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Geoff Stewart In WA Ivor Burge State Basketball Team

Roleystone's Geoff Stewart has once again been picked to represent WA in the Ivor Burge State Basketball Team. The competition, held annually during February, was held in WA this year and was run at the Kalamunda Basketball Centre. The competition is for people with intellectual disabilities and is run in conjunction with the National Under 20 Basketball competition.

This is the 6th time Geoff has represented Western Australia. He was first picked to represent the WA Ivor Burge Basketball Team in 2002 which was held in Geelong. Many locals will know Geoff, he has lived here all of his life and went to school at Roleystone PS and Roleystone DHS.

With all the players who take part in the Ivor Burge comp, fundraising is a huge part as most of the players are on low wages or disability pensions. This year it was slightly easier with the competition held locally, the team members did not have the large travel and accommodation costs.

'I am very proud and honoured to be playing for the WA Ivor Burge Basketball Team in my sixth nationals. This is an accomplishment that has driven me since my younger days, playing basketball with my dad and brothers in the back yard. This helped me develop my game and now I can pass my skills onto my younger team mates,' Geoff said.

The team has an age range of 16 to the oldest player who will turn 50 this year. Geoff at 35, is a veteran of the competition. He is in the leadership group and this year has been appointed Team Captain. Head Coach, Kalamunda's Chris Saligari calls Geoff 'The General'.

'I've been playing basketball since I was 9 years old at my local basketball club here in Roleystone. I have now played over 150 games,' Geoff said.

Geoff now plays for the Kalamunda West Rise team. Last year Geoff did some volunteer coaching at the



Kalamunda High School Ed Support Unit and hopes to be able to continue to do this in 2014. Geoff would like to recognise all who donated or helped him in his quest and thank his family and friends for their ongoing support in pursuing his dreams.

Well done Geoff.

March Cover



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Danny Is Back And On The Road To Recovery

Until the end of 2010, Danny Gaertiser was working in the Roleystone area and his business was taking off (DMS Danny's Maintenance Services). And then he was diagnosed with a serious form of bowel cancer.

Danny and his family went home to Switzerland where they were surrounded by family and supported by a strong health system.

What followed was three years of aggressive treatment including many bouts of medication before Danny started on his long road to recovery.

In January, Danny returned to WA to catch up with old friends. He was always determined to beat his disease and, at last, he can see the end to his treatment is finally in sight.

He is planning to come back to WA and hopes to return to work and live in Roleystone.

'I really miss the hills and it's wildlife, as well as my friends. I am looking forward to making plans for the future!! Regards to everyone,' said Danny.

Good luck Danny and we hope to see you back here soon - permanently.



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Building on the success of previous festivals, organisers are expecting several thousands of visitors to come along on the day.

At the Heartbeat Festival the school provides free rides and giveaways which always prove popular with children. Younger children will be able to have pony rides, visit the petting zoo and play on the bouncy castle.

One of the major drawcards of the school is their amazing high ropes and abseil facilities. Older children will be able to try the big swing and attempt some abseiling. Local businesses and community service groups will also be at the school.

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Proposal to Create a New Locality To Be Called 'Rowley'

The City of Armadale is proposing to rename the south-eastern portion of the Forrestdale locality in the area bounded by Tonkin Highway, Rowley and Oxley Roads.

This proposal will prepare for the future development of the industrial area and establish an identity; separate to the existing Rural and Industrial areas of Forrestdale. It is proposed to rename the new locality 'Rowley'.

City of Armadale Mayor Henry Zelones says it is important the community has every opportunity to comment on the renaming of the locality.

"The name 'Rowley' has been chosen as the preferred option for the future industrial estate as it will be located on Rowley Road. The name is important to the history of WA, as well as our local history, being the name of an important surveyor responsible for surveying many new development areas in the early days of the State," said Mayor Zelones.

Both Metropolitan Region Scheme (MRS) and Town Planning Scheme No 4 (TPS 4) amendments are in progress to rezone portions of this area from "Rural" to "Industrial" under the MRS and "Industrial Development" under TPS 4.

One lot within the proposed area is currently reserved "Parks and Recreation" in the Metropolitan Regional Scheme and will remain as such.

Comments are invited and should be forwarded to the Chief Executive Officer, City of Armadale, Locked Bag 2, Armadale WA 6992.

Further details and a submission form can be obtained from the 'Out for Comment' section of the City's website www.armadale.wa.gov.au.

See editorial p9 for additional comment. Ed.

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NOW!!!

Roleystone's little miracle, Taj Bennett reached a huge milestone last week when he started school at RCC (kindy).

Taj and his identical twin Ali, were born 3 months premature due to twin to twin transfusion.

Ali sadly passed away after 17 days weighing only a tiny 315grams - Taj was still tiny at 1045grams, but fought hard and after ten very tough weeks at King Edward Memorial Hospital, came home to his relieved family.

Over the next 4 years Taj has shown such a fighting spirit and has continued to thrive and grow into a healthy happy boy, having no long term side effects from his early arrival.

He was incredibly excited to be going to school with his very proud big brother Hunter! Go Taj!!!



Letter to the Editor

It is strange what form, some reminders of years past take.

Harvey Fresh have started selling a variety of milk via IGA Roley, labelled "Jersey Girl" This references the Jersey cow, which was a mainstay of dairy production when I was a kid.

We even kept one as a house cow off and on for a while on the new place before Joe Giglia started delivering milk to Roley. When stonefruit season was in, the oldies had to pull some really long, hard days getting the fruit picked, sorted, graded and packed. Inevitably there would be some fruit which was over-ripe or damaged and

had to go in the water drum. Sometimes some fruit was stewed and bottled.

Some stewed fruit went straight into a bowl with some overnight fresh milk from our own Jersey cow. The times were too busy to be cooking up some custard and as for making icecream - forget about it! We only had a kero fridge which battled in the summer heat. I had some Goulburn Valley sliced peaches from the shop and forgot to buy some icecream or custard. So I dumped some of the new milk on top - and - instantly I was reminded.

Here was the memory of the smell of the peaches in the old open-sided packing shed, summer tick-ticks sounding off in the trees in the creek below, the polished paper, the sawdust smell of unseasoned jarrah slats on the half-dump and flat fruitcases, which were all the go then.

I went back in time.....

Bob Hart

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**HISTORY HOUSE MUSEUM
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The City of Armadale's History House Museum is seeking information relating to what life was like living in the City of Armadale during World War I.

The information will be displayed during an exhibition that will be held in 2015 as part of the commemoration of the 100th Anniversary of World War I.

The exhibition will focus on what life in the City of Armadale was like for those who stayed home, while many young men and a few women from the district enlisted to serve with the AIF in Gallipoli and Europe.

The exhibition will delve into many issues of the time, such as how the men who stayed behind were treated and the persecution of non-naturalised residents who were born in countries that were now the enemy.

The war caused many Australians to turn against their German and Italian neighbours, even though many had been naturalised and had sons fighting in the AIF; some families had to register with the local police station and were subject to unjustified searches, surveillance and arrest.

The exhibition will also give an insight into the impact on the workforce, when the young men enlisted and left the district, and the contribution of women who had no choice but to take on traditional male roles in the workforce.

Armadale Mayor Henry Zelones said there are still many older residents living in the City that would have a wealth of information relating to this era that needs to be documented to ensure the stories can be captured for future generations.

"We are hoping to obtain a variety of information and stories, including photographs and any objects that relate to this period in history from diaries to business ledgers, letters, or any other memorabilia.

"Maybe you knew someone who volunteered with the Red Cross during the war, a family that lost a son, brother, husband or father in the line of duty, or knew of community events that were held to help raise money for the war effort.

"Do you have childhood memories of growing up during the war or knowledge of any families who had loved ones interned during the war, or deported at the end of the war?"

"I encourage residents to share their stories and information so that visitors to History House during the exhibition can learn about the war effort and the effects it had on the home front, especially in the Armadale area," said Mayor Zelones.

History House Museum is located in the Minnowarra Historic Precinct on Jull Street, Armadale. For information and opening times call 9399 0670 or visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au.

Pictured: Wilfred George Bettenay, from Karragullen who lost a leg fighting in Flanders in WW1. Photo provided by Birtwistle Studies Library.

