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Daniel and Vienna Wed In Broome

Daniel Spry married Vienna Youngs on the last day in May. Daniel and Vienna met 7 years ago through mutual friends involved with the football club. Daniel has worked for Beaver Tree Services since he left school as did Vienna until the birth of their son Noah in October 2012.

They went travelling around Australia in 2010/2011 then returned to Roleystone where they now live in their own home.

The wedding ceremony was held on Cable Beach Broome on the 31st May with the reception held at the Broome Surf Club.

The bridal party included:

Pageboy: Noah Spry

Bridesmaids: Lauren Edwards, Shelley Claridge, Cassey Youngs, Stephanie Bizjak, Hayley Pollard & Megan French.

Groomsmen: Patrick Jackson, Andrew Spry, Stephen Spry, Paul Sorensen, Israel Claridge & Grant Snadder.

The photo is courtesy of Launch Film Productions.

July Cover

The July Cover features a photo taken after Lisa Casotti married Kirk McConarchy on the 17th May. This amazing scene, taken at Raeburn Orchard celebrates the happy couple framed by the spectacular colours of the fruit trees fading into their winter dormancy. Autumn in Roleystone! Congratulations Lisa and Kirk



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Theatrical Performance

"At The Going Down Of The Sun"

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

Performed by Bree Hartley (Lilly Parrott) & Michael Forman (Pte James Nelson) of the Roleystone Theatre.

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Mt Claremont	11th September
Fremantle	30th October
Bayswater	11th November
Belmont	20th November

For more information about specific performances please ring the library concerned

Lisa Casotti Marries Kirk

On 17th May 2014, Lisa and Kirk McConarchy tied the knot at Araluen Golf Resort. They were lucky enough to have the rain hold off for their special day. Some amazing photographs were taken of the wedding party by Don Benson Photography at the golf resort and at Raeburn Orchard. The bride and groom would like to thank all their guests and staff at Araluen Golf Resort for an amazing and very memorable day!





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Welcome New Del Simone Babies

2014 has seen an explosion in the Del Simone population with the birth of two babies and one due later in the year. Lilly Paige Del Simone was born on the 12th February to David & Holly. She was born at the Mercy Hospital and weighed 6 pounds 12 ounces at birth.

On the second of June, Mason Jai Del Simone was born to Brett & Tammy Del Simone. Mason was 8 pounds 15 ounces and was born at St John of God in Murdoch.

Another Del Simone baby is due in September from Lee and her husband Dan. Both sets of parents are pleased to have happy, healthy and most importantly, well behaved babies!

Kaelyn is a Girl Guide

Congratulations to Kaelyn Mclean as she is inducted as a new Girl Guide into the Roleystone Girl Guide Unit. The complete story is on page 40. If you would like to join, please contact Janice Mclean at Roleystone.girl.guides@gmail.com.

The Tulips are ALL IN!

Congratulations to everyone who went and planted Tulips at Araluen. Due to a huge public response, all 120 000 bulbs were planted over late May and early June. Sue and Blanche are pictured at left preparing scones, jam and cream for the hungry planters.



Roleystone's Ebonie Ancliffe has recently been asked to represent Australia in netball. Here is her story:

'I have been playing netball for many years. I started playing with the Roleystone Netball Club and progressed to Association, Regionals, State League and then to Super League.

Last year I represented Western Australia in the Indoor and Outdoor State Champions for Under 21s. From here I was chosen to represent Australia in the Fiji Championships. This year I represented WA in the championships again for the open division and we won the Nation Championship Cup. I have now been asked to be one of only six girls, the only WA representative, to represent Australia in the international championship in America in October.

As you can imagine I am very excited about this possibility. The players have to fund their own way to represent their country, at a cost of \$4800.

I would like Roleystone people and businesses to consider sponsoring my trip.' For more details, please contact Ebonie Ancliffe 0447 228 941 ebonie.ancliffe@hotmail.com or Peter Turk 0413131120 pturk@aimmna.org.au Australian International Men's and Mixed Netball Association.

Good luck in your quest Ebonie!



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Editorial JULY 2014

Our community seems to be in a very good place at present. Araluen is abuzz with plans for the biggest ever Springtime planting. The Park looks amazing and with all the bulbs in, we just need winter to do its thing and by the middle of August it will be ablaze with colour. Well done to all of the organisers and of course the 1000's of volunteer planters.

We have just had a fabulous 'Winter Market' with folks coming from across the Metropolitan area to join in. The weather was phenomenal and the turn up suitably spectacular. There were not even any major complaints about the parking or traffic congestion! The happy fusion of the Roleystone Musicians Club and the market committee gives our market a unique and enjoyable point of difference. Even the Camel Rides were welcome. Well done to all concerned and long may the Markets continue.

The Markets have a new home which reminds us that the old Primary School oval and site are still vacant. With few developers showing interest in developing the area, we are being encouraged to show there is still interest in Seniors' accommodation locally. Readers are alerted to the need to complete the Seniors' Survey to indicate their intentions.

I am very pleased to let readers know that the young man whose plight was referred to in the Letter to the Editor in the April edition entitled 'Autism Awareness', has been offered employment. He is starting work at Araluen Botanic Park this week. This has been a wonderful outcome and the young man is apparently very excited. So well done to all concerned.

Mike and I are celebrating the birth of another granddaughter - little Mirabelle Moore was born in June. She is a delight.

Happy reading.
Linda Moore



Camel Rides Proved Very Popular @ the Roley Markets

Welcome Mirabelle Moore

Born on 13th June, Mirabelle Ivy Moore is a very welcome addition to our family. Mum Bec, Dad Brett, sister Violet and brother Leigh are overjoyed. Nonni Linda and PopPop Mike are ecstatic. (And Aunty Betho and Uncle Joe are pretty stoked too!) Mirabelle was born just after 12 midnight at Armadale Hospital - making sure she shares her birthday with Pop Pop.



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Sparkle Motion Successfully Completes Challenge

Former local young lady, Stacey Agar along with her mates, Tilly Millican, Nicole Scott and Cameron Adam, made up the Sparkle Motion Team. They successfully completed cycling in the Gibb River Road Challenge from 18th May to 22nd May 2014.

The gruelling 700km cycling relay challenge is covered over 5 days and begins in Derby ending in El Questro Wilderness Park. This is an annual challenge and a major fundraiser for The Royal Flying Doctor Service.

Sparkle Motion did extremely well in fundraising and collected over \$10,000.

Well Done Roley Winter Markets

Roleystone was inundated with visitors on Sunday 15th June when the Roleystone Winter Markets were held on a near perfect day. There was a huge range of stalls - many of which had not been to the markets before. This time there were Camel Rides which proved a real treat for the youngsters. The Roleystone Musicians Club came along and provided some quality musical back ground busking and President Deb DeBoer provided important publicity and information for all who visited.

The wide range of varied foods available was very much appreciated with many families taking advantage of the chance to eat 'something a bit different'.

To the organising committee our thanks - you did a great job. Even turning up onto the oval at a very chilly 6am when the frost was still well and truly present. You have managed to set up an event that is now well entrenched in our community calendar.

'Congratulations to the organising committee of the Roleystone Markets! What a lovely way to bring the community together. Perfect weather, perfect location and lots of happy people. Well done!'



RMC Vice President Graham @ The Markets

This event collectively has officially raised over \$450,000 by all the teams this year, but donations are continuing to come in. Stacey enjoyed herself so much that she has decided to do it all again next year.

Thanks to their major sponsors: Brierty, The Roey Hotel, Totally Workwear Broome, PRD nationwide Broome and Cygnet Bay Pearl Farm. Also I would like to thank Jet Cycles' Steve, who gave me a great deal on Stacey's bike which she used to complete the challenge. She has assured me that she loves it very much and refuses to stop riding.

*Margaret Agar
Picture: (courtesy of Cassandra Wittwer).*

*On trailer L-R:
Stacey Agar and
Tilly Millican*

*On ground L-R:
Nicole Scott and
Cameron Adam*

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Calling For Nominations For Kelmscott Idol 2014

With the flawless success of 2013's event, the Kelmscott Idol returns as a major entertainment draw-card to the 2014 SmokeFreeWA Kelmscott Show. Auditions will again unearth the cream of talent from across the region. To enter, be between the ages of 8 and 17, pick up an entry form from WA Classic Sounds or www.kelmscottshow.com.au, and perform for Judges on 6th-7th September. Then, catch the finals at the Main Stage of the Kelmscott Show, Saturday 18th October: 4pm Juniors, 6:30pm Seniors.

Kelmscott Agricultural Society's Entertainment Coordinator Rachel John believes this is just the beginning of a great tradition for young singers and song-writers to add to their performance calendar. "There are not enough opportunities for young people to take their music-making to the next level." "The Kelmscott Idol auditions take place in a closed, friendly environment and all singers receive written feedback on their performance, from three judges."

Proudly sponsored by WA Classic Sounds and the Roleystone-Karragullen Community Bank Branch Bendigo Bank, 12 finalists from both the Junior and Senior divisions are chosen for the SmokeFreeWA Kelmscott Show. Two runner-ups and one winner from each division will win prize money in the form of bank accounts at the Roleystone-Karragullen Community Bank Branch Bendigo Bank.

"There is no greater place to sing to an appreciative audience, than at a local, established event like the Kelmscott Show that is steeped in tradition and is all about amazing products, and amazing people doing amazing things."

"Last year's Kelmscott Idol saw exceptional young talent take to the stage; there is no doubt that this year's event will be bigger and better."

