to 31 May, 237.7 on 30 days*

### Temperature Stats

*Lowest Min 2.1 (25th)*  
*Highest Min 16.2 (4th)*  
*Lowest Max 17.2 (14th)*  
*Highest Max 24.3 (3rd)*

### Temp Averages May

Year	Av Min	Av max
2008	9.4	18.4
2009	9.4	23.4
2010	6.1	20.5
2011	8.8	22.7
2012	9	20.2

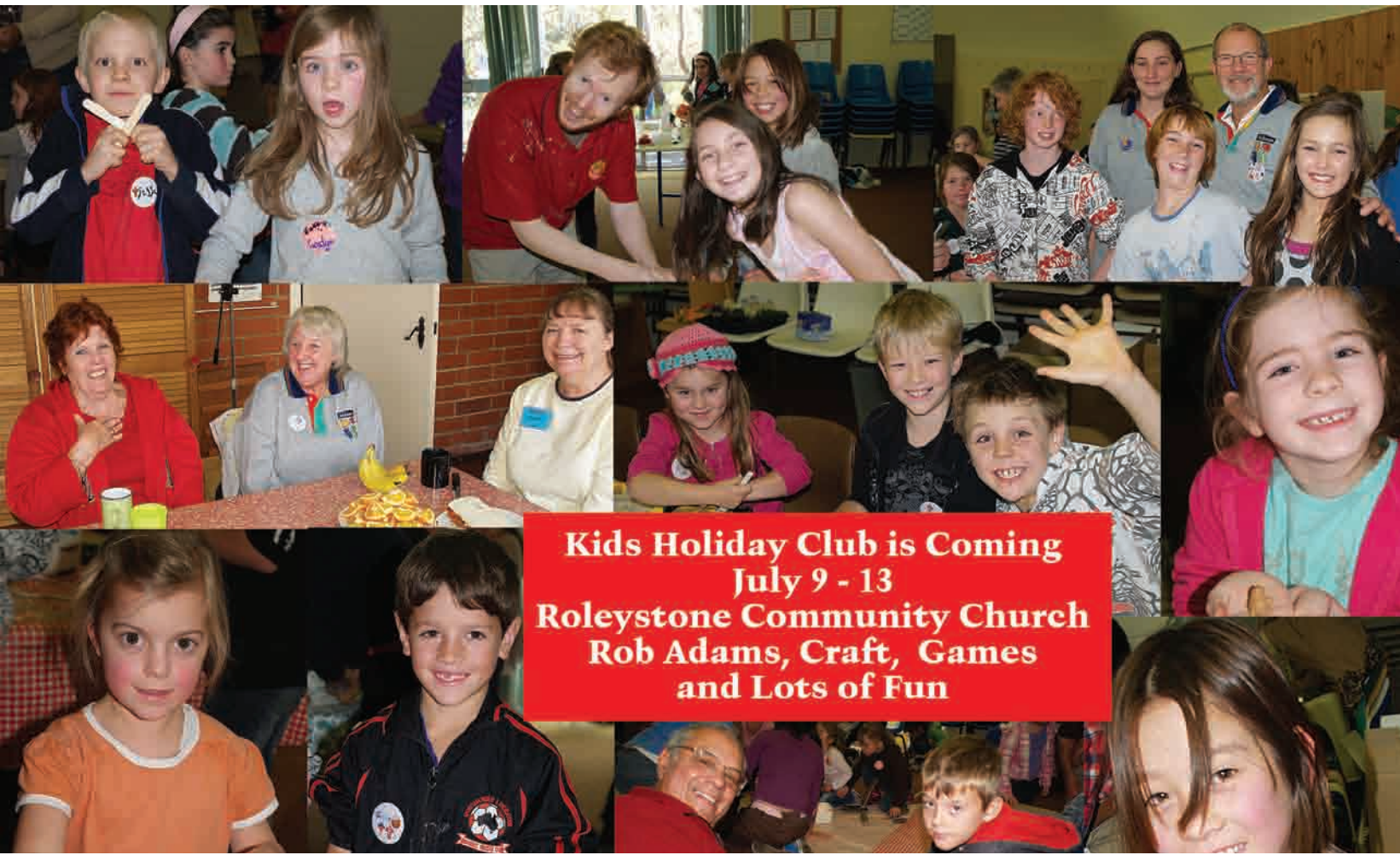
*Those rains seem to have dried up! Plus it has not been as cold in the hills as Perth. Hopefully June brings some frosty weather.*

### MUSIC QUIZ NIGHT.

The June Club Night date for the Roleystone Musicians Club has been changed to 30 June and RMC will be holding a fundraising Quiz Night at the Roleystone Country Club. It will a fun musical night with loads of prizes. Bring your own nibbles but there is a bar at the venue so all drinks to be purchased on the night. So form a table, you can get your tickets at Network Video - tickets are only \$10 per head or ring: 9496 1616.

