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David Weds Mary-Anne Amongst the Peach Blossom

The day finally arrived. The wedding of David Della Franca to Mary-Anne Griffiths occurred on Friday 5th October on the family orchard in Karragullen with the reception at Rosehill Lodge in Guildford. It was a perfect day with 23°C temperature and clear skies.

The groom's party consisted of two local lads: the best man was Mario Casotti and the groomsman was Lorenzo Rucchin, who grew up in Karragullen. The flower girl and page boy were Simmone and Alex Della Franca. Mary Anne's bridal party consisted of Rebecca Kuhl, Melissa Bernt and Gillian Della Franca. Mary-Anne's hair was done by Alyssa of Aura Hairdressing in Jarrah Road Shopping Centre.

Mary-Anne and David are now living in Forrestfield, with David still working the family orchard in Karragullen. The late peaches were out in blossom just as they had hoped. Photos courtesy: Memories of Tomorrow.

NOVEMBER COVER

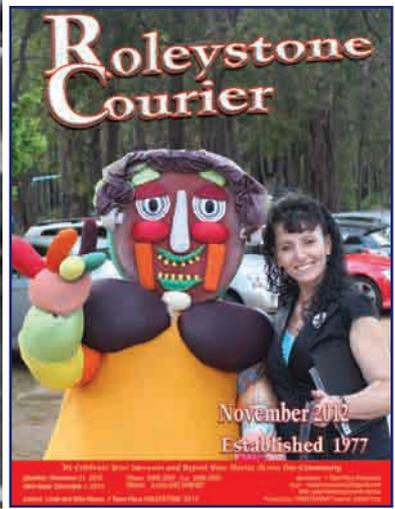
The Karragullen Expo was wonderful in 2012 with a great family atmosphere and excellent attendance - until the change of weather in the afternoon. The Expo was anchored by long suffering coordinator Roma Spiccia who is pictured on the November cover with Veggie Man. Thanks to Michael Tranchita for the photo and Hills Orchard Improvement Group President Bruno DelSimone for nominating Roma for our front page girl! Photos centre pages, writeup and awards on page 41.

SEAN KENWORTHY MARRIES DANIELLE TILLER

On the 19th of October Sean Kenworthy married his long time sweetheart Danielle Tiller at Rosehill in Guildford. Friends and family enjoyed a lovely outdoor ceremony, performed by Shirley Jackson, in beautiful Spring weather. Sean and Danielle's parents, Peter, Julie and Greg, blessed the rings for them before their simple and heartfelt vows. The ceremony was followed by drinks in the gardens and the reception, at which everyone enjoyed a delicious meal and danced the night away.

Congratulations and best wishes to the new Mr and Mrs Kenworthy.

Photo below: Saffron Photography.



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Mady wins the Science Teacher of the Year

Congratulations to Roleystone's Mady Colquhoun, teacher at Armadale Primary School and passionate science educator. Mady was awarded the Science Educator of the Year, at the WA Science Awards held at Burswood in mid October. Well done Mady!

Winning the award was 'sensational' for Mady, who admits it was an exciting experience to be recognised for her work in primary science education.

'The award is great recognition not just for my work, but for science in WA primary schools,' said Mady. 'I do a lot of work with the Science Teachers' Association of WA, and we are very supportive of promoting specialist primary school programs.'

Teaching science as a speciality subject for the past five years at Armadale Primary School means Mady gets to watch her students develop their understanding of science right through over years 1-7. Her passion derives from watching her students' appreciate just how easily science fits into their everyday lives.

'It's the wonderment in their faces that keeps me passionate about teaching science,' said Mady.

'Especially with the younger students; they're fascinated by leaves curling and caterpillars eating, and they lap up the whole experience.'

The children are able to explore the local bushland and creek that sits behind Armadale Primary School.



'As soon as we're outside the classroom it becomes more real,' she said.

In addition to her class work Mady also coordinates the science programs and initiatives at her school, such as the Green Team sustainable program and 'Discovering Dieback' (a Landcare award winning program educating kids about this dangerous plant disease).

Science and Innovation Minister John Day congratulated Mady for her award success, and her passion for teaching.

'Mrs Colquhoun is a dedicated teacher who motivates her students to notice and understand science in everyday life.'

Congratulations Mady!

NB Acknowledgement to the Department of Education for this article.

A Chance to See The Ferrymen Play

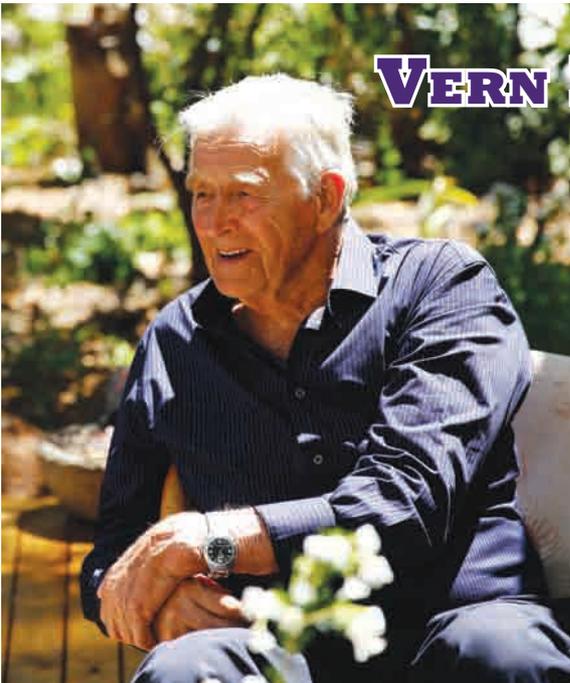
Taking centre stage at this year's Highland gathering will be, Roleystone's Celtic group 'The Ferrymen'. The Highland gathering is on again at Armadale's Minnowarra Park on Sunday 18 November, from 11am to 5pm.

The Ferrymen are well know across our area playing regularly at the Elizabethan Village and other music venues. The band consists of Roleystone musicians Chris Horgan and Grant Black along with Ian Walker from Seville Grove. The melodies are truly Celtic and all members of the band play multiple instruments: Ian Walker vocals and guitar, Grant Black plays banjo, mandolin and accordion and Chris Horgan plays flute, whistles, bodhran and Uilleann pipes. Grant plays a Tenor Banjo - which is a Celtic instrument - as opposed to the American Blue Grass Banjo. It has 4 strings and can hold up to 8 Pints along the neck.

Ian, Chris and Grant first met at the Roleystone Musicians club - and the Ferrymen are only one of the many great bands that were forged from the club.



VERN REACHES 90



On the 29th of October Vern Bettenay reached his 90th milestone. Vern was born in 1922 and he has spent all of his life living on his orchard 'Trymple' in Karragullen (except for four years when he went off to the 2nd world war). His birthday was celebrated with family and friends at his new address in the centre of Roleystone. It was a lovely day. And now he has officially retired from his beloved orchard. Happy Birthday Dad.

Below: Dorothy Knuckey, Ethel Smailes, Dulcie Keen, Marg Bettenay, Kurnow Knuckey (standing), Edna Buckley, Vern Bettenay, Wandi and Bill Mitchell.



Conquering Mt Kinabalu



In zero degree temperature and biting cold winds on Saturday 13th October, two Roleystone residents, Brett Hoare and John Dunn reached the summit of Mt Kinabalu in Borneo with their friend Greg Berrill and guide Abbie.

They were collected at 7am from their backpacker accommodation for a 2 hour drive to the national park entrance, an increase in altitude of 1200m. By 2pm they had reached Laman Rata, 3272m above sea level where they had a well-earned meal and enjoyed the spectacular views and sunset.

They settled here for the night - well at least part of it. They woke at 1:30am for breakfast and began their ascent at 2:30am with full bellies. After a long and exhausting climb, they reached the summit at 6am - 4095m above sea level. All done in 23 hours - a fabulous effort and according to Brett, 'well worth the exhaustion'.

Growing up in Roleystone and exploring the hills has been the perfect foundation for their adventurous spirits. Well done guys!

Kathy Moore



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Pippa Savell, June Copley & Lucy Nass



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Luke Nass Opening

Early in October Luke and Gill Nass hosted a Pizza Sundowner at their 'new' heritage listed office. The building at 2953 Albany Highway in Kelmscott was built in the early 1900's and was once the home of Roberta Jull and later served as a hospital. The building more recently was a private residence and was the office of Henry Dykstra and now is home to the Luke Nass Real Estate Agency. Friends, family and business associates toasted the couple's successful move and helped them enjoy some wonderful pizzas.



Jack, Jamie and John

Matthew's Floorball Dreams a Reality

Roleystone's Matthew Davey hopes one day to be an Olympian, when Floorball is introduced as an Olympic Sport in 2020.

Matthew plays for the Redbacks Floorball Club and after 7 years of involvement in the sport, is hoping to represent Australia next year in the Under 19 Australian team to Germany.

The Redbacks Floorball Club, that first originated in Roleystone, is now based in Byford taking advantage of the recreation centre facilities located there. Floorball (likend to indoor hockey) is a relatively young sport in Perth (introduced over the last 15 years) and now has 16 senior teams playing within the local state Elite competition, with Redbacks fielding 2 of those teams.

The whole Davey family is involved in the sport with Matthew's older brother Joshua also playing, his mother Julie as club Treasurer and his father Phil being involved as the club Secretary of the Redbacks, as well as involved in both state & national associations.

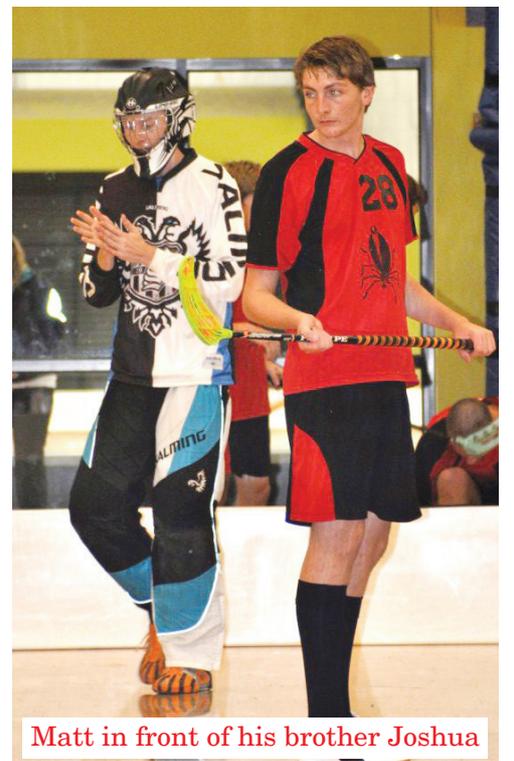
'It is a wonderful sport and new players and spectators are always invited to join us' Phil Davey said. 'People from 10 years old to adulthood are welcome. The best thing to do is to come along to a social game played every Friday night in Byford. You will soon see that the sport is about having FUN.' Redbacks can be contacted via our web at www.redbacksfloorballclub.com.au or via our Facebook page.

Last year Matthew was awarded a \$500 grant to assist him in attending the Australian Floorball Open competition held in Victoria in July. Canning MHR would like to encourage young athletes and teams to apply for these grants that are now open for next season. Local Sporting Champions grants of \$500 are again

available for eligible individuals and \$3000 for eligible teams are available to successful applicants.

To receive a Local Sporting Champions grant, applicants must be participating as an athlete, coach, referee or umpire in an official state or national level sporting championship; be 12 - 18 years old at the time of the nominated sporting championship; and be required to travel more than 250km return for their sporting event.

For full details on eligibility and to apply visit www.ausport.gov.au/champions.



Matt in front of his brother Joshua



Sabrina Weaves Gardening Magic At Genesis

A very special event happened on the 20th October when ABC broadcaster and gardener Sabrina Hahn spoke to a captivated audience at Genesis in the Hills Vegetarian Restaurant about gardening. The veranda of the restaurant was packed with avid gardeners as Sabrina spoke to the group about the challenges and rewards of gardening and introduced us to her latest book: 'Sabrina's Juicy Little Book of Citrus'. The talk ranged from Sabrina's own background in gardening, to the importance of gardening for children - especially the Aboriginal children she works with in the remote Kimberley Communities.

The audience had many questions stored up and some had brought along samples of pesky, pest riddled leaves. She gave some hints to local hill's gardeners (including making friends with people with a bobcat when hard digging is needed). Hill's gardeners were encouraged to plant more deciduous trees close to the homes for their fire retardant qualities. I was amazed that the white cedar, or the Cape Lilac tree was often planted near the homestead by early settlers for the shade and the fact that it doesn't burn.

