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Girl Gets A Farmer

POPULAR television show 'The Farmer Wants a Wife' ended in matrimony for a couple in Toodyay last weekend – despite the groom not being accepted for the show.

Wyalkatchem farmer Eliot Jones was called from the list of prospective grooms in the first week, but a girl from Alice Springs liked 'the way he looked' when checking out the website.

"There aren't many quality men in Alice," said Michelle. "I looked for Eliot on Google and then found him on Facebook. I'm a Google stalker!"

After the initial contact on Facebook in March, the couple swapped email addresses and then started chatting on MSN. Michelle was the first one to 'have the guts' to make phone contact, Eliot says.

"We got on like a house on fire, and in June this year we met for the first time at Perth airport. After that, Michelle quit her job in Alice Springs and got a teaching job in Pinjarra."

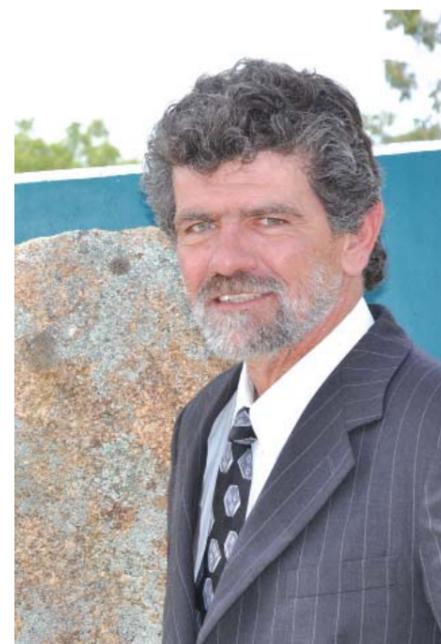
The whirlwind romance continued over the next few weeks – in the first week, the couple looked for a new home, in the second

week they packed up the house in Alice and in the third week drove with two Labradors over the Nullarbor to Western Australia. The couple kept their wedding plans secret from everyone after Eliot proposed five weeks ago.

The journey ended last weekend in Toodyay, when the happy couple married in the garden at Julimar Cottage.

Eliot and Michelle are pictured at the Toodyay Train Station.

Photographer: Wayne Weaver



Shire President Chris Firms

New Look for Toodyay Council

IN an unexpected turn of events at the recent Council elections, Councillor Chris Firms defeated Councillor Bob Somers at a special meeting held early last week.

The newly elected Shire President publicly expressed his gratitude to the Councillors who had voted for him and to the community.

"I'm very honoured by the faith and trust that has been placed in me to lead the Shire in challenging times," said Cr Firms. "These have arisen through threat of amalgamation and loss of possible identity. I'd like to thank the outgoing Shire President, Charlie Wroth and outgoing Councillors for the achievements that have been made over the past few years, including the Stirling Terrace Upgrade, ongoing Library renovations, Duidgee Park and our new Recreation Strategy, amongst others."

The election saw Cr Firms winning narrowly with a vote of five votes to four over Deputy President Cr Bob Somers, who was re-elected to his former position.

Councillor Firms' often stormy relationship with CEO Graham Merrick has led to the appointment being described by community members as 'an interesting situation'.

Cr Firms maintains that he is confident that the Shire staff will uphold a professional attitude.

"I have every confidence in the professionalism of the CEO and staff of the Shire of Toodyay," he said. "I look forward to working with them to complete ongoing projects and plan future improvements."

New Councillors Pim Nouwland (Central Ward), Kevin Hogg (North Ward) and John Prater (East Ward) join Councillors Wroth, Lloyd, Larkin, Jackson, Firms and Somers for a new look Council with a collectively wide range of experience.



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In Days Gone By

Ron E Waters

ONE of the birds that I miss a lot in Toodyay area is the curlew that used to scream out all night.

I used to lie in bed at night, waiting for them to scream out. Other nights, when going around my rabbit traps, I would love to hear them. I had a pet one when I was a boy until Dad let it out of the shed one night and it flew away.

It is nice to know that they are still in our north and lots at Humpty Doo in the Northern Territory where my daughter and family live.

There were lots of mudlarks in the Toodyay area once that made their nests wiout of mud. They too are to be found near my daughter's place but I have not seen any here for a long while. I think a lot of spraying killed most of them.