Audition places are limited. Interested applicants can contact Rachel John, [idol@kelmscottshow.com.au](mailto: idol@kelmscottshow.com.au)



INFORMATION REQUIRED AS TO INTERESTED SENIORS' HOUSING INTENTIONS

It has been nearly 6 years since we as a community requested the Roleystone Primary School site in Robin Road to be rezoned for Seniors' housing. We succeeded with the rezoning but now we have struck a stumbling block with purchasers-developers unsure of the financial benefits of purchasing the site. This is due to the costs involved with the clearance of the site and the infrastructure. There is a lack of certainty as to the real interest in Seniors wishing to purchase housing on that site in the next 2-3 years. This is fully understandable, as there will be a large financial risk for the purchaser without the confidence of reasonable immediate sales.

It has been over 5 years since we put out the original questionnaire, so we have placed a small questionnaire insert within this Roleystone Courier. We are seeking current information on the genuine intentions of Seniors interested in purchasing housing at this site. If you are interested, it is critical you respond to this survey.

If we can give confidence to interested purchasers of the genuine short and long term interest then there is real hope we can go forward. If, however, we cannot show sufficient interest, then I believe there may be no option but to have the site rezoned for normal housing.

Pat Hart



Community Connection - Local Youngsters Plant Tulips

On Tuesday 27th and Thursday 29th May, six classes from Roleystone Community College went to Araluen Botanic Park to plant tulip bulbs. The children aged from 6 years to 9 years, went dressed in their gardening clothes, ready for work. All of the children worked hard, having to exert quite a bit of muscle to make the hole to put the bulbs into; even though the ground had been prepared by Araluen staff.

While half the group were working the other half went for a guided walk, led by David, the Park Tree Surgeon. All of the children liked the excursion, and some especially liked the opportunity to get dirty! All of those involved would like to thank Mrs Jo Coultas for organising

the trip. She has always been a strong advocate for children getting out into the community to 'do their bit' and to strengthen their sense of belonging.

The children did a half session of planting tulips and then swapped groups and did a half session of tours with the tree doctor who worked there. All declared that it was great fun to have an excursion.

Pat Watson

Pictured: Charlize Hoareau and Robnan Bowker.

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PAM BEARD TURNS 80

Over one hundred family, friends and relatives joined Pickering Brook resident, Pam Beard to celebrate her 80th Birthday on Saturday 31st May. The private function was held at Jeff Poletti's Bickley property in what is known as "The Shed". This magnificent venue, set high on a hill overlooking the beautiful Bickley valley, was so ideal for the relaxed atmosphere of this event. A huge amount of money was donated for Breast Cancer Research in lieu of presents as requested by Pam.

The party was celebrated surrounded by their extended family of;

Son Gary and wife Ginny and their children Liam and Erin
Son Trevor and wife Julie and their children Mitch and Evan
Daughter Suzanna and husband Ray and their children Jade and Chloe

And 4 Great Grandchildren
Pam's three sisters, Nina, Fay and Myrtle joined her to reminisce about the Gibbs girls early days and to have some memorable photos taken.

A slide show featuring the life of Pam from her early days living at the saw mills through to parading down a Perth street decked out in the fashions of the time - gloves, hat and handbag on the arm complete with matching shoes. It showed her wedding photos to Malcolm ("Mac") Beard all the way through to their children and grandchildren.



The Gibbs Girls



Pam and Mac

Not used to giving speeches, Pam nervously thanked everyone including the girls that organised the whole event and mentioned that it would not have been possible if she had not had Mac by her side. This brought on rounds of cheers and enthusiastic arm waving from who other than Mac himself. It sounded like everyone was cheering but it was only Mac. Someone has to do it I suppose.

Although the function was listed as an "Afternoon Tea" from 2 p.m. till 4 p.m. the crowd remained until late with the last retiring at about 9 p.m. A great afternoon of warm friendships, tremendous memories and ongoing fellowships.

Gordon Freegard



Pam, her Children and their Partners

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Linda's sensitive narration set the scene and the letters told a poignant story. There were more than a few people dabbing their eyes as the horror of war, the suffering of distance and the pain of relationships unfolded.

A highlight of the performance was the original live music played by Linda's brother, guitarist **Kim Bettenay**. It introduced the performance and then gave meaningful pause time as the story progressed.

This time was needed to digest both the vast backdrop of the narrative and the intensely personal revelations of the characters.

Between 2014 and 2018 Australia will commemorate the Anzac Centenary, marking 100 years since our nation's involvement in the First World War. The City of South Perth began its commemoration with our 2014 Anzac Day Dawn Service and the performance of 'At The Going Down



of the Sun' continued the program. On line you can find a short You Tube clip of the performance at Roleystone Theatre in 2013.

Many thanks to Linda, her husband, brother and the actors from Roleystone Theatre for an evening of wonderful entertainment.

Tamara Lampard
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Cathy O'Brien
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ANGRY TIRADE

Having recently taken ownership on Tyers Road of one of the few original vacant lots in the residential zone of Roleystone, we were witness to the actions of a nearby neighbour which shocked us. We were subjected to a display of behaviour that was questionable at the very least, most inappropriate & certainly unfriendly. It could only be described as a hostile protest, completely at odds with the normal friendly Roleystone atmosphere we have come to enjoy over the last 30 years.

We are known to & know many of the residents in Roleystone as we are long term locals. Our son James who has lived in Roleystone for his entire life & with his partner have invested in this property for their future. The lot was created in the very original subdivision, unlike some of the new lots being created today with odd shapes & steep slopes which can be a problem for existing residents nearby.

Whilst the local resident who approached us at the new property, did not make any attempt to enquire as whom we were, it was James who was made to feel responsible for the very public performance on the day. As his parents, we very much defend the right of our son to go about his lawful business. James obtained the required permits & put in place all the other physical requirements to conduct a control burn on the site. Having started our work, we were visited by the City of Armadale ranger

I like walking in Roleystone but as a driver I am perplexed by the attitude of some walkers to traffic. It is great that most walkers do the right thing and walk facing the traffic where there is no footpath, but, there seems to be an indifference to the traffic when it is approaching them. Many make no effort to get off the road. This is OK when the road is flat and with good visibility, but too often now, [hence this letter], I've had to drive into the oncoming lane on blind hills to avoid hitting a pedestrian who doesn't realise that I cannot see beyond them [and / or have the sun in my eyes and can't see beyond them]. I've even had to swerve to avoid a morning walker who had a footpath but chose the road and would not move to the path.

I'd like to think it is ignorance rather than arrogance but I fear that one day there will be either a head on collision or a seriously injured walker if this practice does not change.

I acknowledge the lack of footpaths up here and the quirky nature of their placement [swapping sides with little reason] but I would make a plea for commonsense to prevail and if you are a walker consider the driver as well as yourself.

Virginia O'Keeffe

who politely & professionally confirmed that all requirements were being adhered to.

Not long after the ranger had left, advising us that the City had received a call in regards to the burn, we were subjected to the protest. In any usual circumstance, a person on the street taking happy snaps of someone in their homes would quickly find themselves being arrested.

Camera in hand & stating "I am allowed to collect evidence of wrongdoing" the local resident launched into a rant of exaggerated claims about the smoke from the burn being so thick in their house that they could not see the monitor screen whilst sitting at their desk.

After explaining to the protester that all the necessary requirements had been adhered to & that the local ranger had personally inspected the site, the protest continued. After having tried to reason with them, they left, only to return a short time later, making more claims about their legal rights to collect evidence. Once again with camera in hand, as if photographing a hoon doing a burnout on a public street, the protest continued. The difference was that we were acting lawfully & not in the public domain.

Fortunately the City of Armadale Environmental Health Officer arrived. They also had been called & we were able to direct the complainant to where the protest should have been originally focussed. Whatever happened to the Roleystone friendly?

How about: "Hi I'm your new neighbour from down the road & I have a concern about the smoke etc, etc."

Whilst the whole event was made very embarrassing for us by such a public display and we were forced to stop our work due to the interruption of the protest, it does raise the question of what protection is there for people going about their lawful business from this type of behaviour. Fortunately for us the Local Authority intervened to protect our rights.

Phillip, Tania & James Everett

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School Holiday Activities at Armadale Libraries

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Chris Owen

Thursday 10 July, 2 - 3pm at Kelmcott Library. Dress up as a super hero and meet author Chris Owen. Listen to him read his book and see how it was made, then take part in a craft session. Suitable for children 5 - 8 years of age. Call 9399 0810.

Scitech Junior Forensics

Monday 14 July, 1 - 2pm at Armadale Library. Solve a mystery like Geronimo Stilton! Analyse evidence from the scene of a crime, and use your super sleuth science skills to uncover the guilty suspect. Suitable for children 9 - 12 years of age. Call 9399 0125.

Dora the Explorer Storytime

Tuesday 15 July, 10.30 - 11.30am at Armadale Library. Meet Dora the Explorer at the library! Enjoy a special superhero storytime, dance, sing-along, and craft activity. You will also have the

opportunity to get your photo taken with Dora! Call 9399 0125.

Superhero String

Wednesday 16 July, 10.30 - 11.30am at History House Museum. Make a superhero string! Choose your favourite Avengers, add colour, then attach them to a string to hang in your room. Suitable for all ages. Call 9399 0419

Book Cubby

Thursday 17 July, 2 - 4pm at Seville Grove Library. Come and see the Armadale Book Cubby. Make your own book about superheroes - a copy will be kept on display in the cubby for everyone to read. All are welcome. Call 9399 0800.

Pyjama Storytime

Friday 18 July, 6.30 - 7.30pm at Armadale Library. Join us for a special superhero pyjama storytime on National Pyjama Day. Wear your pyjamas, hear some super stories, sing some songs, and make some craft. All are welcome. Call 9399 0125.

Places are limited. bookings are essential for all events.

Parents or carers must stay with their child during events.

City of Armadale, Community Grants Help Local Clubs

Thirteen local groups will continue their great contributions to building a strong sense of community thanks to Community Grants received from the City of Armadale. Grants of up to \$1000 were awarded for projects and initiatives. The second round of 2013 - 2014 City of Armadale Community Grants attracted 23 applications from local clubs, community groups and not-for-profit organisations.