The audience was then invited to stay for a lovely meal created by the Genesis staff. This was the first of a series of meet the author sessions to be held at Genesis in the Hills Vegetarian Restaurant.

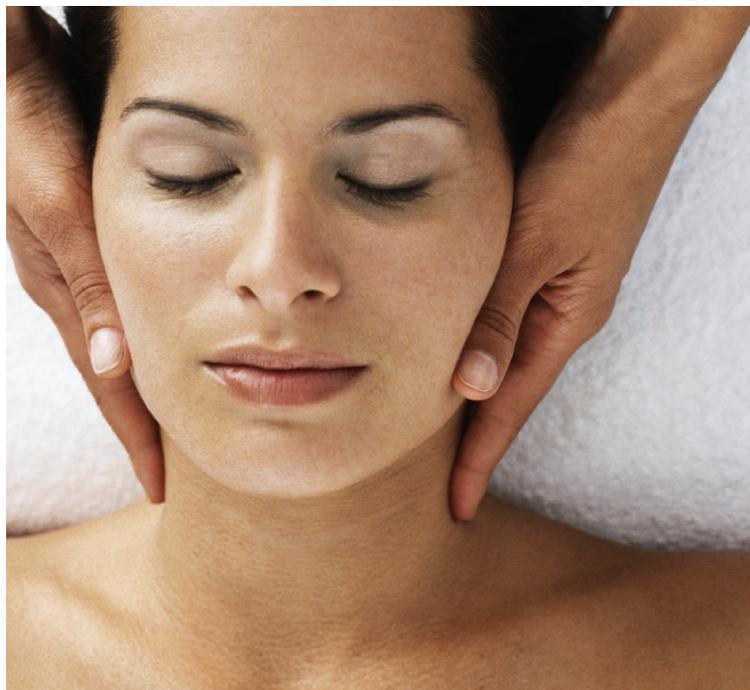
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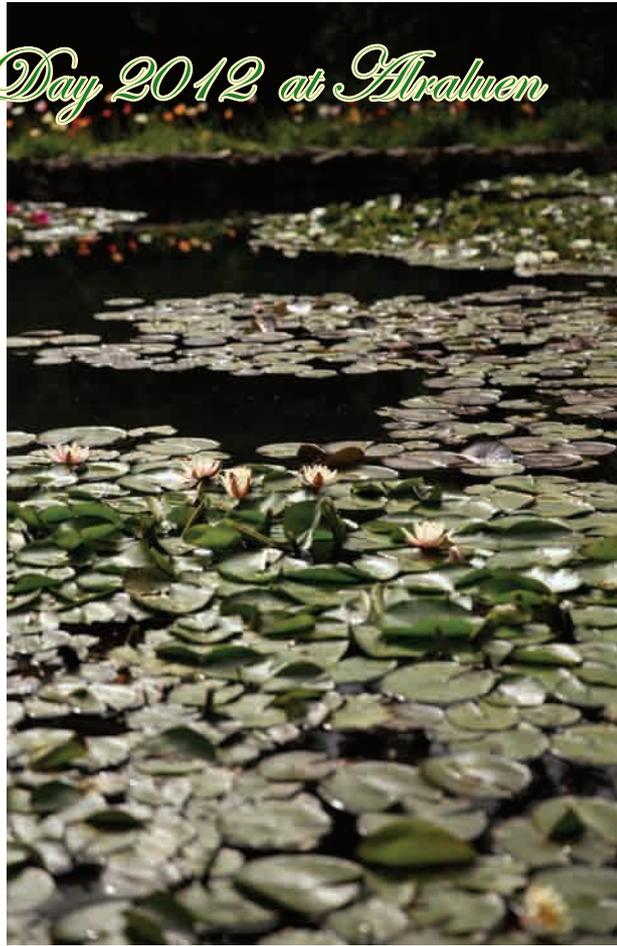
Remembrance Day 2012 at Araluen

'The Grove of the Unforgotten,' otherwise known as 'The Lyre of Remembrance,' graces a hillside at Araluen, the Young Australia League's resort at Roleystone. This beautiful conception was intended as a memorial to members of the League who fell in the Great War. Western Mail 21st April 1934

The first Armistice Day Ceremony (now renamed Remembrance Day) was held at the site on the 11 November 1934. In 1996 after many years of lack of maintenance the Armadale Rotary Club and the Araluen Botanic Park Foundation restored the grove after thirty years of neglect. Since Remembrance Day that year Araluen Park has hosted a service each year at this hauntingly beautiful location.

Araluen Botanic Park is both honoured and privileged to again host its traditional uniquely special Remembrance Day Service in conjunction with the Commonwealth Department of Veterans' Affairs on Friday 9 November at 1.30pm. Everyone is invited to attend this graceful and moving ceremony at the Grove for the Unforgotten in Araluen Botanic Park.

This year's service, some three quarters of a century after the first one was held, is still being used to remember these fallen soldiers and the many others in more recent conflicts who have died overseas. The service will



be conducted in the breathtakingly beautiful "Grove of the Unforgotten" memorial within the spectacular and ambient gardens of Araluen Botanic Park, Roleystone. To encourage community involvement, normal Park entry fees are waived and a complimentary afternoon tea will be served following the service.

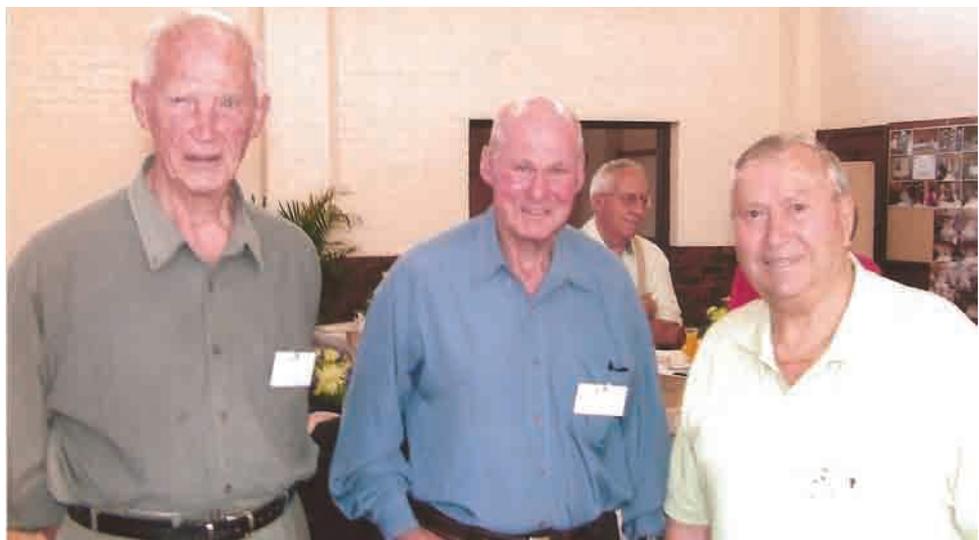
The service will involve the Roleystone School choir and feature what will undoubtedly be a memorable performance by guest soloist, Katherine John. A feature of the service is the wreath-laying ceremony, which provides for wreaths to be floated in the serene "Pool of Reflection" at the base of the Grove.

Pioneer's Reunion

There was a good turnout to this year's Pioneer's Reunion.

Armadale Hall was the site for the 2012 Pioneer's reunion hosted by the City of Armadale on October 6. The Pioneer Reunion recognises the men and women who have lived in the District for over 50 years.

Thanks to Tom Price of Illawarra for the photo below of Kurnow Knuckey, Des Curtis and Evan Lori.



Seniors Morning Tea

The Bendigo Bank is again hosting a morning tea/breakfast for our local seniors on November 14th starting at 10 am to be held at the Roleystone Seniors Club on Jarrah Road in Roleystone. This is always a wonderful event with raffles and entertainment scheduled plus some delightful food. Come on down and join the fun and catch up with friends. Once again our thanks are extended to the Roleystone Karragullen branch of the Community Bank for supporting Roleystone Seniors.

Chris Kent

Pictured: Pauline Peacock and Jean Cambers (both good friends from the Roley theatre) at last year's Bendigo Bank Seniors event.



HAPPY FIFTIETH BIRTHDAY KAREN

Karen MacKay one of the cheery staff serving us at Supa IGA, celebrated her fiftieth birthday on Thursday 25th October and she 'spent the day at work'. Her friends surprised her with a celebration at the Country Club on the next evening. Happy birthday Karen and wishing you many more in the future.

Lil' Karen's 50

A strange and welcome sight in Roleystone recently with two members of the mounted police giving a very obvious police presence in the area. The officers were doing random licence checks outside the shopping centre when this picture was taken.



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LU LU'S CHARITY RIDE

On the 15th October Lu Lu Birch rode her bike from Guilford Grammar School in Midland to Fremantle and back. This was a charity ride of over 100 ks! The money she raised went to the Kids Cancer Support Group at Princess Margaret Hospital. Here is Lu Lu's story.

'I work at Guildford Grammar school and have done so for just over four years. I love my job; working with children and teaching them sport. Sport is our second name in this family. I teach people with phobias of water to swim; I reached the Nationals in swimming when I was just 10. I have done aqua classes and taught in gyms for the past 20 years. I am now qualified in massage, the other end of the sporting activities, to help my sons after they have had a hard game of rugby.

When my boss Nic Christie, told us we were having a 100km bike ride, I was excited to join in. In previous years I have done the 'Step Up for MS' challenge. That was hard going, climbing the highest building in Perth. I liked the idea of riding a bike so I put my name down.

On the Sunday morning we started the 100k bike ride at Guildford Grammar School biking to Burswood, where we met other riders who didn't fancy the 100k (participants could choose the 100km, 50km or 75km bike ride or a 12km walk around the river).

We stopped for a bite to eat and refuel our bodies with water and carbohydrates. Talking on the way with different colleagues, the long journey didn't seem too bad. I loved the views from the bike, things that couldn't be seen when sitting driving in a car. Looking at the huge houses that were on route, day dreaming of how the other half live, mind you I wouldn't like to clean the property...

We reached Fremantle in good time. I thought we could have stopped for fish and chips at the famous Cicerellos or Sweet Lips; but all that starch would not have been a good idea as we then had to cycle back to Midland.

On the return journey we again stopped at Burswood for refreshments and a couple of thank you's to the organiser Nic Christie and the support teams. Guildford Grammar managed to raise over 21 thousand dollars for PMH. Donations are still coming in too. I raised just over \$300. I thank all those who contributed towards my ride. I now have a sore butt to remind me of my 5 hours sat on the hard saddle with no padding other than what I carry myself! I'm just glad I am not too skinny.

We were raising money for the Kids Cancer Support Group at PMH, a very worthy cause.



I have had four children and my youngest son Ruban needed special care as he was born a month early; the diagnosis indicated that he was drowning in his own fluids. He was in the special care unit for a week, all wired up and I was not allowed to hold him. So charities helping sick kids means a lot to me.

Thank you to everyone who sponsored me, I'm humbled.

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Lu Lu Birch



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Joel Makes his Music at Araluen

'Aspro Cottage' at Araluen Botanic Park has a new lease on life with local violin maker Joel Sheard setting up shop in this idyllic setting. It is now a violin shop / violin making studio and is open to the public when they visit the Park. Joel also teaches students to make their own instruments and offers violin playing lessons.

Roleystone Courier readers may recall when Joel was featured on the New Inventors for his wonderful innovation the InstrumentTool Magnetic Caliper - an important tool for violin makers.

Joel plays in the local Classic Sounds Orchestra and will perform with them at two open air concerts within Araluen: The first was held on Sunday 21st October and the next one at 2:30pm on Sunday 4th November.

Visitors to the Park are encouraged to visit and engage with Joel to learn more about his interesting skill.

Interested parties are encouraged to contact Joel direct on 0431 838 046.

Mason is a High Achiever

Mason Lamotte has recently been invested as Captain at his school, Murdoch College for the 2013 year. This is of course a wonderful achievement and he is very honoured. In April 2012, he was awarded a scholarship to attend a Young Leaders Summit hosted by the Amanda Young Foundation. This camp was a 4 day residential leadership development programme for 16 & 17 year olds.

Mason has also recently been notified that he has been awarded a place at the WA Science and Engineering Summer School at Murdoch University in for January 2013. The WA Science & Engineering Summer School (WASESS) is a 6-day residential science experience for students entering Years 11 and 12. Each year, WASESS offers up to 80 students, the opportunity to explore a range of areas in science with the view to foster their interest and further their career plans in science.

