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The amazing Springtime Festival brought thousands of visitors to our area.

The Roleystone Musicians Club were there on numerous occasions to keep everyone entertained. Thanks to Deb DeBoer for the photos (supported by Liz Dunn).

Jim from RMC A Turkish girl

Farewell Geoff & Margaret

Geoff was born and schooled in Roleystone and lived here until he was 15. He returned to Roleystone 33 years ago with his wife Margaret and they are now heading to Amaroo Retirement Village in Gosnells.

Being a former volunteer from Kelmscott Volunteer Fire Brigade, Geoff will continue to attend and enjoy the monthly fire brigade BBQs in Roleystone.

Geoff and Margaret will still be associated with the Roleystone community through their children and grandchildren who still live in the area.

Farewell to you both and good luck in your new adventure.

October Cover

As part of the 'Cotton Bush Blitz' Paul Mutton helps to pull out some of these weeds. Paul represents the commitment of the many members of Roleybushcare, successful this week in gaining a National Landcare Award (see page 3). Well done to you all.





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Roleybushcare Wins National Landcare Award

After 20 years of caring for the bushland reserves in Roleystone, Roleybushcare's efforts have been recognised with a National Landcare Award.

Starting out as the Roleystone Dieback Action Group in 1991, their original goal was to protect the Jarrah trees in the area from Phytophthora Dieback. Over the years more than 18,000 trees have been injected with phosphite to protect them against this disease. The group later became Roleybushcare and their activities increased to include revegetation, weed management and also educating the local residents about Phytophthora Dieback.

The award ceremony was held in the grand surrounds of the Melbourne Royal Exhibition Building last Thursday with Roleybushcare represented by member Jo Roshkov. Seven other landcare groups from around the country were also nominated for the award.

These included the Great Tracks Cleanup Crew who have spent the last eight years clearing and recycling over 370 tonnes of rubbish from South Australia's outback tracks.

Despite the tough competition, Roleybushcare



trumped them all and won the Qantas Landcare Innovative Community Group Award, an achievement that confirms Roleybushcare is a national leader in caring for our native bushland. Congratulations must first go to Ian Colquhoun who has been the driving force behind the group since its inception.

Congratulations also to all those wonderful volunteers who have injected trees, planted seedlings, removed weeds and helped out in so many other ways over the years.

If you'd like to help Roleybushcare protect our bushland, why not come along to our next field day on October 12th at Eskdale Reserve on Eskdale Rd in Roleystone. Running from 9am to noon, we will be injecting trees with phosphite to protect them from Phytophthora Dieback.

As usual, a spectacular morning tea will be provided for all volunteers.

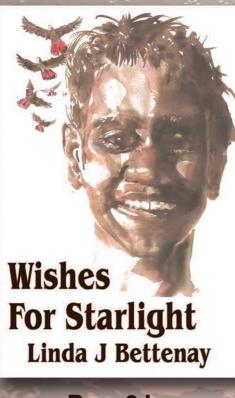
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Jo Roshkov

Jo is pictured at right with her daughter Caitlin and the Landcare Award.



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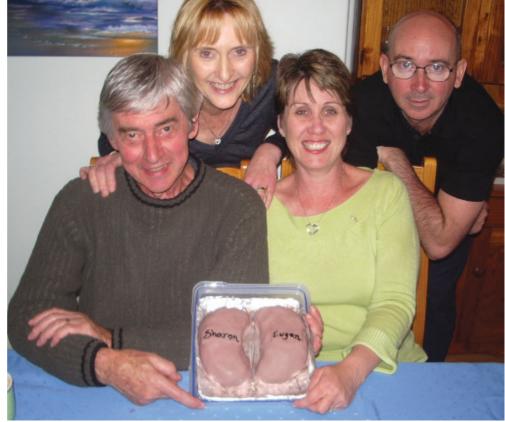
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Five Years of Thankssiving

23rd September 2014 was the 5th Anniversary of two wonderful events for our family. On that day in 2009, our dear friend, Eugen Krebs & I underwent surgery at RPH. This was an important operation as I was giving Eugen one of my kidneys.

Just over two weeks before that day, on 7th September, our eldest son Dwayne who was 21 years old at the time, had an horrific car accident & was admitted to RPH ICU. Dwayne was in a coma & was not expected to survive his car accident when Eugen & I went into surgery on the 23rd. While Eugen & I were busy in the operating theatre, Dwayne woke from his coma & commenced on the road back to us.

5 years on, my kidney is still working well in Eugen & Dwayne has gone from strength to strength, achieving so much.

My wish for today is for everyone to stop & think about how precious life is. Tell the people you care about that you love them & be sure to live life to the full.

Sharon Knapp





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Editorial Happy To Be Home

Over September, Mike and I were lucky enough to travel to Hong Kong.

Our visit was mainly for business with a bit of tourism and shopping thrown in on the side and so we were able to experience a few different aspects of this amazing place. I suppose the major thing I noticed was how totally different it is to Roleystone.

We were enthralled by the pace and the ability of these amazingly entrepreneurial people to conquer the challenging mountainous geography to build this massive city.

Hundreds of giant sky scrapers provide very expensive accommodation for the millions of people who live here. Sadly they also block out the sky and I hardly saw the sun or felt the wind.

No-one can visit this megapolous without being astounded by the transport system. We never had to wait more than five minutes for any vehicles with an average wait of about 2 minutes at most subway spots.

In Roleystone I live on the bus route the buses come past hourly during the daylight hours on weekdays and two hourly on the weekends. But at least when I get on public transport in Perth I can usually move. This was not the case in Hong Kong where I was always up close and very personal with my fellow passengers.

The people of Hong Kong seem to live largely indoors and underground. This is lucky because a typhoon hit on day 2 and on our last day, winds from China brought in the worst smog I have ever encountered. This was worse than the smoke when a bushfire is looming in the surrounding bush.

I could wax on for some time comparing these locations but the significant and profound emotion when I came home was relief and joy of nature and open spaces.

The ability to breath the air and smell spring all around me. I wandered around my garden when I returned and counted my blessings. To have dirt, and wild things and see our native bush land. To see animals and insects and feel the wind in my face. These are the myriads of things I feel lucky to have.

Some of the countries to our north have completely sacrificed nature.

They have conquered their environments and now live in air conditioned, controlled living, working, shopping precincts where everything they require is available - but only humans benefit.

This makes me even more determined to appreciate what we have in our country and campaign to stop large polluters and stand up at every opportunity to protest

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against the mindless pursuit of money over a healthy environment. But another thing struck me even more than this when I went to Hong Kong.

Large metropolises do not seem to have a community like we have.

The people I saw in the subway never made eye contact with others.

They all played on their phones or their electronic devices. Even those travelling in groups preferred playing on their tablets to speaking with their friends.

I have a theory about why folks engage in mindless social media when surrounded by huge unknown crowds and it is based on the Total Perspective Vortex Machine (TPV) from The Hitchhikers Guide to the Galaxy. The victim is placed in the TPV in amongst a model of the entire universe together with a microscopic dot bearing the inscription '*you are here*'.

Apparently the sense of perspective destroys the victim's mind when they see how totally insignificant they are. So my theory is that if you engage in superficial 'Me Centered' social media it makes you feel just important enough to get past the thought that you may be less significant than you'd hoped.

In Hong Kong we didn't see any birds, or any children playing, in fact I hardly saw any families at all. I didn't see any disabled people, or pregnant ladies or seniors or sporting groups. Just folk going mindlessly to work and massive hordes of cashed up middle class Chinese tourists lugging suitcases to carry home their purchases.

I came back to Roley and went up to our own shops. I saw people and they smiled; folks I knew said hello and asked how my trip was.

Those who didn't know me, still met my eye. I felt significant - I knew I was home. And no-one I saw that day had a stupid phone!!! A good community makes everyone feel like they belong - and they are valued.

I want my place to stay just like this. I don't object to change, or development and growth but I do strongly object to losing my community.

Thanks Roley - I am proud to call you home.

And this month's Courier is packed to the brim with the things I am talking about - the things that make this a community. So enjoy everything that October has to offer and 'Happy Reading' to you all. *Linda Moore*

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Letters to the Editor

Garden makeover at RCC

A group of Year 8 - 10 students did a wonderful job around the college in the last week of term 3 creating some lovely gardens and maintaining others on site.

As half of the cohort was off site at Country Week, the formal timetable for the students left at the college was collapsed and replaced with an integrated program that included the delivery of the core learning areas in and around the Sustainable Garden, Horticulture and Home Economics Programs.

RCC teachers also pitched in and our students enjoyed the change to their learning regime. Also they were eager to 'give back' to the college with some community service.

The gardens are now a wonderful addition to the college, a feature which will be maintained by our students across all cohorts.

Vicki Sallur

Father's Day Lunch A Delight

The Roleystone Country Club were offering a Father's Day lunch special this year so our sons, Dwayne, Adam & Luke along with Luke's girlfriend, Hyebin, my husband Allen & I headed on down.

All I can say is what an amazing lunch we had. It was so nice & definitely worth the price we paid.

The staff were so cheery & professional. They helped make it a really nice Father's Day family outing.

If you haven't already done so, I would highly recommend you heading on down to the club & giving it a try. Not only will you be treating yourself to a wonderful meal, you will also be supporting one of the great clubs we have up here in Roleystone.

We would like to extend a HUGE thank you to the club's new caterers for a fabulous meal. This was thoroughly enjoyed by all of us.

Sharon Knapp and Family

On The Demise of The Rag Trade As We Knew It

Who'd have thought that the names for jumpers and cardigans would disappear in such a short length of time?

The clothing repertoire today is very brief. What's a petticoat, a vest, a singlet? A jumper is a suicidal character from television, not a hand -knitted, woollen long sleeved, v-necked warmer.

Acrylic? Wool? Never heard of them. Linen or poplin? Nylon or rayon? Nah, sounds like scientific tables. Stockings and suspenders, girdles? You've got to be kidding...ugh gross!

A trainer is footwear, not an athletic coach. Cross trainers are not cross-dressing gymnasts either. Are you a jogger or a sneaker? The name of your footwear is onomatopoeic. Perhaps you are a thong? Be careful with that one.

You wear a label, not an article of clothing: Doc Martens, Levis, Akubras, Reeboks or Adidas, not boots, jeans, hats or shoes and footie boots. Hoodies are perhaps the exception, they are what they purport to be.

Jerkin, bodice, doublet, pantaloons have been joined by jumpers and cardigans, and the most delightful of all: frocks.

Put on your best frock and off you go. It conjures up cocktail parties, race going, carefree tootling in an MG with the hood down and your arms nicely tanned in your sun frock. Bring back the frock I say.

Cardigans do sound dull but that's because old men in movies wore them. They can be very funky now, but they are called knitted jackets! No one wears cardies anymore. Shame, I like a nice cardie. As for a twinset? What's that?

Ma, where are the pearls? Virginia O'Keeffe



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How To Have An Eight Week Holiday Taking Only Cabin Luggage!

Ken and I recently travelled through Thailand and Bali. We both have bad backs and wanted to travel with as little luggage as possible.

There are many advantages to travelling with only cabin luggage. No time is wasted at the luggage carousel when arriving at one's destination, no luggage is ever lost and no one can put marijuana into one's luggage – as may or may not have happened to Schapelle Corby! Also if there is something fragile in the suitcase, one is more careful handling it than any luggage handler. Getting on or off trains is much easier too with just cabin bags. I bought a little red suitcase with wheels, having checked carefully that it conformed to the size allowed by most airlines. It had two zip up pouches on the lid. In one of these I put a couple of sheets of paper two envelopes and spare pens. Also any maps required. In addition I had a thumb drive packed in this section that contained scans of our passports and e tickets. This section of the case was firmly padlocked and was known as 'my office'! In the top pouch I put a tightly folded woven shopping bag – in case of any unexpected purchases. Sure enough on this last holiday this bag was used to bring home three pairs of tailored trousers purchased in Bangkok.