The funding can be used for a variety of purposes, including costs associated with staging events, workshops and activities, training and small equipment purchases. In our local area the Roleystone Neighbourhood Family Centre received \$400, which will part cover a TV for the nurses/Chiro room.

The Redbacks Little Athletics Club received \$990 to help with an extension to the school shed.

Araluen Botanic Park received their funding to enable the Roleystone Musicians Club to play at the Park during Springtime.

And the Roleystone Netball Club also received \$750.



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Chilli Festival Wins Another Accolade



The LiveLighter Araluen's Fremantle Chilli Festival achieved the "Outstanding Community Event Award" for the second year running at the prestigious Fremantle Chamber

of Commerce Business Awards, held on Friday night 13 June at the Esplanade Hotel by Rydges, in front of some 450 guests.

It won against quality competition in the other finalists being the AFL Grand Final Live Broadcast and Street Festival 2013 and Bathers Beach Sunset Markets.

This year's Chilli Festival surpassed last year's record-breaking attendance and continues to clearly rank as one of WA's premier cultural events and is arguably one of the most popular events of its kind in the world.

The event commenced its humble beginnings at Araluen Botanic

Park, Roleystone in 2003 as an initiative to insure against weather impacts on the peak springtime tulip festival. It became so popular that it outgrew its spiritual home in 2009. It has settled happily at its current location... the Esplanade Reserve, Fremantle ever since and has taken on an identity all of its own.

The LiveLighter Araluen's Fremantle Chilli Festival is an important fundraiser and awareness generator for the Foundation's important cause in Araluen Botanic Park, one of WA's most beautiful and culturally significant tourist attractions.

Plans are already underway for next year's event, which is scheduled over the weekend of 9th and 10th March 2015. Expressions of interest from potential participants and sponsors are always welcome.

Like to learn more? Simply phone 9496 1171 or visit the website and its dedicated Chilli Festival page – www.araluenbotanicpark.com.au

Ashlee is a Winner in Art Awards



Ashlee Garske from Roleystone just won a prize in the Atwell Youth Awards.

Ashlee attends Penrhos College and her school art teachers submitted her work (without her knowledge). She came 2nd overall for all year 10 students.

Her Mum and Dad are very proud of her.

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ZAMIA ALERT

On the 19th May two Roleystone dogs were rushed to Roleystone Animal Hospital as they were found to be chewing on Zamia Palm seed pods.

Any part of a zamia palm is toxic to animals. Both dogs were made to vomit, then sent on to WAVES, a new emergency Vet Clinic. The dogs were put onto drips, given a large quantity of drugs and activated charcoal to eat. They were both released two days later. Luckily both owners had pet insurance. Willow was fine, but Ruby has to be monitored for a further three weeks as the enzymes in her liver were still high. Her last blood test showed that she is now clear and well.



**CHRIS WITH WILLOW AND
RUBY**

Roleystone Animal Hospital has seen several cases of toxicity associated with Zamia Palm Nut/Seed ingestion, a common plant in many gardens. Two cases were treated at the hospital and then transferred to WAVES Emergency for continued after hours care. Ingestion of Zamia Palm Nut/Seeds can cause vomiting, stomach pain, diarrhoea and liver toxicity as well as intestinal obstruction if swallowed whole. Please take care with your pets around these plants and ensure that they are not chewing or ingesting them. If your pet ingests the nut/seed please seek veterinary assessment and treatment as soon as possible.

Tiffany Jacobs

Roleystone Animal Hospital

Discover Armadale On Foot!

Next Stop Armadale – step out and discover places of interest within the area.

To assist with the promotion of the history of the Jull St Mall the City of Armadale has developed a new walk trail, Next Stop Armadale, in collaboration with Two Feet and a Heartbeat.

City of Armadale Mayor Henry Zelones said the two hour guided tour includes commentary about the arrival of the first settlers and landowners, famous convicts of the area and anecdotal information on diverse characters from Armadale's past.

"The City is very fortunate to have a number of volunteer tour guides, who are very passionate about showcasing the wonderful places of interest within the city centre.

"The tours will commence at the Armadale Visitor Centre where participants will be welcomed by their tour guide and then taken on an interesting journey.

"As the tour winds its way through some interesting landmarks, our friendly local tour guides will share with you the area's history, heritage,

culture and rich past before moving forward to explore the exciting developments happening right now.

"Along the way, participants will visit places such as Armadale District Hall, St Matthews Church, History House Museum, the beautiful Minnowarra Park and of course the Jull St Mall," said Mayor Zelones.

The walk tours will be conducted in small groups, however larger groups can also be catered for if required.

The 'Next Stop Armadale' tour will conclude in the Jull St Mall with a well-deserved relaxing morning tea at participating cafes, such as the Dome.

After the tour, stay and enjoy the many activities that Armadale has to offer – whether it's shopping, dining or outdoor pursuits; there is something for everyone.

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TAMMY STOWE EXHIBITS

The next Exhibition to be held at Genesis in the Hills Vegetarian Restaurant will feature Roleystone artist, Tammy Stowe. The exhibition will open on the 27th July at 4pm and her art will be on display throughout August. The Exhibition is called "Follow your Bliss"; the name gives a hint of the quirky nature of Tammy's art.

Tammy is a self taught artist who has been painting since 2002.

'My art features whimsical mermaids, bright trees, typography and things I love, all mixed in together. I painted large abstracts for Monroe's Design in Subiaco but have started painting more meaningful art. This exhibition will focus on nature, in a magical wonderland type of way. Whimsical creatures, birds nesting in girl's hair, the beauty of red orchards in autumn, and carnival vintage girls. I love to paint things that make people feel good.'

So be sure to visit Genesis in the Hills over the month to view Tammy's wonderful creations.



Go Matthew GOZONE Debater

Congratulations to Matthew Ford for achieving 'Stand Out Debater' at the GOZONE - Rise and Shine Debating Competition held at Loreto Primary School on June 23rd.

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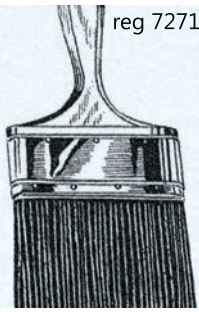
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CONGRATULATIONS HENRY ZELONES

Congratulations to The City of Armadale's Mayor, Councillor Henry Zelones, who was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in the Queen's birthday honours. Henry Zelones OAM, was recognised for his outstanding service and contributions to local government and the community of Armadale. For the past twenty five years, Mayor Zelones has displayed great commitment and dedication to his local community. He entered local government in 1989 elected as a Councillor to the River Ward and was appointed as Mayor in 2011.

During his time as Councillor and Mayor, Mayor Zelones has served on various committees and boards within the community and local government sector. He is also the Founding President of the Southeast Metro Regional Chamber of Commerce and a Conferred Life Member of the Armadale Chamber of Commerce.

"I feel absolutely honoured and also very humbled to be receiving this award. I feel a bit overwhelmed. I certainly did not expect



to be honoured for my work within the community and doing something I love. It is an honour to be a member of the Armadale community and to be able to work with so many professional and amazing people. My work colleagues are the best,' Mayor Zelones said.



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THE WEATHER MAN AND HIS FAMILY

Roleystone local Ian Charlesworth is a Field Operations Consultant with the Bureau of Meteorology.

He started as a trainee observer in April 2000, then as an Observer spent 2001 and 2002 in Tennant Creek, NT, 2003 and 2004 in Woomera, SA, 2005 and first half of 2006 in Cobar, NSW, July 2006 to Dec 2010 in Alice Springs, NT before transferring to Perth to take up the role of Observations Inspector.

Ian's wife and children have made all these interstate moves with him and he declared that: 'this has been a fantastic way to experience the country'.

As a Field Operations Consultant (Inspector) with the Bureau of Meteorology (BoM) he is part of a team that is responsible for maintaining and ensuring the accuracy of the various observations networks operated by the Bureau within WA.

These networks are:

The volunteer rainfall Observers – approximately 700 sites reporting daily rainfall.

The Co-operative/Contract Observers – approximately 50 sites reporting air pressure, temperature (current, maximum and minimum), humidity, wind speed and direction, cloud cover and visibility two or three times daily (9am and 3pm and some sites 6am)

The Automatic Weather Stations – approximately 90 sites reporting air pressure, temperature (current, maximum and minimum), humidity, wind speed and direction every minute or every half hour depending on the configuration.

The staffed meteorological offices – 12 sites reporting air pressure, temperature (current, maximum and minimum), humidity, wind speed and direction, evaporation, cloud cover and visibility. Auto elements reported every minute, visual elements every half hour, evaporation daily.

He visits all of the Co-op and Met Office sites every year and most of the AWS sites every year (our technicians have exclusive responsibility for some of them) and the volunteer rainfall sites every five to seven years. So this means he travels around WA as far west as Cocos Island, as far east as Kununurra and Eucla, north to Kalumburu and south to Albany every year.

As well as visiting the sites we provide support via telephone and e-mail. We also deal with many queries relating to data quality where our Climate section finds that a weather/climate element (temperature, rainfall amount etc.) doesn't fit with the bigger picture of what has been recorded

at 'nearby' sites or what is shown on the satellite pictures and radar images.

Another part of my role is as the Port Meteorological Officer (PMO). This involves visiting ships that we have recruited to take weather observations at sea and checking their equipment. We also have one ship that drops temperature probes down into the ocean every four hours (once the water is over 200m deep) on its fortnightly trip to Singapore and back.

Other ships are also approached and asked to drop drifting buoys into the Indian Ocean at specific locations. Once drifting in the ocean they report (via satellite) their position the air pressure and the sea surface temperature. This sometimes requires us to drive to Bunbury just to deliver a drifting buoy to a ship.

Ian is married to Karen and they celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary on the 18 June. They have two children Mark 15 and Rachel 14.