There were also lots of plovers here, too. They made their nests on the ground, laying four eggs that were green with brown patches on them. There are still a few on the coast at Yancheop on the Sun City property and on the ovals. I think that too much cropping and spraying may have made them shift.

There are still plovers of a different kind in the NT. They are much thinner and are called lapwings there.

The grass parrot (known also as the smoker parrot) was once in large numbers in the Toodyay area. They mainly lived on grass seed.

In the old days, Toodyay farmers used to plough some of their land in late September or October (fallowing) so they could put their crop in earlier in the next year and the smoker parrot would come in big mobs and eat all the grass seed that had been ploughed up. I have been told there is still an odd one about but I have not even seen one in the Perth Zoo so there cannot be very many.

Quails were once plentiful but seem to have moved over to the coast where there is not much cropping or spraying.

The green, 28 parrot numbers seem to have dropped but they seem to have become more destructive as there is not so much grain or fruit grown here, more hay.

They will cut garden plants off and not just eat the fruit off young trees but cut off branches as well.

The black cockatoo numbers have dropped a lot. There are still some big flocks over on the coast.

Eagle and hawk numbers are well down, too; there were a lot here once. Eagle numbers were so thick that the Toodyay Council put a bounty of 5 shillings for their dried heads and clays. The hawks were also in such large numbers that chickens had to be kept in small netted coops or pens to protect them.

When I was a very young boy, the pink cockatoos did not live south of Bejoording but used to come down around Dewars Pool and Toodyay town in August when the almond trees were in blossom. They would eat the blossom and the nuts when they were small. They would stay only for one month but, in the early 1940s, they shifted further south as more land got cleared and more corps were grown. They have always been in the huge wheat areas of WA.

The white cockatoos were from Bolgart to Moora and further north to Badgingarra and the far, north-eastern wheatbelt. Like the pink cockatoos, a lot more clearing of land has brought them south in great numbers to Toodyay and down to the Great Southern areas.

There are still a few large mobs of emus but nothing like in the old days. The bush country was full of them and they used to come in and eat our crops when they were ripe.

It is nice to see the small birds have not left Toodyay nor dropped in numbers. It seems to me that the robin red breasts and blue wrens have increased where jam and other wattle trees grow.

It is lovely to hear all the little birds in the trees in the Toodyay area. Let's hope none of them shift.

In last month's edition of The Toodyay Herald (October 2009), In Days Gone By dealt with various edible plants including the gum from the Black Wattle and Guildford Grass seeds. It is advisable to check the safety of any plant before ingesting.



Samantha Connor
 Editor

HOT on the heels of our story about Stirling Terrace 'apparently' opening - comment on the Herald being the only local newspaper/business that was not invited to the main street opening - we've been handed a rather surprising newsflash. 'Apparently', the Herald will no longer be provided with advertising from the Shire offices, who will instead use a public noticeboard, occasional advertising in the West Australian and a newsletter which will be available at the library, from the website and from the admin offices and Visitors Centre.

At the Herald, we're strong supporters of recycling and therefore have no reservations about using a line from last month's story - "The Herald is sure it was only an oversight that *insert new event here* and not a calculated snub based on the fact that the paper has had the temerity to publish letters and articles by members of the community that, at times, are not entirely sympathetic to the Shire." We're equally sure that the omission of the Notes from the President from the Shire pages was also an oversight, rather than a deliberate omission and certainly nothing to do with this month's content, or a series of emails being bandied around between the Herald and members of Council and staff.

However, as supporters of our community, we're a little worried about consultation being compromised and you, dear Reader, being unable to have your say. In the Shire's Policy Manual, level F consultation (projects, proposals or Council functions that are of Shire wide significance) carry a minimum requirement of 'a comprehensive local newspaper advertisement'. From another point of view, the Herald formerly published columns by the Shire President, Library, Fire Chat, Environmental and Health Matters and Ranger free of charge, with additional advertising material accepted for consultation, local government requirements for elections, restrictions on burning periods and employment, etc. But purely from a Herald standpoint - the Shire's out of contract, and there are now two prime pages (centre pages) going for grabs to some lucky business.

We're a little sad to lose the Shire's advertising, because aside from the consultation aspect, the Communications staff did a wonderful job promoting the positive things that the Shire did, and does. The community often only tells us the negative aspects, and as the voice of the community, we publish it. Seems that the voice of democracy, like Option 7, is dead in the water.

Apparently.



Of course, the Shire newsletter will now reach a 'wider audience'.