Do not take anything silk or linen on holiday – it creases! Articles made of jersey don't crease at all but they are very hot to wear in a hot climate. Hats that don't pack flat are also a problem! I took a travel hairdryer which was a waste of time as every hotel we stayed in had a hairdryer in the room.

Select a colour scheme for your holiday – everything must go with everything. I selected a theme colour for the holiday – a pale green. Due to a mixture of black, white and very pale green I had quite a lot of scope to mix and match to make a variety of outfits.

I wore an outfit for departure that would take me anywhere – a smart pale green jacket, black trousers a black tee shirt, good shoes and a brightly coloured scarf. Dressing well at the airport has once or twice secured us upgrades (or so I like to think)! Never travel in white – airline food such as yoghurt has a habit of flying out of the container onto ones clothes as soon as the foil cap is pulled off, due to lower cabin pressure!

In the bottom of the suitcase I packed a pair of trainers and a pair of beach-type shoes. Into these I packed all my underwear and two pairs of socks. I also managed to roll a sarong down the side of the suitcase and a pair of bathers on the other side. I took four tee shirts including one black and one white, two pairs of trousers – one white pair and one pale green theme colour giving three pairs in total with the black pair worn to the airport.

I took an extremely multi colouredl light-weight floaty top that dressed up any outfit for day or night especially with the addition of some cheap jewellery. I put in one knit dress that I rolled up carefully.

I never take expensive jewellery on holiday but took three cheap necklaces and three sets of cheap earrings – of no value so no worries if I lost them.

I had to buy a can of hair mousse on arriving at my destination – it cost only a few dollars as a can of mousse generally weighs more that the 100g allowed by the airlines in hand luggage. For other cosmetics I bought some cheap plastic bottles to fill that stated on a label that they contained no more than 100ml. I had no room for a toilet bag and kept my toothbrush, paste etc in a plastic bag.

I made sure another plastic bag contained medicine for headaches, diarrhoea and vomiting. Yes these medicines are sold all over the world but if you don't travel with them it always seems to be about 2am when the shops are closed, that the presence of that prawn that was a bit 'off' makes itself felt!

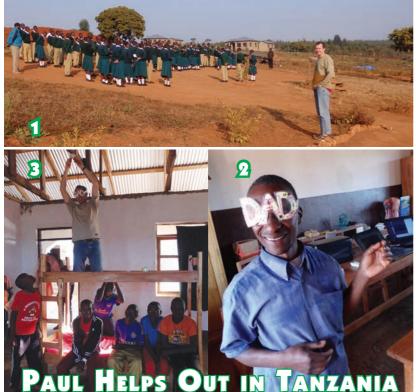
Last October we were in Paris which was cold and wet and I still managed with just cabin luggage by wearing a very warm tailored jacket for travelling on planes trains etc, a warm knitted scarf and a pair of gloves. I substituted two long sleeved tee shirts in the four outlined above for tropical climes, and I included two thermal vests in my packing. I bought a waterproof, goose down filled jacket that squashed down to the size of a drink bottle and I was as warm as toast!

I also bought a disposable plastic poncho that packed flat and took up less space than an umbrella.

We returned home having had a wonderful holiday – free from any form of back problems! After eight weeks I was tired of the travel wardrobe and donated the tee shirts to charity. Next time I will start with a completely new compact travel wardrobe and a different theme colour! *Jean Henrickson Foreign Correspondent!*

Jeanis Cabin Luggage

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While everything in Roleystone is greening up, I have arrived in Tanzania in the middle of the dry season to help out at a new village high school owned and run by locals and supported by Australians. The aim is to provide a high standard of education to otherwise poor village students. Local government schools are failing to educate with often only 10-20% gaining more than an F in standard examinations. In the recent mock examinations for the year 9's, this school came 2nd in the district (out of 23) and we are aiming for first in the end of year national examinations.

Since my last visit shortly after the school opened 18 months ago there have been a lot of changes. I now no longer sleep on the cement floor in the headmaster's office as a special house for volunteers has just been finished. It is a simple place, with 4 rooms, a concrete floor and a separate kitchen room. I am currently staying here with a young Tanzanian volunteer and 2 young Australian volunteers.

One of my jobs has been to set up computers and encourage

their use by students and staff with presentations, tutorials, and educational assistance programs (e.g. "Mathletics").

We are hoping to one day fund a dedicated computer science teacher. Most school computer lessons in this part of Tanzania begin with the teacher drawing a picture of a computer on the blackboard. Computer viruses are not a problem! A 40ft container sent from Australia in June is now being cleared at the port and this contains about 15 tonnes of equipment including 13 additional laptops for the students in addition to the 5 already here. Some photos shown here:

1. The school's morning assembly 2. The school's physics teacher (Mr Mtweve) trying out the glasses my son Charlie gave to me.

3. Me wiring up a room in the boys' solar powered dormitories with some of the students. 4. Me giving a talk on Mars.

It's getting pretty exciting here at the moment as Dimity and my children will be arriving in two days and spending their school holidays here.

Paul Mutton



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Meditations for Mind, Body and Spirit - CD Launch at Genesis

Local Counsellor and Art Therapist Eugene Chattelle has been working in the field of Transpersonal Counselling and Art Therapy for over fifteen years and over this time has seen an increase in the number of people suffering depression, anxiety and panic attacks.

Eugene revealed that she had often been approached to create a Meditation CD but she didn't know how to go about it. Time passed and still no CD! Two years ago she was introduced to two local musicians RajeDeva and Scott Mitchell, who offered to help her.

'Scott and Raje are two of the most generous and inspiring people l have had the pleasure to work with,' she said.

So over the course of one and a half years, 'Meditations for Mind Body and Spirit' has been in the making and now it's complete. Meditation has always been a part of Eugene's life and she loves sharing the benefits with others.

"I feel so grateful to have had this tool from such an early age," she says, "it has

A Big Hurrah To Aura Hairdressing

Denise Drummond recently decided to donate her hair to a wigmaker and she approached Aura Hairdressing to help her out. Belinda gave her a fantastic hair cut but also made it free of charge because it was for charity.

Denise was very impressed with everyone's helpfulness and the great service:

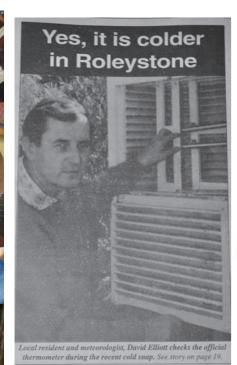
"The staff were really helpful. I found a wig maker in Sydney called Ascot Wigmakers. If anyone else is interested in donating their hair, then I would highly encourage them, especially with summer coming up! Belinda (@Aura) has the details if anyone is keen to donate."



helped me through many difficult times, it keeps me centered and provides a space for my creativity."

To celebrate this Eugene will be launching the CD and RajeDeva and Scott Mitchell will be performing at the event. This will be held at Genesis in the Hills on Sunday October the 12th from 4.30pm to 6.00pm. Interested members of the Roleystone community are welcome to attend by phoning Genesis on 9397 7799.





David Elliott, our long term weather man, has been collecting stats in this area and reporting on 'all things climactic' for the Courier for over two decades.

This picture was on the front cover of the August 1993 Roleystone Courier, when David explained how our local weather differed from that experienced on the Perth coastal plain.

David Packs Away His Raingauge

His passion for everything weather related came when he saw an advertisement in the UK in 1967 and applied for the job in the Weather Bureau in Perth, Western Australia. Since then he has never looked back.

But all good things come to an and. Four years ago David retired from BOM and now he and Jackie are moving down the hill. Yes, he will still be collecting rainfall and weather stats but it will no longer be the 'Roleystone Stats' so his tenure as the Roley Weather man is coming to an end. Others are now poised to take up the mantle.

Thank you David and may the sun still shine down on you in your new location.

Twenty one years ago, when David Elliott started to report the weather in The Roleystone Courier it was August 1993:

- The Council was warning Roleystone residents of an imminent rise in the land rates. (Nothing has changed.)
- The Armadale City Council decided to build a Display Pavilion on the Tennis Courts in Karragullen to house the Karragullen Field Day exhibitors. (In 1992 they had a record number at 162 exhibitors - this year it is over 200.)
- Mike Beilby revealed that a report was soon to be handed down on the feasibility of the proposed Roleystone Karragullen Shire.
- The Roleystone Neighbourhood House Committee had introduced a weekly shopping bus to go down the hill every Thursday.
- 300 people attended the 'Save our Shops' meeting held to support local shopkeepers after the devastating shop fire destroyed the shopping centre in the same year.
- The Bedfordale Residents Association warned against The



Churchman's Brook Rural Estate stating that a flurry of proposals for small lot sizes would result.

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Letters to the Editor

ARALUEN BOTANIC PARK TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT

On Sunday 14 September 2014, I made a big mistake. I left my house to go out for the day. You see, I'm usually a prisoner in my own home on weekends when the tulips are out at the Araluen Botanic Park. Why? Because the traffic on Croyden Road is horrendous. It took me 45 minutes to travel from Heritage Drive (on Croyden Road) to my home – approximately 1km. I have been told of a number of other incidents also - another local resident was denied access to their home from Gardiner Road (of which a portion is made one way over the weekends), even though the signage states that local residents are able to get through. They were made to turn around and face the traffic on Croyden Road - it took them 1.5 hours to get home. I was even told that the traffic was banked right back to Peet Road (on Brookton Highway). I have been fighting the traffic management issue of the Araluen Botanic Park for a number of years now, and I cannot believe that it is still a significant problem. It is as bad now as it was 20 years ago. Whilst waiting in the traffic that Sunday, I witnessed a number of near misses - cars doing u-turns on Croyden Road (for those of you that have travelled down Croyden Road you will know that it is not a safe road on which to do a u-turn), motor bikes weaving through the traffic and pedestrians walking on the road and narrow footpath. I often wonder who would be held accountable should there be an accident, and how emergency services would get through if necessary.

I do not have an issue with the Park, it is important for our community that we have these attractions, but all I ask is that the local residents are not inconvenienced (such as road closures) and that the traffic and parking is managed appropriately. Just like all other public venues in Perth.

I have written a letter detailing my experience and concerns to the Roleystone Councillors, the Department of Environment and Conservation, and representatives of the Araluen Botanic Park. I encourage other residents who are impacted by the traffic congestion to voice their concerns and write to the relevant authorities. Doing so would compel them to take action to address and resolve the situation.

Maria Dawson

Traffic Management Over the Springtime

On Sunday 14 September circumstances conspired to cause a serious backlog of traffic. This was most regrettable and, as a consequence, steps were taken to mitigate the likelihood of a recurrence. After consultation with DPaW, City of Armadale and the traffic management contractor, the following contingency plans were introduced for the last two weekends of September.

1. VMB's were placed on Brookton Hwy with warnings, "Araluen Springtime Expect delays" and the ability to show "Araluen Botanic Park Full".

2. Wymond Rd emergency access was opened on Sundays/PH-Monday to allow ingress to the Araluen Estate if necessary. A sign was placed on the Araluen Progress Association Board on Heritage Drive to advertise this.

3. People accessing houses on Armenti Rd and between Heritage Dr and Araluen Botanic Park were escorted in from Gardiner Road.