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# Pro Bono: The Old Church Harmonium

David Bardsley, Minister Community Church



*It finally arrived! One Tuesday in May, amongst several boxes of goods and chattels belonging to our son Richard and his wife Kesiah, an old, battered wooden box was delivered.*

The portable reed organ which was used to accompany hymn singing in the street when my home church walked in witness at Pentecost is now in our hallway. It's much smaller than I remember. But then just about everything I remember from childhood has shrunk over the years. It's dirty too. I suppose that's only to be expected as it has lain ignored and forgotten in some obscure spot in the old Wesleyan Methodist chapel for over half a century.

To play it you have to raise the keyboard in the box, unfold the supporting legs, secure them upright, and then peddle on the foot bellows. Air goes up channels inside the wooden legs to the reeds and pressing a key produces a note through one reed – it works like a mouth organ or accordion. There are some bits missing and it now wobbles dangerously, the joints in its legs threatening to fold inwards at any moment. So it was with some trepidation that I tried it out. Not a squeak.

Then I found the on/off lever. To my great amazement and delight a sound could be heard – middle 'C' played true and clear. For sure there are several notes that don't play but

that's only to be expected with reeds that haven't had air through them for so long. The surprising thing is that any of them play at all.

Above the keys there's an engraved notice "Sold by the Wesleyan Methodist Sunday School Union". I can imagine the anticipation and excitement as funds were collected, the order placed and the new instrument delivered to my forebears at Houghton Green. Perhaps the children collected coins in a bottle like ours at the Community Church do. Perhaps they had a special fund raising occasion. Or perhaps they just asked folk to give what they could afford to buy the instrument. Imagine being the first person to press the keys and play a hymn – it would have to be "Onward, Christian Soldiers!" But then imagine being the last person to close it and store it away, no longer of use.

It's not hard to draw some deeper thoughts out of all this. I am continually surprised by the number of people I meet and hear about who have had a Christian input in their upbringing. They have heard about Jesus, maybe from parents, maybe at school, maybe at a Youth Club. Some have even taken part more seriously in Church activities. But over the years, their spiritual life has become less and less significant. It's now hidden away gathering dust in some forgotten corner of their life, labelled "No longer of use". What will it take for the reality of life to take hold? Our physical bodies quite clearly don't last forever – I can now wheeze like an old organ too when provoked! But what about our spirit? Is flesh and bone, a collection of molecules spinning around, all that there is to human life? People who genuinely answer "yes" to that question seem few and far between to me. And if you are one of those agree that there is indeed more to life, maybe it's time to dig out the stuff hidden away, dust it off and get it working properly. There's quite a bit at stake – eternity, I do believe...

Yours in Christ,  
David

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# Roleystone Karragullen Cricket Club

## ROLEYSTONE/KARRAGULLEN WHITE UPSET MAYLANDS IN E GRADE

The E grade Grand Final was the upset of the year when Roleystone White beat the hot favourites Maylands. Roleystone batted first and after an early collapse, the two veterans Steve Reeves (48) and Graham Fuller (39) put on a 100 run partnership that got their team to 165. That's 3 Premiersip Flags in 3 Years for the RKCC boys! A Club Hat-Trick!

### SHDCA Awards

This year the RKCC was well represented at the Swan Helena District Cricket Association presentation night with a number of players picking up awards. It's one thing taking out the trophies at your club but it's a significant achievement to win association level awards. Congratulations to all the RKCC winners

A Grade: Bowling Aggregate – Trent Stuart, Association Champion – Trent Stuart

C Grade: Hat Trick – Greg James

E Grade: Most Catches – Joe Ruffo, Batting Aggregate – Matt Faranda, Vince Baeli – Bowling Aggregate, Association Champion – Matt Faranda