2011 Postie Bike Challenge

A cash injection of \$20,000 from the Bendigo Bank has ensured the success of the Lions Club's next venture, the 2011 Postie Bike Challenge.

After the successful T Cup run in 2008, the Toodyay Lions Club resolved to hold another charity event, with monies raised to be divided between the Royal Flying Doctor Service and the Lions Club of Toodyay.

"It would be difficult to replicate the T Cup, which was unique," said organiser Alan Rose. "However, we can take forward our experience and many contacts on to our next venture. The Postie Bikes have been used throughout Australia on a variety of challenges are something of an Aussie Icon – our challenge will follow similar lines to the event run by Rotarians in the Eastern States who now run a 50 bike challenge each year"

The challenge involves riding twenty Honda 110 ex Postie Bikes between Toodyay and Broome, covering a distance of over 2000 kilometres in seven days. A team of around thirty will be required to attempt the trip - twenty riders and ten support staff.

A 1923 Model T Bus will also travel (as well as modern support vehicles) to further add value to the trip.

The crew will leave Toodyay on a Saturday and arrive in Broome the following Saturday – return to Toodyay will be arranged to leave Broome on the Sunday. Dates for the trip will take into account weather, sponsor requirements and other national or W.A. events being run at that time. At the moment we are looking at June, July and August 2011 as the favoured months. We plan to cover approximately 300 kilometres a day but this will incorporate overnight stops.

The trip will be run along the lines of a corporate event. Each rider will raise \$5000

which will purchase their bike plus all trip costs and return journey. The bikes will be the riders to own at the conclusion of the trip. Volunteers will help on the trip, undertaking tasks such as setting up accommodation, cook meals and provide mechanical back up for the bikes. Support vehicles would carry supplies and mechanical necessities. It is envisaged that riding a postie bike for that length of time would be difficult for some, so we are currently looking into a couple's package who would share the riding.

Although the majority of money raised will come from the riders themselves a major sponsor can also be taken on board. The T Cup gained significant media interest and we expect the same will occur during this trip. GWN radio in Northam has already expressed an interest in coming along. Sponsors of the T Cup asked before our next venture to be given earlier notice to gain the best coverage for the trip. This we can now do. We have not finalised the route to again take in sponsor requirements.

The anticipated amount which will be fundraised will be in excess of \$80,000.

For further enquiries, phone event organiser, Alan Rose, on 0448 001 071.



Cr Pim Nouwland

New Councillor in the Spotlight

NEW Councillor Pim Nouwland has unexpectedly found himself in the spotlight as Toodyay's first Councillor with a vision impairment.

Cr Nouwland, who has been flooded with calls from local and national media, admits that he is slightly bemused by all the attention. "I'm hoping that once the novelty wears off, we can start to talk about serious issues," he said.

"I don't see myself as having a disability – yes, I'm blind, but it doesn't prevent me from doing anything I want to do. My focus as a Councillor is firmly on the community, transparency and accountability."

Pim Nouwland contested Joshua Jackson in the Central Ward, winning by a secure 54 votes. (85 – 139) Just over 31 percent of eligible voters turned out to elect the new Councillor. Kevin Hogg and John Prater, for the North and East Wards, were elected unopposed. Councillor Bob Jackson (West Ward) was re-elected unopposed.

Cr Nouwland is adamant that current issues raised in the community can be resolved by

Councillors working together and presenting a united front.

"Councillors need to resolve to work together for the benefit of the community," he said. "The community has been very supportive of me and I hope to repay them by representing my electorate."

Supporters included two local children, Luke and Connor (aged eight and nine) who lent their support during Cr Nouwland's campaign.

"It's impossible to thank all those individually who supported me, but I'd like to acknowledge these two young people who gave me a hand during the election campaign," said Cr Nouwland. "Youth is a focus for me as a Councillor – I want to make a stand on safety and infrastructure for young people in our town."

Accessibility is another issue which Cr Nouwland is keen to address.

"Toodyay has an ageing population, and there has to be access to services, including accessible walkways. How many gophers and walking frames are there in our town? Newcastle Park footbridge is also a priority."

The next Council meeting will be held on 12th November, 2009 at the Council Chambers.

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Mum's Zucchini Loaf

Desraé Clarke

The following recipe was requested by a reader. It is a great light summer meal that is quick and easy to make - but I just couldn't find my copy. Fortunately, Kerry Skinner came to the rescue with 'Mum's Zucchini Loaf'. Thank you Kerry and June for allowing me to use your recipe.