4. The ABPF wrote to the affected residents of Croyden Rd to inform them of the options in dealing with the traffic.

5. The emergency services were aware of the changes.

Any inconvenience to residents is regretted however it was pleasing that we had so many visitors, no serious incidents and very few complaints received.

Spokesperson for Araluen Park





The beginning of October sees brand new owners taking over the Roleystone Newsagency. Karen and her daughter Jess Heydon-Carter will be the prime operators and they will be supported by Karen's husband David and her younger daughter Ashley.

Jess has had many years working in this industry and she is now very keen to put some of her ideas into action in Roleystone. The Heydon-Carters live in nearby Lesmurdie so they more than understand our hills environment and the importance of community.

'I am really looking forward to meeting as many locals as possible. Roleystone has such a lovely community village feel,' said Karen.

The new owners want to brighten the place up and rearrange the shop layout. Some of these arrangements may need to wait until March but customers can be assured that a new, more practical look is not far away. They have already started to order in new stock and have plans to stock a giftware range. If customers want something please let us know and we will do what we can to source it for them said Karen.

They are keen to let customers know that all of the current Post Office services and Lotto services will be retained and be expanded. The new owners are determined to keep the shop open to suit customers and will not be closing over lunch time.

The Heydon-Carters are seeking feedback about the possibility of introducing Post Office boxes on the car park side of the shop. If locals would use this service they are encouraged to let the ladies know.

'We would like to say thank you to everyone who has greeted us so warmly. It's like everyone here has a smile on their face. I am really looking forward to working in this community,' said Jess.

So welcome to Karen and Jess. They are hoping that the recent stroke of good luck continues with a Roleystone family buying their million dollar winning ticket at the agency only a week ago. What an auspicious welcome to the new owners!

We also say farewell to Anne and John Thorpe and thank them for their many years of providing newsagent and postal services to Roleystone.

Message to all Roleystone Courier Locals

from the staff at B&B Hardware: "See us at the Karragullen Expo". We will be in bays 8 & 9



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THINKING OF BLANCHE

Our thoughts and best wishes go out to Blanche Mateljan as she endures a serious illness. This vibrant and popular community member is sure to put up a brave fight. Hope you are back smelling roses again soon Blanche.

Karragullen Expo & West Australian Avocado Festival The 31st Karragullen Expo will be held on Saturday 11 October. It will showcase the first ever 'West Australian Avocado Festival'. It is the 31st Karragullen Expo and will start at 9.00am and finish at 4.30pm. Locals put the date in your diaries!

SmokefreeWA Kelmscott Show This year's show will be held at Rushton Park, on Friday 17th October 4pm - 10pm and Saturday 18th October, start time 9.00am and finish at 4.30pm. Fireworks, Kelmscott Idol, displays, rides and all the fun of the fair!

Happy 30th Birthday Myriad Gifts



Thank you to all of our wonderful customers, present and past for our birthday wishes. Over September we celebrated our 30th birthday. We had a great week and on Friday we had three owners: Jenny Jones who set up the store in Brackenridge village and Beryl Thomas along with current owner Angela Stark. It was fun with lots of customers calling in to say Hi and catch up with Jenny, Beryl and Angela.





Roley Spring Market Cancelled

Nature had the last word and the Roleystone Market Committee reluctantly made the decision to cancel the Spring market with safety fears for stall holders and visitors alike. The decision was made early on the morning of the market

ROLEYSTONE MARKETS

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when the sun was just coming up, the sky was clear and the air calm. However later in the morning the forecasted severe weather arrived and it became clear the right decision had been made.

Every effort was made to communicate that the market was not going ahead, stall holders (all 100 of them) were personally contacted, Facebook was utilised, Araluen Botanic Park kindly advertised it on their big sign on Brookton Highway and websites advertising the markets quickly changed their information. Just in case there is a next time we will have signs to put at Cross Park so those who may not have seen the weather warning or those simply intrepid market goers who turn up regardless, will be made aware. Any other suggestions please post to our Roleystone Market FB page?

The Committee sincerely hope this is a decision they don't have to make again. There is no plan B available. With so many stall holders now vying to be part of the market, Roleystone simply doesn't have a large enough covered site. There were many queries about re-scheduling but unfortunately we have to plan dates well in advance to work in with the other users of Cross Park, not to mention the time and effort required to make each Market happen.

So on behalf of the Roleystone Market Committee we apologise for the lack of what we were confident would have been an amazing Spring Market. We are now setting our sights on bringing an exceptional Xmas Market to Roleystone on 7th December 3pm -8pm. Keep an eye out for us - we will be back soon!

Pam Edwards on behalf of the Roleystone Market Committee



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The youngest Monk, Elizabeth Rose Louise Monk, our little spring blossom, was born on the 1st of September; one week past her expected date. She weighed in at 4040g (8lbs 140z) and was 57cm long.

Elizabeth is a beautiful sister for Dylan (22), Cameron (16), Connor (15) and Owen (2). All the boys, including her Dad are smitten with ber. Pauline Monk

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After making a costume with hat, bandana, belt, sword, money pouch and sash the cubs played pirate games, made and raced pirate ships over an obstacle course and found their bounty on a treasure hunt.

Sunday saw the biggest pirate battle in these waters for many years, with catapults, waterbombs and flour-bombs. Not one cub (or leader!) came away unscathed.

If you're interested in finding out more about Scouting then please get in touch with our District Commissioner Jo Meuli on 0437271934 or jmeuli@bigpond.com.

We have active sections from 6 years.

Mark Thompson (Akela) – Roleystone Cub Scout leader

Young Writers Award Winners

Southern Hills Christian College has again won places in the Armadale Young Writers' Competition.

We are very proud of Chelsea King in Year 3 who gained second place in the Years 3 and 4 category. She wrote a lovely story called "Finding Joey".

In the Years 9 and 10 category, Jazmin Begley won both second and third place, as she entered two superlative narratives which were evocative and gripping.

As part of our literacy work at Southern Hills Christian College, we engaged a local writerin-residence to work with our classes in first term, focusing on narrative. Many excellent stories were written by our students as they enjoyed these sessions. Congratulations to our winners.

Mary Gwynne



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Smarter Than Smoking Film Entry

Recently at Roleystone Community College our year 8 Digital Media students were very busy filming their entry into the 2014 Healthways Young Director's Festival creating their own 30-second television commercial to prevent smoking among their peers.



Coordinated by the Smarter than Smoking Project and the South Metropolitan Public Health Unit, the Smarter than Smoking Young Directors' Festival is an innovative approach to health promotion in the school setting, that provides an opportunity to deliver smoking prevention education within schools.

Roleystone Community College has achieved great success in this festival, winning top honours two years in a row and taking out other awards since the festival began in 2011.

This year our students filmed entirely at RCC, with a purpose built set in the Film and TV Media suite and held auditions for the two male leads within the student cohort.

Judging will be taking place shortly with winners announced next month. Watch this space! Previous Festival entries including our winning 2013 entry can be viewed by visiting www.futureinyourhands.com. au or www.smarterthansmoking. org.au or log on to RCC's website and click on the You Tube link.



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The Armadale Society of Artists (Inc) are once again presenting their 2014 Annual Exhibition over the weekend 25 and 26 October at the Armadale Community Hall, Jull Street, Armadale. This will run on Saturday from 10am to 5pm and on Sunday from 10am to 4pm.

We welcome visitors to view the members' exciting new works for 2014 and see the winning entries awarded by this year's visiting judges.

Some of the awards this year nominated are: Overall Best in the Exhibition, New Members' Encouragement Award and People's Choice.

If you come along you will be able to purchase genuine original art works in oil, watercolour, acrylic, mixed media, pastel and sketching. These artworks are reasonably priced with no added commission.

Guests will also be able to watch artists at work each day and have a chance to win daily raffles and door prizes. There will be delicious Devonshire teas available too. *Trish Halloran*

Publicity Co-Ordinator Armadale Society of Artists (Inc.)









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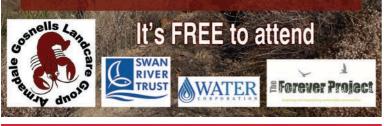
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Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group have been awarded a grant from the Australian Government's Caring for our Country initiative.

The program aims to engage and build on the natural resource management skills of landholders. As part of the program, the Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group is holding a free information seminar on the 29th October 2014 for small landholders in the Local Government Areas of Gosnells and Armadale.

The information seminar will be presented by the Forever Project who have 20 years of experience in engaging and inspiring Western Australians on sustainable land management.

The award winning presenters from the Forever Project team will deliver an entertaining presentation on topics including:

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With a passion for fruit and nut tree crops, Peter is also an avid promoter of Australian native culinary and medicinal plant species. Peter is a regular presenter on ABC local radio and has gained a strong media following.

A further FREE one day workshop will be available on the 15th November 2014 to just 15 landholders. This workshop will enable each participant to design their very own blueprint of how to manage their property to ensure it is safe, productive, sustainable and beautiful into the future. For more information and bookings, email jfrancis@armadale.wa.gov.au or call 0412 713 582.

Jen Francis

Community Landcare Coordinator AGLG

ROLEYBUSHCARE - OUTSTANDING LANDCARE WINNERS

Roleybushcare's National Landcare award for 'Innovative Landcare Community Group' is a major achievement.

I was very fortunate to attend the National Landcare Conference and had the privilege of listening to the six state presentations outlining some very impressive projects. Jo Roshcov presented on behalf of Roleybushcare, WA's representative. (The President Ian Colquhoun is currently in Scotland.) The other states had amazing programs but the judges saw Roleybushcare's achievements as worthy of the award.

Since the inception of Roleybushcare (then the Roleystone Dieback Group) it is estimated that they have injected over 18,000 trees in Roleystone reserves as well as weeding and planting reserves and assuring that all reserves have custodians.

Through this amazing commitment along with the support of the City of Armadale, we are fortunate to have reserves free of dieback and in outstanding condition. This makes them a valuable asset to our community and for future generations to come.

This is another example of the amazing people we have in our community and why it is such a great place to live. Pat Hart



Marilyn Recovers From A Broken Hip

Late August I tripped over at home, rushing as usual, and ended up with a total hip replacement. Life as I knew it was put on hold and I had to rely on others to do even basic things.

I would like to especially thank my daughter Nat for all her help and support. The first week home was really hard physically and emotionally and she was there to help me adjust to all the changes. Thanks also to all my family who have helped in various ways.

A big thank you to my staff at Gull Karragullen. It was business as usual as they took control of the situation and I am extremely grateful for their help.

For all the cards, get well messages and flowers from my family, friends and customers, Thank you. I am gradually getting back to work but it is a slow process.

Marilyn Thompson, Gull Karragullen





COTTON BUSH BLITZ A GREAT SUCCESS

Thank you to everyone who came along to help. Cotton Bush was either pulled out or snipped and poisoned by a hard working group last month alongside the Canning River. Dan Walker from the City of Armadale organised us. The Lions Club treated the volunteers with a pancake morning tea. Roleybushcare





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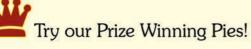


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The Weirs actually arrived in town in 1974 - their two sons were raised here and of course they have been the Roleystone Butchers for as long as any of us can remember.

Here is a goodbye letter to the people of Roleystone:

Our last day together at work will be Saturday 4th October. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our customers for their support and loyalty over the years. We will both miss all of the over-counter friendships and banter.

All of our friendly staff will be staying on with the new owners. We have passed on all of the recipes for pies and our hints for parties and Xmas fare.