### RKCC Wind Up and Presentation Night!

A Grade Batting Average	DARRYL KIPPING 33.58
A Grade Batting Aggregate	TRENT STUART 413 runs
A Grade Bowling Aggregate & Average	TRENT STUART 44 wkts @ 11.89
A Grade Fielding	LUKE SNADDEN
10 Wkts/Match - A Grade v Forrestfield	TRENT STUART (3/37 & 8/34)
10 Wkts/Match - A Grade v Darlington	JOHN LEWIS (6/69 & 4/21)
5 Wkts/Innings - A Grade & C Grade	GREG JAMES (5/26) (5/37)
5 Wkts/Innings - A Grade	TRENT STUART (6/34) (5/28)
5 Wkts/Innings - A Grade v Morley	JOHN LEWIS (7/48)
5 Wkts/Innings - A Grade v Forrestfield	PATRICK FISHER (5/14)
5 Wkts/Innings - A Grade v Lesmurdie-Mazenod	MITCHELL STUART (5/44)
C Grade Batting Average	GRAHAM POUND 35.14
C Grade Batting Aggregate	MICHAEL ANDERTON 251 runs
C Grade Bowling Average	GLENN COPPIN 6.69
C Grade Bowling Aggregate	CHRIS STEWART 27 wkts
10 Wkts/Match - C Grade v Glen Forrest	CHRIS STEWART (5/10 & 6/18)
5 Wkts/Innings - C Grade v Glen Forrest	GREG JAMES (6/12) Inc Hat Trick
5 Wkts/Innings - C Grade v Ellenbrook	GLENN COPPIN (5/8)
5 Wkts/Innings - C Grade v Ellenbrook	JO JACKSON (5/16)
5 Wkts/Innings - C Grade v Ellenbrook	CHRIS STEWART (5/22)
D Grade Batting Aggregate & Average	CHRIS DUDLEY 442 runs @ 34.0
D Grade Bowling Aggregate & Average	LARS OLESEN 18 wkts @ 18.5
E Green Batting Average	JESSE ROBERTS 28.27
E Green Batting Aggregate	BRENDAN CHAPMAN 353 runs
E Green Bowling Average	BRAD STEWART 12.33
E Green Bowling Aggregate	STEPHEN KIRK 25 wkts
E White Batting Aggregate & Average	MATTHEW FARANDA 824 runs
E White Bowling Aggregate & Average	VINCE BAELI 37 wkts @ 12.16
Centurion - E Grade v Maylands	BRENDAN CHAPMAN (103*)
5 Wkts/Innings - E Grade v Lesmurdie-Mazenod	VINCE BAELI (6/25)
Most Economical Club Bowler	GLENN COPPIN (2.16)
U-23 Cricketer of the Year	TRENT STUART
Club Champion	TRENT STUART
Club Persons of the Year	DEB & LINDSEY STEWART
Team Player of the Year	GREG JAMES

RKCC held the annual presentation night on Friday 13th of April and it did not disappoint! Held at the beautiful Araluen country club, the night saw all the boys dig out the Brylcream and their best suits for Roleystone's night of nights! Some of the lads were unrecognisable in their formal wear yet they were easily outdone by the beautiful wives and girlfriends, who proved yet again that they are far too good for us cricket lads!

With a full stomach thanks to the staff at Araluen and many a beer under the belt, the season's star performers were rewarded with silverware and applause. The night also gave the club a chance to thank some of the club's longest serving committee members who are retiring this year (from the committee – not from playing!)

Buzz Fuller, who is the clubs longest serving president steps down after 8 years at the helm along with long serving committee members, Deb & Lindsey Stewart, Ned Flanders and Gavin Hodge.

All have put significant amounts of time and effort into ensuring the future of the club and have well and truly left a long lasting impression on the RKCC.

The RKCC would again like to thank outgoing committee members Buzz Fuller (RKCC's Longest Serving President), Gavin Hodge, Ned Flanders, Deb and Lyndsey Stewart for their invaluable contributions to the club over a number of years.

Although it is sad that you are no longer on the committee in an official capacity we will no doubt be seeking plenty of advice from you all from the other side of the bar! The club held its annual AGM on April 15th to



Singapore CC Russell Lewis, Dean McIntyre,

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elect the office holders for this season and appoint new committee members for next year. The office holders for next year are;

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## Astronomical Highlights June

Greg Lowe, Perth Observatory

*As in early May, so again in early June: the waxing Moon is the dominant evening object as it heads for full phase on the 4th, the Monday holiday. That's not all – there'll be a partial lunar eclipse. And the Moon will be near perigee.*

So we'll have a big full moon with a "bite" taken out of it by the Earth's shadow. Mid-eclipse will be at 7:03pm on the 4th. Lunar eclipses happen when the Sun, Earth and Moon are aligned, in that order, and the Moon passes into the Earth's shadow. This can only happen at full moon but we don't see an eclipse with every full moon because of the way that the Moon's orbit is inclined to the ecliptic (the plane of the Earth's orbit).

In a related case of solar system alignment, Venus will cross the line joining Earth and the Sun on the morning of the 6th. This is the alignment that produces the famous transit of Venus, the event that brought Lieutenant James Cook down to the south Pacific on his first such expedition in 1768-71 when he took possession of Australia for Britain.

Careful observations of the transit of Venus can be used to calculate the distances from Earth to the Sun and Venus: fundamental astronomical measurements.