When making this loaf any vegetable that you have at hand may be used - shredded spinach, corn, broccoli florets, peas, etc. Although I have suggested greasing your cooking container, it is a good idea to line the base with brown paper or baking paper, cut to the size of the base; the loaf is inclined to stick to the base when turning it out to slice and serve - ENJOY!

ZUCCHINI LOAF

Ingredients:

1 small zucchini, finely shredded, including the skin

- 1 onion, diced
- 1 carrot, finely shredded
- 1 cup chopped bacon
- 5 eggs
- 1 cup plain flour
- ½ cup olive oil
- 1 cup grated tasty cheese
- ¼ teaspoon Italian herbs (optional)
- Salt and pepper or lemon pepper to taste

Method:
 Lightly grease a lamington or loaf tin. Place the onion and bacon in a pan with a tad of oil and cook until the onion appears clear. It takes about three minutes on medium heat but stir while the onion and bacon is cooking as it can catch incredibly easily.

Break the eggs into a large bowl (remembering to break each egg into a cup before putting it into the bowl!) and beat until fluffy. Add the flour and mix until there are no lumps to be seen.

Add the vegetables, olive oil, tasty cheese and seasoning (herbs, salt and pepper or lemon pepper) mixing thoroughly then pour into the greased container.

Cook in a moderate oven for 30 to 40 minutes or until nicely browned. When cooled, loosen the sides and ends of the loaf and turn onto a serving dish - it is so much easier to slice. This loaf can be served either hot or cold with a green salad or yummy crusty bread.

NB - I cook my carrots in the microwave to soften them if I am using a large carrot as they don't always cook well in the loaf - small, young carrots are fine. ALSO this loaf freezes really well.

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FOLLOWING MY 'RETIREMENT' from Council as an elected member, I wish to express my thanks and appreciation to a great number of people. I would like to thank all past and present Councillors who I have worked with over the past five years, especially Charlie Wroth, the immediate past Shire President. I would like to thank the community members whom I have met and worked with, to improve our Shire. I have always been treated with respect and welcomed at whatever meeting I have attended. I would like to express my appreciation to the Shire workforce whom I have worked with over my term as Councillor. Lastly, but most importantly, I wish to publicly thank Anne and my children for their support and understanding during my term.

Frank Panizza

Sign of the Times

ON THE 17th OCTOBER the Western Australian Woodturners Association had a day in Toodyay which was very successful day with something like ninety people visiting our town. Some stayed in hotels and some in our local caravan parks. Our community benefited by my calculations more than \$2000 with this event.

The day was soured by somebody complaining to the Ranger about the WAWA sign that was on the roadside, which was well out of the way of passing pedestrian traffic. No one else complained to either the woodturners or the rangers.

The pettiness of this person reflected badly on our town, was an embarrassment to the local club and a disappointment to the WAWA. This attitude is not beneficial or encouraging to visitors, and if said person is not happy with country town life then they are welcome to return from whence they came.

Max J. Heath

Draft Policy Timeframe

I WAS ASTOUNDED to see in the shire pages last month that the submission period for draft policy A13 was under two weeks. This draft policy is to do with the 'purchase of land for development of recreation facilities in and around the existing showgrounds site'.

One of the policy statements read 'a minimum of two (2) sworn valuations are to be sought from licensed valuers with one of the valuers being nominated by landowner.' On the first read this seems fair, until you notice 'a minimum of two' valuations, with 'one' being nominated by the landowner. The draft policy also states 'to offer the landowner the average of the sworn valuation amounts plus an additional ten percent.' This means the shire could obtain ten valuations which could drive the average price down.

The draft policy also states 'if the shire has sufficient funds available and has identified a need to purchase the property'. It doesn't state who will determine if the funds are available and if there is a need to purchase each property. It seems very open ended on this point.

The draft policy doesn't say where these funds are to come from. The Local Government Act does not allow for unspecified budget allocations. At budget time each year the allocation of money is very tight. So how much can reasonably be allocated for property purchases when the number and prices of the properties are unknown. If only one property comes onto the market each year and if the shire has sufficient funds available to purchase it, this means 18 years before the recreation facility can be finished. If there are years when no properties or funds are available for purchase, the timeline becomes even longer.