To the Anile Family, many thanks to you all for the thirty years we have worked alongside each other. We will miss you all. We would like to congratulate Colin, Karen and Gavin Olsen of Roleystone on becoming the new owners. We wish them every success for the future.

Brian and Sandy Weir

Brian and Sandy have also been very involved in our community - Cricket, Rotary, Football, Golf and have generously supported a wide range of clubs, organisations and events.

On behalf of Roleystone, a huge thank you to you both and good luck with retirement.

They have also been strong supporters of the Roleystone Courier and our heartfelt thanks for their loyalty and friendship from us and all previous Roleystone Courier owners.

It is rather ironic that the handover day just happens to be Brian's birthday.

(Plus this week saw them celebrate 45 years of wedded bliss!)

The best present anyone could wish for....



Above: Sandy and Brian Weir. Below: Colin Olsen, Brian Weir, Gavin Olsen and Karen Olsen all ready for the shop handover on October 4th.



...and a Message From Roleystone's New Butcher

It is with great pleasure that I take ownership of this business after Brian's long standing and good reputation throughout Roleystone. We are looking to continue all catering and spit hire services as well as offering a new range of Mt Barker free-range chicken and free-range pork. We also have a variety of ready to cook family meals as well as all the steaks and chops you know and love.

I'd like to thank Brian and Sandy firstly for this opportunity, I am very excited and can't wait to get started. Also for being such great local Butchers over many years. I wish you a safe and enjoyable retirement. There have been many memories made within this shop and I'm sure many more will come. *Gavin Olsen*

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Leah Bell's a Girlfriend Finalist

I never thought in a million years that I was anything special, but when the Rimmel Girlfriend Model Search came to Perth in June this year I thought I would go along for some fun. This particular competition has discovered many of Australia's most successful models including Samantha Harris, and as she was one of the judges I was excited to meet her.

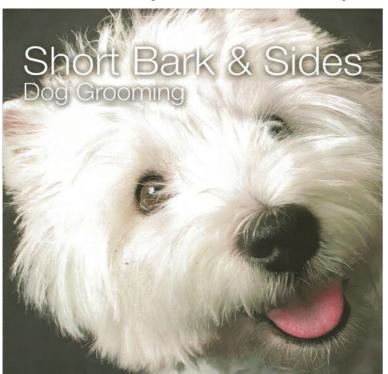
So I joined the hundreds of gorgeous hopefuls who had turned up for the Perth roadshow and it was heaps of fun. Samantha wasn't there however there were some local TV crews, plenty of photographers, and I made some nice friends and got a goodies bag as well. And then the unthinkable happened and to my shock I was selected as one of 12 state finalists for WA!

About 6 weeks later I was selected as one of the 6 National Finalists, and given a ticket to Sydney for a photo-shoot. I had to have a lie down! Out of 3200-plus girls around Australia who auditioned, I was one of the Top 6. More incredibly, I would now be represented by Chic Model Management, one of the most prestigious modeling agencies in Australia with major international connections. A lot of the girls who get this far go on to do amazing stuff. I suddenly had a golden ticket to a golden opportunity!

There were two of us from Perth, Lilli Watt and myself. The Sydney trip was a two-day photo shoot for the September issue, so our mums came too. My first-ever professional photo-shoot was quite an eye-opener. I was already very nervous, running on 1 hour sleep, and on top of that having Samantha Harris and Chic Management people watching me really tested my confidence.

No-one outside my family knew I was a Top 6 as I wasn't allowed to say anything until the magazine came out a month later in August. What torture.

We flew to Sydney again for the winners announcement event on the 15th September. Dad came this time too. It was quite a ritzy event, held in the Ivy Sunroom. We had to be at the venue at 8am for a 2pm function. Six hours for hair, makeup, and wardrobe. We met lots of previous



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winners and finalists who are now successful models like Jemma Baines, Samantha Harris, and Olivia Ludington (the 2013 winner) and lots of industry insiders. It was fantastic meeting them and they shared a lot with us about the industry.

Lots of people were starting to turn up. The venue was quite fancy. There was a red carpet for photos and big photos of each finalist on a display along one side of the room. Kate Peck was the MC and she made it such fun. We had to parade out on stage for presentations and a Q & A session with Kate.

Finally the winner was announced and it was Lilli Watt, the other Perth girl. Lilli is beautiful and has a lot of confidence so I know she will do well. I wish her all the best. One thing for sure is that all 6 of us will remain friends for a very long time.

We each got a massive bouquet of flowers and lots of makeup and then had lots and lots of photos taken. It was such a strange feeling being in the spotlight.

The day finished with a rush and we had to scramble to a taxi to catch our flights home. So for now it's back to my normal life until high school finishes. I want to have a university option before thinking too seriously about modelling. The whole experience was simply incredible and totally unexpected and even if nothing more happens, I have had the most amazing time.

And of course I have the tee-shirt to prove it. Well done Leah! Leah Bell

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St. Christophers Anglican Church in Roleystone. I came to Australia in 1981 from England and settled in the western suburbs of Perth until I moved to Armadale 21 years ago. I am currently living in Mt Nasura with my husband Nathan and daughter Jessica.

I love living amongst the trees, close to bush and farm land. I love to watch the wildlife and birds as they fly around our home and the parish grounds. I think Australia is an amazing country and I cannot imagine living anywhere else.

Before coming to Roleystone I was the priest at High Wycombe for 8 years. I then was a school chaplain at All Saint's Anglican School as well as the chaplain at Kelmscott High School. I am still at Kelmscott High School three days a week. I have also been a locum for several parishes for the last couple of years.

The Roleystone Parish has set themselves many tasks for the coming year to help them achieve their dreams and I hope to help them with these.

My message for the Roleystone Karragullen Community

I have heard it said that when the Government speaks in terms of "Team Australia" they are saying 'you're either one of us or you're not, you agree with us or you don't'. I'm not here to say if these interpretations are or are not the intentions of the message of "Team Australia" but I do offer another way to consider thinking about Team. I refer to an inclusive community team, loving, honouring and cherishing each of us, in all our differences, our contexts, and our beliefs.

Let's consider these things as we build up our inclusive community team. An example of this is when geese fly they always fly in a "V?" Scientists figure this increases the flight range but significantly decreases the energy used. By working together they accomplish much more. That's teamwork. Here are a few essential skills for developing a team:

Share and Delegate; you don't have to go it alone, you are part of a team/ community.

Love and Affirm others; affirmations are empowerments, they are like the wind in our sails. Remember to affirm the person God made you to be and to affirm others for who they are.

Care and Provide Support; when people are trained and commissioned for a task but not given adequate support they may complete their assignment late, below expectations or with a poor attitude. However when a person is offered the training and resources needed to succeed, he or she will feel part of the community/team.

Ask for and offer support to those given tasks: "What do you need?", "How can I help?", and "are you OK"?

You'll gain more than you give.

Great teams don't just happen; they're shaped by great leaders. Pour your energy into others, and they'll pour their energy into the mission. Share, love and care.

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LOCAL SINGERS SPARKLE AT CLASSIC SOUNDS

Stephanie Della-Franca (Pickering Brook) and Georgia Bamford-Purchon (Roleystone) graced the stage on 7th September, with their entertaining Kelmscott Idol auditions held at Classic Sounds.

Pictured here with local contestants are judges Arabella Grant, Antonio Corea and Tamara Birt. Being Father's Day, family and friends felt proud to hear their special person perform so beautifully, what could have been a better Father's Day gift?

In Arabella's first year joining us on the judging team, she comments "the auditions have been fun, exciting, and I can't wait to see more." Tamara believes "it is great to show kids that you don't need auto tune to start a career" and Antonio is "keen to encourage young artists to create their own music. We need to nurture more original artists."

The key to capturing the best of the contestants were singers who not only showcased their vocal skills but also entertained and utilised the stage.

"It is so fulfilling to also see so many performers either accompanying themselves with an instrument, and even writing their own music. The quality of performances were exemplary, making the selection of finalists challenging. It was also pleasing to see so many contestants from 2013, enter again this year, and to have not only improved their presentation but also build their confidence as young people," said Rachel John, Kelmscott Idol coordinator.

Catch the Idol finals 4pm and 6:30pm at the SmokeFree WA Kelmscott Show, Saturday 18th October. *Rachel John*

Stephanie and Georgia along with the Judges

"SMOKEFREE WA KELMSCOTT SHOW BE PART OF IT!

The Kelmscott Agricultural Society congratulates all contestants who participated in the Kelmscott Idol auditions, 6th & 7th September. Judges sheets have been posted on 21st September. All contestants are encouraged to attend the Kelmscott Show to support the finalists - Saturday 18th October, 4pm Juniors, 6:30pm Seniors, including witnessing the outstanding entertainment lineup where the judges will perform, as well as last year's Senior division winner. Thank you to our major sponsors, WA Classic Sounds and the Roleystone-Karragullen Bendigo Bank Branch. There were 79 entries in the 2014 Kelmscott Idol, with only 12 finalists selected in the Junior and Senior divisions. Good luck to all of the finalists.

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It's Hotting Up!

As I write this article, I'm still thinking about the glorious Saturday we had last weekend. It was 32 degrees and I was in Karragullen and Roleystone for my cousin's wedding. Congratulations to Gary and Erica for a fantastic day!

But being in Roleystone and Karragullen on a 32 degree day also warmed my heart for another reason. That reason is that I now know that cricket season is only a few weeks away. What more could you ask for than to be spending time outside, in the best thing that living in Perth offers (the sun!) and enjoying remind you week in week out that there's it's all about. nowhere else you'd rather be?

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The newly structured C-grade provides a shorter day's play (between 1:30 and 5pm) as opposed to the normal 1pm to 5:30/6pm games observed in the other grades while D and E Grades keep on with a 40/40 one day format and the A and B Grades stick to the die-hard lovers of test match cricket, albeit over 2 consecutive Saturdays rather than 5 days straight.

Of course if you aren't as able bodied as you used to be or not necessarily interested in playing, there's also room for you at the pavilion.

It may be small, it may have been hand built over 60 years ago but it's adored by all players, partners, non-members, kids and anyone who wants to stick their head in to see what the

score is. So even if you don't want to play this season, put it on your list of 'things to do over the Summer' and pop in at least once.

The doors are always open at the RKCC, but on one day in particular each year we open them up to the wider Roleystone and Karragullen community for the Bendigo Bank Community Day.

The fair-like day reminds me of days as a kid, heading up to the annual Roley Fair. There's fairy floss, bouncy castle, plenty of food on offer and some great opportunities to roll the arm over whether you're young, old or somewhere in a game of cricket with a bunch of guys that between so come down on the 5th October and see what

Don't forget to join us on Facebook by searching With teams in all grades of the Swan & Roleystone Karragullen Cricket Club, visit us at www. Helena Districts Cricket Association, there's roleystonekarragullencc.com.au, call me to register on 0438 room for everyone at the Roleystone- 944742 or e-mail me at Todd.Bendall@gmail.com. Todd Bendall



Cricket it's catching



Roleystone-Karragullen Community Bank® Branch - News

The smell of freshly mowed grass fills the air around Cross Park and there's fresh paint around the boundary. It's Cricket Season.

The 2014/15 Cricket season marks the third year that the Roleystone Karragullen Cricket Club has been able to hold a community open day and continue the annual Junior Xmas party thanks to Bendigo. We're a not-for-profit - in fact, it costs us more to run the club than we collect from membership fees. We're fortunate that our club is based in Roleystone where we have the support of numerous long term local business owners. One of our amazing local sponsors is Bendigo Bank - Roleystone Karragullen Branch.