Upon securing the work position in Perth they took a friend's advice to look in Roleystone for a house. They decided the area was just what they wanted with a relaxed almost rural feel.

The family arrived during the big Kelmscott/Roleystone bushfire. They were still unpacking boxes when one of their neighbours wandered over to let them know there was a bushfire in the area. What a welcome!

Ian says:

'We love Roleystone and apart from the occasional bush fire threat find no reason to leave. As a family we have joined the Roleystone Community Church. Mark and Rachel are doing very well at the Roleystone Community College. Rachel has joined the Roleystone Netball Club and her team is doing extremely well, she also played with the Kalamunda Districts Netball Association teams and is now umpiring netball as well as playing.'

'Mark has played cricket for/with the Roleystone/Karragullen Cricket club and last season due to shrinking numbers his team combined with a team from Kelmscott Cricket Club and also did very well. Mark is also umpiring Cricket. Mark and, Karen have joined the Armadale Table Tennis Association.'

'I have joined the Classic Sounds Orchestra, playing French Horn and taking on the role of secretary. So as you can see, we have made the most of the opportunities offered to us by living in Roleystone.'

We hope Ian and the Charlesworth family continue to enjoy Roleystone.

IF WEATHER IS YOUR PASSION.....

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Getting Your Block Prepared For Bushfires

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Remove Fuels

The most important part of preparing for the summer fire season is to remove fuels away from the house. This includes getting rid of dry grass, dead leaves and twigs and any flammable shrubs.

Landscape for Safety

Plants and other flammable objects provide fuels for bushfires and will compromise the protection of your house if they are placed inappropriately within the building protection zone. Use non-combustible materials such as stone, earth, concrete or galvanised iron for fences and retaining walls that can block radiant heat and embers. Use driveways or pathways made from materials such as concrete, gravel, clay or pebbles to provide separation between the vegetation and your house. Green lawns work well as a low risk ground cover close to the house but it must be kept short and as green as possible during the fire season. Plan your vegetable garden, pool, or patio on the side of the house most at risk to bushfire.

Selection and Placement of Plants

Although all plants will burn under the right conditions, low flammability plants may actually help to protect your home by:

- Shielding your house from strong winds
- Catching burning embers before they reach your house;
- Reducing radiant heat levels; and
- Reducing the likelihood of direct flame contact.

Plant spacing

Fires spread more easily when plants are located close together because the radiant heat will dry out surrounding vegetation

enough for it to catch alight. A garden with continuous vegetation, particularly fine fuels, leading up to and surrounding the house will allow fire to spread from the garden to the house, placing the house at greater risk of catching alight.

Plant species

Some plants will burn easily and quickly while others may provide better protection for your home. Those that provide the best protection in a fire contain plenty of water or salt in their leaves, don't contain volatile oils and have no dead leaves and twigs within their crown. It is also important that the plants do not become a weed problem following the fire.

Use Your Trees

Trees can be useful in a bushfire provided they are; carefully selected, properly maintained, and located at a safe distance from the house. In a hot dry summer, trees are likely to be the greenest and wettest things around but they may still become flammable under drought conditions. Using appropriately placed trees as a wind break can: reduce wind speed, absorb radiant heat, and filter burning embers. You want your trees to carry the hot fire laden winds up and over your house, but you don't want them to catch fire. If they do catch alight, you don't want them to spread the fire to other trees or your house.

DFES strongly encourages home owners to contact their local nursery for advice on appropriate plant characteristics.

For further information on this topic:

The Homeowners Bushfire Survival Manual Prepare Act Survive Publication Plant Guide within the Building Protection Zone for the Swan Coast

For technical information contact the Environmental Protection Branch at environment@dfes.wa.gov.au or Community Engagement on 9395 9816.

*Submitted by: Chris Cairns
Roleystone Volunteer Fire Brigade.*



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Mundijong Officially Declared WA's Favourite Library!

A campaign launched in February by the Australia's Library and Information Association has seen Mundijong Public Library declared the State's favourite, attracting more votes than the State Library and larger libraries across Western Australia.

Manager Library Services Lisa Keys said the achievement was largely due to community support.

"We were nominated by a member of the Library Friends group, Janette Skillington and many community members voted online, via post and let their friends know about the competition. We are very grateful," Mrs Keys said.

The competition had 547 nominations for 203 different libraries and library services, and attracted over 223,000 votes across the nation.

"Mundijong Library has always had a great deal of support from local residents and those living in surrounding areas, however being declared a WA favourite has confirmed the amount of support we have," Mrs Keys said. Shire President Cr Keith Ellis congratulated the Library for the title.

"Mundijong Public Library has been growing in popularity over recent years, and the new title confirms my suspicions – that our Library is the Best in the State," Cr Ellis said.

We'll be there in July! Join us! For your copy of *Secrets Mothers Keep*

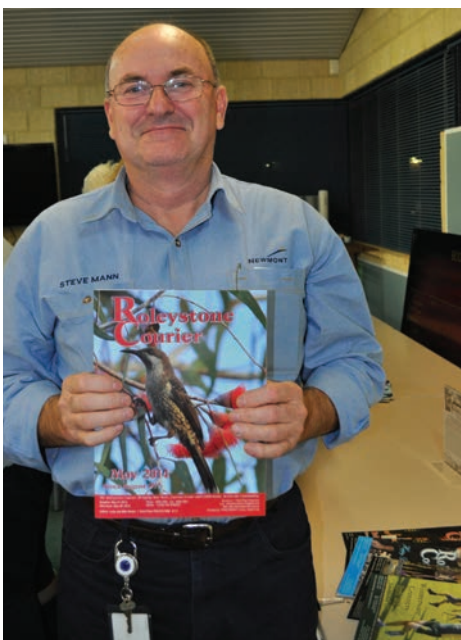
Linda's Books

On Our Travels....,

Recently we have come across even more folk with strong Roleystone connections:

Below: Steven Mann was born and raised in Roleystone and went to Roleystone Primary School. He was the grandson of an early pioneering family of the district. Steve is now working in Boddington.

Below right: Dawn Pitts of Mandurah is the mother of local Roleystone identity Suzie Kemp, Grandmother of Tess and Jack Bettenay and Imogen Kemp and an author in her own right. She has written 14 books.



Author Talk
Mundijong

Linda's Books

Talking About 'Secrets Mothers Keep'



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Roleystone-Karragullen Community Bank ® Branch News

Roleystone YouthShed

The Men's Shed commenced in 2013 and part of the Charter of the Roleystone Men's Community Shed is to mentor and help local youth. In conjunction with Joyce Arnott and Stuart Hight of the Scripture Union Youth Workers of Roleystone, the Roleystone "YouthShed" is now up and running. The idea is to provide courses for the youth of Roleystone in building and constructing items of interest. The first item chosen, thanks to the provision of a grade "A" skate park in Roleystone, was the building of skateboards.

With the aid of the sponsorship of the Roleystone-Karragullen Community Bank in getting the Men's Shed started and the use of the old Primary School, kindly permitted by the Department of Education, the Shed has blossomed and grown to the point that it now has 45 financial members, with an attendance of up to a third at each regular session. Members of the Men's Shed provide mentoring and supervision to help Stuart and Joyce at each YouthShed.

The YouthShed is open on a Tuesday afternoon for both genders. The session starts with Stuart and Joyce getting snacks ready for those who don't make it home before the official work commences. Work starts at 4:00pm, with the students working through until 5:30pm, when the Shed closes. An area has been cleaned and dedicated to the students for projects, although most work is carried out in the woodworking section of the Shed.

This year we have expanded the courses to not only include skate board building, but glass and leatherwork, plus bicycle maintenance. There is a small charge associated with the various courses and each individual has to have a parent or guardian's permission to attend. Most make their own way to the Shed and home afterwards, but some are dropped off and picked up.

The third course envisaged will not only have the students make items for themselves, but extra items to donate to the Men's Shed to sell at the local market days, raising much needed funds for the Shed. It is hoped that this will encourage an altruistic ethic in the students.

Although the Men's Shed building is a temporary arrangement, we are hoping to construct a new permanent home attached to the Community Hall, with work to commence later this year or early 2015. None of this would be possible without the continued help and sponsorship of local businesses and the Roleystone-Karragullen Bendigo Bank, together with the generous donation of tools and equipment from local residents.



Roleystone Youth Shed

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The Mighty Tigers

Springdale Park Pavilion Clubroom Springdale Road Roleystone.
Clubrooms Phone: 9397 7666. Postal Address: PO Box 363 Kelmscott WA 6991
Website: www.rjfc.org.au

Gala Pups Field Day

Springdale Park was the venue for 45 Pups teams from the South Fremantle District arriving for a Field Day, on Saturday 7 June.

It was an important event for our Club,. Thanks to everyone who came and watched and helped us showcase our Club. It was a fabulous event.

Any enquiries regarding the Junior Football in Roleystone please contact President Adam Hancock on 0429 353 019 or Club Secretary Natalie Hale on 0410 618 723.

Thanks to Chris Horgan for the photos taken at our Pups Field Day.

Vicki Sallur



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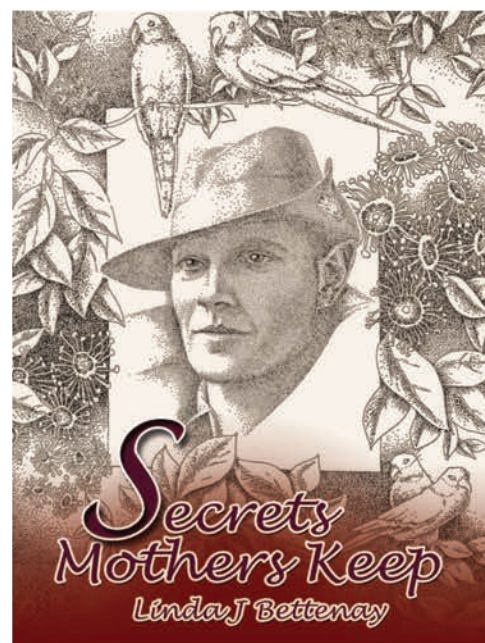
Secrets Mothers Keep by Linda Bettenay



Join Perth hill's author, Linda J Bettenay, as she talks about her book *Secrets Mothers Keep*. An horrific murder and terrible abuse of a family happened in the Western Australian wheatbelt and this story has now been revealed in *Secrets Mothers Keep*.