I would be very interested to find out why there was such an extremely short submission period. The shire never does anything without a reason. Could it be that they were hoping for very few negative submissions?

Kathy Robinson

Business Development

RECENT STATISTICS SHOW that Toodyay has the fourth highest unemployment rate in Australia. Toodyay also has an administration which seems to make business development difficult. Surely, if we want to create employment for our citizens, we need to encourage businesses to start up in town.

Peter Robinson

Option 7 rescind motion

THE FOLLOWING IS an excerpt from my submission to Council regarding the provision of recreation facilities in Toodyay. I have requested that Council consider these points when deliberating on the rescind motion due to be discussed at the November Ordinary meeting of Council.

1) The first criteria should be location not collocation. Future recreation facilities must be near the school. To say that we are not here for the school is not a valid approach.

a) They are OUR children who attend the school

b) Evidence from all around the State indicates that recreation centres near to schools are the ones that work best and cost the least to run. (Check with Greg Downie or Tony Maddox. They were both on recreation committees that toured the state to look for the best options)

2) Option 7 cannot work for several practical reasons.

a) It is not possible to design and locate buildings and other infrastructure on a site which you don't know the size and shape of without compromising best design features.

b) It is not possible to know which homes are likely to become available for purchase in the near, medium or long term. This will adversely affect best design practice. How long do you wait for the 'right' area to become available?

c) It is not possible to budget with any accuracy how much property purchase is going to cost.

d) You don't know how many, if any, properties are likely to become available each financial year. Therefore how can the Shire budget be drawn up and approved by Council?

e) Do you change zoning piece by piece as areas become available? You can't build recreation facilities on land zoned residential.

f) What affect do you anticipate a rezoned piece of land will have on immediate neighbours?

g) An area may be used because it is of sufficient size, but at greater head works cost than a better site which may become available later.

h) The cost of property purchase, demolition and site works could well exceed the cost of purchasing and development of a greenfield site such as Lot 3 Drummond St.(over the long term)

i) A greenfield site allows for the optimum infrastructure design, not simply putting things where they can best fit. This will reduce building costs, running costs and be aesthetically more pleasing, stimulating greater use.

j) The future expansion of Toodyay is going to be to the NE,E and SE of the existing town, which means that Lot 3 will be a very accessible site for the majority of residents.

k) A walk/bike path can be developed between the extended Drummond St and the river for children going to and from school to the north Toodyay area.

l) A house may become isolated by recreation development thus having a deleterious effect on property value. On the other hand a property may become vitally important to allow some project to go ahead causing ratepayers to pay an unreasonably high price.

m) How long does the administration expect the community to wait for sufficient houses in a group to come onto the market to allow rezoning and construction?

To give Toodyay the best chance to get first class, cost effective and best located recreation facilities, I urge all Councillors to give serious consideration to supporting the rescind motion instead of option 7 and adopting the site which the Recreation Strategy Committee advised as the best long term site for Toodyay. Since the structures will be in use for a long time then surely we need to be thinking in the long term.

The only reason to not support the rescind motion is if significant costs have been incurred on the option 7 site. I don't believe that has happened. Any properties already purchased can be used for staff housing or be resold. Certainly no costs should have been incurred since the October Ordinary Meeting of Council when the administration knew of the potential of a successful rescind motion.

Peter Robinson

Option 7 re-visited

AT THE OCTOBER meeting of council, Councillor Bethan Lloyd gave notice of a motion to rescind the decision made at the August meeting of council to locate the recreation facilities at the showgrounds.

Previous letters in the Herald show that I have been opposed to this decision, not simply because I am not in favour of option 7, but because the process by which the Recreation Advisory Committee came to this recommendation was, in my opinion, flawed.

Given the importance and long term effect of this project on the community the Minutes of the committee meetings and final report of the committee should have provided evidence that the committee adhered to the terms of reference set by the council and considered all available options for the siting of the recreation facilities in Toodyay.

Anyone reading the report should be able to obtain a clear understanding of the options considered, the advantages, disadvantages and costs of each option and the reason why the committee made its recommendation for a particular option. This was not done.

It is possible to differentiate between such a concise report and one that has been prepared to justify a decision.

It is easy to access data on the internet and use it in a report but, unless relevance to the demographics and lifestyle of Toodyay can be shown, it is simply window dressing. 'Fast Food' sports where people are too busy to participate in organised team sports that require training and commitment may be relevant in the centre of London but are they in Toodyay?