Not only does sponsorship allow clubs like ours to operate day-to-day, but it allows us to maintain our equipment stocks, first aid supplies and training. In addition Bendigo Bank has allowed us to open the club up to the wider community by holding annual open days and junior Christmas parties. Over the last few years we've seen hundreds of local children and their families make the most of the summer sun at Cross Park enjoying;

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John Lewis, President of the Roleystone Karragaullen Cricket Club



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A Federal Politician Takes A Local Western Australian Concern To Canberra

The following is taken from a speech presented to Parliament by Mr Christian PORTER representing the seat of Pearce.

On 22 May 2014 the independent statutory authority responsible for regulating agricultural pesticides and chemicals, the Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority, the APVMA, announced the cancellation of all horticultural uses for the chemical fenthion.

The ongoing review process undertaken by the APVMA and its subsequent decision to cancel the use of fenthion was in turn the subject of a review by the Senate Rural and Regional Affairs and Transport References Committee, which handed down its recommendations on 31 July 2014.

For the stone fruit and grape growers in my electorate of Pearce, the APVMA's decision has been another major setback in their ongoing struggle with an issue that has the potential to present as a significant impediment to their industry—an industry that, within my electorate alone, produces more than \$40 million a year worth of stonefruit, apples and pears.

In broader terms, in the 2012-13 financial year, Australia's fruit and vegetable exports accounted for \$640 million. It was estimated that over 75 per cent of these exports were potentially susceptible to fruit fly.

The Senate committee heard evidence that,

nationally, the problem of fruit fly cost more than an estimated \$150 million per year in eradication procedures, in destroyed fruit, in field control and in quarantine treatments so as to access interstate and overseas markets.

Growers have relied upon fenthion since the 1960s as protection from the effects of the fruit fly.

In my electorate, it is the Mediterranean fruit fly which presents a particular problem. Without adequate treatment mechanisms, medfly causes extreme and extensive damage to crops.

However, due to the decision of the APVMA, the use of fenthion will soon be prohibited, leaving growers without comparable or effective treatment mechanisms.

Whilst it is accepted that the APVMA is an independent statutory authority, that does not mean the authority is immune from error.

The potential prohibition of fenthion, on the current data and evidence available, is questionable.

For nearly 60 years fenthion has been used to treat stonefruit and grapes without a single reported health issue being recorded.

The committee noted that the only humanderived source of evidence supporting the APVMA's conclusion that fenthion may have the potential to cause adverse health effects was a 35-year-oldunpublished paper which concluded that there were few, if any, verifiable effects attributable to the chemical that were evident. If this is the science relied upon, it suggests the potential danger presented by fenthion is not immediate.

Critically, the immediate removal of fenthion will potentially force producers in the direction of using even more toxic products.

Some of these chemicals have been linked to neurotoxic effects and others have been banned in the European Union due to their unacceptably high risk upon the environment. Whilst it is clear that alternatives to fenthion must be identified and developed, this will of course take time.

Assistance is required not just from peak industry bodies but from all levels of government. The growers in my electorate are willing to work with authorities to develop alternative treatment programs, but they require time.

The Senate committee recommended at paragraph 4.94 that the maximum 12-month transition period be allowed under the Agricultural and Veterinary Chemicals Code Act 1994.

The view of growers in my electorate, which I firmly share, is that this is significantly insufficient and that a longer period of transition is required—perhaps as high as three years.

Christian Porter

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ROLEYSTONE GUMNUT PLAYGROUP NEWS

The Roleystone gumnut playgroup has a range of fabulous indoor and outdoor toys for children to explore and play with. We have been fundraising for a toy upgrade, with some new items being bought for term

If you're planning a child's birthday party at the Roleystone Family Centre, why not hire out our toys as well? Enquire at the Family Centre office between 9am and 3pm weekdays.

The children have been creating some wonderful craft projects this term, thanks to our craft coordinator Jennifer for all her hard work setting them up.

Our playgroup welcomes all children under 5, along with their parents, grandparents or carers.

Anyone wanting to join or for more information contact our registrar Marie Hofmann on 0404 996 670 or email rpgregistrar@gmail.com Breanna Greville



Library Activities Over The October School Holidays

There's so much happening at the City of Armadale libraries during October so there's no excuse for children getting bored and restless at home. Kids will enjoy a range of holiday fun, with activities like balloon twisting, magic trick performances and fun craft activities. If your children enjoy making Lego they are going to love a sneak peek of our new Lego Encounters Club which will be starting next year. Visit Armadale Library Friday 10 October from 10 to 11am to join in circus and clown themed Lego building challenges. This session is suitable for children aged six to 12 years. Everyone loves Bananas the Clown! Visit Seville Grove Library on Monday 6 October from 2 to 2.45pm and see Bananas the

Clown perform magic tricks, tell stories and lots more during this special fun session suitable for children from four years of age. Enjoy decorating your own colourful bandana at History House Museum on Wednesday 8 October from 10.30am to noon. Children get to decorate their own bandana using potato stamps which they have designed. This session is suitable for children over five years of age. Parents or carers must stay with their child during these events. Places are limited and bookings are essential for these free events. Contact Armadale Library on 9399 0125, Seville Grove Library on 9399 0800 or History House Museum on 9399 0419.



ARALUEN NOTES

SPRINGTIME

It has been a massive springtime with thousands of people enjoying the tulips, music and a variety of Dutch and Turkish food that has been on offer. Many of these visitors discovered that Araluen is far more than tulips. They discovered Camellias, Azaleas, Magnolias and so many other incredible plants.

I saw kids and adults having fun sliding down the natural rockslide and into Stinton Creek and absolutely loving it. It was great to see so many different nationalities enjoying picnics, BBQ's and all that Araluen and the hills area has to offer.

I spoke to many visitors to Araluen over the Spring Festival and they all said the gardens are beautiful, the train offers easy access, kids love it as it is like a natural playground and it is nice to spend a day in the hills amongst the trees.

Araluen is also a favourite destination for

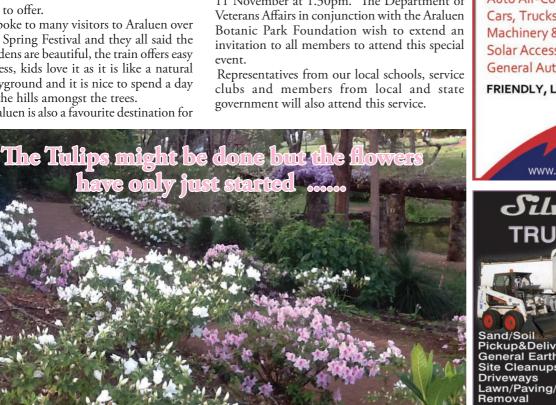
people from aged care facilities and retirement villages and it is such a special day out for them. For those of us who live in Roleystone we feel privileged to be part of this piece of paradise but isn't it lovely to be able to share this with the rest of the community over a few weeks.

ACTIVITY DAYS

Thursday 2 and 9 October-10am to 2pm The popular School Holiday Activity Days are on again. These are designed to suit children from ages 3 to 14 years (accompanied by an adult) to explore their creative side and keep them busy for hours. Activities include discovery trails from 10am to 11.30am followed by clay modelling, creative craft activities during the afternoon.

Cost: Adults \$6.00 Children \$4.00 **REMEMBRANCE DAY TUESDAY, 11 NOVEMBER**

A special Remembrance Day Service will be held at the Grove of the Unforgotten on Tuesday 11 November at 1.30pm. The Department of



The 19th October Is Community Safety Day

On 19 October we are holding a community safety day in conjunction with the City ofArmadale.

October is Community Safety month and is coordinated by the Injury Control Council of Western Australia (ICCWA). This is the peak body involved in injury prevention and safety promotion in WA.

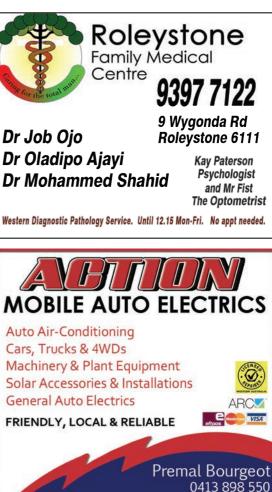
Community Safety is a joint responsibility between individuals, organisations and communities to remove or reduce injury in the local environment. It is founded on the belief or value that all individuals have the right to go about their daily life without fear or risk of harm or injury.

Community Safety is defined to include all areas of intentional and unintentional injury prevention, crime prevention, emergency management and safety promotion. It covers a wide range of topics including road and water safety, management of burns, poisons and falls within the home or workplace as well as social issues, suicide and alcohol related violence.

Community Safety Month is a promotional campaign connecting communities and sharing responsibility of safety, by raising awareness of safe behaviours and promoting active participation.

Armadale Police with the support of the City of Armadale are hosting Community Safety Day on Sunday October 19 2014 from 10am – 3pm in Minnawarra Park.

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Tigers Fall 'Oh So Close' Grandfinal write up

In the Tigers' first appearance in a finals series for many years the boys put up an amazing performance in the grand final but sadly fell 3 points short of bringing a flag up the hill. It was a game of momentum with Safety Bay exploding out of the gates to take a four goal lead into quarter time but the Tigers clawed back into the contest to be just about even going into half time with Sean Kenworthy and Josh Caccetta winding back the clock with vintage back half performances. There were several other valuable contributors including the Lewis brothers and Jordan Castafaro whose attack on the ball would've left some very sore opponents in their wake.

Steven (the King) Abbott had an amazing year in which he was the association runner up best and fairest. That resulted in such a heavy tag we thought his opponent had fallen in love with the big feller, although he still managed to have a huge impact for us. After the main break Safety Bay threw everything at Roleystone and early in the fourth had another four goal lead. With their backs firmly pressed against the wall the Tigers' engine room, led by inspirational captain Robbie Pearce alongside Gavin Olsen, Joel Harrison and Isaac Hayhurst took control of the contest and got the ball into the hands of Caiden Baxter (5 goals) up forward to bring us within a kick. With a couple of minutes left on the clock we were set up for a grandstand finish. Unfortunately it was not to be and the siren went as the ball was surging towards the Tigers' forward line leaving the boys to reflect on what could have been. We would love to thank all of our sponsors and fantastic volunteers for an amazing year. Without you, we could



never imagine having the success we've had this year. We would also like to thank our coaches Glenn Coppin and Lindsay Baxter.

Lastly, I'd like to thank the Roleystone community who have backed us all year. You have been fantastic supporters of ours and the atmosphere that you generated at the grand final was electric!

We can't wait to hit the track hard this coming pre-season so we can go one better and bring the flag back up the hill to the mighty Roleystone Tigers! **Rob Pearce**

Captain - RSFC





Frozen For a Good Cause



I was happy to accept the 'Ice Bucket Challenge' on Saturday the 23rd September to raise awareness and funds for Motor Neurone research, after the Premier called me out following his bucketing the day before.

Motor Neurone Disease (MND) is rare but there are about 140 people in WA with the disease. The cause of MND is unknown and there is no cure; about one person is diagnosed per week in WA, and one person dies from the disease.

The disease is characterised by a gradual loss of motor function, as the muscles are unable to receive messages to move and gradually weaken. People usually first notice small changes in their hand coordination, or weakness in their legs, slurred speech or difficulty swallowing. These progressively



get worse and usually death occurs within four years of diagnosis.

This is a very debilitating condition and my sister has had the disease for about 3 years. The 'Ice Bucket Challenge' has become a worldwide phenomenon. After my challenge I nominated four other people who, with the exception of the Rt Hon Lisa Scaffidi who is overseas, have subsequently been bucketed and each have further nominated others.