This book paints wonderful word images of the life and times of our area. Linda wanted to make her first book uplifting and unashamedly and proudly Australian.

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ARALUEN NOTES

Liz Dunn

Preparation for Springtime

This year the Turkish and Dutch Consulates, together with the Turkish Australian Culture House Inc. are collaborating with Araluen Botanic Park to bring a Dutch and Turkish theme to 'It's Yates Springtime at Araluen'.

The festival officially runs from Saturday 23 August to 21 September. The Concourse lawn area has been transformed and now features a canal, minaret, tulip display beds, silhouette of Dutch and Turkish buildings and of course the Grand Marquee.

The Grand Marquee will feature the history of the tulip in a stunning display taking you on a journey from Turkey to the Netherlands and finally to the first

tulips planted at Araluen. Over the 4 weeks of the festival there will be food, music and dance from the Turkish and Dutch communities. The Roleystone Musicians Club will also be involved with members playing during the weekends of the festival.

Funding Grants

Araluen was successful in its application for funding from the Office of Multicultural Interests under their Community Grants Program for Small Projects and the City of Armadale under the Community Grants program. Thank you to both these organizations for their support, it is very much appreciated.

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On Wednesdays, we are lucky to have Rainbow Pammy come to the Centre to teach the children Yoga.

Dancing is a big success on a Friday. A big hit at the moment is dancing to 'frozen' J.

We have our new mud kitchen in the toddlers' yard which is a big success with the children.

Please don't forget that vacation care is approaching, if you



would like to see all of the fantastic excursions we have planned, please contact the centre and I can email you a copy.

Please contact me with any questions you may have for Daycare or before and after school care.

Kathy Martin Loader

SENIORS OUTING

The Seniors travelled by bus to Gloucester Park in June. They had a fine old time!



Congratulations to all of the Year 6/7 participants who represented the College at the DDSA Winter Carnival. Mr Biddle did a great job organising three netball teams, two soccer teams, a Hockey and AFL team who competed against other schools in the area.

A special mention of the year 7 Netball team who were undefeated in the 'A' division competition.

RCC Netball DDSA Winter Carnival Year 6/7 Students undefeated in A division



Gardening Notes With Jean

What a glorious time of the year it is. Lovely long nights for sleeping, then wonderful sun filled days. Sure it is cold overnight and if we recognise this is beneficial to certain fruits and vegetables, even to the soil beneath our feet, we accept the cold and enjoy the warmth. A nice warming bowl of porridge for breakfast then sit out in the sun and let it soak into your body.

Our garden is much the same. If the mulch has been spread, it will break down into fertiliser. My favourite flowers need this weather to open to the world. Take care when you are planting camellias, especially the lighter coloured ones, not to plant them where the dew will sit on the flowers. This will disfigure their beauty.

At the Camellia Society meeting, new members and visitors had a lot of questions and samples of what was wrong with their plants. Most damage was caused by over-fertilising and under-watering. The Society now meets in the Rotary Hall in Sandgate Street on the 4th Sunday afternoon each month, April until November. With all the new members starting, it is an ideal time to join. It is such a pleasant group.

I had to collect a magnificent camellia called "Volunteer" recently and while I was there I couldn't resist getting a couple of different Lucullia's. This plant looks a little like a hydrangea but the pink ones flower in winter and the white ones in the summer. This is certainly one of the treasures of the horticultural world. I saw one out near the Blue Mountains of New South Wales that was a real show-stopper - about ten feet high and seven across. Covered in bloom. It can be propagated from cuttings but this is not easy but worth having a go.

I am just so thrilled, I looked down into my garden and there was a family of Blue Wrens playing in the yard. This is the first time I have been blessed with

them in the ten or so years I have lived here. The vegetation in the yard is getting more dense and the wildlife population is needing new areas to live.

I drove around Roleystone recently noticing how urban certain areas are becoming. These areas were a Mecca for wildflowers and wildlife, sadly not anymore. In fact one road that was only a track is now bituminised and this was my walking path when I lived at my last home.

My friend from Albany arrived up with a vehicle full of plants. Luckily many were in pots so I can gradually plan where I want to put all these. Some like the clumping grass (called banna grass) had to be put straight into the ground. This grass will be three metres tall within a year. It provides an interesting windbreak, can be used for mulching and is quite attractive growing.

I have a few canes of sugar-cane too, which I plan to cut up and put along the back fence. This one will grow taller and can be used for several different craft items. Sugar cane can grow to 6 feet or 19 feet tall. Sugar cane extracts have been used as mulch for many years.

There are at least fifty different potted plants, a lot of day-lilies, buddlias, nicotiana, geraniums, succulents etc, so I have quite a bit to get me out into the garden.

My lilacs syringia, are starting to flower, even the new ones I got from Miaflora when it was changing ownership. The magnolia is putting out new shoots all over the plant and I've got a new gardenia hedge going in a couple of different spots in the yard. All this while I am trying to maintain the width of my paths. I like to have paths wide enough so that two people can walk along comfortably.

Good gardening and enjoy.

Jean

Life Education Vans at RCC

Harold the Healthy Giraffe came and visited the students at Roleystone Community College in his big mobile Life Education van and brought with him some lovely teachers with some very important healthy lifestyle messages.

The big van was full of fantastic resources to help the specialist teachers cover topics that ranged, for the Junior Primary from: hygiene, healthy foods and the importance of sleep. For students in Upper Primary the topics were: friendship, bullying and active lifestyles.

The sessions in the van were interactive and everyone had fun!



HOLIDAY CLUB 2014

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RMC May and June

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Roy Orbison's "Pretty Woman"
Joe Jackson's "Is She Really Going Out With Him"

INXS Just Keep Walking"

Billy Idol's "Flesh For Fantasy"

If you don't have a band to play with, just learn your part and we'll mix it up at the End of Night Jam.

May was also a first for newcomer Matt who wowed us with a set of acoustic originals. Matt has a great voice too and we're looking forward to him joining in with future End of Night Jams. We also have a new female vocalist, Lauren, who has sent out a request for a band to play the Choirboys' "Run to Paradise". We'll see if one of our bands can learn it and then she'll have a platform to sing.

The RMC also attended the Winter Markets on 15 June. It was a fantastic day, blue skies and great music throughout the day. Thanks to all performers: the RMC Kids, Dave and Evie, Mike Stone, Dale Grimshaw, Dave Willis and Co. Thanks also to Amy Willis for graciously letting me drag her across the oval to sing the last song with her dad, Dave. We've agreed to make it a regular gig for the RMC so come along to the next Roleystone Markets and see what we do!

The June Club Night was a very cold and wet affair, but 48 people braved the weather to join us for a great night of music. It was our biggest crowd, so far, this year!

Local boys, Jack, Joe and Brad's band: Panic, performed for the second time at the Club. We love to see the young bands get up and play. They sounded great and were more relaxed this time round. This is what our Club is all about; playing to other musicians, without anxiety and honing your live performance skills.

We say goodbye to loyal follower, Bob who is moving to the UK. Bob has asked us to set up a live web cam so that he can continue to enjoy our Club Nights back in the UK. We'll look into it Bob, safe journey and thanks for your support! Our July Club Night is scheduled for Sat 19 July. Doors Open 6pm Music Starts at 7.30pm. Come early for a chat.

For more information contact Deb on 9397 7007, email president@rmcsa.com.au or text 0468 62 68 68.

Deb De Boer



Pictured Top: 1. MC from the Markets, Deb with sound man Enno
2. Hawkston at the June Club Night
3. Lauren sings at the June Club Night
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The seeds are extremely difficult to germinate.

However, research by Kings Park and Alcoa suggests that the fruit need to be 'aged' in soil before they will germinate. Roleybushcare is now carrying out its own experiments - as seen in this filmstrip.

1431 - collecting snottygobble fruit from below a mature tree - there are new and 1 year old fruit below two trees.

1440 - we collected kilos of fruit

1446 - the fruit were counted and split between old and new fruit, and tree1 and tree2

1451 - we buried 300 fruit in trays of river sand
1453 and 1454 - other fruit were placed in pantyhose and will be buried in members' gardens. These will be dug up after 12 months and placed in river sand.

Now we wait to see if the fruit will germinate...but we need to be patient - could be 1, 2 or 3 years. When they germinate the Snottygobble seedlings will be re-established in our local bushland reserves.

Ian Colquhoun



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Almost any vegetable can be fermented. Fermenting fresh produce is a great way to provide good nutrition year-round. Ferment one vegetable alone or create a mix of many different kinds, along with herbs and spices, for a great variety of cultured foods.

At the July meeting of Roleystone Organic Growers, MayRing Chen (pictured) will talk about the different types and health benefits of fermented food, and then show us how to prepare them using readily available utensils found in most kitchens. After the theory is explained, we will then start the practical part and actually prepare food you can take home.

Bring your own veggies, chopping board, grater, knife, large glass jar and a smaller jar that would fit into the large jar opening, good quality sea salt, large mixing bowl and a rolling pin or a wooden pestle (optional). Suggested vegetables are cabbage (white and red), carrots, kale, chinese cabbage, celery, apples, pear, cauliflower, sweet potatoes, daikon, chillies, turmeric, ginger, beetroot and peppercorn. This is just a guide-the possibilities are endless!