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Last year our lives dramatically changed when I was diagnosed with advanced renal cell carcinoma, one of the most lethal urological cancers.

Before long I was rushed to surgery, saying goodbye, signing my will and preparing for the worst. Suddenly life had changed, I was vulnerable, helpless. What good could come of this?

When death comes near, our minds tend to dwell on what's most important: my wife, date night, children, family, the crazy moments we shared together in life are suddenly precious treasures.

Our 3yr old's little world where time doesn't matter is so beautiful, our children's enthusiasm for life and love is a joy, as is hearing them pray, tucking them in, hearing their giggles. Time together is all that seemed to matter. The joy of togetherness. In hospital I couldn't stop staring at the photos. One more look God... just one more look...

And you know what good came from my cancer?

A deeper value of relationships, a deeper compassion for those who are suffering. We never know what's around the corner.

I know there are others in Roleystone with cancer or other illnesses.

Please know that you are so valuable, far more than you know. You are loved, you are special and you are welcome in my home, my family and our church.

The Bible says, "Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the



Father of mercies and God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our affliction, so that we may be able to comfort those who are in any affliction, with the comfort with which we ourselves are comforted by God". (2 Corinthians 1:3-4)

I don't know where you are at in your relationships, but try to not see the wrong in each other.

Instead make a choice to smile, forgive, love and embrace. Enjoy togetherness while you're here on earth, the joy of living for each other, the joy of serving and loving one another.

My surgery went well, and although I don't actually know how long I have left, I do know that God loves me and you very much.

***Love in Christ,
Joe Attwater***



Editorial

LINDA MOORE MARCH 2014



Welcome to the March Courier.

This month we have a diverse range of stories and one in particular that took away my breath was the heart wrenching story from Joe Attwater on the previous page.

My thanks for sharing this with readers Joe, and all the best with your recovery. You certainly are approaching 'life' with a great attitude.

I was thrilled to see the story from Geoff Stewart (who is featured on the March Cover), who has not let disability get in the road of who he wants to be. His basketball prowess is awesome but so are his achievements. Well done Geoff.

I need to take a moment to recognise the wonderful achievement of our local cricketers, who have again won both flags in their T20 competition. Those of us who live in the centre of town certainly heard all about it! The spectators were certainly enthusiastic.

On the weekend you will be receiving this Courier, don't forget to go up to the oval to the Twilight Roleystone Markets and 'stay on' for the Concert in the Park. The organisers of this event deserve our largest congratulations. This year, there were many obstacles to holding it, and the only reason it has been successful is due to the perseverance and the dogged passion from some tireless individuals. Well done to the Market Committee and to the Roleystone Musicians Club.

I love this event and thank you all sincerely for making it happen.

Of course this time it is being held on the Cross Park Oval. With the ownership of the old Primary School Oval now in limbo, this City of Armadale owned venue is a far safer bet.

I understand that no successful tender was received, so the old Primary School site is now for sale on the open market. I hope strict conditions relating to this site's zoning will still apply.

Finally the toilets and other infrastructure at Borello Park is complet. I must admit that the toilet block looks quite attractive and it is great to see a few children's parties occurring down there now. Hopefully, this Park will continue to have responsible use.

My rant this month has to do with the City of Armadale's decision to name the new area of South East Forrestdale, 'Rowley'. (Please see page 5).

This is an industrial region and apparently is being named after an early surveyor.

My objection is that we are 'Roley' and we have always been Roley. Obviously there is a Rowley Road in the vicinity of the region but the term Rowley, has too many similarities to the term we all use for **our suburb!** We have numerous iconic references from sporting teams to 'Roleys on the Ridge'.

I can see the argument that the two words do have a different pronunciation but that is only undersood by locals who are aware of the phonics! To many strangers, these two words could easily be confused. Folks wanting to head to our amazing destination could find themselves mis-directed to an industrial complex!

I have lodged my objection, even though the date

for comments had passed (14th of February). This was released with a very short timeline as I only received the press release on the 12th of February!

If you feel the same way I do, please register your thoughts with the City of Armadale.

Let's keep 'Roley' For 'Roley'.

I hope you all have a lovely March.

Hopefully the winter rains will come early this year.

Happy reading.

Linda Moore

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Norm recalls that at their first meeting and, after having a few dances, Mary asked him if he wanted to borrow her bike to get home. He surmised that this meant she wanted to see him again. The rest is history...



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BRIGHT FUTURES



James Wins Active Citizenship Award

John Wollaston Anglican Community School's 2013 Chapel Prefect, James Devine has received the City of Armadale's Active Citizenship Award. The award is part of a joint initiative of the Australia Day Council of Western Australia, the Western Australian Local Government Association and the Office of Premier and Cabinet and is presented to a resident under 25 years of age "who makes an outstanding contribution to the community through inspiring actions and dedicated service".

James was nominated for his work with 'The Light Home Orphanage in India', as he regularly raises funds for the orphanage through school and outside activities.

The money from the fundraising goes towards new children's beds, a new tailoring centre for women and an aged care centre.

In addition to providing financial support,

James has also completed two missions to India, visiting four bible camps. Late last year, James was also a recipient of the Positive Image Award which recognises and rewards a student who is a positive role model for other students and who has made a difference in their school and community.

James' passion for volunteering stems from a strong Christian belief, fostered by his church, where he regularly volunteers ushering parishioners, directing cars and helping with fundraising activities. Head of Pastoral Care at John Wollaston, Bronwyn Twining says James is an inspiration to all the students at John Wollaston and an outstanding role model. James encourages other people to participate in community events and volunteer wherever possible.

"To other students I encourage you to take part in the various opportunities presented to you. Always give something a go, no matter how challenging you think it will be."

"Volunteering and charity work are about giving back to the community which has always given you support and encouragement. It's not hard and you will always be working with other like-minded people. You will have fun engaging and participating in different social events," said James.

Principal Anne Ford says she is incredibly proud of James' achievements and hopes that other students follow his lead.

"It is important for students to make a contribution to society. Volunteering is a particularly rewarding activity which has the capacity to change people's lives for the better."

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John and his partner Bruce started the business 7 years ago, opening the gates on October 30th 2007. Since that time locals have flocked to the place.

According to part owner John: 'we are moving back to New Zealand to be closer to my family. We have found a lovely place not far from Christchurch on the Canterbury plains, that we would like to buy.' Lots of locals will miss the gardens, the artworks and of course John's amazing cakes.

If you haven't been yet then don't panic - they hope to be open for at least six months longer, so you still have the opportunity to experience the ambience and serenity of this beautiful garden. Miaflora is on Brookton Hwy just when you enter Karragullen and drive through the sculpted gates.



Thanks so much John and Bruce. You have provided us all with a wonderful little piece of heaven over many years.

It looks like it is already under offer as we go to print!!! Ed.

'Music in The Hills' Charity Event Coming To Affinity

Janet Pan is an entrant in the Miss Humanity Australia 2014 pageant. She is collaborating with two other young business owners, Amia Nguyen and local café owner Audrey Wee in hosting a charity music event entitled, 'Music in the Hills', on Sunday, 30th March at 3pm at the Affinity Café in Roleystone.

'Music in the hills' is aiming to raise funds and awareness for *charity: water*, a non-profit organization bringing clean and safe drinking water to people in developing nations.

It will be an outdoor picnic setting with

food, live music and performances, as well as other entertainments like silent auction and raffle draw. All the profit from the event will go to building clean water projects in Kenya.

'Not only are we raising funds and awareness, we also see the event as good opportunities for local businesses to gain exposure and community bonding,' Ms Pan said.

Tickets are available at Affinity Café at Roleystone Recreational Centre and if you would like to be involved please contact Janet on poonyiyan@hotmail.com.





Southern Hills Soldiers

We've all heard of the Australian Red Cross Cadets and their benevolent and generous work they do for the community and families. There are two units in Western Australia that are both working in their communities to support society and the environment.

Cadets have the reputation for: manning First Aid posts, joining the parade on ANZAC Day, helping third-world countries struggling to get through life, undertaking community service in people's gardens and cleaning up their community and they even take a trip down to local retirement villages to have a good old chat with the residents. The Red Cross team at Southern Hills Christian College are doing exactly this.

Recently, the SHCC Cadets have teamed up with the Swan River Trust and adopted a section of the Canning River, working together to clean up this precious waterway. We are picking up objects ranging from plastic and glass bottles to bikes and trolleys.