I agreed to pay \$100 per person that I challenged, with a special challenge of \$200 if Federal member for Hasluck, Ken Wyatt, did it there and then, without prior warning; which he did.

The MND Association has greatly benefited from similar donations across Australia they are a wonderful organisation who have greatly supported my sister and her husband, who is now her full-time carer.

Please, if you are able, go to the MND Australia site and donate some money. It is desperately needed for the research into this illness. You might also decide to take up the Ice Bucket Challenge yourself, and join the tens of thousands of people worldwide that are supporting this worthy cause. <u>https://www.mndaust.asn.au/</u>

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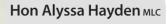


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SEPTEMBER Club Night at the RMC

The Kids Are Alright!

ANOTHER CAPACITY CROWD OF 75 arrived to enjoy a night of music performed by the younger members of our Club. In the words of The Who: The Kids Are Alright!

The RMC Kids, Jasper, Felix and Xavier, kicked off the night with some original songs, Chilly, Chile, Chili and Road Rage with an anti-drink driving message.

Regan and Jacob also performed, for the first time at the Club, as Scentless Apprentice. They delivered a great set with just drums and guitar! Jacob has a great voice and Regan is a really animated drummer! We hope to see you again soon guys.

Dave and Evie also performed and it was Evie's 21st Birthday. They topped and tailed their set with Pink Floyd's Breathe; Very Clever!

Placid members: Joe, Jack, Brad and Kieran have been performing each month this year and have really honed their set. To top off their fantastic performance, Jack joined in with the End of Night Jam and sang a Rolling Stones song, Sympathy for the Devil, with the "old boys". I just love it when we get all ages performing together! To represent the "old boys", Matt performed a sweet set of covers and originals on acoustic guitar and vocals as Mascotia.

We surpassed our biggest end of Night Jam so far, with 9 on stage, to 10 people playing on the stage at once. John, Jeff and Dale on guitars, Jasper on keyboards, Chris on Drums, John W percussion, Enno on bass, Richard on electric violin, with Gary and Tim on vocals. The joint was jumpin'.

Thanks must go to our loyal audience. Without you we would have no one to play to, so 'Thank you' for supporting our Club. Our next Club Night is Saturday 18 October at the Roleystone Senior Football Club at Cross Park on Jarrah Road. For more info contact Deb <u>president@</u> <u>rmcwa.com.au</u>, 9397 7007 or SMS to 0468 626868.

STOP THE PRESS! The RMC are organising a Halloween Disco for Friday 31 October. Keep your eyes out for posters around the shopping centre, on our website and on facebook or contact Deb for more info.

Deb DeBoer President RMC





Pictured Top - Bottom: 1. Regan and Jacob as Scentless Apprentice 2. Two of the RMC Kids Band 3. Dave, Evie and Stewie - Happy Birthday Evie 4. Matt as Mascotia



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Develop Through Drama provides local after school drama classes for 5-8 year olds every Thursday 4-5pm and 9-12 year olds every Tuesday 4-5pm at the Roleystone Family Centre.

The primary aim is to enhance children's confidence and self esteem by applying a wide range of drama skills to issues such as bullying, peer pressure, prejudice and self respect.

Sessions are taught by a fully qualified drama teacher in a safe, nurturing environment. Please contact Jody on 0448 917 401 or contact her on Facebook.com/ developthroughdrama for more information.

The Roleystone Garden Group

On a glorious September spring day, a small band from the Roleystone Garden Group spent several wonderful hours wandering around the stunning displays of wildflowers at this year's Kings Park Festival. We came home inspired and so glad to live near a city with such a beautiful park, in a state with so many unique and amazing native plants. To continue the theme, this month we plan to explore the delights of spring in our own strikingly beautiful park at Araluen. We will meet in the lower car park at 10am on Thursday 16th October, and after a tour of the gardens will probably partake of a late morning tea or light lunch at the Chalet Healy Tearooms. Come and join us! *Lynn Matthews*

Lynn Matthews



Brendan from VIP Cleaning apologises to customers that he will be unavailable over the last part of October. He apologises for any inconvenience.

Steve is moving and doesn't want to carry all of those valuable antiques to the new location. So make certain you drop in and take advantage of the 30% sale on Antiques over October. Pictured at right: Steve with Dick Whitington and his cat in front of his house.







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Gardening Notes

It is amazing how fast the grass grows when we have a blend of warm weather, adequate water and a bit of fertiliser! Gradually I get around to eliminating the weeds then try to have new weed suppressing plants to plant out as I finish the weeds.

This year I have asked local pruning expert Chris Oliver to check out my roses and fruit trees. I found that the pruning I did was very necessary but a lot was not done at the proper time due to ill health and other commitments. Indeed we are privileged to have someone of his expertise resident in our special area.

Another person who deserves a very big thank you and our appreciation is Lorraine Douglas who has stepped up to preside over the Gardeners' Circle. This is one of the biggest and most exciting gardening clubs in Australia. Lorraine will bring an expertise and vibrancy to the group.

Meetings are held the third Monday in the month at the South Perth Civic Centre, Cnr South Terrace and Sandgate Street South Perth. Bring Browse and Buy commences at 6-30pm with the meeting commencing at 7-30pm.

Two events at The Gardeners' Circle coming up include: native seed collection on October 20th and Deryn Thorpe on the 17th November. The meeting is followed by a supper.

Spring is well and truly in force in our gardens, Today I gave a talk in

Midland to a gardening group. I spoke mainly about camellias and roses and I took samples of flowers from my garden; about 100 different species and cultivars. Most are easy to grow, in fact some so easy we must take care that they do not spread into the bushland. Valerian is one that I am always wary of, I like the pink and red flowers, (there is a white one too) but after they flower the seeds form in a pretty lacy pattern and scatter in the breeze.

A lady at the meeting had a new reddish large Princess Lily but unlike others of this family which are excellent for cut flowers, this one has variegated leaves.

Some of the new dianthus have stronger perfume than their close relations, the carnations. Also Sweet peas were growing about a metre high and in flower on the fence outside the Guildford Town nursery. Mine have not reached the flowering stage yet. I couldn't resist smelling the flowers and reminiscing about the rows of them mum grew in the sandy trenches on the farm every year. If you have them growing, let a couple of the early pods go to seed so you can collect these for the following years sowing. Don't discard the very small seeds as often these are the blue ones.

Make an effort to attend the gardens that are open this year as the ABC's Open Garden Scheme is closing down, which will prevent a lot of our horticultural viewing. Still with clubs like your Roleystone Garden Group and the Gardeners' Circle a lot of opportunities still exist.

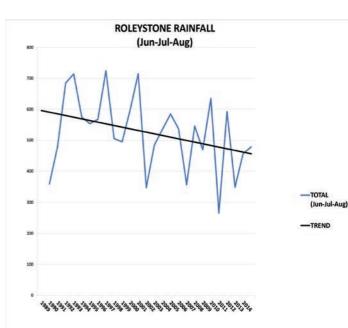
Soon it will be time to get watering the gardens again. Try to do deep watering in the mornings to prevent fungal problems developing in your yard.

Good Gardening Jean

September Weather by David Elliott

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2005	157.6	18
2006	90	17
2007	158.4	20
2008	101	17
2009	168	24
2010	70.6	9
2011	153	16
2012	150.4	16
2013	193	18
2014	85.6	6

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THEATRE NEWS Story Time In The Hills

This month at Roleystone Theatre... Rehearsals are now well underway for our next two productions 'Storytime in the Hills' and 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'.

Storytime in the Hills returns again this October holidays, during the second week on October 6th, 8th and 10th.

Performances are on at 11am and 2pm each day. This season is locally produced and designed for children of all ages, particularly primary school age and younger.

Storytime in the Hills includes two short plays written for children. This year's plays includes one presented by the children of the Roleystone Theatre Junior Workshop called '12 Angry Pigs' - a courtroom comedy that explores the guilt, or otherwise, of the big bad wolf in the case of the Three Little Pigs!.

Our cast from '12 Angry Pigs' recently performed to its first audience at the ITA Youthfest where it was well received and enjoyed by all.

All tickets are \$5 and include a drink and snack for kids at intermission. The kiosk will be open as usual for additional refreshments. Children under 3 years old will be admitted free and do not require a ticket but must sit on an adult's lap (please purchase a ticket if you prefer a separate seat). Doors open 30 mins prior to the show's start time.

Our final play for this year is based on Roald Dahl's classic story 'Charlie and the Chocolate Factory'. Directing on our stage once again, is local Lys Tickner. Returning to our stage as the famous Willy Wonka is Brad Towton.

Many local children have also been cast, and this show is not to be missed. This production opens on the 21st of November and running for three weeks including several matinee performances. Tickets for Storytime in the Hills and soon,

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory are available on our website at <u>www.roleystonetheatre.com</u>. <u>au</u>. And remember the Theatre always welcomes any and all new members.

Lastly (but not at all least) on a sad note, the theatre said farewell to an old and much loved and respected theatre member. Fred Longman passed away peacefully on August 30th at Kalamunda Hospital.

Our hearts go out to his wife Ranji, daughters Kiri and Sharni, son-in-law Mark and his grandchildren. Fred was an amazing actor, director and friend. Rest in peace Fred. You will always be missed.

Kat Ramsell

Free Discussion on Waterways and More with BEWG

Come along to a City of Armadale Bushcare and Environmental Working Group (BEWG) talk on Wednesday 15 October to hear ways to protect waterways in our area.

A representative from the Water Corporation will be on hand to discuss a variety of topics such as the source of environmental water flows.

The discussion will also cover the strategic plan for dams and the relationship with waterways within the metropolitan catchment area, including the Canning and Churchman's Brook Dams.

Other points of discussion will include: water catchment restrictions; desalination pipelines; and supply and information on the Wungong Catchment Thinning Trial results. Members of the community are welcome to attend.

This BEWG plenary session is free for local residents and will be held on Wednesday 15 October at 6.30pm at Frye Park, Clifton Street, Kelmscott.

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Why don't you join us for this year's Seniors Melbourne Cup Lunch at the Roleystone/ Karragullen Seniors Centre?

This will be held on Tuesday November 4th to celebrate 'The Race That Stops A Nation. The celebrations will commence at 10.30am.

For a low cost of \$20.00 enjoy a sumptuous luncheon including: roast chicken or quiche, salads, desserts, tea and coffee. BYO alcohol.

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Every Tuesday Every Wednesday Last Wednesday Wednesday evening Every Thursday Friday 4th Friday 46 JARRAH ROAD ROLI

Women During The War Years Sunday 26 October 2 – 3pm Armadale Library

It has been 100 years since the beginning of World War I.

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Join us at the library for this interesting discussion with Bobbie Oliver, Associate Professor of History at Curtin University, who will enlighten us on this era of history at the home front.

Refreshments will be available. Bookings are essential, as numbers are limited. Visit our events page at <u>library.armadale.wa.gov.</u> <u>au</u> or call 9399 0125 to book.



Seniors Club Calendar Everyone is Welcome

Second Sunday of every month market morning from 8.00am to 12.00 noon

	Mahjong	12.30 pm	\$1.00
	Indoor Bowls	9.45 am	\$3.00
	Book Club	1pm	
	Relaxation	6.30pm	\$8
	Yoga	9.30 am	\$10/\$12
	Bowls	1.00pm	
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Red Cross Nurses Arrive at Normandy WW2

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Roleystone Country Club News

Welcome to spring. What a great time of the year this is and our members are enjoying the sunny days on the balcony with the fantastic valley views.