The workshop will be Saturday July 19th from 2-4 at the Roleystone Family Centre. 19 Wygonda Rd, Roleystone. The cost will be \$5. **Enquiries to Lisa 9399-2312**



Roleystone Junior Football Club (Inc.)
The Mighty Tigers
Springdale Park Pavilion Clubroom Springdale Road Roleystone.
Clubrooms Phone: 9397 7666. Postal Address: PO Box 363 Kelmscott WA 6991
Website: www.rjfc.org.au.

Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser

Roll Up Roll Up for the RJFC's Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser at Bunnings in Armadale on August 23 and 24.

If anyone can volunteer to cook some snags, fry up the onions and slap the 'dog' together, or help out in other ways, please contact our hardworking fundraiser, Shelley Graham on 0402 078 711.

There will be loads to do, so please don't

hesitate to put up your hand.

This is one of the Clubs many fundraisers for the Season so please support us by spreading the word and heading to Bunnings that weekend.

All proceeds go to your kids at The Mighty RJFC.

Vicki Sallur

The Roleystone Garden Group

Undeterred by the forecast of inclement weather a small band of Roleystone garden enthusiasts ventured out to the historic suburb of Guildford to visit two charming garden centres on 19th June.

Our first stop, the Guildford Garden Centre, specializes in ornamental and fruiting trees and Sue Radford came away with a beautiful scarlet leaved crab apple tree. I resisted the impulse to buy a very fine looking Hibiscus rosa-sinensis cooperi and Cotinus coggygrira, but succumbed to the power of plants at our next stop, Poste, and purchased a fruit laden 'nagami' Kumquat. Situated on the site of the Old Guildford Post Office site, Poste is a well laid out garden packed full of interesting plants, pots and

water features, while inside the old building are rooms filled with antiques and collectors' items. It is well worth a visit.

We finish off our visit to Guildford with a lovely lunch in front of a warming fire in the Rose & Crown.

This month's meeting on Thursday 17th July will be a local affair with morning tea at Jill Phillips' garden and gallery, 20 Wymond Road (off Soldiers Road) at 10am.

A busy bee at Sue Radford's place on Brookton Highway is planned for August, but there will be more information on this next month.

Lynn Matthews, 9397 5784 or 0419 927 807

THEATRE NEWS

Junior Workshops

Celeste Underhill and Bree Hartley will run this year's 2014 Junior Workshops. These are open to anyone aged between 8 - 18 years old.

Section 1: Two Saturday sessions of fun and challenging theatre sports (June 14th and 21st - 3pm to 5pm at the Roleystone Theatre, Roleystone). \$5 per session. Come to one Saturday or both!

Section 2: Auditions and rehearsals for 2 productions to be entered into Youthfest and to be part of Roleystone Theatre's 'Storytime in the Hills' production.

Rehearsals will be Saturday afternoons (3-5pm) and Wednesday evenings starting the first week in Term 3.

To be in the productions actors must be available to be part of Youthfest (September 20th/21st) and 'Storytime in the Hills' (October 6th-10th) i.e. must not be going away during the October holidays and be free the weekend of the 20/21st September. We will also need participants to be part of the staging crew/stage manager etc, rather than onstage roles so please ask about this element.

Cost will be \$45 per participant and will include Theatre membership, a T-shirt and Youthfest entry fees. The workshop coordinators have chosen

two one act plays that will suit the diversity of ages and skills of the children.

Those auditioning for, and who are successful in obtaining, a part in the productions will be expected to be available for all rehearsals and all performances (barring sickness).

Please email president@roleystonetheatre.com.au or call 0402014666 to register. Once you register your details (including name, age, email address, parent/guardian name and contact phone number) you will receive a return email with all the details!

Celeste Underhill has been a Drama and Dance teacher at Swan Christian College since 2008. She has been choreographing, directing and performing in community theatre since 2004 with a particular passion for musicals. She also teaches a musical theatre class on Saturday morning at Hype Dance Academy. In 2012 Celeste's entry into ITA's YouthFest 'Rabbit' received multiple awards including 'Best Senior Production' and earned her the 'Best Director' award.

Last year she played the title role in Roleystone's production of Peter Pan.


Bree Hartley is the music specialist at a local primary school and has been involved with productions at Roleystone Theatre for 17 years. As well as performing on stage in many and varied productions, Bree has also been musical director of a number of musicals, front of house coordinator, a committee member and is currently the Roleystone Theatre President. Bree has coordinated a number of workshops at Roleystone Theatre and enjoys working with children in a creative capacity where developing confidence and expression are the main building blocks.

For more information go to www.roleystonetheatre.com.au

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at Araluen Botanic Park – 11am to 1pm, Sunday 6 July, 2014



On Sunday 6 July, rose-lovers are encouraged to visit Araluen Botanic Park and indulge in a special treat.

Members of the Rose Society of WA are making their annual pilgrimage to Araluen to conduct their excellent informal Rose pruning demonstrations and will be on hand between the hours of 11am to 1pm to provide free expert, friendly, helpful and practical advice on growing, pruning and caring for Roses.

Additionally, it is planned to have some free samples of Neutrog rose care products and information available.

Araluen Botanic Park Foundation general manager Rod Ross said, "We are eternally grateful to the Rose Society and Neutrog for their ongoing involvement at Araluen. Their participation not only benefits the Park's world-class rose display, it also presents a great opportunity for garden lovers to learn how to demystify the art of pruning rose plants and cultivate a rose display at home that will be the envy of their neighbourhood."



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TENNIS NEWS:
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Recent Events

Mid Week League: The inaugural Wednesday Night Mid-Week League Competition finished off the 12 week season with a very successful roast beef/pork roll night on June 4th. The Most Valuable Player went to Claire Sharples and the Best Male Player was Simon Blackmore and the Best Female Player was Lois Swaddle. Thanks very much to Catherine Monaghan and Claire Sharples (our Mid-Week League organizers) for coming up with the concept of having a Mid-Week League. It takes a lot of work to co-ordinate all the fixtures for each week and so many of our Club members have enjoyed themselves. On behalf of all the players: well done & great job ladies. In the play-offs the winners of the medals were: Men's Gold – Greg Quartermaine, Men's Silver – Glen Hickinbotham, Men's Bronze – Karl Hunt.



Above: Simon Blackmore, Claire Sharples, Lois Swaddle and Catherine Monaghan

Ladies Gold – Vicki Maughan, Ladies Silver – Claire Sharples, Ladies Bronze – Jenny Woodard. There will be another League Competition beginning in September so don't forget to put your name down if you would like to participate.

Coming Events

Xmas in July: We will be holding our annual Xmas in July Dinner with a tennis afternoon for our friends from Augusta. This will be held on Saturday 5th July with Tennis from 3pm. The cost for our catered roast dinner will be \$30 a head. We will have a quiz and games on the night, so please join us for a fun evening. Our numbers are limited to 55 so please put your name down early. Sign up sheets are in the Clubhouse.

AGM:

Our Annual General Meeting will be held on Sunday 4th August 2014 commencing at 2pm.

Let's Get Crafty

Let's get crafty session - Learn to crochet The City of Armadale is hosting a series of Positive Ageing: *Let's get crafty* sessions as part of the Positive Ageing program for senior members of the community.

The next craft session '*Learn to crochet*' will be held on Thursday 10 July, from 10am to midday at the Armadale Library.

The session is suitable for beginners, showing you the basic stitches and instructing you towards your first complete work. A kit will be supplied at a cost of \$8 per person, payable to the instructor on the day.

Bookings are essential, as numbers are limited. For further information, and to RSVP, contact Armadale Library on 9399 0125.

Saturday 19 July at Armadale Library

Sabrina Hahn is passionate about gardening. Well known for her work on the radio and weekly newspaper columns, she will now join us at the library for an informative session followed by time for you to ask questions. Copies of Sabrina's books will be available for purchase. **Refreshments will be provided. Bookings are essential.**

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Roleystone Country Club News

The Club continues to go from strength to strength with some major changes taking place over the last 12 months. Our AGM will be held on Sunday the 29th June; all relevant papers have been posted to all members with the following highlights for the 2013-14 financial year:

The Cottage was completely refurbished and rented out to a member during the year.

We completely modernised the Club Kitchen and appointed new caterers who introduced some excellent meals on the weekends. Our Membership numbers increased to approx 400, a 48% growth over the previous year. Our total income increased to just under \$500,000, again a massive increase over previous years.

We installed car park lighting as well as 8 CCTV Cameras to improve our security around the Club.

We installed a 15KVA Solar system to reduce our power costs and future proof against further power price increases.

A new Jarrahdale fire was put into the Wygonda Lounge for cosy Sunday Roasts.

We repainted the exterior of the Club, freshened up the car park, beautified the entrance and re-bituminised the driveway.

Our new caterers at Windows on Wygonda Family Restaurant: Gavin and Shireen, continue to receive excellent feedback from

members and their guests. Most Friday nights are fully booked and Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday nights are now attracting large numbers. The Sunday Roast is well supported with large groups booking on Sundays to sit by the fire and have a delicious meal.

We will be holding an "Irish Night" on the 5th July. Tickets are available from the Club at \$35 per head. This will include an Irish Band (who have a regular gig at one of the famous Fremantle pubs), Irish Food and Irish Dancing. Be sure you get your tickets early.

The Chase the Joker competition continues on its merry way with the jackpot now up to \$1000. Many of our members come to the Club on Mondays and Wednesday Nights to be in the draw which takes place between 6.30pm and 7.00pm.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Committee who worked tirelessly over the last 12 months to get the Club to its present position.

I would also like to thank those volunteers who give of their valuable time to assist the Club in continuing to provide a welcoming place to have a quiet drink and catch up with friends and neighbours.

Michael Hansen
President

Family Carer Information Evening

Are you caring for a family member or friend who is frail aged, has a disability, a chronic condition or mental illness? Do you want to be prepared if the situation arises in the future?

If yes, Carers WA and the City of Armadale would like to invite you to a Family Carer Information evening.