The Red Cross Cadet program, held after school on a Wednesday and weekends, is a fantastic opportunity for students and staff to participate in activities and community service. Ranging from ages 12-17, the students enjoy working to develop positive outcomes for the community and themselves.

Our staff are encouraged when new students join the Cadet program. The work that they do can give the community a different perspective of youth.

I interviewed some Cadets, whilst they were making gift bags to send over to Manila. Most of the Cadets I interviewed have been in Cadets for two years.

"What made you join Cadets?" I ask them.

"I wanted to do something that would help community," "free time to spend," "friends," "I'm concerned about my community," "it gives you a chance to do something good for yourself and others," they replied.

"How do you feel after helping someone?" I ask.

"Really good," "It's good to know that I've helped someone," "Fun," "Satisfied that I've done a job for someone."

"What Qualities/Skills have you learned since joining Cadets?"

"I learned to abseil," "How to use tools," "To conquer my fear of heights," "To give more than I take," "Working collaboratively," "To put others before me."

"What importance does Cadet's hold in the community?" I ask.

"Connecting with older generations," "clean-up programme which is important to the environment," "teaches young people how to focus on other people as opposed to themselves," "Brings everyone together." "To help when you are in need," "Positive presence of youth in our community," "Gives people an opportunity to change the community and have a positive influence and changes the perspective of youth," they tell me.

And finally, they all said that Cadets has had a big impact on their lives, teaching them values, being able to help people, work with amazing friends and creating stronger bonds.

It is good to know that they are doing something helpful for people who are vulnerable or having difficulty doing something themselves.

The Red Cross Cadets are a great opportunity to build friendships and do amazing work for your community so that people will recognize and acknowledge what a difference they are making for the environment and people.

I too am so pleased to be a part of something as big as this family. Together with my friends, I learn the skills and values in helping the community and what effect it can have on the people we help. The way the faces of those we help, light up in appreciation and love for the work we do.

I am proud to be involved in the Cadet team at Southern Hills Christian College.

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MULBERRY TREE

All is going well down at the Mulberry Tree Childcare. We now have dance lessons on a Monday at long daycare. The children are learning a variety of dances including: ballet, jazz and hip hop. This is going extremely well. The children are focussed and enthusiastic. We are looking at recycling in the Kindy room, finding ways to recycle and get involved. Our fundraising sausage sizzle, held on Sunday 23rd February at Bunnings in Armadale, went well. Thanks to everyone who stopped by and said hello. It was great to see you all! Please contact me with any queries Kathy Loader 94961665.

Pictured: Sienna having water fun at MTC.



CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF PRESERVING AND RECORDING OUR HISTORY

The Pickering Brook Heritage Group is celebrating its 20th year, with lots of exciting events. On Saturday April 12th they will be holding a: "Remember When" Old Time Dance. We are resurrecting the great social dances that were held in the old Carilla Hall. These regular events were so popular that buses were run from Perth to bring crowds up to Pickering Brook for them, returning late at night. They were always eagerly looked forward to.

- REMEMBER the sawdust on the floor?
- REMEMBER the kero lamps for lights?
- REMEMBER the boiling copper for the tea and coffee?
- REMEMBER the Maxina, Pride of Erin, Barn Dance, Veleta, Foxtrot, Boston Two Step, Boogie Woogie, Quickstep, Lancers, Alberts, Gay Gordons, Hokey Pokey?
- REMEMBER the Pianola, the Fiddle, the Tin Whistle, the Piano Accordion, the Spoons, the Piano, the Gumleaf?

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Later that morning they were told that the doctors had to amputate his left leg in an effort to save his life, though they were still doubtful that he would survive. However, after almost six weeks, this amazing department performed miracles beyond belief & gave them their son back.

Since that time Sharon has been a staunch supporter and fundraiser for Intensive Care Foundation.

Please help her out.....

This year I have entered the 4km walk, keeping Dwayne company as he attempts his second year of this event. He has come such a long way.

In 2012 I discovered an organisation called the Intensive Care Foundation.

The Intensive Care Foundation is dedicated to improving the care of those who need it most in our community,

the critically ill. Over 145,000 people are treated in Intensive Care in any one year. This means that 16 people every hour of every day, 365 days a year are hoping for a miracle. Anyone, at any time can find themselves in Intensive Care. At the Intensive Care Foundation, they fund vital critical Intensive Care research, because they understand the funding research is the best & most effective way to save lives. They fund world class research knowing that they are helping to save many lives each & every day.

As each life is a miracle, with your support, they are Making Miracles Happen.

If you feel you are in a position to support me again this year, please follow the link below & follow the prompts. Any support you can give would be greatly appreciated.

<https://hbfrun2014.everydayhero.com/au/sharon>

All the money will go to the same place – Intensive Care Foundation.

Last year we raised just short of \$13,000 so this year we have set our team target at \$15,000. I know with all your support, we will smash that figure.

The team has already had a successful Krispy Kreme Doughnut drive. The funds from that will be added to our total within the next week.

We also have our High Tea Fundraising event on March 23rd at the Roleystone Country Club.

There will be some amazing raffle prizes as well as incredible silent auctions.

Dwayne will be one of our special guest speakers, sharing his story.

Why not purchase a ticket & come along for a fantastic afternoon out. I have the tickets & will be more than happy to sell you one!

Thank you so much for all your support in the past & I hope you are in a position to help us again.

See you there.

Pictured at top: Susan Service and Sharon at last year's High Tea.

At left: Jo, Audrey and Jane with some of the tasty snacks made by The Affinity Cafe.



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Roleystone-Karragullen Community Bank® Branch News

Our Community Bank is well known for the smiling faces of the ladies who greet you as you walk in and some of you may know that one of those smiling faces is leaving us. Debbie Wagstaff has been with the bank for almost four years and as she has successfully developed her banking skills she has perhaps more importantly developed friendships within and outside the bank. Becoming actively involved in all the community events that Tony and his team are keen to participate in has developed other skills for Debbie, including on the bowling green as a key member of the Roleystone Community Bank Corporate bowls team. This might be a skill she finds useful when she returns to her native Yorkshire!

Whilst Debbie has enjoyed involvement with the Bank and the community the pull of her family in the UK has finally proved too great and she has made the difficult decision to return home. Whilst Debbie will leave behind many friends in Roleystone and surrounds she will be excited to return home to family and a new granddaughter and the Board of the Bank, the staff and customers all wish her every joy and success in her new life in Yorkshire.

By the time this is being read the process of finding a replacement for Debbie should be well underway and we look forward to welcoming a new member of our Bank staff and introducing them to our community very soon.

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PREVIOUS LOCAL WINNERS

Some previous local winners of the Minnowarra Art Awards.

1. Andrew Kay, Winner of the Minnowarra Art Award Sculpture in 2013 with 'Run Bilby Run'.
2. Kerrie Bear, winner in 2008.
3. Sue Hamilton was awarded the Stockland commissioned prize in 2013. Sue is pictured with Mayor Henry Zelones.



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The Minnowarra Art Awards will feature works of nationally and internationally renowned artists including Sue Coode, Andrew Kay and Deborah Bonar.

The Minnowarra Art Awards celebrate the cultural vitality in our state, and are a highlight of the City's cultural calendar.

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The Araluen Golf Resort has recently recruited a new management company, the world renowned Troon Golf Group.

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A new general manager will be appointed soon to run the club and hopefully he/she will be in place by the start of April. What will locals notice?

Troon's Australia-Asia-Pacific Director, David Townend, who is overseeing the transition, said: "The bones of the Araluen Golf Resort are solid. The buildings are well built and designed for hosting all sorts of functions, the golf course is challenging and well designed, and of course it has one of the most amazing settings atop the Enchanted Valley.

What Troon will be doing is initially working on bringing the course and facilities back to first class conditions, which won't take us very long. During this time we will introduce our training programs and operations standards throughout the facility, followed by launching a marketing plan to let the golfing world know that Araluen is the premier golf club to play and be seen at in West Australia."

"Troon has been the industry leader in developing new golfers, and places a large focus on Family Golf and most importantly developing junior golfers. Troon believe juniors are the life blood and future of any golf club, so we will have a strong focus on getting into the local schools to introduce the game.