Mason started his education as a Kindy student at Roleystone Primary School. He was in the first cohort after the move from the Community Centre (following several wonderful years at Gumnut Playgroup at the RNFC). He then spent

6 very happy years at John Wollaston (pre-primary to year 6) where he completed his primary years as Arts Captain. He started year 7 at Murdoch College and will graduate from school at the end of 2013.

Mason is unsure of exactly which career path he will follow but top of the list at the moment is Engineering or Medicine. Mason has worked hard for his achievements and continues to maintain a balanced life, he can be regularly seen walking our Great Danes along Croyden Rd.

Mason combines all of this with a busy job at McDonalds in Canningvale; and of course, most importantly, he delivers The Roleystone Courier in Croyden Rd and has done so for a few years now.

Information provided by very proud Mum, Wendy Lamotte.



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Editorial

LINDA MOORE

NOVEMBER 2012

This spring I have been unbelievably impressed watching a group of previously disenfranchised and largely independent, small businesspeople from the local fruit growing community, unite and do the seemingly impossible - convince Canberra that they are right. It has been an epic fight reminiscent of 'The Castle'.

The campaign by local Hill's Orchardists to ask for APVMA to consider a rethink of the looming ban on Fenthion for use in WA Orchards, has just been 'won' - at least for this year.

Whether readers support the ban or not, I am alerting everyone in our community to the amazing amount of work, time and dedication a small group of people have given to get this 're-think' to happen.

This was in large measure due to the hard work of orchardists, in particular: Brett DelSimone, Wilma and Tim Byl and Eric Ghilarducci (The Fruit Fly Action Group supported by Ross Anile and others in HOIG). Congratulations to you all.

I am now left with a feeling of positivism about this industry. I had thought that the industry was doomed, there are so many challenges facing primary industry in our state (and this country) but this group of young farmer/activists have made me re-think.

This group rallied and harried the orchardist to write letters, email Politicians, phone in to radio stations and generally get the issue on the radar. They convinced politicians to lobby on their behalf. They collected data on Standard Operating Practice and sent in submissions. They analysed the scientific claims and revealed flaws in the assumptions, testing and conclusions. They worked with AVPMA. They worked together to move a mountain.

And in all of this, the group showed how low the use of

Fenthion is in WA in comparison with use in other states. Whereas our orchardists spray with it 1-2 times maximally, grower use in other states involved cover spraying 6-7 times and dipping their fruit with it prior to sale (apparently a requirement before marketing fruit in Victoria)! This maybe because we have different insect pests across Australia - we have Medfly but WA is currently free of Queensland Fruit Fly.

Plus fruit imported from interstate is routinely being fumigated with Methyl bromide as it comes across the border. All this makes me feel even more inclined to buy Western Australian grown fruit and vegetables.

The 'win' involves a separate label on Fenthion (Lebaycid) used in WA outlining different spraying conditions. I personally do not like chemicals, but when fighting Medfly I am aware that there are currently few alternatives.

I am also very aware that long term we need to come up with other non chemical solutions. The Department of Agriculture is encouraging us all to keep our own back yards MedFly free: baiting our fruit trees and destroying any unwanted fruit. They are also using our patch to trial the sterile fruit fly release.

If we all work together there just might be a future for the wonderful orchards in our community! (PS look out for new seasons Western Australian stone fruit appearing in our local outlets in mid November.)

On another note, I went last night to eat at 'Avocados', the new restaurant on the site of the old Seraglio Park. Give them a call - they are now open for business.

Please enjoy your November Courier. Happy reading.

Linda



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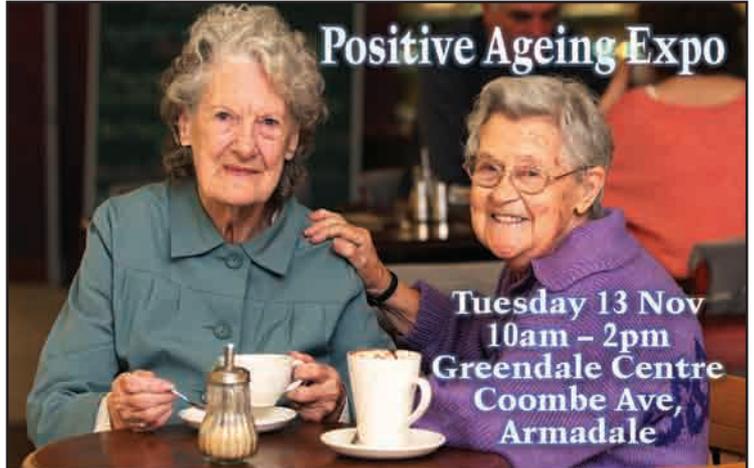
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LOCAL ORCHARDISTS TAKE ON THE BIG BOYS

This letter was one of many written by local orchardists that have helped in raising their plight regarding the threat of Medfly this season. Ed.

My name is Eric Ghilarducci of Karragullen. I need our local community support in helping to delay the imminent banning of fenthion by the APVMA for use on stone fruit.

The proposed ban will have a catastrophic effect on my orchard & my family. Without being able to control fruit fly (Medfly) my children are going to see my business devastated, just six months after buying out the orchard from my parents. We believe that this is a premature decision by the APVMA, this after 30 years of hard labour just to own this land.

We have been waiting for years for a replacement fruit fly control & have trusted our governing bodies to show respect & concern for this. However this has not happened and this premature decision has forced us to look at the review in detail before we are forced out of business.

We feel that the APVMA's review has been shown to be severely flawed. The APVMA suggested that the growers should 'voluntarily' finish the review for them by collecting our own data on our spraying practices. We did this in just 5 days - something that took the government regulation agencies over 14 years!

We, the growers, are very aware of the potential risks from the use of fenthion. This is why, as professional growers & licensed chemical users, we use it only in the minimal quantities necessary. In WA our use is far below those growers in the East and the residue in our fruit is consistently much lower, as shown through years of independent testing.

The Standard Orchard Practice (SOP) shows that fenthion has been used at very safe levels by a very responsible industry from the very beginning. We have provided spraying data & testing results to the APVMA to back up this statement. Our methods are extremely safe.

My children are pictured below. These are the **real** children who are going to be affected by the APVMA's decision.

One part of the APVMA report suggests that children could be severely affected by fenthion using ridiculous, exaggerated consumption levels that we tried to replicate.

But my 2 year old daughter couldn't manage to eat the volume of fruit that the APVMA used. Neither could my 3 year old daughter, even my 5 year old son struggled to consume that amount (we found hidden grapes & half a tomato under the couch 3 days later). However they all got diarrhoea! Plus in WA no growers I know uses the application levels they referred to. So is there any real danger whatsoever that any human could possibly be at risk?

If the proposed ban is enforced my children will see the loss of their house, property & way of life. I will be forced to sell & as my property is zoned rural agriculture it will have no value, as agriculture will not be viable. This will severely devalue my property & those around me to the point that I will be forced into bankruptcy within the first year of taking over the orchard.

There are two possibilities:

a) use fenthion in a responsible way. Fruit growers can then stay in business & consumers can continue to eat the cleanest, healthiest fruit available anywhere in the world, until a suitable alternative is discovered,

Or b) ban fenthion and a massive, responsible & professional industry will be shut down in the blink of an eye. Consumers will be buying summerfruit imported from countries that continue to use fenthion, but also have much worse growing practices.

I'm referring to southern hemisphere countries that have summer at the same time as us. The APVMA report does refer to countries where fenthion has been banned, but these are all in the northern hemisphere. Consumers prefer summerfruit in summer. South Africa & fruit growing countries in South America are the only 2 areas where summerfruit can be supplied to the Australian consumer & fenthion is not banned in any of these countries.

The irony of this is that the APVMA themselves have stated that imported fruit containing fenthion residues will still be permitted for sale in Australia.

Members of the Fruit Fly Action Group, would be happy to show interested people, our concerns based on the 'science' that has led to the AVPMA decision.

I have only touched the surface in this letter. We have examined it in detail and we have real concerns. We just hope they are listening to us.

*Eric Ghilarducci
Member of the Fruit Fly Action Group and the Hills Orchard Improvement Group.*



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The Passing of a Pioneer ALLAN BUCKINGHAM (1924 – 2012)



Allan Gordon Buckingham was a long term resident of the Kelmscott/Roleystone area. He was the eldest child of Edgar and Pearl and brother to Phil(dec), June, Win(dec) Ian(dec), Kaye and Don.

His great grandparents Thomas and Mary Buckingham and their children arrived from Devonshire England to the Swan River Colony in 1850 aboard the ship 'Sophia'. In 1857 they purchased 5559 acres of land at Canning Location 32, Roleystone and commenced farming there in 1860. After experiencing difficulties with farming and recognising the demand for wood for construction they became involved in the local timber industry. The Buckingham family along with other pioneers played an important role in the establishment of the district.

At the age of 17 (not quite 18) Allan enlisted in the army. He spent time serving in New Guinea and New Britain during World War II before returning safely to Australia. For many years he marched in ANZAC day parades. The last he attended was in April this year in Kelmscott.

Not long after returning from the war, Allan met Collie girl Betty Pope at the tennis club in Roleystone and they married in 1949. They built their home in Kelmscott where they raised their four children: Jim, Eric, Maree and Kerry. They were married for 58 years before Betty passed away in 2007.

Allan attended school in Kelmscott and worked in a timber mill in his early working life and later became a nurseryman working at Gladalan nursery for many years.

He was a keen lawn bowler starting at Armadale Bowling Club in the 1960s and then bowling for many years at Gosnells Bowling Club.

Allan's health deteriorated in the last few months and passed away at Armadale Hospital aged 88 years.

Carol Joins Rosharnes

Carol Buck is bringing her special gifts of clairvoyance and spiritual healing to Roleystone. Carol was born in England into a very spiritual family.

'From a very early age I was able to feel and convey messages from the spirit world. I was encouraged to explore these gifts, joining circles and learning from others who had developed their gifts into spiritual mediums and faith healing,' Carol said. 'The power to heal and to better understand the mind are my motivations.'

Carol has qualified in Reiki and is now bringing her experience to Rosharnes Giftware in Brackenridge Village in Roleystone. She will be available every Sunday from 11am - 4pm or at other times by appointment. Please ring Rose on 0404 908 399 for more details or to make an appointment.

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New Principal at Lumen Meets Student Leaders



to the College during the year. In recent years each of the three former Principals of Lumen Christi College has provided students with their own insights into leadership. Impressed by the thoughts he shared both student leaders who made presentations later in the evening used comments made by Darren. Best of luck to Darren O'Neill in his new role as Principal.

Pictured left to right Geoff Mills and Darren O'Neill, student leaders Jamie MacKenzie (Deputy Head Girl - from Roleystone), Travis D'Souza (Head Boy), Shaiden McNamara (Deputy Head Boy), Genevieve Ogden (Head Girl).

Anne Kennedy
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The annual Student Leaders' Dinner provided the ideal opportunity for Darren O'Neill to spend time with a gathering of students and staff of Lumen Christi College.

Darren will take up the reign of Principal in the new year. Geoff Mills will be leaving the College, returning to familiar territory at Ursula Frayne College. The Leaders Dinner is always a highlight in the College Calendar. Prior to the departure of the senior students the occasion provides College staff with the opportunity to thank the students for the many valuable contributions made

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MARGARET AND CRAIG AT 'LE TOUR'

Recently Margaret Agar and her son Craig went to 'Le Tour de France'. Craig managed to take some wonderful photos of riders including: Kadel Evans, Bradley Wiggins and Matt Goss (an Australian rider with the Greenedge Team).

Margaret reports: 'The position that we had in Liege for the Prologue was so good that an official Tour de France photographer asked if I would mind moving so that he could get a couple of shots.'

'A great aspect of 'Le Tour' was the caravan which is a pageant of floats and cars of officials and sponsors. This caravan leaves 1 hour before the race and they throw out souvenirs including: keyrings, lollies, cakes, sausages, blow up pillows, bags, shirts and water. I posted back a 7kg box full of these. I had enough Carrefour hats (they sponsor the King of the Mountains shirt), to give each girl from Girls' Brigade one.'

'As the race goes by so quickly you have to be organised to get to see the riders. The roads are closed hours before the race begins, so you really need to be prepared to wait hours to see a split second of riders as they pass. One of the best places to go is up in the mountain stages where the riders spread out. At the starting line you can actually talk to the riders

when they are in the riders muster! At the end of each stage you can sometimes see them at the team buses and at the time trials each rider goes by separately.'