At the August meeting of council, I made a submission that asked the council to vote against the recommendation of the committee, add an addendum to the report that detailed the advantages, disadvantages and costs of the modified option 3 that council directed the committee to consider and then to make the report and addendum available for public comment. Perhaps this can now happen.

The report of the Toodyay Ratepayers and Residents Association discusses the motion to rescind the option 7 decision and actions being taken in more detail.

I urge you to read this.

Phil Coffey

Poor Setup for Local Elections

I WAS APPALLED to see on Saturday, 17th October, Election day, that the rear access to the Council Chambers was completely cut off with a large expanse of orange, plastic 'fencing' which gave electors only one access to the building - via a couple of sets of steps. What thought had been given, if any, to the disabled in our community? Surely the Returning Officer is required to provide comfortable access to all electors. If there was a good reason for the fencing, it certainly was not apparent, but at the very least there should have been perhaps, an overlap of two pieces which could have been used as a 'gate'. It will be interesting to see if there is any improvement for the next event.

Mona Coffey

Congratulations!

MY SINCERE CONGRATULATIONS to the newly elected Councillors and in particular, to our new Shire President, Cr. Chris Firns. You can be assured of our continued support and look forward to a change for the better for our community. Many of you will know that Chris was a founding member of Toodyay Ratepayers & Residents Association and has continued to support us.

Also, a very big thank you to our courageous Councillor Bethan Lloyd for the opportunity to right some wrongs with the proposal for a notice of motion to revoke the Council's decision to accept the Recreation Committee's recommendation for the adoption of Option 7. We know that you and the entire Council will follow through on this, as this is what the community wants. This will be confirmed when the alternative options are open for public consultation and submission again.

Mona Coffey

A COUPLE OF years ago the CEO of the Shire of Toodyay stated at a public meeting that the community gets the council it deserves. Based on the happenings this month, it appears that the CEO has the 'Council he deserves.'

Name and address supplied

Support your councillors

THANK YOU TO all who voted in the recent council elections and congratulations to the successful candidate Pim Nouwland. There was a good atmosphere on a hot day canvassing outside the Shire Offices. Thank you to all those who offered support throughout the campaign and on election day. When door knocking, talking to people in town and reading the Herald I hear and see complaints against the council and administration. I would like to remind those people that positions on the council are voluntary and require many hours of input per week by councillors on behalf of the community, over a long period of time.

There was plenty of opportunity and good odds for a seat on council with only one out of the four seats even contested. Before criticising ask yourself if you would be prepared to put in the time and effort for the community. I would urge people to support the councillors and administration and look for ways to make a positive contribution.

Joshua Jackson

Good Samaritan

AFTER SHOPPING AT Woolworths in Northam recently and attending to other business matters, I went back to my car to find it had a flat tyre. Having in the last six weeks had a total knee reconstruction I decided to call the RAC rather than to tackle the job myself. I was just about to phone them on my mobile phone when a young man came up to me and said: "Don't worry, I will change the wheel for you".

You can imagine my surprise and I found it hard to believe that this young man (who had just come out of his office at the Westpac Bank), would make an offer of this nature. With the help of a friend of his, they changed the wheel and told me where I could find a tyre place nearby to have a look at the tyre which had a split in it. I took the wheel around to Tyre Power who just happened to have a second hand tyre with slightly better tread than my own and let me have it for \$30.00. My own tyre was ruined, due to having hit a nasty pothole on the Irishtown road that I had not seen before I hit it.

I thought maybe I should purchase a Lottery ticket after the help I had received that day and was very grateful to the Good Samaritans who had helped me. I made a point of going into the Westpac Bank and telling the Manager that I was greatly impressed with his helpful staff member whose name was Mat Schroeder. I was also impressed with the man at the tyre place whose name was Gary Stone.

In this day and age when we read horror stories about the treatment of our fellow man, it is good to know that there are some lovely people in the wheatbelt and we should be thankful to be living amongst them.

John Higginson

I WOULD LIKE to express a very big thank you to the many ratepayers and community groups who acknowledged my efforts as a Councillor for the Shire of Toodyay over the past twelve months.

During my term as a Councillor, I approached this important task with the same principles of sound business practice and that was listening intently to what the customers (ratepayers) wanted, did enormous amounts of research, asked many questions and voted at meetings the way the majority of the community felt. I was one of the four councillors who voted against having the recreation facilities at the Showgrounds site and have always been a very strong supporter of a swimming pool in Toodyay.