We recently conducted our membership renewal draw for those who paid in July and the winners where : 1st Prize Reginald aka (Chris) Leitch who took home a Samsung Galaxy tablet, 2nd prize to Fiona Newland and 3rd prize to Susan Towler. Remember non-financial members will be now charged full price until their membership is renewed.

Windows on Wygonda's new spring menu has started and it is receiving rave reviews from our dinners on both the quality of the meals and the presentation. If you have a special dietary request please let Gavin know as everything is created from scratch.

Thursday nights are 'Parma and Pint' nights for just \$20.00 and we have a new Sunday special with fish and chips for \$18.00 and wood oven pizzas from just \$10.00. So book early to avoid the rush. The Chase the Joker competition is packing in the crowds and why not with the jackpot now up to \$2 200 and there is also the chance to win \$100 if you pick one of the allocated sponsors' cards. You need to be there on Mondays and Wednesday nights to win.

Up and coming events: The Ride for Cancer Quiz Night is on the 4th of October and also our own Michelle is organising Halloween Night Rocky Horror theme night with special guests

'The Drag Queens' attending. This will be held on the 1st of November. Watch out for notices and check the club's facebook page.

The ladies hockey club held their annual windup in the Orchard Room with the theme of: 'come as your favourite colour' and the turnout of costumes was fantastic. There was everything from the 60s era onwards! The girls did a remarkable job of decorating the function room and a thankyou to Anna McSweeny for coordinating the function with our manager for a perfect event.

Also the Roleystone Netball Club held their end of year trophy presentation at the club. From the little ones right through to the senior level this was an allday event.

I take great pride that our local community has such a magnificent facility to hold these events. The RCC receives no financial aid from the local council. We survive on membership numbers and your support so if we want to keep this venue and improve it, get involved or come on down and enjoy the SERENITY.

I will see you at the club. Michael Hansen President.



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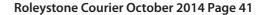
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Fertilizing is a way to replenish the

fertility of the soil. The healthier the soil, the healthier the plants will be. Happy, healthy, well-nourished plants are more resistant to pests, diseases and heat stress.

At the October meeting of Roleystone Organic Growers, Qualified Horticulturist Brian Klepzig, from Neutrog Australia while speak about using organic fertilisers.

Brian will discuss how plants access nutrients, the benefits of organic fertilisers, increasing the health of your soil, and how to implement a year round program to keep your plants growing well.

The meeting is on Wednesday October 8th at 7.30pm in the Roleystone Family Centre, 19 Wygonda Rd, Roleystone. Entry \$3.

Enquiries to Lisa 9399 2312 Lisa Porter

So What Else Do Vets Do When They're Not At Work?

On Sunday the 24 August 2014 Dr Tiffany had the pleasure of teaching two sessions on Bird and Marsupial Anatomy to volunteers at Kanyana Wildlife Rehabilitation Centre. These dedicated volunteers, and many others like them at Kanyana, are responsible for the care and treatment of over 2,000 sick, injured and orphaned Native animals each year! Kanyana is also a pivotal member in Endangered Species Breeding Programs and provides education to the community on the importance of looking after our local animals. It is our privilege to be able to assist with this work in even a small way.

Roleystone Animal Hospital.

Novel, Nibbles and Nights

6.30 - 7.30 pm Armadale Library Our popular Novel Nibbles and Book Bites groups are now holding evening sessions. Join other like-minded book lovers at a book club with a difference. Come and share what you have read and get ideas from other group members.

Be tempted to read new and different authors, explore non-fiction, try another genre, or perhaps rediscover some forgotten favourites.

The next sessions will be held from 6.30 – 7.30pm on:

- Wednesday 15 October
- Wednesday 19 November
- Wednesday 17 December

Cheese, wine and other refreshments will be provided. Bookings are required. Call 9399 0125 for more information.



Roleystone Locals wanting to go to this year's Karragullen Expo: A small number of Free adult tickets are still available from the Bendigo Bank in Roleystone. Be Quick! (Limit one per person.)





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'Wishes for Starlight' by Linda J Bettenay

Reviewed by Robyn Molloy Editor, Examiner Newspapers; Freelancer, webjournalist.com.au

The appallingness of the Aborigines Act 1905 is at the heart of Roleystone author Linda Bettenay's second novel 'Wishes For Starlight'.

Wishes

For Starlight

Linda J Bettenay

The Act saw a chief protector appointed as legal guardian to all Aborigines in WA and it spelled the end of civil rights for Aborigines with discrimination, segregation and the loss of the right to move around the state freely. Bettenay tells the fictionised story of Starlight, a mysterious deaf mute Aboriginal boy rescued from abhorrent living conditions by three children, who vow to make it their life's journey to look after his welfare.

His greatest ally is Mary, a strong willed white girl, battered by her philandering father, but determined not to let each and every hurdle life throws at her keep her down.

Mary and Starlight's lives entwine as they endure life without parents, war, depression, death, discrimination and separation from each other.

With her acceptance of Starlight, her attempt to run a business alone when estranged by war and her friendships with men who are not her husband, Mary's life defies what is expected of women of the day. She shows that injustices towards women ran parallel with those of Aborigines.

An array of lovable and evil characters join Starlight and Mary to bring the hills of Canning Mills, Karragullen and Roleystone in the 1900s alive with prejudices, sexism, racism and rich discussions about what is right and wrong in their world.

Through it all Mary and Starlight give breath to loyalty, strength of character, overcoming adversity and challenging the conventions of the day.

Bettenay is bold in her storytelling, she does not shy away from what life must have been like for Aborigines at that time and bravely includes fictionalised accounts of people and places with which she is most familiar, having grown up in the hills where she still lives today.

Take delight in reading a WA author writing about the part of WA she knows and loves.

It will entertain you, affront you and compel you to talk about what life was like 100 years ago in suburbs we all know.

Readers of Bettenay's first book 'Secrets Mothers Keep' will enjoy the reappearance of Bluey, Macca and the now mellowed newspaperman Eustace.

Bettenay's fans can be rest assured 'Wishes For Starlight' has as many shocks and even better storytelling than her first novel.



COUNCILLORS' COMMENT SEPTEMBER

The State government has now mapped the areas in Armadale as one of the initial batches of local governments where the presence of extensive vegetation creates an elevated risk of impact from bushfires.

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It has also released the draft Bushfire Risk Management Regulations for public comments.

The Office of Bushfire Risk Management (OBRM) believes that local knowledge puts local government in the best position to determine if their data is accurate. It advises that while the dataset maps have been prepared using the best available data it is requesting local government assistance in identifying the following so that the Bushfire-Prone maps can be updated before formal adoption by the State Government.

1. Areas that are not bushfire-prone (but are shown on the maps). 2. Areas that are bushfire-prone (but that have not been identified on its draft map). and any other inconsistencies in the identification of bushfire-prone areas. The State Government has also outlined

the additional Building and Planning assessments and controls that will be

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The State Government has released (in draft form) other components of the new regime which includes Bushfire-Prone Vegetation draft mapping. This map is based on the type and extent of vegetation present in different parts of Armadale. This is intended to be determined from existing datasets, aerial photography interpretation and some field validation and local government verification. The Bushfire-Prone Vegetation generally covers the following vegetation types: 1. forest (including plantations);

2. woodland;

- 3. shrubland;
- 4. scrub;
- and 5. mallee/mulga.

Land identified as Bushfire-Prone Vegetation contains at least one of the above vegetation communities in accordance with the following criteria:

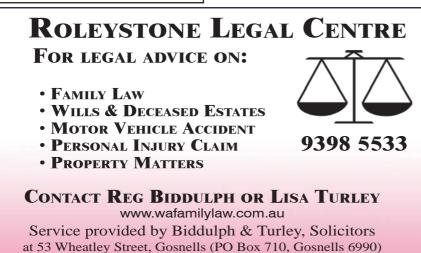
1. All parcels of the above vegetation that are greater than 1 hectare in size.

2. Single areas of the above vegetation that are between 0.25 and 1 hectare in area and are within 100 metres of other parcels of vegetation in the identified communities greater

Specifically excluded from the Bushfire-Prone Vegetation mapping are:

1. Single areas of vegetation less than 1 hectare in size and are not within 100 metres of other parcels of Bushfire-Prone Vegetation;

2. Multiple areas of vegetation less than 0.25 hectare in area and not within 20 metres of each other; and





3. Strips of vegetation less than 20 metres in width regardless of length and not within 20 metres of each other or other areas of Bushfire-Prone Vegetation.

Additionally, any areas of managed grassland that are maintained in a minimal fuel condition in perpetuity, or that are free from vegetation, are not identified as Bushfire-Prone Vegetation

In summary the State Government is setting up a whole raft of new compliance checking and customer liaison tasks for Building Permit and Planning applications in potential Bushfire-Prone Areas.

Officers of Building, Planning and Rangers Departments will be required to undertake additional tasks to ensure applications meet the standards and requirements of the new statutory regime. Some changes will also occur in the assessment of planning applications, however, these are comparatively minor changes to existing practices, which already consider the bushfire risks of planning proposals.

The new regime will be encountered by many landowners seeking to build new homes in many parts of Armadale. The owners of properties in Armadale seeking to construct a home or ancillary accommodation in many cases will also incur additional costs/time delays in obtaining the necessary Building Permits and undertaking the prior assessments of Bushfire Attack Level or Bushfire Hazard risk assessment and Fire Management Plan, which will also be required in specific situations. It is noted that the formal gazettal of Bushfire-Prone land also has potential to impact on household insurance costs.

Many inter-state and Western Australian commissions of inquiry into past bushfires have recommended increased control and regulation over building and planning in locations where bushfire hazards exist. Recent extensive damage and loss of life in wildfires have also likely changed general community attitudes to increased government regulation.

The new Bushfire-Prone regulatory regime should lead to increasing levels of protection of life and property from the potential impacts of wildfires in Armadale and its surrounds. The greater protection afforded to individual householders and the wider community will, however, have implicit and unavoidable costs that will fall largely on the builder/landowner developing land located in the Bushfire-Prone Area.

Potentially the timeframes for Building Permit and Development Approvals could increase where landowners have not correctly anticipated their obligations prior to May 1, 2015. Landowner's obligations include submission of the necessary fire hazard assessment documentation with their Building Permit application. however, the State government's new regime considers that increased community protection outcomes over the longer term are offsetting benefits to individual homeowners and the community as a whole.

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We are looking for more street coordinators in Roleystone. If you would like more information on becoming a coordinator for your street please phone Chris Cairns on 9397 9076.

Chris Cairns, Bush Fire Ready Facilitator, Roleystone Volunteer Fire Brigade.



Remembrance Day Araluen Botanic Park will host its traditional uniquely special Remembrance Day Service on Tuesday 11 November at 1.30pm Everyone is invited to attend at the Grove for the Unforgotten in Araluen Botanic Park.



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Pro Bono de Exilio PHONES David Bardsley



Normally my wife, Hilary, and I enjoy a good approximation to marital bliss in our relationship.

At least I think so and the fact that I haven't had my underwear starched for quite some time indicates I may be on the right track. But if there is one aspect of contemporary life which is likely to disturb the peace it is our mobile phone facility. Or rather the use of one mobile phone in particular – Hilary's.

By telling you this I am fully aware of the potential for abrasions in my nether regions as a result of unconventional laundry practices but I do need to pass it on.

We both have phones and mine is always switched on, always charged, always in credit and always within earshot. Hilary can contact me whenever she likes knowing that it would be unusual for me not to be able to answer her

On the other hand her PAYG phone is sometimes out of credit, often out of charge and normally switched off, residing on the kitchen bench even when she is out.