'It's a real buzz actually going and seeing the race but if you're really interested in cycling you see more on TV!'

'On the whole we had a really great time. Plus we got to see Belgium and the beautiful French countryside.'

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Above: Ride for your Life organisers Adam Stevenson, Jason Kelly-Pages and Kirk Knapman before last year's ride.

Ride For Your Life

During November each year, Movember is responsible for the sprouting of moustaches on thousands of men's faces in Australia and around the world. The aim of which is to raise vital funds and awareness for men's health, specifically prostate cancer and male mental health. Roleystone resident Jason Kelly-Pages, and his like-minded Mo-Bro Adam Stevenson, have been actively helping Movember individually for 6 years. Last year they organised the first of what they hope will become an important annual event on the Movember calendar: a Motorcycle ride through the Perth hills, culminating with a light-hearted group gathering; and after the success of which, they have decided to do it again. This year will see the ride start in Mundaring, and cruise South through Kalamunda, Pickering Brook, Karragullen, Roleystone, and Bedfordale, before ending in Jarrahdale at the Jarrahdale Tavern. For 2012 the event is being held on Sunday the 18th of Movember. Registration of \$20 (to Movember) will be between 9:00-10:00 (exact location yet to be determined), and the first 50 registered on the morning will receive a 2012 Ride For Your Life commemorative badge. The ride will depart around 10:30am, with an expected arrival time of 12:00. The ride is open to anyone with a licensed motorcycle, and their passengers. Costume wearing and/or bike decoration is encouraged. Additional information can be found on their facebook page: TinyURL.com/RFYL2012 or alternately you can email the organisers at: rideforyourlife@hotmail.com.au

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On Saturday night we did not feel like cooking. So my husband and I decided to go out for dinner. We decided to go to The Grape Gallery on Brookton Highway in Roleystone.

We have been there before and once again I completely enjoyed the evening and the meal was absolutely perfect.

It does not happen very often that someone manages to cook my steak exactly as I like it – blue, but warm inside. Most of the time the steak it is either medium rare or cold inside! Not at the Grape Gallery! My steak was absolutely perfect!

This time I had a Caesar Salad (see pictures) with prawns. There were a dozen prawns in my salad! And the eggs were just perfect! My husband chose Baramundi, also topped with prawns, beautifully presented. Let me add that I am not related to the owner of the Grape Gallery, nor do I know the manager personally or have any other affiliation to them that would prompt me to write these lines.

But I want to let all people in Roleystone know that we do have some of the best Restaurants quite close to home. And the Grape Gallery definitely belongs into this category and deserves a visit.

They serve dishes for everybody, beef, fish, vegetarian, whatever you like. So, next time you don't feel like cooking, go to the Grape Gallery. It is definitely worth it and you won't regret it!

Felicity and Bruno Robner

Jane is right behind Kalani



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Kalani Grant at 14 years of age, has already achieved some wonderful achievements in boxing. She is now looking towards the Olympic Games in 4 years and she knows that she has a lot of hard work ahead of her. Kalani also knows that achieving her goals will be expensive.

Jane Mathews, owner of STUDIO ONE skin health & beauty Kelmscott, has been watching Kalani and admires her achievements & dedication to boxing. 'Kalani is an inspiration to young women. Seeing Kalani work so hard for her goal is very rare in someone so young,' Jane said.

Jane has now approached Kalani with an offer of assistance in her quest.

'I am honored to help support Kalani in her endeavours in boxing' Jane said.

Jane will be selling raffle tickets with the prize: a pamper package valued at \$200, to help Kalani with her goals as a female boxer. So if you want to help Kalani out too, ring Jane to buy a ticket in the raffle - you could win yourself a delightful pamper package in the process. You can get tickets from Jane at: Shop 4a, 2756 Albany Highway Kelmscott, 9390 2313.



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Koh Kood: Thai Paradise

Motivated by an article in the West Australian in June and anxious to escape the cold, Ken and I flew to Thailand in August landing in Bangkok where we spent a delightful couple of days enjoying the warmth, the shops and the glorious Thai food. All too soon it was time to leave the hustle and bustle for Koh Kood, a tiny island south of Koh Chang not far from the Cambodian border.

It is possible to do the land part of the journey from Bangkok in four hours by taxi, but I have back problems and flying part of the way seemed a better option. The epic journey started with a taxi ride to Bangkok airport, followed by a delightful hour's flight on Bangkok Airways to the town of Trat. At the airport we hired a van to take us to Leam Sok. This took an hour. After an hour's wait we went in a truck to the jetty to catch the boat to the island.

The boat was moored about two metres away from the jetty and many young Thais just vaulted across the choppy divide onto the deck. I asked nervously what happened to old people. They had a plank explained the crew. The plank was a piece of wood that didn't look strong and had a split at one end. It was tied to the boat by a thin piece of string! It seemed pretty doubtful that this flimsy piece of equipment could hold Ken Henrickson but it did and after yet another hour on the boat we arrived on Koh Kood where we were transported another 9kms by truck.

Koh Kood is incredibly beautiful and unspoiled. There is very little pollution. There are very few cars, no ATMs and no jet skis. We stayed in a charming bungalow resort owned by a Dane. We could lie in bed and look over the horizon pool to the ocean fringed with graceful palm trees which swayed gently in the wind. The food in the bungalow restaurant was superb and the wait staff were so kind and helpful.

There isn't a great deal to do on Koh Kood. It would be an ideal honeymoon destination! We hired a driver and van and went to the waterfall. The climb up to it was so tough that we didn't get the whole way for fear of falling. Lunch that day was on a beautiful, pristinely clean beach at a resort called Peter Pan. There was no one else there as this was the low season. In fact there were very few tourists on the island. It reminded us of early days on Koh Samui before it was 'discovered'.

Our time on Koh Kood passed all too quickly – three nights in total.



We were sad we hadn't booked for longer. As we left the hotel we were presented with two sachets of Thai curry paste – a farewell gift – were they perhaps glad to see us go?! I don't think so – I have never met such lovely people anywhere else on the planet!

The journey back to Bangkok was no better than the outward journey and the various stages took a day. We loved every minute of our stay on Koh Kood but doubt, sadly, that we will ever return owing to the difficulties of getting to and from the island. The inaccessibility is undoubtedly the reason Koh Kood is so beautiful and unspoilt and the people are so warm and friendly.

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17 year old Ruban Birch has taken the Rugby world by storm. Here he tells his story:

I've been playing rugby for as long as I can remember. Dare I say it's a prerequisite when you are named a "Birch." I started out playing rugby in England, where the weather was cold and the fields even colder. As I am constantly reminded by my siblings, the best part of my game back then was my cartwheels that I used to enjoy doing whilst the game was being played. Of course I couldn't hit anyone then as it was touch rugby. As soon as I hit U9's I found out what I was born for. By this time my family and I had moved to Australia. I played for the Kalamunda Bulls until U12's, when I had the opportunity to attend Guildford Grammar School.

Once I was there I played in the backline, (for crash balls and hit ups) which was not my forte; like all Birch's, I was best suited to defence. From there doors started to open up for me, and with pressure to perform from my older siblings and our family's natural competition, I was able to comfortably follow in the footsteps of my older brothers. I was accepted into the Perth Regional competitions, which is a battle of North versus South of the river.

Once this competition had come to an end, I was honoured to receive an invitation from The Western Force Academy. Little did I know this would mark the end of a normal teenage life and the start of what the Academy likes to call the "elite athlete" life? My time now consists of constant training; building and maintaining muscle mass; and sticking to a nutritional diet to fuel training whilst keeping body fat levels low. This is all very time consuming, with travel to Perry Lakes, many kilometres from Roleystone.

At the age of 15 I was invited to represent my state at the National Championships. Our team came home with second place on this tour. I played in the First team for Guildford Grammar School for years 10 and 11. Guildford Grammar managed to earn a victory against Hale School on their home ground for the first time in 16 years that year. What a thrill it was to be part of that team. After that, I set off on a tour to Singapore and we won the cup undefeated. The team I played for had been dominating the junior competition since U11. For 4 years we had won every competition.

A state tour with the under 16s was now upon me with the national championships in Sydney. I was training hard for 5 hours per week over 8 weeks. We ended up coming 7th in division 1.

I returned from the tour late on Saturday night and I was asked to play the next day in a Sevens tournament for Kalamunda at seven in the morning. I took up the challenge once again and was appointed captain. Kalamunda played with a team that had never played 7's together before and we went on to win the whole championship undefeated. We had a wonderful surprise with \$1000 for the team, a hundred dollars in my pocket to spend how I liked.

I would like to thank both my parents for their commitment, not only do I have to put in the hard yards, they too have put their lives on hold in my quest to have a wonderful rugby career.



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Memories Of Dennis Baker

Dennis Baker sadly died on the 17th October. Dennis leaves his wife Roslyn her daughter Amanda and son Denson and their families.

Dennis Charles Baker was born on the 15th December 1950 in New Zealand. At school Dennis achieved his first successes both academically and sporting. Dennis received the highest award in New Zealand for Engineering and Technical Drawing. In sport, hockey was to be a feature and a favoured sport throughout his life. Dennis played in the New Zealand colts and senior division representing Auckland. After moving to WA, he played for a number of local teams and represented the State and Australia in his age division, many times travelling to tournaments internationally.

He met his future wife Roslyn, who was holidaying in New Zealand with a girlfriend. Dennis had plans to go on a working holiday in Australia and it was thought that it would be a good idea if Dennis 'met this Aussie girl'. A blind date was arranged and their future together was sealed. They met at Christmas time in 1971, became engaged in the New Year of 1972 and married at Easter time in April of 1972. Dennis would later write about this time saying: 'Intent on adventures of my own I almost ran away to sea but just before setting sail I fell in love with a beautiful Australian woman who I made my wife.'

Dennis and Roslyn were married in Kelmscott at the Congregational Church, returning to New Zealand to start their married life. After 10 years and the births of their son Denson and daughter Amanda, in was time for a change and join Roslyn's family in Australia. The family came to the Kelmscott hills building their family home there.

Dennis worked for TAFE in Thornlie, for the next 31 years and was the Principal Lecturer for Engineering and Transport for the last 14 years.

Dennis was inspirational, loving, fun, spiritual and an amazing listener. Dennis was an active member of the local community. For 10 years he was committee member of the Kelmscott Agricultural Show. Initially as the ground supervisor at the show, he would walk around the ground with a WA flag in his hat. If anything needed doing, the call was "go and see the man with the flag in his hat". Later he was their President.

Dennis successfully lobbied for funding from Council to improve Rushton Park. He put a lot of time and effort into organising programs for the unemployed to clean up the War Memorials in the district.

Dennis was proud of his children and the success they have achieved in their lives. Denson as a Cinematographer and Amanda as a musician, singer and songwriter. In their own fields Denson and Amanda are story tellers. Dennis credits taking inspiration from them for his own success as a story teller. His own novel "Zakynthos Blue" was published in 2008. An option for the movie rights for this story has been granted.

In September last year, Dennis was diagnosed with a very aggressive brain tumour. He underwent all the usual types of treatment, surgery, chemotherapy, radiotherapy and more but regretfully without success. Dennis, however, never gave up his fight for life. He remained positive and kept his sense of humour throughout. Dennis would say "I am determined to beat this thing and outlive it." In this, his final year of life, his children rearranged their schedules so that they could return home to be with him. Dennis, in his own words described his family as his first "Angels" and included the dog Ripley in that group. Sadly, Dennis' fight for life was lost this month. He died peacefully in the home he had built with Roslyn, with his beloved family at his side.



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This year at first I thought the flower show is going to be disappointing. Until late September there was not much to be seen. But then we had some more rain, followed by a few really warm and sunny days and nature literally erupted.

There are big patches of blue Dampieras and Leschenaultias, lots of Kangaroo Paws, Cat Paws as well as red and orange peas. And, of course, the Bottle Brushes are lining the streets.

In the 25 years I have lived in Roleystone I don't think I have ever seen so many orchids in flower at the same time. At the moment there are so many Blue Ladies – my favorites – popping up and opening when the sun shines.

I can only recommend a stroll through the bushland. Take your time and look around. You will be amazed at the display.

Felicity Rohner

Medfly the Target of a New Trial in Roleystone

Roleystone residents may see some unusual activity involving fruit flies in the area during coming weeks.