Locals interested in getting their kids into golf should pop up and see us, or give the Club a call. Troon has a program at all our facilities, where children play golf for free every day after 3pm when playing with a

paying adult. We feel this is an important step in allowing parents to introduce the game to their children.

As an international group, staff training is paramount, as our motto is Experience Troon Golf, which translates to exceeding the guest expectations at all times.'

'For now, Troon is busy tidying up the facility, replacing signage and doing a host of small maintenance tasks that may have been overlooked. We want to restore this location to its rightful place. We really want to have a large focus on hosting events and occasions in keeping with this location's potential. Araluen Golf Resort was once the darling of Corporate Golf Days and Social Golf Groups, and with the conditions and management back in shape, we are confident of once again gaining that reputation.'

The Araluen team will stay the same, with service and management staff Corah, Julie and Corey all remaining. Locals will also be pleased to hear that Brad and Mel will be retaining their high quality restaurant facilities at Views 101.

Troon have stated that the Food and Beverage operations at Araluen Golf Resort are one of the best they have seen in all their facilities around the world, and are excited to partner up and further develop Araluen Golf Resort as the number one venue for Weddings, Parties and Functions in Perth. In addition, we are looking forward to adding even more exciting events to the calendar, to ensure our locals see the Club as being a home away from home.

We wish the new management team all the best with their ambitious plans.

As a side note, locals may have great interest in a new limited offer membership that has been introduced, named PAYS, which means Pay As You Play. The joining fee is just \$220 and it comes with great benefits and privileges. Those interested should contact David Oliphant before they run out. **All the best to the new management team.**



Kindy Students Start School at Southern Hills Christian College



Southern Hills Christian College welcomed its 2014 intake of kindy students this week. The bright and cheerful room was filled with happy children and interested parents who all spent a pleasant hour or two familiarising themselves with the place in which they will spend quality time this year.

As part of the College's overall Literacy policy, Mrs Mary Gwynne, the Literacy coordinator, visited the gathering to present each child with a personalised reading bag. These bags had been created by the Art teacher and Year 9 students. They included two reading books, an eraser, some helpful leaflets about literacy and numeracy at home and some information about the local library.

The children were delighted to receive such a special hand-crafted gift and spent time sharing it with their parents and carers. The College recognises and celebrates the enormous role played by parents in literacy, and is delighted to encourage literacy throughout a student's journey from kindy to Year 12.

Mary Gwynne

TECHNOLOGY BUDDIES

Kelmscott Senior High School students will be at Armadale Library from Monday 10 March, from 3.15 to 4pm, helping seniors with their technology queries.

This is a great opportunity for seniors to have their questions answered and a chance for young people to contribute to the community.

Students will be able to assist with questions about the senior's laptops, digital cameras, iPads, tablets and mobile phones.

Sessions begin on Monday 10 March and run for five weeks.

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and bring the kids, family and friends to join us for this fun-filled community celebration. "Sit back in a family oriented environment while you enjoy the great music from the Armadale City Concert Band as they play some energetic tunes that are sure to prove a hit with people of all ages," said Mayor Zelones.

The band is ranked number one concert band in WA and has a great selection of numbers to perform on the evening with songs from Grease and Queen in Concert and highlights from the Lion King, Pirates of the Caribbean and Toy Story to mention a few.

For more information, contact the City of Armadale Events team on 9399 0111 or visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au

CITY OF ARMADALE TWILIGHT CONCERTS IN THE PARK

The City of Armadale's free Concerts in the Park series provides the local community with free musical entertainment at some of the City's most picturesque parks.

The next concert is scheduled for Sunday 9 March, from 5 to 6.30pm at Memorial Park, Armadale.

Located on Jull Street, close to Armadale's shopping centres and cafes, Memorial Park boasts large grassed areas with shady trees, toilets, a children's adventure playground and amphitheatre seating - perfect for an outdoor concert.

City of Armadale Mayor Henry Zelones said every year the concerts have proven very popular and we expect that to continue on Sunday March 9.

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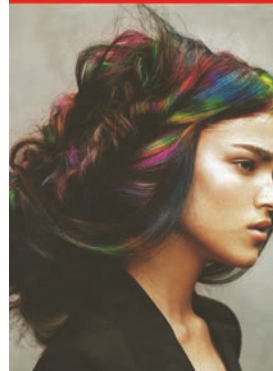
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Soloist Kristy arrived with guitar and keyboard, joining in with Rough Shot, the End of Night Jam and also assisting Jasper on keyboard.

Local three piece band Moskeeto offered up a list of originals; our members are especially delighted to hear original compositions.

Dave Willis brought a new line up, Rough Shot. I really enjoyed their set; they get my gold star for the night!

We met Jacqueline Anne late last year, this time she brought her new band Steely Blues. They delivered a tight set of cabaret style jazz blues which received an encore. I think most members would agree that it was the best set we've seen in a long time. What a treat; and all for a \$5 entry fee!

Our next Club Night is scheduled for Saturday 22 March. Doors Open 6pm for 7.30pm Start. Bar Open 6pm – 10pm. Email enquiries to president@rmcwa.com.au or as an SMS to Deb 0468 62 68 68.

PS: Don't Forget Concert in the Park on Sunday 2 March at Cross Park on Jarrah Road. Markets start at 2pm. RMC Kids will play a few songs for the 4.30pm soundcheck. Music starts at 5pm to 8pm. Bring your family, friends and a picnic rug and enjoy our FREE Twilight Concert.

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END OF NIGHT JAM

WHO MONITORS ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING CONDITIONS?

I have been involved with our natural environment as a volunteer for many years and with numerous organisations both at State and community level. I believe I am not a radical and acknowledge that in the majority of planning applications there is room for compromise but in some there is not. We are given the opportunity to put our points of view and concerns forward on planning applications and are duly advised as to how all those concerns will be addressed and overcome the areas of concern.

This all looks good on paper but who oversees compliance on these conditions? What happens if the conditions imposed do not work and there are major impacts on the environment?

Most Government Agencies have had major cuts to their budgets and therefore staff levels are extremely minimal and the ability to address all the roles required of them is, in most cases, extremely difficult. This includes community concerns

with environmental impacts. Local Governments have a few compliance officers but these officers also deal with many other issues apart from ensuring environmental conditions are being met. It is left in most cases to the community to pick up these breaches of compliance. Once there are the visual concerns then there are the letters that have to be written expressing concerns and then the long wait for the response.

I must acknowledge however that the City of Armadale have a good record on responses. My main beef is with Government Agencies. It's not good enough!

I can identify a number of times the different organisations and groups I am involved with have identified serious breaches with very few if any positive outcomes.

The Government must be able to show that if environmental conditions are set, then they can be met and achieve what is required. If there is any doubt about their ability to work then they should not be set. There should be strong penalties for breaches of environmental conditions and this is for all land developments both large and small. I believe the environmental conditions set on all development applications after they have been through local government, WAPC and EPA, should be listed clearly on the appropriate Council web site so that the public is aware of what should be undertaken on that site to address environmental concerns.

Those of us who take a very close interest in what is occurring to our natural environment, do so not just for today but for the legacy we are leaving for future generations. It is unfortunate that past generations were unaware of the impacts on our natural environment when undertaking planning and development but today there are no excuses. Pat Hart

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The services that the funding covers allow recipients and, in particular, Aboriginal people and those from a culturally and linguistically diverse background, to maintain their independence and connection with their communities. It services older people, people with a disability and their carers and people with dementia.

Locally, \$455,000 is going to Uniting Care to expand their social services, and \$286,000 to Southern Districts Support Association to assist with Domestic assistance, Personal Care and Social Services.

If you need the assistance of HACC, which is jointly funded by the State and Federal Governments, you can get more information via the website:

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Helen Morton MLC

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Silvana and Duncan both attend landscape painting classes run by Ian Dickinson at the Roleystone Neighbourhood Family Centre.

Sylvana has always had a passion for art but was unable to pursue her ambitions in earnest until quite recently due to family commitments. Duncan has also been interested in painting for a number of years and started landscape painting lessons at the family centre when he moved to Roleystone around three years ago.

Pictured below: Teacher Ian Dickinson with Duncan and Sylvana with some of their pieces.