Wednesday 23 July
Armadale Library, Armadale Central Shopping Centre
5.30 – 7.30pm

Bookings are essential as places are limited. Call 1300 227 377 or contact events@carerswa.asn.au to register for this free event.

Young Writers Nominations Available Now

Are you the next Paul Jennings? Local students from Years 3 to 10, get your entries in for the Armadale Young Writers Awards! Stories need to be 2000 words or less and entries must be lodged with the City of Armadale by 30 June 2014.

There are two categories in the competition: General Creative Writing and Living in the City of Armadale.

Visit the City's website for more information www.armadale.wa.gov.au.



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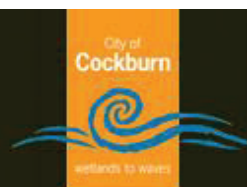
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Southern Hills Christian College have been awarded

May's Business of the Month award for their outstanding contribution to our local community. The award was presented to Ron Withnell at our recent business showcase. Ron was pleased to accept the award and give an overview of the fantastic work they do in the local community. Southern Hills is the home of the Red Cross Cadets - the first in W.A. They support City of Armadale Events, school fetes and activities by providing first aid (free). They provide yard cleanup for the ill, single mums and the elderly. They also visit the elderly in homes and centres, clean up the Canning River in Maddington and support community groups through the provision of adventure activities. (The highest abseiling tower and biggest High Ropes facility.) Cadets attend commemorative services like Remembrance Day and Anzac Day. At the end of year 12, students do not go to other areas frequented on "schoolies week" but go to the Philippines and provide food and friendship whilst building homes and birthing centres. Each year the College runs the Hills Heartbeat Festival. This is a free family event that is growing in attendance each year.

Congratulations Southern Hills Christian College

Business Of The Month Winner



ROLEYSTONE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Health Expo at Roleystone Community College

Rap music was blaring and the kids were jumping as Rap Artist 'Marksman Lloyd' kicked off a Health Expo at the College. He was part of 'Armed for Life' a group helping young people be equipped for a healthy and resilient life, spreading messages about resiliency and anti-bullying through song and presentations with keynote speaker Adam Prytzula. The group was one of a number of health professionals on site covering topics from mental health, sexual health, drugs, alcohol and relationships.



Our thanks go to School Nurse Mrs Harding for organizing the services of the wide range of speakers and presenters, who provided the information in an interactive and fun format.

Mr Springett
Year 7-10 Year Coordinator

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Planting in Bungendore Wildflower Society

This month the Armadale branch of the Wildflower Society will be planting in Bungendore Park. Members and non-members are welcome to come along to help. Sorting of the plants will occur on Sunday 20th July at 8:45am at the Australian Native Nursery (141 King Road Oakford). Planting of the plants will happen the following Sunday 27th July at 12:30pm (Meet at Nelson Street). Bring a plate and thermos and enjoy a cuppa in one of Western Australia's bushland treasures.



Armadale Branch has been planting in Bungendore Park since 1982. Over that period we have planted nearly 102,000 seedlings in Bungendore Park and nearly 13,000 seedlings in a former gravel pit on the park's southern boundary. All seedlings have been propagated from seed collected on-site by Wildflower Society members to maintain genetic integrity within Bungendore Park.

Bungendore Park is a relatively large reserve of 498 ha, mostly in excellent condition, which forms an important green peri-urban backdrop to the City of Armadale. The park is vested in the City of Armadale and is cared for by a community-based group responsible for management and protection of the bushland. Two declared rare orchids and numerous priority species of flora can be found in the park which contains six major habitat types over the Darling Scarp geology of the area. Bungendore Park is also an important study site of the three endangered Black Cockatoos (Carnaby's, Baudin's and Forest Red-tailed) by the WA Museum. A "Vertebrate Fauna of Bungendore Park" report is in draft form and planned to be published in November 2014 of the observational data and pit traps surveys conducted in the park since 1992.

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 on the 2nd Thursday of each month. We meet at the Field Study Centre, Settlers' Common, cnr of Albany Highway and Triton Crescent Armadale. The following talks are scheduled:

- August 14th Prof. Hans Lambers will be talking on the Swan coastal plain, soil and associated native plants.
- September 11th Eric McCrum will be talking on the flora of the Fitzgerald National Park.

Roger Harington

AGM

Roleystone/Karragullen Seniors Centre will be holding their 2014 Annual General Meeting at 46 Jarrah Road Roleystone on Wednesday 23rd July at 11.00am. All members are invited to attend and assist in electing the Committee for the coming year.



Yoga

Roleystone /Karragullen Seniors Centre hold Yoga classes on Wednesdays at 6.30pm, Thursdays at 9.30am and Fridays at 9.00am at 46 Jarrah Road Roleystone. There are various vacancies available. For information please contact Rae on 93975462.



Seniors Club Calendar

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COUNCILLORS' COMMENT JULY

Many of the decisions that councillors make are fairly simple. They fall into the laws & policies laid down by the State or Council.

The harder decisions are the ones that fall back onto the councillor's views and beliefs of what are best for the City as a whole. Some decisions have to be made because there is a perceived need for a service necessary to enhance the community that maybe should be provided by the state, but isn't.

Other tough decisions are around providing worthwhile community events. There has been much debate recently over the events calendar that the City provides. Events such as Australia Day and the Carols by Candlelight are so well supported that there are no arguments as to their continuance, or even to looking at how we can improve them.

The events which are harder to support are the ones less supported by the public. Minnowarra Festival has been discussed vigorously over the last few weeks with the Council being split over it's future, as can be seen by the 7 all vote at the ordinary Council meeting.

It was passed by the presiding person's vote to make it 8 to 7 for the festival to

continue for another year.

I voted against this as I could not see the value in spending nearly \$80,000 to put on a festival supported by so few people, especially when we had nearly the same turnout at the latest Roleystone markets, for a lot less money.

If the decision was to hold events purely for profit then making the decisions would be easy, but as it is also around creating a vibrant community, it becomes more of how each councillor views the return to the community.

The current major arts & events program is

- Australia Day
- Minnowarra Festival
- Highland Gathering
- Minnowarra Art Exhibition
- Carols by Candlelight
- Outside the Frame
- Movies in the Park (Rushton park)
- Perth kilt Run

Our Strategic Community Plan says under:

Community Wellbeing

1.3 Access to a wider range of cultural, arts, and learning opportunities

1.3.2 Promote and support community arts and events

1.3.4 Promote and support initiatives that enable the community to enjoy a variety of cultural experiences

Economic Growth

3.1.2 Facilitate targeted economic development opportunities

3.4.1 Promote and support the Champion Lakes Complex and events

3.4.2 Promote Armadale, nationally and internationally, in partnership with State and regional initiatives

3.4.3 Market and promote the locality of the City of Armadale to residents, stakeholders and the wider West Australian community

3.5.1 Develop and maintain relationships with local industries

I am looking forward to seeing how the Events Strategy, that is currently being prepared, deals with these strategies.



Cr Grant Nixon
0418449611



Cr Caroline Wielinga
0488 900 307

Congratulations to the team that put together the Roleystone Markets. The day was perfect, Cross Park looked immaculate and the layout, variety and music created a fantastic atmosphere.

This is a great chance to wander about & meet up with your friends; although I have heard it from lots of people that there were so many people we didn't know, suggests many visitors had come from outside the Roleystone area. Hopefully these visitors spent some money at the local businesses while they were here.

Disclaimer: Compiled with care by the Jarrah Ward Councillors but may not represent the views of the City of Armadale

Thanks to Grant and Caroline and in fact all of our Councillors, for taking the time to vote with their conscience and also be mindful of the appropriate allocation of our Council funds. Ed

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June Weather

Weather Statistics David Elliott:
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June Rainfall

Year	mm	# days
2005	272.2	18
2006	22.4	3
2007	111.4	11
2008	198.8	16
2009	148.6	15
2010	67.6	11
2011	154	12
2012	166.4	17
2013	38	9
2014	138.4	13

Yearly Rainfall Average

June average 208.0 on 17 days
Total Jan 1 to June 30, 412.2mm on 46 days
Average to June 30 444.2 on 47 days

Situations Wanted

Volunteer Rainfall Observer.

If you have a clear space to put an official rain gauge and are interested in reading it most mornings at 9am please contact Ian at the Bureau of Meteorology on 9263 2294 (8am to 3pm)

Roley Pools Care Day

Get your boots on for community planting days!

Armadales Gosnells Landcare Group (AGLG), in partnership with the City of Armadale will be holding a community planting day at Roley Pools.

Funding for this revegetation project has been provided through the Swan River Trust – Alcoa Landcare Project and the State Natural Resource Management Program.

AGLG have secured grant funding to revegetate river foreshores and bushland with 35,000 seedlings.

Locals can contribute toward improving their environment and providing habitat for native animals such as the Black Cockatoos, Bandicoots and Frogs through planting native seedlings and rushes.

The planting day begins at 9am and finishes at midday and all you have to do is turn up wearing your boots and hat.

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Bring a water bottle and wet weather gear if necessary – and everything else is supplied, including equipment, plants and morning tea.