Department of Agriculture and Food officers have been travelling every week through the area releasing hundreds of thousands of sterile male fruit flies as part of a trial. The release area is in central Roleystone bordered by Urch, Peet and Jarrah roads. The 10-week trial will be testing the use of sterile insects to control Mediterranean fruit fly (Medfly) populations.

Medfly is a serious fruit pest and can infest a wide variety of fruit and vegetable crops. The fruit flies are reared at department facilities in South Perth and irradiated so they become sterile. These sterile males are then released into our area which is known to be a hotspot breeding fruit fly that can easily spread to local orchards. The wild females who mate with the sterile males will lay only sterile eggs. This is known as the 'sterile insect technique' which is used to help control outbreaks of Medfly.

Department liaison officer Ernie Steiner said fruit fly cost the WA fruit and vegetable industry millions of dollars each year, and it was important for everyone to do their bit to control fruit fly.

'Industry is focusing on an area-wide approach to controlling fruit fly. This means every grower - whether they are a commercial grower or landholder with a fruit tree or vegetable patch - needs to help

control fruit fly.' The department is urging all residents of our region with fruit trees or vegetable patches to be aware of the need to control Medfly in their own yards.

'Actions include removing unwanted or unmanaged trees, don't leave fruit or fruiting vegetables on the ground to rot, and keep an eye out for fruit flies and control them as needed. Buy traps and baits - help us to protect our local fruit industry.'

More information on fruit fly and control options is available from www.agric.wa.gov.au or by contacting the Department's Pest and Disease Information Service on 1800 084 881.

Pictured: Ernie Steiner, Jeremy Lindsey and Ross Anile, (member of the Fruit Fly Action Group)



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Orchardists Come Together to Save their Industry

Hills fruit growers packed the Pickering Brook Sporting Club this week to hear an update on the campaign to save the industry from a proposed ban on the fruit fly pesticide Fenthion. This chemical is widely used as a cover spray by local orchardists; without it local growers are very fearful that infestation may totally decimate their fruit crop. HOIG's Fruit Fly Action Group, Brett DelSimone, Ross Anile, Eric Ghilarducci, Wilma and Tim Byl, reported on positive talks with the Federal

Government's Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority about winning a reprieve for the industry from its plan to suspend Fenthion. Fenthion has been used safely for 50 years. Imposing the ban, weeks before harvest would devastate this year's crop with fruit fly infestation.

Ray Hick, a NSW grower, flew to Perth for the meeting. He praised the work of the HOIG Fruit Fly Action Group in bringing the plight of orchardists to national attention. He urged growers to be united in the campaign to allow some use of Fenthion to protect crops from fruit fly infestation.

Without Fenthion, Ray Hick said he would have to bulldoze his 35ha Bangalow orchard in northern NSW as trials of other pesticides had failed and his crop would be destroyed by maggots. Hills growers' spray diaries supported the submission that Hill's orchardists spray patterns are much lower than those used by eastern states growers. Many orchardists in the East spray 5- 6 times before harvest, very few WA growers spray any



WILMA BYL, RAY HICK AND BRETT DELSIMONE

crop more than twice. Fenthion residues on 3000 pieces of WA grown fruit over the past four years have shown residue levels are continuously much lower than the allowed levels.

Federal Member for Canning Don Randall and local Darling Range MLA Tony Simpson attended the meeting and praised the campaign by HOIG and urged growers to "keep up the good work" to save the industry.

Brett DelSimone thanked those who supported the campaign, including the WA Chamber of Fruits and Vegetables, Summer Fruit Australia, FruitWest, Mr Randall, Mr Simpson, WA Senators Chris Back, Glenn Sterle and Mark Bishop, and Tasmanian Senator Richard Colbeck.

Hills Orchard Improvement Group

BREAKING NEWS

As of Friday 26th October HOIG has been advised verbally that fenthion will be permitted in WA on: Apples, Pears, Stonefruit, and Cherries (but not citrus).

The permit will be for 12 months only.

Persimmons require more spray diaries before being included on the label. This label will be for Medfly only – so is only relevant for WA. This decision was based on submissions received by APVMA from WA Growers - especially growers from the Perth Hills.

This is a major victory for HOIG and all WA pome, stonefruit, cherry growers. Particular recognition should be given to the methodical work done by the Fruit Fly Action Group.

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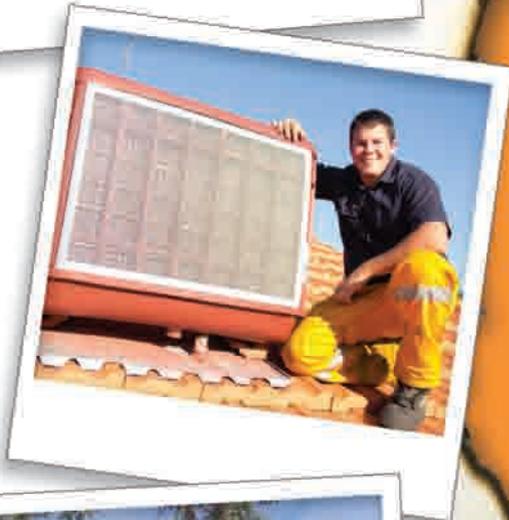
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Seen at the Karragullen Expo:

1. Evie, Jack and Rose Hall with their kebabs.
2. In the RCC Grow tent: Briana Jones, Louren Greyling, Kimberley Allender, Abbey Jones, Caroline Legg, Justine Davis and Madalene Clay.
3. Reuben Marchetti and Molly Hall make kebabs
4. Roleystone's Cooking Expert Emily Primrose serves up samples of strawberry meringues at the cooking demonstration.
5. The Arena family with Franky on a new Picking Machine
6. Gino
7. Brian O'Meagher and Phillip Smailes in the heritage tent.
8. Arwen Jones and Victoria May at the animal farm.

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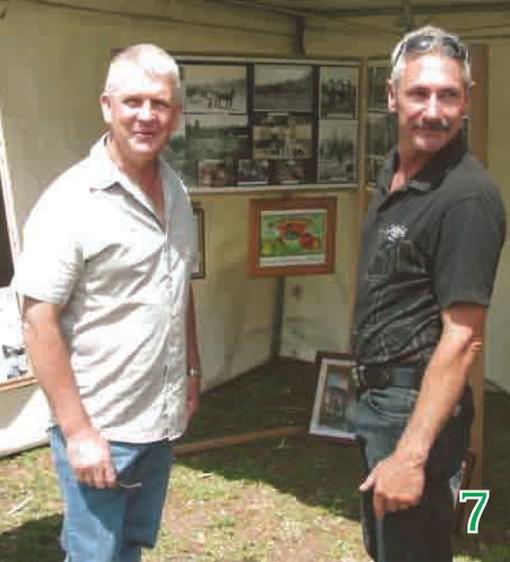


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At the Karragullen Expo students from schools across the region sent their entries into the Colouring Competition sponsored by the Roleystone-Karragullen Bendigo Bank. The winners were awarded trophies on the day. The winners were:

- Junior First Place, Dylan Barrett, Roleystone Community College
- Junior Second Place, Jessica Tangney, St Brigids College
- Junior Most Creative Entry, Laura Ring, Good Shepherd Primary School
- Intermediate First Place, Taylor Bagley, St Brigids College
- Intermediate Second Place, Briony Holland, Falls Rd Primary School
- Intermediate Most Creative Entry, Jaime Daly, Falls Rd Primary School
- Senior First Place, Emma Lange, Good Shepherd Primary School
- Senior Second Place, Amy Rich, Clifton Hills Primary School
- Senior Most Creative Entry, Eve Rosie, Walliston Primary School

Dylan is pictured above with Tony Jacobs from Bendigo Bank and Sally Blane.

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When the children were not engaged in the education centre they went on a walk through the botanic garden and across the glass bridge. Children described the experience using phrases like 'wonderful view', 'spectacular view', 'the everlasting daisies are fascinating'.

Possibly, the most popular sight was the duck families on the grass near the Pioneer Women's Memorial. There was a lot of creeping up on unsuspecting ducklings!

Pat Watson



LEFT: THE GROUP AT KINGS PARK
TOP: ALEXANDROS AND FRIENDS
RIGHT: JORJA PASSAMANI WITH A GREEN KANGAROO PAW.




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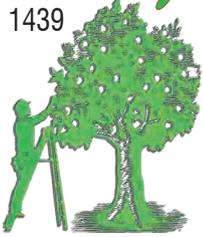


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The photos were taken from the Ladies Drawn Pairs and the Mens Pairs, both held in October.

Results from these:

Men - 1st Gerry Chapman and Brian Betts; 2nd George Martin and Cyril Hansen; 3rd Glenn Lynch and Clive Boyle

Ladies - 1st Jean Lewis and Marcia Kitson; 2nd Shirley Thomas and Margaret Munn

Plate Winners - Linda Mellors and Jessie Fuller

We look forward to seeing you down at our club and on our greens.

Don't forget our website for extra details about our club: www.roleystonebowlingclub.sportingpulse.net



Photos by Melissa Rickman

Pictured: At top the winners of the Men's Pairs: Brian Betts and Gerry Chapman.

Above: Marcia Kitson delivers a bowl.

TENNIS NEWS: WENDY TUCKER



RECENT EVENTS

SPRING TOURNAMENT: We had a great turnout of 20 people for the Spring Tournament. A big thank you to everyone for joining in, some at the last moment which was great. We had four equal winners for the day: Rob Hunt, Mel James, Bob Rowe and Lois Swaddle so well done to them. Everyone who attended enjoyed lunch and afternoon tea, thanks to everyone for helping.

JUNIOR SOCIAL TENNIS: Our Junior Social Tennis has started, we have had good numbers and everyone is having great fun. Thanks to: Josh Smailes, Catherine Monaghan, Tracey Backhouse and Taryn Boase, for your help and let's hope these great afternoons continue.

Coming Events

Family Tennis Morning On Sundays
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Who is Dumping In Our Bush? It's Not Fair!

For those of us who live in the hills, surrounded by bushland, it is alarming to see that not everyone values this as much as we do. Illegal dumping is increasing in our area.

Beautiful forest areas are being marred by the scandalous dumping of rubbish. Plus the items dumped are often dangerous to the environment.

This issue has again been raised by local Phillip Smailes in Karragullen. His farm adjoins some wonderful bush and this area is being abused by illegal dumpers - not prepared to abide by the dumping rules.

He has found asbestos and dangerous chemicals dumped in the adjoining bush.

'It is not fair that we have to deal with this unsightly, discarded waste that not only looks disgusting but is also potentially dangerous to us and bad for our environment,' Phillip said.

'It is time this matter was dealt with seriously, in an effort to protect our land, our national parks and the bushland.'

Under the Environmental Protection Act 1986 individuals face tough fines of up to \$62,500 or \$125,000 for a body corporate.

'I urge anyone dumping rubbish to think about what they are doing. And anyone who sees them please take down their details and tell the relevant authorities,' Phillip said.

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ITALIAN NIGHT

Saturday December 8th. It has been a while since we have held one of these nights at the Club. The Shad Lads will be reappearing, back after their sensational act here in August. More information on this will occur in next month's Roleystone Courier.

To book for any of the above please ring the Club on: 9397 5665 or phone me on 93975645 or 0427 970 935.

See you at The Club soon.

Lester North

President, Roleystone Country Club

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We will have belly dancers, singing, henna art and yoga with our very own Rainbow Pammy from Roleystone!

There will be fairies and angels floating around granting wishes, storytelling, and face painting – entertaining children and adults alike!

This will be a day of frivolity, laughter, joy and remembering the importance of Community.

All stall holders are selling handmade items and heart creations, precious gifts that add to our lives and bring joy with their vibrancy and colour.

There will also be intuitive readers for anyone wanting to connect with their spirit path.

Sacred sound and wholesome food are a big part of this day. Local women: Willow and Ria will provide us with delicious and wholesome foods, both raw and cooked for all to delight in.

There will be live music and singing. Roleystone couple, Deva Raje and Scott Mitchell (pictured below) will sing, chant and play music, from different quadrants of the globe, that will open your heart.

Julian Silburn from One Tribe and Bruno Michel of Sol-R are going to set feet to dancing with a fusion of reggae beats and didge. There will also be crystal singing bowls, gong baths and much, much more!

Come join us in connecting hearts within the community...a way for us all to live together in complete harmony and joy! Thus our children can grow with community, joy, love and music of the heart around them always!

Join us Saturday, December 1st from 10am-4pm for this very special day. \$10 Adults and Children under 12 FREE Seniors and 12 to 18 years old: \$6.