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The Borello Park BBQ, picnic table, drink fountain and toilet have all been installed and are operational and although there is still a little landscaping to be completed, it all fits well into the Park.

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Cr Caroline Wielinga and Cr Grant Nixon

As part of: 'Councillor Comment - February'.

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GARDENING NOTES

Who thinks a garden lacks colour in the summer! Once the canopy of a garden is established, the trees protect all those shorter plants underneath. We get fewer flowers in the shade but the brilliant colouring can make up for this.

Walking around my garden I notice the plants that are blooming include: Solanum ratonetti, plumbago, geraniums and pelargoniums. The Crepe Myrtles, in shades of white, pink, mauve, purple and red make a wonderful show. So forgiving and beautiful.

About five years ago I had one growing nicely, but whilst it was dormant it got covered in sandy soil. I thought it was gone forever, but this year I noticed it is back, healthier than ever. Other show stoppers are the heavily scented frangipani or plumeria. The old fashioned ones create wonderful shade and many of the new varieties are miniatures, which can be grown in pots, useful if you live in a smaller enclosed space.

The cannas bring brilliant colours to our gardens. These can grow in wet or dry conditions and they thrive on neglect. They come in so many different colours (some are bred as miniatures) and can make dramatic showings with their foliage too.

Some of the daylilies are quite dramatic and many of these are edible. I have a tall variety which flowers almost all year with orange and red striping called Borderline Gold. I have had this variety over twenty years.

I try to alternate them with bearded Iris and then you get masses of flowers. A few years ago I interspersed Agapanthus, these were late flowering in fact they are flowering now. The flower spikes are standing about five feet tall.

The vincas are the real show stoppers for low down beauty at this time of the year and there are so many colours which can be clumped in one colour for a dramatic display.

These forgiving plants are drought tolerant and will last more than one season. Think too of how many roses are in bloom. If you clip over them now and give them a feed with a potassium rich fertiliser you will have a lovely flowering in six weeks.

During this hot weather I endeavour to hibernate, find a good book and a cool spot and read between ten and five. Before and after this, I do a bit of watering or weeding and give the dogs a chance to run free.

For now keep the water up to the plants. Most weeks I only get to use the reticulation once a week and hand water in between. Water well, this lets the water penetrate to the roots.

Enjoy your garden but wait until the rains before planting any new plants you buy.

Good Gardening,
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Roleystone Performers Woo Audience

A full house of over eighty five people crowded into the salubrious Ken Jackman Theatre room on the 12th of February to listen to readings from 'Secrets Mothers Keep', a novel by Roleystone Author Linda J Bettenay. And the crowd were not disappointed.

The spellbound audience listened, transfixed, as actors Bree Hartley and Michael Forman from the Roleystone Theatre and author Linda, read letters from the haunting chapter 'At the Going Down of The Sun' dealing with Gallipoli. This year, 2014, is the Centenary of the troops leaving our shores, so it is even more poignant to have this happen this year.

The music, especially composed for 'Secrets Mothers Keep' was provided by Guitar Virtuoso, Kim Bettenay and added to the ambience of the night. As the final chords faded a loud ovation revealed the enthusiasm of the entranced audience.

'The strength of the performance of the two actors was truly amazing. The audience was drawn into their characters and experienced the euphoria and excitement of parting, the reality of long separation and finally the brutality and personality altering aspects of an unforgiving war,' Bettenay said, 'Bree and Michael were brilliant.'



'Kwinana Public Library was privileged to host Linda Bettenay and her troupe of players. Linda is promoting her book: 'Secrets Mothers Keep'. Linda narrated and two members from the Roleystone Theatre played two characters from the book. Kim, Linda's brother, accompanied the performance with his lapsteel guitar. 'The performance offered that 'point of difference', and attracted more than the usual numbers, 75 +, it was a full house. The combination of readings and music gave a tantalising introduction to the full story and at the end of the evening many were keen to purchase the book and read more.' said Stephanie Mandyczewsky, Adult Services Librarian from the City of Kwinana. *Cont.*



In late January / early February, we held the Theatre's first Anime film screening and Cosplay nights.

The Theatre presented several anime films including Brave Story and Five Centimetres Per Second amongst others. Whilst the audiences were small, they were enthusiastic and the nights were enjoyed by those who attended. We hope to have future Anime screenings so please watch this space.

Our next production is a locally written and directed play – 'A House that Jack Built'. A House that Jack Built is a modern surreal play about parties, family and friends. It is funny in parts and tragic in others... but also full of the honesty of life.

Along with local cast members including Montana Tickner and Bradley Towton, we are also welcoming back Sam Barnett, Andre Victor and Liam Borbas from last year's production of 'Peter Pan'.

A House that Jack Built is on for a limited season from the 21st to the 29th of March. Please book online at www.roleystonetheatre.com.au or call 9397 5730.

Our second production for this year, 'A Trip to Bountiful', has also been cast. Auditions were held at the beginning of February and cast members include long time theatre members Bree Hartley, Simon O'Neil and Patricia Bona.

Directed by Kim Martin, this show promises to be an entertaining production as always. 'A Trip to Bountiful' will run from the 9th to the 17th of May. Please watch this space for more information relating to ticket sales or check out our website listed above.

We look forward to seeing you at our next event and as always welcome all and any new members!

Kathryn Ramsell



Roleystone Performers... cont

'Thanks so much to the actors, Kim for his wonderful music, the staff of the Kwinana Library for their hospitality and a particular thank you to Stephanie Mandyczewsky and the City of Kwinana for sponsoring this event. Plus I really appreciate the wonderful audience support - a full house is amazing!' Bettenay said in conclusion.

If you would like to know more about this book and the story behind it, or for details on purchasing the book, go to www.lindasbooks.com.au or for details on the author tours visit her facebook page www.facebook.com/lindasbookswa.

Other performances of: 'At The Going Down of The Sun' include:

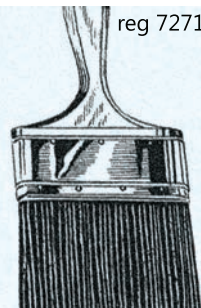
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After 12 years experience in the industry, Jason has embraced the opportunity to start his own business, a big decision for him and his wife Libby, (daughter of Gary and the late Elizabeth Lodge), who are expecting their first child in late February.

After being raised in Roleystone herself, Libby is excited about the prospect of bringing up her own children in Roleystone, and being able to assist in the day to day operations of the business.

Jason has chosen to partner his new business with AMP Financial Planning, and specialises in retirement planning, wealth creation and personal insurance advice. He is also a part of the Cancer Council Pro Bono program, donating time and expertise at no cost to cancer patients when they need it most, a cause Jason is very passionate about.

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From The Archives

West Australian 5th Dec 1929

Letter to The Editor: Cremation

In response to an interview I listened to the other day on the ABC, where a terminally ill gentleman was requesting the right to choose his own time of death, I was reflecting on how public attitudes can so quickly change. And how public opinion often doesn't reflect Public Policy. I was looking back recently while doing research for my latest book, into 'publicly acceptable policy at the time' and I noticed the huge debate that existed prior to the 'introduction of the right to be cremated' in this State.

Interested readers should look back on TROVE, The West Australian, around December 1929 and check out the letters to the editor. They make quite interesting reading.

The debate included diatribes on the evil of this 'heathen practice' to complaints about the 'public nuisance that would be created by the smell that would ensue'.

Today, cremation makes up the majority of funerals in this country.

I have included one letter from a resident of this district.

The Hanburys lived in Karragullen from around the turn of the century until the mid 1940's. The Hanbury Barn on Casotti Road was built circa 1890.

I do not know if he got his wish and was cremated on his orchard but I certainly hope he did.

Linda Moore

CREMATION

To the Editor, 'The West Australian.'
Tuesday 5th Dec 1929

Sir,

An important Bill is now before our State Parliament; but the general public is apparently unaware of its scope and purpose. So far as I can gather it seems likely to encroach on the liberty of the subject. If cremation is to be merely a prelude to ceremonial internment of calcified remains, one is at a loss to know what useful purpose it can serve or what public sentiment it can satisfy.

Acting under official advice I recently exchanged letters with the Registrar of Births, Marriages and Deaths, to whom also I imparted legal opinion obtained in 1916 from Mr (now Mr. Justice) Draper, vindicating the legality of rural cremation. The subjoined transcript of that correspondence might now interest the public in general and legislators in particular.