When the Sun rises on the 6th, the transit will already be in progress. Venus will appear as a small, round, dark object against the bright disc of the Sun. Slowly it will move across the face of the Sun until it finally exits at 12:46pm. There won't be another transit until 2117. While you may be tempted to observe the event, we strongly recommend that you watch it safely via the internet or by casting an image onto a white screen using binoculars or a small telescope. Don't look at the Sun through unfiltered optics!!

The bright planets have gone from the evening sky. Venus will reappear as a brilliant morning object in the ENE at daybreak in the latter half of the month. Initially, Jupiter will rise ahead of Venus. By July 1st they'll be rising together. For the last few days of June and the first week of July, these two very bright planets will keep close company in the eastern dawn sky. In late June and early July, the evening viewing will be livened up a bit by the appearance of Mercury low in the WNW at dusk.

On June 21st the Sun will be as far north as it gets, from our earthbound point of view: the winter solstice. It's the time of shortest days and longest nights. If we reckoned our seasons as the older cultures do in the northern hemisphere, the solstice would be regarded as the beginning of winter.

The major phases of the Moon this month are full moon on the 4th, last quarter on the 11th, new moon on the 19th, and first quarter on the 27th. In July the full moon is on the 4th, as well. That works because the synodic period, from full moon to full moon, is 29.53 days and June's a 30-day month.

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## Wild Gossip: Possums In the Roof & other Places!

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The recent colder weather seems to have sent possums rushing back to live in cosy, warm rooves and my phone has been busy with people enquiring what to do about this. Unfortunately I can't solve the problem and I certainly can't "pop over and get this \*\*\*\*\* possum out of the roof"! The only thing I can do is offer advice and suggestions. The first thing I suggest is to observe and try to find all possible entry/exit points being used by the possum and fully secure all but one. Finally in the early evening when you hear or see the possum leave fully secure that entry/ exit point. This can be harder than it seems as possums are very cunning. The possum living in my roof pulls the gutter away from the roof sheets and squeezes through the gap. A friend of mine, who is unable to secure the roof has had a possum living in the linen closet for several years, another has one that manages to get into the cavity wall and has poked a hole into the lounge and keeps peeping inside, another has a possum which removes roof tiles to gain entry, but doesn't replace them which can

be a problem when it rains. There really is no simple solution unless the roof can be well secured and sometimes it can't be, obviously consulting a builder could help. Offering alternate accommodation by placing possum boxes and feeding platforms around your property can sometimes be helpful. You could even trap the possum and put it in one of the boxes on your property, then offer the odd food treat as a temptation for it to return to the box, but it still might return to your unsecured roof. Trapping, removing and relocating the possum to a different area must never be considered as it is total cruelty and illegal. A relocated possum would have no food, shelter or knowledge of the area to help it survive, also the local possums would fiercely defend their territory and would either drive away or kill this intruder. Possums are delightful creatures, they don't eat electrical cables, are very clean and we are lucky to have them in our area. Maybe we should be looking to help them and be tolerant of them so that they will be around for future generations to enjoy. Please contact me for help for or advice about all orphaned or injured wildlife.

## ASK SYL.....

Dear Syl

*I have never had possums in my roof. I have listened carefully for their noises and analysed their movements and based on what you have said I think my nocturnal visitors are rats and not possums. So how do I get rid of these unwanted guests? I would love possums.*

Dear Linda

*Please don't poison the rats or use snap traps. I suggest you use a live catcher that way you know what you have caught before killing it!*

*We have both possums and rats in our roof but they seem to have a clear divide line between smelly etc & welcome. The more possums I can bring in the less rats I will have. Rats have just chewed through all our antenna cable and part of our electric cable costing us plenty & their faeces everywhere causing a stink. Possums are clean and I welcome them.*

Regards Syl.



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*Looking over the ocean in Nanarup, Tim Fidock and Kathy Albanese were married on the 10th of March at Maitraya, a luxury residence tucked away on the edge of a cliffside. It was a real 'Roleystone affair' with all but two people in the bridal party growing up in the local area. The reception was attended by about 60 friends and family.*

*Although being a long way from home it was very homely with the flowers, decorations and coordinating by Lee Hammond (Tim's mum) and the meal prepared and cooked by Lesley Houghton (Kar's mum) and canapes by Ray Hammond. We are very blessed to have such great family and friends that came from far and wide down to Nanarup to share our special day. In all the bridal party stayed for 3 nights and as always it went way too quickly! We are looking forward to our honeymoon but Tim has a few more houses to sell before that!!!*

*At left the happy couple and top the Bridal party left to right: Lynda Albanese, Michael Moore, Sandy-Rose Halligan, Matt Neilson, Kathy Fidock, Tim Fidock, Matt Ridgway, Andrew Spry, Cameron Fidock, Brendan Fidock.*

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