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Out of Control Parties

Recent out-of-control parties in Western Australia have produced scenes of disorder and blatant disrespect towards police and private property and have been a shock to many of us. As an issue of public order, the burden of dealing with out-of-control gatherings rest with the Police and I am pleased to say that new legislation which will help Police tackle this issue, is already making its way through Parliament.

Unfortunately, the sheer size of recent out-of-control parties have required Police to redirect vast resources to enforce order, which spreads the negative impact of these events beyond the immediate problem. Beyond the large number of police officers required to quell unruly party goers, police vehicles, police dogs, police horses and the police air wing are also being called upon, all of whom often deal with glass bottles and other missiles being thrown at them.

With the increased use of social media to promote parties, organisers can unwittingly, or intentionally, draw large crowds of people, many of whom they have never met and who go with the sole aim of creating disorder. With this in mind, a greater responsibility now rests with organisers to avoid creating out-of-control parties, with the new legislation creating an offence of organising an out-of-control gathering. Offenders can

face a maximum penalty of 12 months and a fine of \$12,000; however, it will be a defence under the proposed laws if accused prove they took reasonable steps to responsibly host the gathering, such as making it an invitation only party and contacting police as soon as trouble begins.

To limit the powers of the proposed legislation the definition of out-of-control gatherings does not include gatherings on licensed premises, political protests or industrial action and the conferred powers will only be able to be exercised when a senior officer gives their authority. Furthermore, for a gathering to be defined as out-of-control there must be 12 or more people attending, at least two of those people must be engaging in criminal conduct (e.g. disorderly behaviour) and that conduct must cause, or be likely to cause, fear or alarm, or substantial interference with the lawful activities or peaceful enjoyment of the surrounding areas.

If you would like any further information regarding the proposed legislation, or any other matter, please contact my office on 9453 8311.

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PUPPY PARTY FUNDRAISER

The Armadale-Byford Veterinary Hospital is inviting all Roleystone Courier readers who 'Love their Dogs' to join them at a Puppy Party fundraiser for the Darling Range Wildlife Shelter and the hospital's Cat Adoption program.

The doggy celebration will be held on the 11th November starting at 11am. The tickets are only \$10 and will entitle participants to a free show bag and there will be door prizes on the day. There will be raffles, a dog show, cake stalls, a sausage sizzle and prizes for 'fashions on the field' including the very popular 'dogs and owners dressing alike award'.

This doggy fun day will be held at the Armadale-Byford Veterinary Hospital, 370 South West Highway in Armadale.

For more information see: www.armadalebyfordvet.com.au or ring the practice and speak to Glenda on 9399 4299.

The picture below is of Roleystone resident Keely Schofield and Nikki Percival from Darling Range Wildlife Centre with Matilda and Minnow, 2 rescued and hand raised joeys.



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Join us on Saturday 17th November 2012 from 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm for a night viewing. Richard Tonello of Astronomy Education Services will start with a fascinating presentation followed by a laser-guided tour of the night sky. He will then train his telescopes on targets such as the Great Orion Nebula, the setting Crescent Moon, the Pleiades (Seven Sisters), the Tarantula Nebula, 47 Tucanae globular cluster, the Silver Coin Galaxy and the far away planets of Uranus and Neptune.

Should inclement weather or cloud cover prevent viewing of the night sky through the telescopes, a longer presentation (approx. 90 minutes) will be made in an indoor venue at the college.

Park at the Southern Hills Christian College Oval, Admiral Road, Bedfordale; parking in college car park (UBD map 413).

Cost: \$5.00 Adults, \$2.00 Children or \$12.00 Family

Tea/coffee refreshments will be available.

Bookings essential – phone Miriam on 0401 825 475

(SMS OK - text your name & please be specific about numbers attending).

Bungendore Park Management Committee

BUNGENDORE BUSH BREAKFAST

7:30 am – 8:30 am

Sunday 11th November 2012

Admiral Road, Bedfordale

(UBD map 413)

Be an early bird and listen to the cockatoo and bird chorus in a wonderful bushland setting whilst enjoying a mouth-watering fully cooked breakfast, fruit, cereals and juice.

Get 'up-close-and-personal' with some black cockatoos from Kaarakin and hear about these endangered birds and some of the great conservation and rehabilitation actions undertaken by this volunteer cockatoo rescue group.

Available for sale will be the 2013 Bungendore Park calendar. Entry to Bungendore Park is through the Southern Hills Christian College car park.

Cost: Adults - \$9.00, Children - \$5.00, 5 years and under - no charge.

Phone bookings by 7th November are essential for catering purposes.

Contact: Kerry 9498 1957 or Don 9399 1893. Bungendore Park Management Committee

Celebrating 31 years of bushland management.

GARDENING NOTES JEAN: 9397 5547

At this time of the year it is a wonderful time to get out in your garden and get the weeds out either early in the morning or during the cool of the evening.

As we weed, we can look to see what plants have flourished during this time. I know in my garden there are so many beautiful tall bearded iris and the Louisianas are in full bloom but a lot are hidden by the long weeds.

Another job is to get rid of the suckers coming from under the graft on my flowering fruit trees. It is no use cutting these off as they will only re-shoot so we must get violent and 'grub' or rub them off.

My time of maintaining three gardens has successfully come to a conclusion, with Mike having sold the little cottage. This was my first introduction to gardening in Roleystone and was quite different to the sandy garden in Bayswater and the heavy dirt in Puckapunyal Victoria.

I have gardened in eight different gardens and eight differing growing conditions. We learn so much through these changes. The strange part is that the Victorian conditions and plants I can grow are very

akin to those that thrive in Roleystone.

I would like to know if anyone has any old fashioned forget-me-nots or maybe knows where I can get some from?

I was able to source old fashioned violets so I can help the lady who needs these. I actually have a few nice violet plants myself.

This month the Roleystone Garden Group, went to the Iris Championship in Belmont and we were dazzled by the magnificent display.

Next month our new Coordinator, Lyn Matthews is organising our outing for us. I will keep you posted, but it may be Mia Flora.

The summer perennials and annuals are all available in nurseries, so once again it is time to look around to see what is available. There is still time to get plants actively growing, to separate divisions on cliveas and the like - especially if you want to give something from the garden as a Christmas present. Not long to go now. Good gardening.

Jean.



ARALUEN NOTES



SUNSET MEDITATION – FRIDAY 21 DECEMBER 6PM

Robert Boyd will be conducting an inspired healing and meditational music at sunset in the Amphitheatre at Araluen Botanic Park.

Robert has conducted Music Healing workshops Internationally. He has performed as a guest artist with Deepak Chopra and produced 20 commercial albums, five of which have been re-released. A set of Robert's CD's was presented to the Queen during her visit to Australia in March 2000 as part of the state gift. Over the last 6 years Robert's public outdoor Sunset Meditations have attracted thousands of people throughout Western Australia keen to experience these popular and moving events.

This event, though spiritual by nature, has no religious themes, neither does it have any connections with any group, cult or sect. There are no lectures, talks or sermons. The only common thread is that we are all human beings coming together connected by the magic for a time to share a common but vital objective.

Bring a comfortable chair, rug or cushions and sit back and let Robert's meditational music wash away the stresses of life.

REMEMBRANCE DAY – FRIDAY 9 NOVEMBER

As the 11 November falls on a Sunday this year we will have the service on Friday 9 November at 1.30pm. This service will take place at the Grove of the Unforgotten in Araluen Botanic Park. The Department of Veterans Affairs in conjunction with the Araluen Botanic Park Foundation wish to extend an invitation to all Roleystone residents to attend this special event. Representatives from our local schools, Service Clubs and members from Local and State Government will also attend this service.

ROSES

There are a huge variety of roses thriving in the Park. The roses are planted in an Australian bushland setting amongst native vegetation: jarrah, marri and grass trees, rather than as a formal rose garden. This makes it so different and special.

Many roses were planted in 2000. These roses are now well established and provide a spectacular display especially in late October and early November. The Araluen Rose garden is recognized for its world class Tea Rose collection, its large collection of Alister Clark roses and the many spring flowering varieties.

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BYFORD CRAFT FAIR

This will be held at St Aidan's Church, Clifton Street, Byford on Saturday December 1st from 9 am - 2 pm.

A variety of wonderful crafts by local artisans will be on display with artist Ian Kallas our artist in residence.

We offer a great family day including face painting. The Church café will be open serving Devonshire teas and light lunches. Plants & local produce stall, a sausage sizzle and St Aidan's Op Shop will also be open. Enquiries Yvonne 95251248.

Roleystone Gumnut Playgroup

We are now in fourth term, wow this year has gone fast. Coming up next Saturday, the 3rd of November, we are having our 12th Annual Family Fun Day. There will be small animals to cuddle, face painting and a bouncy castle for the kids.

There is a free sausage sizzle, doughnuts, fresh fruit from Raeburn Orchard and Cappuccino Express for coffee. We have painting tables and crafts to keep the kiddies entertained. We have had wonderful support from our Roleystone community. Thanks to: WA Tree Works, Roleystone Family Medical Centre and Bendigo Bank (and many others). We have some fantastic raffle prizes which have been kindly donated by the local business in Roleystone. Without their support we could not have such a wonderful day. Thank you everyone.

So please pop along if you would like to see what we could do for you and your family. Playgroup is for families with children under four years of age. We have many mums and dads who come along to one or more of the sessions. Please feel free to contact our registrars: Ellan Southgate on 9390 4271 or Marie Hoffman on 61962236.

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Roleystone Toy Library Report

Below are the faces of some of the Roleystone Toy Library 2012/13 committee members. Sincere thanks go to former Committee members for their great work and valuable contribution to this fantastic community initiative. Special thanks also go to Linda Schaudin, our former Public Relations Officer, for her terrific work in keeping the community informed about our Toy Library for the past two years.

I think I speak for all of our toy library members when I say that our main reason for supporting this initiative is our love of toys and their influence in our children's development. However, there is another very important reason that goes to the heart of the toy library philosophy: our love and concern for the environment. It is this green attitude that drives us to enjoy toys in an environmentally responsible way. If you also love the idea of making a small contribution to our environment while providing your children with hours of entertainment, we have the perfect green Christmas gift idea for you: A Toy Library membership voucher, an ideal Christmas stocking filler!

So please come and see us on Saturday 4th of November at the Roleystone Family Centre between 9 am and 12 noon, when the Toy Library will be running a stall during the Roleystone Playgroup Family Fun Day event. We will be offering detailed information about our initiative and also fabulous raffle prizes. If you would like to receive information in the meantime, please don't hesitate to email us at roleystonetoymembers@yahoo.com.au or by phone 0438 884 601.

Lina Uribe Rivero

Below the Roleystone Toy Library 2012/13 Committee left to right: Monica Henry (Rostering), Peta Vetta, (Toy Cataloguing); Jaimie Henderson (Secretary); Lina Uribe Rivero (Public Relations); and Belinda Bloxsome, (President). Other committee members not pictured: Shannon Beech (Vice President), and Neil Hamerton (Treasurer).





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ROLEYBUSHCARE GRANT SUCCESS Well Done

GRANT SUCCESS FOR ROLEYBUSHCARE
Our local community conservation group, Roleybushcare, has been granted \$6000 by the Swan Alcoa Landcare Program.

Ian Colquhoun, the chair of the group, said 'this is a great boost to our team. It will enable us to revegetate 3 local bushland reserves that have been hit by dieback and weed invasion'. The grant will also be used to employ professionals to eradicate the weed, cotton bush, from sections of land along the Canning River. Ian added 'these bushland reserves in Roleystone are highly prized by residents and especially the neighbours of the reserves. We hope to get the neighbours more involved in the revegetation and dieback treatment programs'. Thanks go to Alcoa and the Swan River Trust for this grant.

NEXT FIELD DAY

Stinton Cascade Nature Reserve on Sunday 11th November 9.00am till noon. The next 2 dieback treatment reserves will be at the Stinton Cascade Nature Reserve in Karragullen. This reserve has a high richness in plant species because it has a range of vegetation types within its boundaries. One section is healthy upland jarrah forest which changes into

a stream zone vegetation at the bottom of the slope. Granite rock is exposed here and the stream cascades over the surface. On the opposite slope towards the Araluen Botanic Park is a third vegetation type dominated by a drought resistant heath land. Unfortunately, evidence suggests that illegal firewood gathering about 10 years ago has led to the spread of dieback to the east-facing slope. Many jarrah trees have died but phosphite treatment by Roleybushcare 5 years ago is slowing the rate of death. The phosphite treatment is needed every 5 years so it is time again to treat these surviving trees. It is a large area so Roleybushcare is calling on its volunteers and local residents to help with the field day on Sunday 11th November.