Yours, etc.

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Nov. 4.

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(1) (Preferably) by burial at sea, or
(2) By cremation in this locality where waste timber is abundantly available for the purpose, and without intervention of undertaker or of minister of religion: the cremation to be performed by willing kinsfolk and neighbours under conditions in no way publicly objectionable, and the calcified remains to be forthwith pulverised and mingled indiscriminately with adjacent soil.

In this matter I have been partly guided by professional legal opinion as expressed in transcript enclosed herewith for perusal. An account appears in 'The West Australian' of July 16 telling of similar permission granted to resident aliens, whence I surmise that my testamentary directions may be legally fulfilled.

The Registrar's Reply.

In reply ... I have to inform you that there is no law dealing with cremation in force in this State. The opinion submitted appears to be correct.

It might be an interesting extension when looking at the Euthanasia debate (or perhaps Gay Marriage or shark culls) - in fact any debate when Public Opinion doesn't align with Public Policy. Ed.

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Roleystone Country Club Notes

What a very busy month we had in February! Our very successful 'Valentine's Night Dinner' saw around 60 people enjoy the excellent meals presented by chef John. Their meals included Lamb Rump and a selection of sweets to die for. They were entertained by live music and received special cocktails served up by our Bar staff.

During February our bowlers also conducted their highly popular: 'Corporate Bowls Competition' on Wednesday nights. Over 100 locals enjoyed their time on the green and took advantage of the beautiful summer nights. Each week they had a sausage sizzle and a can of their favourite beverage. Thanks to all the staff and volunteers who helped to make these nights successful.

The Club will be moving on with further renovations over the next few months with carpet to be replaced in the Bar Area and new lino placed around the bar. We will also be replacing the air conditioner in the Wygonda lounge for the Restaurant patrons. So please come and visit the club for a refreshing drink and escape the heat for a while.

We are again offering new members half price membership until June 30th. Single Membership is going for \$30.00 and Family Membership is now a very low \$50.00. So come down, fill in a membership application and take advantage of the 20% discount on drink purchases! Members will quickly repay the cost of their membership and have access to one of the best facilities in Roleystone. During March we have a St Patrick's Day Night on Saturday March 15th. The music starts at 7.30pm and special Irish Meals will be served in our "Windows on Wygonda" Restaurant from 6 pm. This will include: Irish Pork Sausages and Mash, Irish Stew with Crusty Bread and Beef and Guinness Pie.

We also have the very popular Ferrymen playing Irish favourites on the Night, so make up a table and ring the Club to make sure you don't miss out.

The Chase the Joker competition is going strong. The current jackpot is now over \$1150 with over \$800 still to be won in consolation prizes if you don't get to pick the Joker. This happens every Monday and Wednesday night and you have to be there to have a chance to win the jackpot.

For all information on the Club's activities, check out our Facebook page or go to our new website at www.roleystonecountryclub.com/ I look forward to seeing you at the Club.

Michael Hansen
President

POSITIVE AGEING FORUM EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT YOUR SENIORS CARD

The City of Armadale will host the second Positive Ageing Forum at the Armadale Library during March.

Mayor Henry Zelones said the forums are focused on engaging older community members and will provide information on the strategies available to help prevent, delay and manage the challenges people many face as they age.

"These strategies are vital as they can enable participants to enjoy a great quality of life by keeping fit, healthy and engaged fully in life," said Mayor Zelones.

The next forum will be held on Wednesday 5 March from 1.30 to 4pm. Both sessions will be presented by a speaker from the WA Seniors Card Centre. The first session 'Seniors Matters' will provide information about the seniors card, updates, benefits, concessions, rebates, allowances, and how it can be used in conjunction with other government cards.

The second presentation 'Ageing well and living independently' commences at 3pm and will cover planning for your later years, challenging yourself, keeping physically and mentally active, staying connected and keeping informed of your rights and responsibilities. Afternoon tea will be provided between sessions. For further information and to RSVP contact Armadale Library on 9399 0125.

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Thank you to the 30 volunteers who turned out to treat the Hall Road Bushland Reserve last month. Almost the entire reserve was done in the morning.

A special thank you to John Leishman, Henry William, Jan and Terry Dawson who went back the following Thursday and finished off the reserve with the City of Armadale's Bush Crew.

2014 FIELD DAYS

We have planned our field days for the year so go to our website and put them in your diary. Always check beforehand because sometimes we have to make changes.



Use your smart phone to help fight marri canker and shoot blight.

Murdoch University researchers have developed an application for smart phones to be used by interested members of the public, local government agencies, foresters and scientists to capture GPS location, incidence and severity of marri canker and quambalaria shoot blight on trees. It will also be able to lodge photographs and other site information to a central server, providing a valuable addition to our current knowledge on the incidence of these diseases. It is available for iphones and android phones. Go to our website to read more about this exciting development and to find out how to download your FREE app.

NEXT FIELD DAY

We will be treating the trees to protect them against dieback disease in Warwick Savage Park on Sunday 9th March. We will start at 9.00am and finish by noon. The meeting place will be off Simons Drive, Roleystone. Instruction in treating the trees is available with very knowledgeable people. If you help out at the field day then you will be able to take home our equipment to treat your own trees. Morning tea is provided and everyone is welcome.

Important Note: Please check our website at 8.00am on the morning of the field day for any cancellation notice.

Pictured above left: Leonie Rinaldi and her grandson Jack. Left: a rescued bird.

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Corporate Bowls with Gerry Chapman

Have you been down to the Country Club? Try Wednesday nights when you will see the greens alive with 96 community members enjoying the community bowls event, sponsored by Roleystone IGA and Roleystone Bendigo Bank. This is a great competition and has introduced many people to the wonderful game of lawn bowls.

There are teams from IGA, Bendigo Bank, 2 teams from the Community Church, 2 from the Tennis Club, a team from Aura Hairdressing, the Roleystone Seniors, WJ and KS Automotives and host of others. 24 teams altogether and it's a wonderful atmosphere.

This community event has been a great success, an easy way to get into lawn bowling and to enjoy the facilities of your club.

Our ladies pennant teams are very successful but the men are struggling - we need more members to keep the club viable.

Social bowls are every Wednesday, 9.00 am for a 9.30 start. All you need to do is turn up, everything will be provided and at a small cost of \$5, you will have a great morning.



Linda's Books

RECENT REVIEWS

I just finished your book 'Secrets Mothers Keep' and I must say, for a first book, it was really really well put together.

I thoroughly enjoyed the story, although it was sad. I always liked books based on a true story, even if some parts are fiction. I liked the way you start with Cliff's childhood in Leeds, it made it so much more personal.

And the way you describe Perth in the 1920's and the trains and farms, etc..

It was a really good read Linda, and I have passed it on to my colleagues who I know will enjoy it too. Thank you so much.

Myriam Glorieux
Geraldton Visitor Centre

I bought your book 'Secrets Mothers Keep' at the Karragullen Field Day. I enjoyed this book very much. I have lived in and around the areas mentioned in the book.

This book has now become one of my favourites, up there with The Book Thief. Thank you very, very much for this fabulous story and I am interested in other books you have written.

Sandra Hester
Mandurah

My daughter Beth gave me your book 'Secrets Mothers Keep' for my Xmas present and she had you sign it for me. I have just finished reading it and I was amazed at your writing; it kept me suspended to the very end. Well done.

I will look forward to many more of your books.

Josephine Currell

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TOY LIBRARY

We hope the start of the academic year has been a successful one for parents, carers and kids, and that all students are settling in at school.

Once again the toy library is opened for business with the times remaining the same as last year: Saturday morning from 9.30am to 10.30am and Wednesday from 11.30am to 12.15pm, so please come along and choose some toys; the toy library shed and shelves are full of wonderful toys ready to be played with.

We would also like to extend a very big thank you to all the helpers who came to lend a hand at our busy bee session recently, it was a wonderful turnout. We really appreciate your help with cleaning, counting toys and making sure they are safe for playing. A few reminders for the start of the year: Memberships are due for renewal at the beginning of March

so please contact us to renew your membership. If you would like to become part of the toy library or would like some more information about our group, please feel free to contact us on 0438 884 601, or by email at roleystonetoyslibrary@yahoo.com.au, or come and see us at the Family Centre on Wednesdays (11:30 am to 12:15 pm) or Saturdays (9:30 to 10:30 am).