People have expressed their disappointment to me that I did not stand again as a Councillor in the October Local Government elections. To be honest, the main reason why I did not, was that I was not prepared to commit for a full four year term as a Councillor and it would be hypocritical of me, should I have got back in, to resign after a short period of time and cost the ratepayers of Toodyay thousands of wasted dollars for a by-election.

I strongly urge the ratepayers, residents and businesses to take a more active interest in Council matters with suggestions, feedback and recommended solutions to the new Council and President, to help their decision making for the future needs of the community.

I must also sincerely thank my wife Valerie for her strong support and in putting up with vast amounts of time I spent on council matters,

Neville Tanner

Avon Wood Turners

Max J. Heath
Convener

Hi there from the Wood Turners.

First up I would like to thank everyone for their support in the very successful raffle we ran and offer our congratulations to Anne Kidd on winning the prize.

We had a good day at the Show with a lot of interest shown in what we do and how we go about doing it. We were a little disappointed in the number of entries in the Wood section of the show but hope to have more entries in next year as we will have a list on the board so Turners can start now for next year.

Then, on the 17th, we had the Western Australian Woodturners Association in Toodyay for the day and a very successful day it was too. It was a bit hectic as we had quite a few members away and also with some other problems like sick dogs, that caused some problems as we who were there were few and far between.

It was decided that in the future we would have our monthly meetings on the morning of the fourth Sunday, as this would save some members who travel distances an extra trip.

Well, that's about all from the Wood Turners this month so remember, if you would like to see what we do or even have a go, come along on the second or fourth Sunday to the Wool Pavilion at the Show Grounds. Hope to see you there.

Toodyay Olive Growers

Margaret McKeown

THE rain we've had in the last couple of days has freshened up the groves and the olive trees around Toodyay are now flowering.

The flowers are white and small, less than 5mm across. From a distance, the flowering olive tree appears a lighter colour than nearby trees that are not in flower. Each flower can produce one seed which may end up in one olive. One medium sized olive weighs about 5 grams and will yield about 1ml of extra virgin olive oil, so, it will take about 1000 olives to make 1 litre of olive oil.

The huge amount of work which nature, and olive growers, put into making extra virgin olive oil means that the oil should be treated carefully once it has been produced.

Olive oil is broken down by heat, light and contact with air. These are the three big enemies of olive oil. Exposure to heat, light and air gradually turns fresh oil rancid. Oil should be stored in a cool dark place, a cupboard in the kitchen away from the stove is fine. If you keep olive oil in the fridge it will become cloudy and start to solidify making it more difficult to use.

In addition, olive oil should only be stored in clean, dry, food grade containers. Glass bottles and food grade cans are best. Care should be taken if containers are re-cycled for olive oil storage. The containers must be thoroughly cleaned and retain no smell from detergents used to clean them; don't use lemon scented detergent unless you are keen on lemon flavoured oil!

There are excellent extra virgin olive oils to be tasted from the groves around Toodyay which have been stored and bottled correctly. There are several chemical tests which can be used to check whether olive oil is fresh or contaminated. However, there are two very simple tests which we can all use: smell and taste. Fresh olive oil will have a clean, grassy smell with traces of other floral and fruity scents. Fresh olive oil will taste slightly bitter and will have a peppery finish in the back of the throat.

100 Years Ago in Toodyay

Beth Frayne
Toodyay Historical Society Inc.

WHAT was everyone talking about in Toodyay (or Newcastle as it was then known) in 1909.

Well, in January, Henry Davey, Jr. and James Meredith completed their contract for the extensive additions to Thomas John Donegan's Victoria Hotel. The plans had been provided by Perth architects Cavanagh and Cavanagh and Parry. And Miss May Hasell, daughter of Henry Hasell, had passed her University of Adelaide examinations!

In August, the Federal authorities were urging the reluctant Newcastle Municipal Council to change the name of the town, because of postal confusion with Newcastle in NSW (this change did not occur until May the following year). Also in August, the Newcastle Fire Brigade celebrated its opening day.

The Toodyay Comedy Company was formed in September. Their first performance in October at the Mechanics' Institute was a great success, apparently. The townsite of Bolgart had been gazetted and town lots were for sale in September.

In November, John Riley of the Newcastle Fish Supply discontinued his fresh fish but, happily, crayfish was being supplied as usual.