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Pro Bono de Exilio Traditions! David Bardsely



I have been invited to resume the Pro Bono column as an ex-resident of the Roleystone Community. Hence the “de Exilio” appendage – we are in exile! And currently we are almost as far away as you can get in Europe. Whilst in Glasgow we saw a play about the life of a Scottish musician, Martyn Bennett. His mother was a traditional poet and folk singer and Martyn grew up steeped in the Celtic/Gaelic tradition. It was obvious as a child that he was very gifted, playing the violin, bagpipes and piano exceptionally well. He was trained at the Royal Academy but was never satisfied with merely reproducing music as already written – he explored new harmonies and rhythms based on traditional pieces by classical and folk composers. Some of these pieces used Gaelic settings of passages from the Bible. He developed a unique approach and as a teenager welded traditional Scottish music to the contemporary “club scene” music of the late 1980’s. I was warned that the play would contain some startling musical stuff but nothing prepared me for the experience. It opened with a spoken Gaelic poem which melted into a haunting pipe melody. Without warning the theatre then exploded with sound as the theme was sampled and overwritten with powerful drum and bass and other synthetic additions. All at around 130 decibels! All my internal organs vibrated in resonance with the beat and I wondered how on earth I would survive the next couple of hours. But survive I did and I got caught up in this man’s life, his struggle to express himself and the reception he received. It was intertwined with pathos as he contracted cancer when 25 and died at just 33 years old. But what he achieved in that short time was amazing, influencing a whole generation and changing the course of

Scottish traditional music. His spiritual life was portrayed by a Cirque du Soleil trapeze artist! It was a powerful production requiring at least two packets of tissues, leaving one both saddened by his early death but uplifted by what he had achieved in his life and the way he met the challenge of his illness.

It set me thinking about how we view our traditions and our roots. Martyn used his traditional roots as the basis for new and exciting expressions of artistic endeavour without changing the fundamental principles of Celtic music. Others have revered tradition to the extent that nothing must be allowed to change, perpetuating the styles of previous generations. Like it or not it’s a fact that we here in WA have a society strongly based on Christian traditions – education, health care, human rights, personal freedom, etc - all emanating from Biblical morals. These are the traditions which make us what we are and what most of us admire. The most fundamental of these traditions is the imperative to love your neighbour as yourself.

And we have choices to make. We can choose to hang on to those traditions without allowing anything to change. If we do that we effectively anchor society in the past and our traditions become irrelevant to life today. Or we can chuck out these traditions wholesale. If we do that, we run the risk of society degenerating into a free for all in which the strongest and richest get everything and the weak go to the wall. I leave you to consider in which direction our moral compass is currently pointing. There is another way too. Like Martyn, we can build on the traditions and create new and exciting expressions of those values without compromising the fundamental principles. Martyn’s emotional life descended into the pits during his illness but he came through and produced some of his most creative work towards the end of his life. Psalm 121 was apparently a favourite of his and the first two verses are really telling in contemporary translation: “I look to the hills; does my help come from there? No, my help comes from the Lord who made heaven and earth.”

David Bardsley - currently located somewhere in the northern hemisphere!


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Roleystone Community Garden Report



With the winter markets now a distant memory we eagerly await the next market in September. Weather in June was far more comfortable than that experienced in January. Again the committee who organise this community event have lived up to expectation.

The Roleystone Community Garden was well represented at this event in providing advice on all things gardening. Representatives from the Hills Orchard Improvement Group, Organic Growers and from RoleyBush Care were on hand to provide advice where we could not provide an answer. Thank you to Bruno, Pat and Ian as well as our very own Chris Oliver and Wayne for being available during the day.

Garden members picked up a number of contacts and have sown the seeds to grow partnerships with Roleybush Care in establishing a propagation programme. Garden members have also been invited to York to assist that community in establishing a community garden.

Darren Seiner is assisting us in preparing plans to relocate to Cross Park. It is envisaged that a first draft of this plan will be available for circulation to garden members for comment by month end prior to submittal to council for consideration. One of the elements of our design includes aquaculture. Contact has been made with a Thornlie man who visited our tent at the markets, who is using this system to grow vegetables as well as enjoying trout and barramundi most of the year.

We are now in the winter growing cycle and have established crops of garlic, potato, snow pea and broad beans. The Girls Brigade is enjoying success and is well advanced on a bountiful harvest later this year.

We welcome visitors to the garden each Sunday between 3pm and 5pm. If the weather is inclement we do enjoy a cup of tea and a chat, so why not come along...

Happy gardening.

Laurie Scidone

Girl Guides Have a Busy Month

It has been a busy month for our Roleystone Girl Guide Unit. Janice Mclean, has joined long time leader Roxanne Davin, as a new leader for the unit. The new girls were also formally admitted into the unit on Monday the 9th of June with the recitation of their promise. Traditionally, it is a wonderful evening where the new girls get to invite friends and loved ones to share in their recitation of their Guide Promise, which is: "I promise, that I will do my best, to be true to myself and develop my beliefs, to serve my community and Australia and live by the Guide Law." A wonderful time was had by all. We are also very excited about our centenary next year. 100 years of Guiding in Australia! As a service project, the Roleystone Girl Guides are making Stationary Bags to donate to Radio Lollipop. Radio Lollipop was originally established by Girl Guides for the children at Princess Margaret Hospital, so this was a very appropriate service opportunity for the girls. The girls are participating in a "bob a job" fundraiser, where they do jobs to earn extra dollars which are used to purchase stationary items for the bags that they are making. It is also Biscuit Time!!! If you are interested in purchasing Girl Guide biscuits, they are \$3 a package. They come in choc coated mini's, choc coated regular size and plain vanilla. Please contact Janice Mclean at Roleystone.girl.guides@gmail.com. If we run out, we can get more! Monies raised goes towards our unit and to overseas aid.

Janice Maclean



Astro Highlights June Greg Lowe, Perth Observatory

If Wednesday is Hump Day, then maybe July is Hump Month: we've just passed the halfway mark in the calendar year, and it's "all downhill from here", isn't it? Probably not, but some people - for instance my wife - need help to get through the winter. A ray of hope. A perceived glimmer at the end of a damp, chilly, gloomy season that can't be over quickly enough for her.

I don't mind the winter: the nights are long, and on a clear evening when there's not too much moonlight, you can see the great, faintly glowing arch of the Milky Way coming up out of the east and standing high across the southern sky. Look at a world map or a globe of the Earth: there aren't a heck of a lot of people living at the latitude of Perth. Along that circle of latitude, there's a lot more ocean than land. And yet, we're best placed to observe the centre of the galaxy because it passes right overhead here. The centre of our Milky Way Galaxy is in Sagittarius, well up in the eastern sky in the early evening - not that you can detect the galactic centre visually. If you live in, or have ever been in, a very dark place, and have marvelled at the sight of the faintly glowing, irregular band of light that people call the Milky Way, it's actually just the combined glow of untold billions of stars. These stars are in the main body of the galaxy, too far away for the eye to see them as separate points of light. Astronomers reckon there are upwards of 200 billion stars in our galaxy. Our familiar Sun is just one star among all those billions.

Jupiter's setting in the WNW about an hour after sunset. Soon it'll be lost from view in the glare of the Sun. Jupiter goes

through conjunction on July 25th. Mars is easily visible and readily identified by its reddish colour: look high up in the north at the start of the night, in early July. The setting times for Mars are about 12:50am early in the month, 12:20am mid-month, and midnight at month's end. Note how Mars has company in the form of the star Spica, also known as Alpha Virginis which means it's the brightest star in Virgo. Mars and Spica will steadily get closer, to end up being within 1.4 degrees of each other from 13th - 15th of July.

The only other evening planet is Saturn which is in Libra. To the unaided eye it just looks like a medium bright star; it's only when you see it through a telescope that it knocks your socks off. Nothing else looks like it. At the start of the month it's high up in the NE sky at dusk. As the weeks pass its position is higher and further west. By the end of July it's culminating (at highest altitude) at nightfall, right overhead. Saturn goes down in the WSW at about 3am in early July, 2am mid-month, and 1am by the end of the month.

Venus is coming to the end of its 6-month spell as the brilliant "morning star". It'll still be visible in the ENE at dawn throughout the month, but will be getting noticeably lower and lower as the days go by.

The major phases of the Moon in July are first quarter on the 5th, full moon on the 12th, last quarter on the 19th, and new moon on the 27th (end of Ramadan).

The Earth's at aphelion, the furthest point from the Sun in its slightly elliptical orbit, on the 4th of July. I'm sure there's no connection between this event and Independence Day in the US.



Wild Gossip

The unusually fine weather and quite warm temperatures seems to have our wildlife a bit confused although now the cooler change will probably sort things out.

I have heard birds with young in their nests, seen baby Bandicoots running around and mum Bandicoots with their pouches so full that they are almost dragging on the ground. Bobtails are still around, foraging for food and I recently saw a mother duck with at least ten ducklings following her. I have also had some non seasonal admissions so my hot boxes have been very busy

keeping everything warm particularly overnight. I seem to have frequent phone calls about the wildlife seen around at this time and can really only agree with the caller and suggest that water be provided in shallow containers (to prevent drowning) at all times and that the caller keeps an eye on the wildlife for any problems.

Recently I seem to have a lot of cats stalking on my property. I thought rules were now in place to help prevent this but obviously I am wrong and our precious wildlife will continue to be attacked and die. This morning I have seen three different cats on my property in less than an hour. None were wearing collars and bells to alert wildlife to their presence and one Tabby cat looked at me and stood its ground when I went outside and yelled at it to leave the birds alone.

Our wildlife is very precious and needs to be treated as such or it will not be around much longer for people to enjoy now and in the future.

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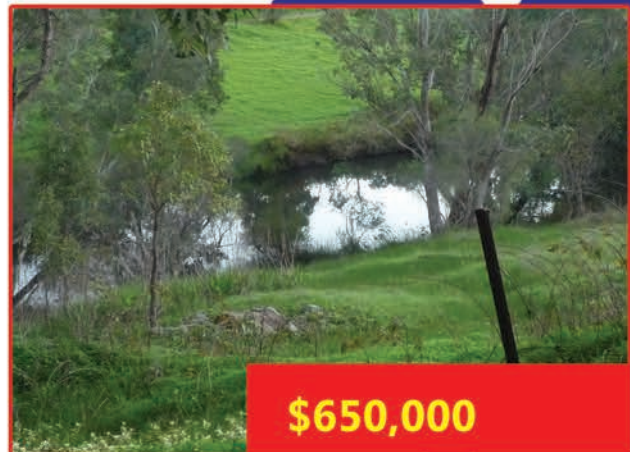


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