Finally we would like to thank the Roleystone IGA and the Roleystone Chemist for their generous chocolate and gift donations made last year for our raffles. It is wonderful to have local businesses that care for our community groups.

We wish you all a wonderful and happy year ahead and lots of wonderful fun times.

Lina Uribe Rivero

The City of Armadale is Looking to Invest in Community Organisations

The City of Armadale is inviting applications from community organisations seeking funds for programs which benefit the local community.

Annually the City contributes more than \$150,000 towards community focused initiatives which service Armadale residents.

The City welcomes applications from a variety of non-profit organisations including community service providers and groups associated with community welfare, education, arts and culture, youth, seniors, children and families, sporting, and other community building activities.

In previous years funding has assisted organisations to provide community services, coordinate programs and purchase new equipment.

The provision of funding from the City encourages local groups and organisations to continue to provide invaluable opportunities for the Armadale community.

There are two categories which a community organisation may apply for: Annual Contributions – up to \$25,000 Applications will be received from 10 February until 7 March 2014.

Community Grants – up to \$1,000 Applications will be received from 7 April until 2 May 2014.

To find out which category of financial assistance would be most suitable for your organisation contact Community Development on 9399 0642. For guidelines and application forms visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au.

PHOTOGRAPHIC DISPLAY FOR MINNAWARRA

All environmental groups within the City of Armadale are joining together to produce a photographic display of 'The Natural Wonders in the City of Armadale' at the Minnowara Festival, to be held on Sunday 6 April.

While those of us who are fortunate to live surrounded by wonderful natural environments, there are many within the City and also outside that do not know of these magical assets that make living in the City of Armadale very special.

We hope that this photographic display will increase everyone's awareness, and create the desire for people to experience the beauty of our surroundings. Perhaps we should all take the time to look after our natural heritage.

*Pat Hart
Chair*

City of Armadale Bushcare and Environmental Working Group



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Local Government Reform

The Local Government Reform is one of those decisions which affects all of us and takes an inordinate amount of time to implement. It started back in 2011 with a review that was branded as "A once-in a lifetime opportunity to transform our local government scene..." This became a report that had 30 recommendations including the option to reduce the number of local governments.

Our submission to the Robson report did not support an amalgamation of the whole of the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale with the City of Armadale. We suggested that the Government's objective for the City of Armadale and Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale (SJ) could be achieved and enhanced by a boundary change rather than amalgamation.

This would mean that the part of SJ north of Mundijong Road becomes part of the City of Armadale and the area south of Mundijong Road, becomes part of the Shire of Murray.

This would retain the system we have currently: 14 councillors, the Mayor to be elected from and by the Council, 7 wards (to have new boundaries early 2015 prior to elections) and with equal representation of electors in each ward having one vote-one value apply.

The Minister has confirmed that, where possible, the Government's preference is for boundary adjustments rather than amalgamations as this allows for a smoother transition.

In choosing the continuing



Cr Grant Nixon
0418449611



Cr Caroline Wielinga
0488 900 307

Council, the Minister will take into account the local government least affected by boundary changes, the location of activity centres and how best to ensure the ongoing provision of good government and the community. Stability, continuity of leadership and the retention of expertise are the key elements to achieve that smoother transition on changeover day. The Transition Plan has four stages with defined milestones.

- Stage 1: Review From now to July 2014
- Stage 2: Plan August 2014 to March 2015
- Stage 3: Mobilise April 2015 to June 2015
- Stage 4: Implement July 2015 onwards

We are pushing for the decision on the boundary change to be made before August 2014 to allow for the earliest possible implementation. As you can imagine the amount of work happening at the moment, especially by our senior officers who have to effectively lead and manage such change while still continuing with the day-to-day running of our City, is huge.

Cr Caroline Wielinga and Cr Grant Nixon

Please see also: Infrastructure Progress p26 as part of: 'Councillor Comment - February'

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Courier Deadline Dates

APRIL	26 March	5 April
MAY	23 April	3 May
JUNE	21 May	30 May
JULY	25 June	5 July
AUGUST	23 July	2 August
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February Rainfall

Year	mm	# days
2007	3.6	1
2008	33.4	2
2009	21.6	2
2010	0.8	2
2011	2	2
2012	20	3
2013	1.4	2
2014	0	0

Hot and Very DRY

Temperatures

Lowest Min 10.8 (9th)
Highest Min 19.0 (5th)
Lowest Max 31.0 (3rd)
Highest Max 37.8 (5th)

Yearly Rainfall Average

February average 14.0 on 3 days
Total Jan 1 to February 23 2013 14.8 on 8 days
Average to 1st Jan to 21 February 0.4 on 1 day



Theatrical Performances

"At The Going Down Of The Sun"

Linda Bettenay, two actors and a guitarist, reading extracts from sections of her book "Secrets Mothers Keep".

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Volunteers Required For Tigers Football Club



Every community club needs volunteers to have a successful year. It goes with the saying: "many hands make light work". Roleystone Senior Football Club requires the following volunteers for 2014 Football season: Team Managers, Boundary Umpires, Water Boys and Fundraising Co-ordinator. If you are interested in volunteering your time to your community club please contact Lisa: lisacasotti@hotmail.com. Roleystone Senior Football club appreciates any helpers whether great or small. We celebrated over 10 volunteers at the end of year Presentation Night held at the Perth Convention Centre. Players don't forget to get down to training and introduce yourself to the coaches. Glen Coppin: League Coach and Andrew Walkley: Reserves Coach. Start getting fit for the 2014 season now. 'Playing 4 full quarters starts now'!!!!

Lisa Casotti

City Gives to Bushfire Victims

City of Armadale gives generously to the Parkerville bushfire victims. The City of Armadale at the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 28 January, unanimously resolved to make a \$20,000 donation to the *Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund - Parkerville Fire Appeal* to assist the community in its recovery efforts. The fund, established in 1961, provides financial support and services to assist and alleviate the pressure placed on communities that have been affected by any natural disaster occurring within Western Australian. Mayor Henry Zelones said the news of the bushfire in Mundaring destroying 44 homes bought back so many memories of the Kelmscott/Roleystone bushfire back in February 2011.

"We immediately offered the advice and support of the City staff to the Shire of Mundaring and have now decided to add a financial contribution.

"We are well aware of the impact of a fire of this nature and the devastating loss and damage to property, which can cause people's lives to change so suddenly and dramatically.

"The Parkerville community has suffered enormously, with many residents facing such a big job rebuilding and cleaning up the after the fire, and we hope that our contribution assists them in maintaining community spirit at a time when it is most needed.

"Although we can't help alleviate people's emotional suffering we can attempt to lessen their personal hardship through our financial assistance, and allow them to get on with planning and rebuilding their lives and homes," said Mayor Zelones. The City's donation will be forwarded directly to the *Lord Mayor's Distress Relief Fund - Parkerville Fire Appeal* (LMDRF) at the City of Perth.

Through donating to the LMDRF you can also help those suffering, with 100% of the funds dispensed very quickly to the residents affected by the fire.

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Mulberry Tree Childcare & Kindy would like to thank everyone who donated to their fundraiser at Bunnings. All proceeds were sent to the fire victims. Held: Sunday 23rd February 2014

Junior Cricket Roundup



Junior Cricket is back at Cross Park after the Christmas break.

We are on the home straight with the end of the season in sight, 5 more matches remain to conclude the summer.

Sigh of relief from the parents.

So far, I am sure you will agree, it has been a great season.

At training on Wednesday evenings I see lots of happy faces: bowling, batting, catching and throwing; and that can only be a good thing for junior cricket in Roleystone.

Our end of season trophy presentations will be in late March so stay tuned. More information as it comes to hand.

Until then, the run home to the end of the season is sure to decide the batting, bowling and participation awards.

So keep at it kids because a long cold miserable cricketless winter is just around the corner.

Mike Cirillo

1. The Under 11's
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Every Tuesday	Indoor Bowls	5.30pm	
Every Wednesday	Indoor Bowls	9.45 am	\$3.00
Last Wednesday	Book Club	1pm	
Wednesday evening	Relaxation	6.30pm	\$8
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March, the month of Mars: the Roman god of war. A quick search on the internet reveals that in early Roman times, March was the first month of the year and the time for the resumption of war. It's interesting, but not totally unexpected, to find that a powerful and successful nation should want to start the year on a high note by rejoining battle, presumably after the winter layoff.