There are many ways to enter this Reserve but this time we will be meeting in Gardiner Road (which comes off Brookton Highway). If you go past the Rock Inne Tavern then you have gone too far. A map is on our website.

A delicious morning tea is provided for helpers.

Important Note: If the weather is looking very stormy, then check our website at 8.00am on the morning of the field day for any cancellation notice.

COTTON BUSH ERADICATION EFFORTS APPLAUDED

I wish to acknowledge Paul Mutton's efforts in seeking to coordinate residents on the scarp face of Araluen Golf Course Estate in the removal of Cotton Bush from their properties.

Paul and other members of the Community, took on the task of pulling the Cotton Bush from the City of Armadale managed foreshore reserve below these properties and did an excellent job.

This is a massive task as it is all about hand pulling these plants of which some can reach up to 2 metres in height. A couple of the property owners have put in a herculean effort and have certainly made a difference

to their land (all of which is very steep). It is a never-ending task but at least next year these properties will have less plants to pull out or spray. It is matter of keeping on top of this very invasive weed.

Rural properties are great to own but there is a responsibility that goes with that ownership and it is that the land should be managed correctly. This does take a considerable amount of time but is the responsible thing to do, otherwise weeds will move to neighbouring properties and surrounding bushland reserves.

Pat Hart
 Secretary - Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group Inc.

Thank You Bendigo Bank

Once again the Roleystone Karragullen Branch of the Bendigo Bank showed their great community spirit with their sponsorship.

The bank donated 150 free adult passes which encouraged lots of locals to come to the Karragullen Expo - many for the first time. Bendigo Bank also sponsored the colouring competition which was available to schools across the region. This included funding the trophies awarded to the winners on the day.

The Bendigo Bank also provided much needed funds for a marquee hire and assisted in purchasing the non local fruit for the fruit and veggie kebabs in the Go to 2 and 5 promotion. Well done and thank you Bendigo Bank.

Manager Tony Jacobs was invited to open the Karragullen Expo in recognition of the bank's exceptional contribution to the day. Plus the hard working bank staff manned their tent with smiles and greetings flowing to all throughout the day.

At left: Congratulations to Sarah Conlin of Roleystone who won the 'guess the amount of money in the Bendigo Piggy Box' competition.

At right: Becky Webb is holding the Lion's Christmas Cake.



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Gerry Chapman

After a successful season for the children, the Roleystone Theatre is gearing up for our next production. Avenue Q is an adults only musical that explores adult themes through song and puppetry.

It has been termed as 'Sesame Street for Adults' but is actually more than that. The characters are young adults searching for their place in the world and facing real world adult problems set against the simplistic problems and happy solutions we see on children's television.

Much of the show's ironic humour comes from the contrast with Sesame Street - between childhood and the adult world. The show was one of the longest running productions on Broadway and the songs/music is bright and the musicians and actors performing on the Roleystone stage are top class. Tickets are available online (just google Roleystone Theatre) or by ringing Gerry or Bobbie on 93975730.

Next year's programme will be advertised in the December edition of the Roleystone Courier.

Gerry Chapman



Irene Exhibits at Genesis



From November 3 to December 2, Roleystone artist Irene Young will be presenting her watercolor and acrylics exhibition at Genesis in the Hills Vegetarian Restaurant.

'I have been on a journey with my art ever since I can remember. As a child daily exploring the world around me on my parent's five acre property, I would always find some new treasure to excite me and would draw it with growing ability. I have a great affection for Australian animals, birds and nature, and I began painting them, experimenting with mediums and techniques to see which was the best way to highlight the subject matter, and as my portfolio grew and my style developed, people started to notice my work and like it. As an emerging artist, the next step was to exhibit my works in the public forum, and I am doing so by entering into Art Awards at various exhibitions around Perth and by staging my first solo at Genesis In The Hills.'

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OZTOBER CLUB NIGHT



Jeff and Luke

Oztober was a great night at the Roleystone Country Club with 57 people attending another successful Club Night.

A celebration of the Sunbury Music Festivals, held on a private farm in Victoria on the Australia Day weekend from 1972-75, was the order for the night and we weren't disappointed. The Door Prize was a Sunbury DVD and was won by Tony Street. The POP quiz question: "Which RMC Member appeared on the Bill at Sunbury?" The answer: Pete Hardinge played in 1975 with the La-De-Das.

A few new faces Matt, Rob and Jason (and a wonderful new drummer) joined us. Matt is looking to start or join a band so if you're interested, let me know. Rob plays with a band down south but had a great time joining our guys, playing bass, guitar and drums! Jason, the new proprietor of the Roleystone Auto Centre on Brookton Hwy, wowed us all singing an impromptu set with regulars, Stig, Jeff and Dave. Calling themselves the Fill-Ins, just for the night, they did a great version of Russell Morris' "The Real Thing". Jeff even raced home to google the lyrics! And they pulled it off to staggering applause. New blood is always welcome at our events and it's amusing to watch our regulars clamour to get the new people to collaborate with them.

This is what our Club is all about and it's wonderful to be caught up in the excitement. I'm just so proud of the talent we have here in Roleystone. Our November Club Night has been moved to 24 November as the Country Club have an ABBA Tribute booked for the 17th. So don't forget to amend your diaries and we'll see you at the Club on 24 November.

FRIDAY NIGHT SESSIONS

We've been meeting once a month with 5 teens and they're working on 5 cover songs to play at our Christmas Club Night on 15 December. It's been an exciting development for the Club and they're working hard to give you a great set at our end of year bash.

Deb de Boer RMC President

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Congratulations to the Roleystone-Karragullen orchard industry for working so strongly together to try to appeal the proposed changes to the new pesticide rules.

It appears that the limited use of the chemical fenthion will still be allowed in WA under strict new application/label conditions. It was also great to see our local orchardists' use of this chemical was shown to be so much less than that used on fruit in other states. Well done. As many residents may have learnt, Cross Park has been undergoing extensive works to replace the irrigation system between football/cricket seasons.

Hopefully this new system will deliver on its promise to be more consistent & more efficient – something that was desperately required at Cross Park with its previous patch work effect! Last month I attended the Planning Institute of Australia conference in Perth and the most interesting presentation for myself was the Public Transport 2031 Plan. Having just returned from a work-holiday in Europe it is remarkable the difference in train/lightrail infrastructure. I do hope this latest push for lightrail in Perth gains more momentum.

I was told that the Department of Transport received the most submissions of comment about the Plan from the southeast corridor – let's hope they were listening.



Cr Grant Nixon
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Cr Caroline Wielinga
0488 900 307

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Of course the final release of the Public Transport 2031 Plan as with some other things are on hold at the moment due to the imminent State Elections.

Big news for Armadale in the Metropolitan Local Government reform is the State proposing the merger of the City of Armadale with the Shire of Serpentine-Jarrahdale. The City of Armadale will still be a "Regional Centre" but will cover an enormous new area.

We are yet to hear what that will mean for the City of Armadale financially and logistically. Closer to home again, the Cross Park Master Planning has been completed by the consultants and delivered to the City of Armadale Officers. The Officers have planned a workshop for the Councillors on this and the other Master-Planning projects for next month. Hopefully we can report some news in next month's edition!

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Three pictures taken by Mandy Webb while on holidays in Roleystone.

Right: Water Lillies at the Shrine of Remembrance Arlauen.

Above: White spider orchid and Kangaroo Paw found in the bush at Arlauen.



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Dear Friends

In the dim and distant past, I enjoyed the fast and furious sport of rallying. Back then the co-driver or navigator contributed rather more than sitting reading pre-prepared notes to direct the driver, as they do now.

We often competed at night on roads or tracks that we hadn't been down before and it was the co-driver's job to read a road map. He would tell the driver as much as he could from the details available on the map to help the driver go as fast as possible. The driver "only" had to press the right pedals, wiggle the steering wheel and wave the gear lever around a bit. I enjoyed competing in either role and did OK. ..sort of.

The relationship between the two people in a rally car is interesting. An enormous amount of trust is required if you are going to do well. If a driver lacks trust in the navigator he will hold back a bit, just in case his partner has got it wrong. Similarly if a driver continually frightens the life out of the navigator by driving too much on the edge, the navigator will start to exaggerate the angle of the bends and shorten the distances to the next hazard and the driver brakes too hard or too soon. Lack of trust ends up in a poor performance. But when you get it right, it's the most exciting and rewarding experience ever...well, I think so anyway. The interesting bit is that neither the driver nor the navigator is fully in control but they both want the same outcome – to win. Their wills are absolutely in line.

Actually, I think of my relationship with God a bit like that. In his wisdom, God has given me personal freedom to make decisions and choices. Through my choices I control many things around me. I can wiggle my own steering wheel so to speak. I am definitely not a pre-programmed machine or a puppet dancing to God's tune. If I were, it would

rip the heart out of love. This isn't the emotion or feeling we label as love. I'm talking about love in action - making choices which place the interests of somebody else above my own interests, choosing to do something for somebody else even if it's costly for me. And I have to be in control of my own actions if these choices are genuine. If I am to love anybody else, indeed if I am to love God himself, I have to have the freedom to choose to act that way. If God pressed an over-ride switch every time I got it wrong, there would be nothing genuine about love. So it begs the question about who is in control of things. I am not God's puppet and neither is he mine! We don't have an over-ride switch on the will of God even though we are often influenced to act as if we do.

The problem is that being human, we get things wrong – the bent and broken cars at the end of a rally show that. So it's pretty unwise to start telling God what we want him to do, to try to treat him like our own puppet. I am convinced that things work best when we seek out what God sees as the best choice. Like a good rally crew, trust is needed but the outcome is amazing when God's will and mine are in line. In the Lord's prayer we say "God's will be done" – it's really good when we mean it.

Yours in Christ,
David
Minister, Roleystone Community Church.

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and run for the escape route.

Karragullen Expo Thanks

What a day. On the 13th October hosts of people flocked to the Karragullen Oval to enjoy a great day in the hills and to celebrate our strong tradition of orcharding in this region. Rain in the afternoon did affect the numbers through the gates but not the enthusiasm of most attendees.

This year's Expo really had a welcoming family feel - with lots of first timers making the trip. A wide range of exhibitors gave everyone, from farmers to thrill seekers, lots to look at and there were stacks of 'give aways.' The history display was again popular, food stalls from the Roley Tigers, Roleystone Gymnastics and the Grow Project kept everyone fed. Roleystone's chef Emily Primrose demonstrated some great recipes using local fruit - and she received rave reviews from all who sampled her dishes. The Elders Presentation Hall hosting our guest speakers was packed to capacity and beautifully decorated with magnificent cardboard fruit trees created by Mulberry Childcare Centre, Roleystone.

The Pioneer Medallions for over 50 years of service to the fruit industry were presented to: Antonia Ballato, Antonina Conti, Stella Fonte, Fiona Jordan, Natalizia Fonte, Maria Rossi, Jeanette Scolaro, Maria Sorbara, Vittoria Furfaro, Maria Scaravilli, Maria Ghilarducci, Giuseppe Ferraro, Giuseppe Collura, Giorgio Sorbara, Mick Scolaro and Salvatore Costanzo.

The winner of the John Giumelli Encouragement Award was John Vincenti and the Contribution to the Horticultural Industry Award went to Ted Roshier. Both of these awards were sponsored by the Hills Orchard Improvement Group.

The exhibitors awards were as follows:
The Best Small Exhibit, sponsored by Landmark went to Solarfruit
The Best New Machinery Release, sponsored by Sportrophy went to JCB
The Best Horticultural Machinery Display, sponsored by Fruit West was awarded to Wattleup Tractors

The Best New Horticultural Innovation Sponsored by the Perth Market Authority went to Elders and The Best Overall Exhibit, sponsored by the Countryman went to first time exhibitor: B&B Hardware. Well done to Karragullen resident Chris Bosnyak and the team from B&B! Some lucky locals: Craig Bloxsome from Roleystone, Paul Littlely from Karragullen and Jan Jones from Jarrahdale, were all given \$100 as gate prize winners (thanks to RRE).

Loads of people deserve recognition for their huge efforts in putting on the Expo, so thanks to the members of the Hills Orchard Improvement Group and especially to the coordinator Roma Spiccia and particular thanks goes to everyone who attended.

Pictured: Top John Vincenti winner of the John Giumelli Encouragement Award.

At right: Chris Bosnyak, from B&B Hardware for the best exhibit at the show.