Furthermore, when by some accident of circumstance these attributes all show a figurative green light, she carries it in a wellpadded handbag which ensures she can't hear it anywhere but in a deathly quiet mausoleum. It's not likely to get damaged in her bag but neither is it likely to be of much use to a caller whilst stored in its cosy nest.

Of course on the rare occasions when Hilary is going somewhere and is herself likely to want to contact me or somebody else, she usually ensures the thing is useable. But I have learned not rely on being able to contact her even if her parting words are, "I've got my phone with me."

As a two way communication device it is useless. It's not that she is selfcentred – far from it – but Hilary has a blind spot, an affliction even, in this area.

So now you know.

The point of airing this rant in public is that a significant thought struck me whilst brooding over my hapless situation. Don't you think that it's a really good job we don't have to rely on mobile phones when communicating with God! Incidentally, most of us call that praying. Actually I sometimes wonder if we would pray more if we

did indeed have God in our list of Contacts on our phones. Wouldn't it be good if we spent as much time chatting with God as we do with friends? But unlike our other friends we don't often "bother Him" when things are going well.

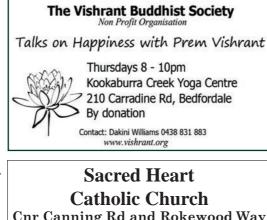
For the most part, prayer life is often limited to exclaiming "Oh God, Help!" whenever we get into a spot of bother ourselves. It's as if our prayer channel is limited to "Emergency Calls Only".

I have learned that the most effective communications with God are indeed two way. Like a phone call, listening is as vital a part of the process as speaking. How can God get through to us if we don't listen from time to time? Maybe if we did listen more we wouldn't get into so many spots of bother requiring the emergency call for Him to help.

Pushing the mobile phone analogy to its limit, may I encourage you to think a bit about your prayer life - charge it up, switch it on, top up your credit and keep it within earshot. Chat away to God! I know He would be delighted and I am absolutely positive you would benefit too.

Now if you will excuse me, I am popping down to the shop to get some flowers for a lovely lady who I think might just need them when she reads this. Yours in Christ

David Bardsley



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Spring Is The Best Time To See Local Wildflowers Armadale Wildflower Society

September and October is the best time of year to see the wildflowers in all their beauty. Spend an hour or two walking through the many reserves in the Armadale district. Bungendore Park, Armadale Settlers Common, Bob Blackburn Flora Reserve, Fletcher Park are just some of the reserves.

The Armadale Wildflower Society will be displaying some of this beauty at the Kelmscott show on 17th and 18th of October. There will be a display in the Flower Pavilion with samples of local wildflowers and pictures of our spectacular Western Australian flowers.

Down at the River Markets on the Saturday the society will also have a stand selling wildflower related giftware including plates, pictures, books - for kids and adults and lots more.

Members of the society will be manning the stands to answer questions on wildflowers and past, present and future activities of the Society.

The Armadale branch of the Wildflower Society of Western Australian is always looking for new members and volunteers. Members come from all sections of the community – from professionals to backyard gardeners to bushwalkers – all share one thing in common – a passion for the Western Australian bush and its beauty. Feel free to attend one of our meetings.

The Armadale Branch has monthly meetings and talks at 7:30pm on the 2nd Thursday of each month. We meet at the Field Study Centre, Settlers' Common. The next talk is on October 9th with Dr Jennifer Francis on frog identification and how to attract frogs into your garden.

The November 13th talk will be by Janet Atkins on native plants in your garden.

For more information visit <u>www.WildflowersArmadale.</u> org.au or phone 0438 134 278 or 9399 2388. *Roger Harrington*

It's Easy Being Green!

The City of Armadale is encouraging residents and ratepayers to visit their local library and learn how to save dollars and trim their annual household budget.

Thanks to a partnership between the Switch your thinking! program and Rivers Regional Council, being environmentally friendly has just been made a whole lot easier.

Home Sustainability Audit Kits, can be borrowed free of charge by residents, and provide practical tools and information to help householders conduct a simple home audit and discover easy ways to cut their households energy, water and waste bills.

The average Australian household uses approximately 6.5 Megawatts of electricity each year which costs \$1,755 on top of fixed charges from electricity retailers.

With a little knowledge and care it's possible to cut household electricity use by up to 25%, saving a typical household around \$435 per year, which I'm sure could be put to better use.

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- Bag IT DVD The story of Jeb Berrier, an average American guy who makes a pledge to stop using plastic bags.
- The Zero-Waste Lifestyle book by Amy Korst.
- Your Home Manual The Australian Government's Guide to designing, building and renovating environmentally sustainable homes.
- Supporting instruction sheets and information.

For more information and tips on how to reduce your environmental footprint and save money visit <u>www.</u> <u>switchyourthinking.com</u>.

Astro Highlights October Greg Lowe, Perth Observatory

If the weather turns out to be favourable - always a preoccupation of astronomers we'll have a good view of the total lunar eclipse on the 8th. Good in the sense that it's conveniently timed to occur in the early evening. Purists will be annoyed that the moon's already right inside Earth's darkest (umbral) shadow zone at moonrise. Also, moonrise coincides with sunset so the sky's not dark to begin with. You won't get to see the partial stages when the moon's going into Earth's shadow; when it looks like a moon-munching monster is taking a bigger and bigger bite out of the full moon.

Totality lasts until 7:25pm. After that, the moon starts to emerge from the shadow - that's when you can watch the partial stages. It's very sedate, taking until 8:35pm for the moon to come right out and be a "normal" full moon again. During a lunar eclipse, the moon isn't lost from view but appears a strange, dull, reddish-brown colour. History tells us that superstitious people in ages past were fearful of lunar eclipses, believing that the moon had turned to blood - plainly a very bad omen.

The major phases of the moon in October are first quarter on the night of the 1st, full moon on the 8th, last quarter on the night of the 15th, new moon on the 24th, and first quarter again on the 31st - half moon at Halloween. On the 8th, if you're somewhere with a clear view to the east and the west, you'll be able to see the sun going down and the eclipsed full moon coming up at about 6:20pm.

Mercury can be seen low in the western sky at dusk for the first week or so of October, then it slips out of sight. It goes through inferior conjunction, when it passes between Earth and the sun, on the 17th. Saturn's also in the west at nightfall, looking like a medium bright star standing at a fair elevation above the horizon and going down at about 9:15pm. It gets steadily lower and lower with the passing days, setting at about 8:30pm mid-month and getting lost in the glare of the sun by month's end.

Mars is the other evening planet - it spends all of the month hanging around in much the same sector of the western sky. While not exactly eyecatching, it's the brightest starlike object in the western sky at nightfall and has a distinctive orange tinge. Its setting times go from about 11:10pm in early October to 11pm mid-month and 10:50pm at the end of the month.

Bright Jupiter is the morning planet now. It rises in the ENE at about 3:45am at the start of the month, then steadily earlier: 2:50am in mid-month, and 2am by month's end. It dominates the NE sky at daybreak.

The Perth Observatory's public star viewing programme has just started up again, after the winter recess. Phone 9293-8255 for info and bookings, or check our website <u>www.</u> <u>perthobservatory.wa.gov.au</u>.

Wild Gossip

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We have had such unusual and variable weather recently that I am as confused as our beautiful wildlife. I have had out of season admissions and other strange wildlife queries. I have had a lot of bird enquiries

and young bird admissions.

Most birds have been brought in cold which is a major concern as young or injured birds need to be warm. It is really simple to keep a bird warm – you can simply put it up under your top and use body heat, use a warm wheat pack, use a warm (padded) water bottle etc.

It is probably better not to attempt to feed an orphaned or injured bird as a cold bird cannot metabolise food so it will sit inside and rot also if you are unsure of exactly what sort of bird you have found incorrect feeding can kill. Always seek advice and correct information; if you can give a good description or send a photo then the outcome is likely to be better.

October

Sadly, sometimes a bird can be too badly injured or stressed to survive. An injured bird should be kept warm, dark and quiet and it stands a chance of survival. It is not the time for a photo opportunity or to pass around the children as stress will kill. I have had a number of small bandicoots brought to me from road hits. Again the same rule applies – keep it warm, dark and quiet and avoid the pass around for a look or photo opportunity. Stress is one of the biggest killers of our precious wildlife.

Injured kangaroos and joeys are also killed by stress. If you hit a roo the best action is to cover the eyes with a towel or similar until help can be sought. If the roo is dead and a joey is present (always check the pouch) it should be gently picked up and placed in a makeshift pouch such as a shirt, sweater towel etc. and taken to your nearest wildlife carer or shelter. Please contact me for help for or advice about all orphaned or injured wildlife. Syl Cooper 93976184/0417972930 or sylcooper@westnet.com.au





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TENNIS NEWS: WENDY TUCKER

OPEN DAY:

Our Annual Open Day was held on Sunday 21st September. The weather wasn't very good but luckily some new members came along and joined the club which was fantastic. The Clubhouse, garden and courts are looking great after our Busy Bee so many thanks to everyone who came.

COMING EVENTS

Junior Come And Try Day:

This will be on Saturday morning 4th October 2014 from 9.00-10.30am. Come along and meet the coaches, have some great fun and enjoy a free sausage sizzle & soft drink.

Spring Tournament

We are having our Spring Tournament on Sunday 26th October. Please put your name down at the club. The cost will be \$10 per person with lunch and prizes included. This will commence at 10.00am.

Fuller Cup

Our Annual Fuller Cup gets underway on Wednesday the 12th November and will continue for 3 weeks. Please sign up and join in. It is a great event and supper is served each night with the cost being \$10.00 per night.

Coaching News

The club is pleased to announce that we have a new coach starting. Darren Draper is the Director and Manager of Top Shot Tennis. Darren is a Tennis Australia Club Professional Coach and Tennis Coaches Australia Advanced Coach. With over 14 years of coaching experience, Darren spearheads a fantastic team of coaches that are all WWC checked and complete regular internal coaching courses to improve their coaching skills. The Top Shot Tennis Coaching Team have programs suitable for all ages and levels from beginners to state grade/tournament players.

Coaching will run in fourth term for a period of 8 weeks. This will be held on Monday & Thursday afternoons with beginners from 5-6pm, intermediates and advanced from 6-7pm.

If you enrol for a term of coaching and you need a 21", 23" or 25" racquet you will receive it for free. If your size/skill level means you need a full size racquet and you sign up for a term of coaching you will receive a 20% discount voucher off already discounted equipment prices.

Pictured: Top right Taryn and Fran at the Tennis Club Open Day

Right: Darren the new coach meets up with Club Members -Lois and Catherine



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3 Haimlee Street, KELMSCOTT

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The service provided by Andrew was exceptional.

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All throughout Andrew kept us up-to-date and he was always courteous and polite.

He expedited the sale without incident and we can't thank him enough for his expertise and guidance.

We have no hesitation recommending Andrew to anyone who is in need of an agent for the sale of a property.

(Very grateful), Mike and Cyn Shord

14 Orana Way, ROLEYSTONE

My wife Dot and I recently sold our property in Roleystone. The listing agent was Andrew Baylee of Fidock & Co.

Throughout the whole process from our initial enquiry about listing the house, until and even after settlement, was handled by Andrew in the most professional and courteous manner.

During the sale period, there where circumstances beyond both our, and Andrew's control which made the sale more difficult than perhaps it should have been, but Andrew took it all in his stride and did his utmost to smooth the way for us.

I have no hesitation in recommending Andrew to anyone considering selling their property.

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