On a more civilised note, we'll be able to see the Red Planet this month, and all 4 of the other eye-visible planets, at some time of night and at some period of the month. Jupiter continues as the dominant evening planet, the brightest starlike object to be seen at nightfall. You'll find it in the northern sky at dusk and it'll move westwards as the night draws on. Jupiter's setting times go from about 1:10am in the first days of March to 12:10am mid-month and 11:15pm at month's end. It goes down in the WNW.

Mars comes next, characterised by its reddish colour. Its brightness is steadily increasing as it heads for opposition next month. At its best, Mars can rival Jupiter in brightness. It won't quite get there this year. In early March it's rising in the east at about 9:20pm. By mid-month it's up by 8:15pm, and at month's end it's rising at the end of twilight, around 7:20pm. It culminates (reaches its greatest elevation) high up in the north at about 3:30am early in the month, 2:20am mid-month, and 1:10am by the end of the month. At daybreak you'll find Mars very high in the NW in early March, high in the WNW mid-month, and not so high in

the west at month's end.

Saturn follows along, an hour or so after Mars. It rises in the ESE at about 10:40pm in early March, 9:40pm mid-month, and 8:40pm at month's end. Dawn finds it high overhead. At the end of March it'll be featuring in the Observatory's public viewing sessions.

Brilliant Venus is rising in the ESE around 3am. It dominates the eastern sky as the "morning star" and will do so until August. On the 27th and 28th Venus and the waning crescent moon will offer fine viewing to early risers. If you have an unobstructed view low down to the east, you may also be able to spy Mercury above the horizon just to the south of east at first light. It's rising at about 4:20am in mid-March.

The Moon's major phases are new moon on the 1st, first quarter on the 8th, full moon on the night of the 16th (1:08am on the 17th), last quarter on the 24th, and new moon again on the 31st. On the 10th it's near Jupiter. From the 18th to the 19th it passes by Mars, and from the 20th to the 21st it passes by Saturn.

The autumn equinox occurs on March 21st this year: approximately 12 hours from sunrise to sunset, and 12 hours from sunset back to sunrise. I say "approximately" because the bending of the sun's rays by the atmosphere lengthens the day by several minutes. When the Sun seems to be sitting on the horizon, it's actually just below the horizon - we can see a little way "around the corner". That's atmospheric refraction for you.

Roleystone Seniors Sunday Markets

Roleystone Seniors are holding a Special Labour Day Weekend Market at 46 Jarrah Road Roleystone on Sunday March 2nd commencing at 1.00pm. Contact Christine on 93975047 for information.

Wild Gossip



What an unusual summer it has been so far with the mild weather obviously confusing our wildlife. I have taken in many baby birds (which normally only happens in spring) and various other 'out of season' wildlife.

A major concern that I have at present is people leaving boxes containing birds or other wildlife at my gate or by my front door without ringing the bell or knocking to see if I am home. No car in the driveway does not mean that I am not home so please phone me on either my home phone or mobile.

If I can't be contacted then look carefully and think which way the sun is going to move, leave the bird or other wildlife so it will not be in the sun.

The bush to the left of the drive near the garage is a good spot and leave me a note telling me what you have left, where it is and where it came from. Sometimes as a result of the sun moving

throughout the day the poor bird or other wildlife ends up in full sun and dies. It is also a good idea to provide water in a shallow dish in case I am out for a while. Please contact me for help for or advice about all orphaned or injured wildlife.

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TENNIS NEWS: WENDY TUCKER



ROLEYSTONE OPEN:

The annual Roleystone Open was a very enjoyable event. We had 24 competitors which made 4 teams of 6 players. The winning team was led by Jim Brayshaw and included Taryn, Greg, Donovan, Fran and Regan. Their total numbers of games was 130 and Simon's team was second on 120. Thanks to everyone for participating.

CORPORATE BOWLS:

We have entered two teams in the Corporate Bowls running at the Roleystone Country Club at present and everyone seems to be enjoying the lovely evenings and having fun.

COMING EVENTS

AUGUSTA TREK

Our annual club trek to Augusta will be commencing on Friday 28th February through to Monday 3rd March. We will have a dinner at the Augusta Hotel on the Friday night and then a tennis afternoon and finish with a BBQ on Saturday evening. On the Sunday we will enjoy the River Festival and then finish with a Chinese dinner and travel back on the Monday. Please sort out and book your accommodation early. The Augusta club need to know numbers so please let Wendy Tucker or Bob Rowe know if you are coming so we can confirm.

CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

Our Roleystone Championships will be held over a few weekends (23rd and 29th & 30th March & if needed 6th April). Please sign-up at the club.

The cost will be \$10.00 for one event, \$15.00 for two events and \$20.00 for three events. We will have a sausage sizzle at the conclusion of the mixed doubles event.

MID WEEK LEAGUE COMPETITION

We have a night doubles league competition

Roleystone Open Winning Team: Donovan Govender, Taryn Boase, Regan Jacobs, Jim Brayshaw, Fran Jacobs-Smith and Greg Quartermaine.



starting up in a few weeks time and there are 24 entrants! Special thanks to Claire and Catherine for organising this. I'm sure it will be a great success.

For more information please contact Claire on 0435 032254. SOCIAL TENNIS AT THE CLUB MORNINGS

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

Alternatively on Friday mornings the Family Centre run Social Tennis (9-11am) which has a crèche provided.

AFTERNOONS

Sunday Afternoon Social Tennis from 2.00pm (members free & non-members \$5.00). Newcomers are most welcome. Please come along and enjoy some great tennis. Contact Tracey on 9496 0053.

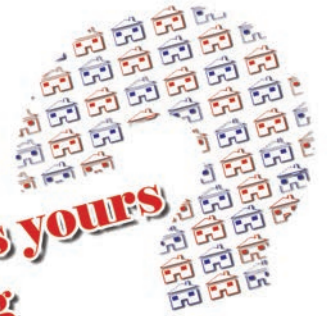
NIGHTS

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Roleystone Karragullen Cricket Club

It's been a MASSIVE February for the RKCC taking out the Premiership Flag in both Division 1 and Division 2 of the Dogtainers T20 competition! Both teams brought home their respective flags with convincing victories against local rivals Lesmurdie Mazenod in front of strong crowds at Cross Park.

The Division 1 bowling performance was full of express pace with Trent Stuart taking 2/28 whilst Kyle Stuart took 1/8 off his 4 overs to restrict Lesmurdie to a competitive 148. With Dave Thomason (50) and Jacob Johnson (48) leading the charge RKCC raced to victory with nearly 4 overs to spare.

It was a similar story in Division 2 as an all-round bowling performance kept Lesmurdie to 5/125 off their 120 overs. After running out his younger

brother, Michael Mobilia went on to make a rare 30 with support from Michael Anderton before Glen Hickinbotham and Toby Moore polished off the required runs with 6 overs remaining.

In the Saturday SHDCA Leagues the finals are fast approaching with our A, B and E grade sides all looking highly likely to be participating in the finals this season! Can B Grade break through for our their first flag since 2010/11? Will A and E Grade go back to back? It promises to be an exciting run home!

GET YOUR DANCING SHOES ON!

Tickets for the 2014
Wind Up Gala
Are now on sale!

It's time for the men to dust off their best suits and dig out the Brylcream in an attempt to look respectable amongst the beautiful wives, fiancé's and girlfriends of the RKCC.

This year the club has decided to once again subsidise the ticket of both the Financial members of the club and non members however the discount will be greater for financial members.

The Details;

Location: Pickering Brook Sports Club, 35 Weston road, Pickering Brook WA

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The wind up is a key social event in the RKCC calendar and this year promises to be better than ever! The wind up recognises the achievements of our players and members across all grades on and off the playing field.

With 6 x Saturday league teams, 3 x Tuesday Night T20 teams and a number of teams in finals contention it promises to be a big night!

Life members, club patrons, sponsors and past players are in attendance so it is an important night for the club.

See you there!

President
John Lewis

See pictures of the RKCC's glorious T20 victories on the centre pages.

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