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TUESDAY: Positive Ageing Expo at the Greendale Centre, Coombe Ave, Armadale on Tuesday 13 November from 10am – 2pm.

Free entertainment and information day for the older person. Local entertainment will be showcased with information displays available from a variety of local groups, health services and sector organisations. A sausage sizzle and refreshments available. Transport is available from the Bus Terminal in Armadale. Call Annette on 9497 3200 for more details.

WEDNESDAY: Armadale Ramble at History House Museum held on the 14 November

starting at 10am.

A guided walk through fascinating historic sites around the Armadale CBD. A moderate level of fitness required. Light refreshments provided. Bookings are essential: 9399 0419 13.

THURSDAY: Two events on the 15th November running from 10am – 3 pm.

Family History Open Day at the Birtwistle Local Studies Library. Find out more about your family history. Sessions run every hour. Bookings are essential: 9399 0125.

Discovery Tour Armadale Library All you wanted to know about resources and programs at the City libraries. Bookings are essential: 9399 0125

FRIDAY: Bert Tyler Museum Armadale Visitor Centre on Friday 16th November from 10 am to 3pm. An interactive tour of the Bert Tyler vintage machinery museum collection and Armadale Outpost Telegraph Centre. Light refreshments are provided. Bookings are essential: 9399 0410.

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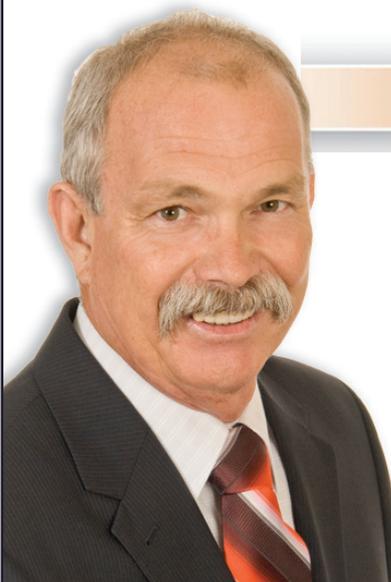
The Family Centre are putting on some fabulous classes this term and would love to see some new faces at the Centre and of course our wonderful regulars.

You can enrol over the phone on 94961115 or contact us on our Facebook page (Roleystone Family Centre)

Some of the courses coming up are Moroccan Cooking 10th & 20th November, Thai/Vietnamese Cooking 9th November, Apply First aid for anyone needing to renew their first aid certificate 17th November, Soy Candle Making on the 12th November and multiple Photography and Photoshop classes.

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Astronomical Highlights November

*Greg Lowe,
 Perth Observatory*

This is the month that Aussie eclipse chasers have been waiting for!

On the morning of the 14th, the moon's shadow will track across northern Australia, going from Arnhem Land to Cape York and then out into the Pacific. For months now, accommodation in the Cairns - Port Douglas area has been hard to get on November 14th. The next solar eclipse visible in WA will be at Exmouth in April 2023. The next one for Perth will be in 2066. I might miss that.

A solar eclipse happens when the moon passes between us and the sun, and the moon's shadow falls on the earth. This can only happen at new moon, but by no means at every new moon otherwise we'd have an eclipse every month (moon-th). The orbit of the moon is tilted, so the correct alignment doesn't come about very often. The umbra - the really dark central part of the moon's shadow - is small and moves quickly. If you're not within the eclipse path, you don't get a total eclipse. In the Perth area the sun will be partially eclipsed as it rises on the 14th.

The major moon phases for November are: last quarter on the 7th, new moon on the 14th, first quarter on the 20th and full moon on the 28th.

Mercury's visible low in the WSW at dusk for the first week or so of the month, but sets earlier and earlier until it disappears into the glare of the sun. The other western evening planet is Mars which you could be excused for overlooking. It's above and to the right of Mercury in the WSW at nightfall in early November, and continues to hang around out there all month.

Much, much brighter and more exciting is Jupiter which rises in the ENE around 9:40pm in early November. By mid-month it's appearing by about 8:40pm, and at the end of the month it's rising soon after sunset. Jupiter will be the "star" planet featuring in the Observatory's public viewing sessions throughout the summer. Venus is still a morning object, rising about an hour and a half ahead of the sun and visible in the eastern morning twilight.

News From Our Seniors

The Roleystone Seniors Club's Grand Bizarre sponsored by the Roleystone chapter of the Red Hats held on the 21st of October was a resounding success. Thanks again to the Red Hats and the local Roleystone Community for supporting the Bizarre and all of our activities. Seniors' Coordinator Christine Kent said:

'Thanks to everyone who came and made the Bizarre a success. We are lucky that we have a chapter of Red Hats here in Roleystone, they are so supportive of the Seniors of Roleystone.'

The Roleystone Seniors Melbourne Cup Dinner is coming up on the 6th November. This is always a great success and there are already 22 people who have made their booking. There is still room for more so book soon it is only \$22 per head. Doris and Ruth, our wonderful caterers, will be returning and there will be Cup Sweeps, food and frivolity. Everyone is sure to have a great time. Thanks to our wonderful cooks for again making themselves available.

November 14th is the Bendigo Bank's Morning tea which is held every year at our club and will no doubt be very well supported. Mark this date on your calendars.

Christine Kent

Seniors Club November Calendar

Melbourne Cup Luncheon 6th November, \$22 per head.

Bendigo Bank Seniors Morning Tea November 14th.

All Welcome.

Lunches	Cancelled until further notice		
Every Tuesday	Mahjong	12.30 pm	\$1.00
Every Tuesday	Pilates	6.30pm	
Every Wednesday	Indoor Bowls	9.45 am	\$3.00
Last Wednesday	Book Club	1pm	
Wednesday evening	Relaxation	6.30pm	\$8
Every Thursday	Yoga	9.30 am	\$10/\$12
Friday	Bowls	1.00pm	
1st Friday	Cards & Games	3.30pm	

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Wild Gossip: Cat Bibs

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During spring young birds and other wildlife are abundant but unfortunately many come into care or die after having been attacked.

A Roleystone resident who is a cat owner and wildlife carer recently sent me an email about this and asked me to incorporate some of the information in this column in an attempt to protect our precious wildlife.

This is the email:

Your cat may be killing more birds than you think. An ordinary cat, even one that is getting on a bit, can catch about ten birds a year. If that doesn't sound like very many, consider there are 2.5 million cats in Australia and a conservative estimate puts this at 160,000 birds killed by cats every day. You will never know how many birds your cat kills because they are not all brought home or they may escape but subsequently die from their injuries. There is no point in punishing a cat for killing birds or native animals. While the RSPCA say their preferred option is a secure outdoor cat enclosure they agree the cat bib is a viable way to help protect our natural wildlife without adversely affecting the cat. In 2005, Mike Calver, an ecologist at Murdoch university, chanced across a site on the internet advertising the 'Cat Bib'. Calver asked the manufacturer for some bibs and set up a trial with Perth cat owners. Calver found that the bibs stopped 81% of cats in the trials from catching birds,

33% from catching reptiles and 45% from catching mammals. He concluded that the bibs were a "very, very good solution for cat owners who are concerned about the hunting behaviour of their cats". The Cat Bib is made from tough, lightweight neoprene and the bibs are attached to collars with Velcro. They are safe for cats when fitted to a collar which has a quick release mechanism for the cat to free itself should it become snagged. The majority of cats grow accustomed to wearing them very quickly and their movement is uninhibited. To put it simply, the bib gets in the way just as a cat strikes out. Additionally, it also functions as a colourful visual warning.

The Cat Bib is designed to be worn outside and should be removed when your cat is safely locked indoors at night. Ensuring your cat is only fed in the evening is a way of encouraging them to come home for the night.

While the Cat Bib reduces cats from catching mammals it is far less effective than with birds. Please give our nocturnal mammals a chance, especially the many baby possums and bandicoots that are around at this time of year, and keep your cat indoors at night.

Cat Bibs can be purchased from most good pet stores or on-line at www.catbib.com.au.

Please contact me for help for or advice about all orphaned or injured wildlife.

Syl Cooper

Junior Cricket Season Begins

Junior Cricket has kicked off. The sweet sound of leather on willow and the occasional cry of 'Howzat' is the welcome Roleystone residents can expect when they visit Cross Park on weekends during the summer months.

This seasons U10's team includes some 7 year old boys punching above their weight as well as two keen young ladies. We had our first match at the Roleystone Community College oval Sunday the 21st October and the kids showed a lot of spirit.

The first 12 overs were hard work as the kids found themselves chasing leather across the park against a team of older and more experienced players. However they soon got into the swing of things. Once they took their first wicket and savoured the joy and elation of cricketing success they were soon hungry for more. The players acquitted themselves well and are looking forward to more success next weekend.

A big thank you to those parents on the team who were quick to come forward and offer support as assistant coaches, scorers and rounders of kids so the coach could get on with the teaching of cricket skills and running the matches.

Mike Cirillo U/10 Coach



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Cricket Club News

Old Buffer Match and Player Reunion

A great start to the season

After a long wait the summer of cricket has finally started! While the

A, B and E Whites games ended in a rain affected draw, the C, D and E Green's games all managed a result despite the weather. C and E Grade both had big wins over Maylands whilst D Grade went down in a narrow loss. If you'd like to join our great club visit www.roleystonekarragullencr.com.au and register! Training is on Tuesday and Thursday nights at 5pm on Cross Park.

HONOUR BOARD

Trent Stuart	(A Grade)	5-63
Michael Chmielewski	(A Grade)	55
Patrick Jackson	(A Grade)	49
Stuart Wright	(B Grade)	3-4
Glen Hickenbotham	(B Grade)	101
Rory Mitchell	(B Grade)	65
Sam Ierino	(C Grade)	3-17
Peter Tucker	(C Grade)	64 no
Richie Allen	(D Grade)	54
Jared Stevens	(E Grade)	4-28
Chris Stewart	(E Grade)	3-26
Jared Stevens	(E Grade)	72
Chris Stewart	(E Grade)	64
Matt Feranda	(E Grade)	61

John Lewis

To all fellow ex-RKCC cricketers,

On behalf of John Lewis (President) and the committee we would like to invite you and your family to Cross Park on Sunday 25, November 2012 to catch up with a few old faces over a beer and feed.

Feel free to spread the word to anyone you think might be interested in heading up to the club.

Old Buffers Cricket Match playing for the 'Ray Pound and Ken Knuckey Memorial Shield'.

The match will kick off at 1:00pm with a crop of current players (Young Guns) to pit their skill against ex-players (Old Buffers) enjoying a 'very friendly' game of cricket. We would like a big turnout for the social side of things and there is no pressure to don the whites but if you intend rolling the arm over or having a hit please nominate yourself to me by Wednesday November 21 so we can make up the teams, also it would be good if we can play in whites, at least a white shirt – even better if it is a retro 1970s version cricket attire.

Reunion

This year we want to celebrate the 1975-76 season and the heroics of the 1975-76 B Grade premiership team in an epic grand final: Kwinana 324 v RKCC 362.

The 22 players who contributed that year in B grade included: John Green, Bruno DelSimone, Doug Parkin, Jim

Brayshaw, Ross Chapman, Geoff Savage, Peter McPartland, Ernie Gill, Robert Fancote, Peter Every, Paul Cassotti, D. Clark, David Lague, David Pettigrew, Don Chapman, Max Thurling, Lindsay Chapman, Peter Campbell, Keith Rinaldi, Gerry Chapman, P. Buckley and Trevor Poultney.

Refreshments, lunch @ 12:30 and an afternoon tea will be provided so come along and catch up with some old friends, the game will conclude around 5pm. If you have any RKCC memorabilia you would like to share with us like photos, newsletters, caps etc please bring them along and help us reminisce about the good old days.

For more information and to help with catering numbers please get back me on 0439 986 862 / graham.pound@pgs.com

Graham Pound

Roleystone-Karragullen Cricket Club



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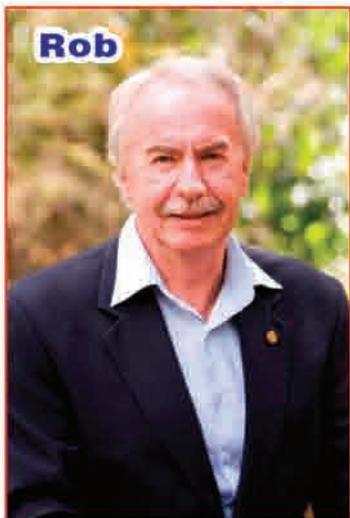
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