December was hectic! The Newcastle Branch of the Women's Political League had to postpone their regular monthly meeting because of the official opening of the railway line from Newcastle to Bolgart by the Premier Sir Newton Moore. This line crossed the original Culham race track. The Wesley Church Tennis Club formally opened its new tennis court. Big bushfires occurred at Coondle, Norman's Estate and Mt Anderson.

Jonathan Somers was elected Mayor of Newcastle, replacing Abraham Myers, after an extraordinary election in December 1909 as no-one nominated for Mayor at the annual elections in November 1909. Somers continued to serve as Mayor of Newcastle, then Toodyay, until the Toodyay Municipal Council was formally dissolved in January 1912.

(These facts are a selection from the draft Part 2 (1901-1950) of the The Long Toodyay Chronology. Part 1 is still selling like hot cakes!)



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Public Urged To Help Identify Toodyay Arsonist

SIX deliberately lit fires in Toodyay since April have local fire-fighters, Police and Toodyay Shire rangers out in force.

FESA District Manager Mark Bowen urged members of the community to remain vigilant and report anyone acting suspiciously near where these fires started.

"The fires have destroyed a shop, destroyed bins at the high school, damaged new play equipment and toilet facilities in a local park and put nearby residents at risk," Mr Bowen said.

"Residents may see something and think nothing of it, but it could be the vital piece of information that helps firefighters and police put the puzzle together.

"We are urging people to call Crime Stoppers with any information or details of vehicle registration numbers seen in the area.

"The local community working together with local authorities have an excellent chance to catch and stop these people deliberately lighting fires.

"This approach has been used before resulting in good information being passed on to police.

"People in the community will not tolerate arsonists and there are serious consequences for those illegally lighting fires with the recent changes to laws relating to arson."

WA Police Snr Constable Summer Roberts said patrols had been stepped up in order to deter and catch those responsible.

"Anyone with information - no matter how small - should call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000," Snr Constable Roberts said.

A reward is available for information leading to the identification and conviction of people deliberately lighting fires in Western Australia.

The lighting of fires is a significant crime in Western Australia and attracts a penalty of up to \$250,000 or 20 years in prison or both.

accommodate all facilities, hence the need to maintain the showground area. The school has an oval which could be utilised by the community out of school hours. Headwork costs would need to be included here. A big plus for this is we do not need to buy any land. Work could start quite quickly if we could get funding as we already have plans done for this site.

3. A green field site which could be anywhere. Most likely it would be near the school and could cost 2.5 million dollars or more just to buy the land, plus head works. This option gives plenty of room for expansion in the future and allows us to have any design off the peg as we don't need to comply with heritage guidelines. The talk is if we go for this we will lose the showgrounds which will be subdivided and sold. Would the community let this happen? There would probably be uproar bigger than the one Option 7 has caused. We could probably use existing plans at a new site.

There may be other plusses and minuses for each of the options but everyone should communicate their thoughts to their elected member ASAP because we want to start building the pool.

Other news:

At the show we manned the hectic show bag van and provided refreshments for the equestrian events on the Sunday. We made about \$1800 all up. Many thanks to the Agricultural Society and the equestrian community for their support. Also, thanks to the junior footy club who helped us to run two successful raffles at footy matches at the oval during September.

Our AGM was held in August and office bearers elected were Carole Plackett - Chair, Bethan Lloyd - Sec, Wendy Johnson - Treasurer.

Committee members - Richard Dymond, Samantha Connor, Trevor and Linda Kerslake, Mona Coffey, Trish Young and Val Tanner. Next meeting: 9th November, 12.30pm at the Freemasons Hotel.

Toodyay Swimming Pool Action Committee

Carol Plackett

AT their August Meeting, Council voted to commence detailed planning for recreational facilities at the Showgrounds.

Is the community happy with this decision? As a committee, we just want the Shire to get on with building a pool but many people are unhappy with the decision as it basically is Option 7 again in a slightly different form. Option 7 was rejected by the community last year when the largest number of submissions on any subject was received. Now it's back on again.

Basically, there are three options:

1. Rework Option 7 to locate all recreational facilities around the showgrounds and acquire and buy land once what is required is identified. Cost of land here is high as some of the land is developed. The Shire is keen on this because headwork for services such as power, water and sewerage are close by, reducing costs. Having everything in one place will also save on operating costs for the Shire in the long term. All facilities constructed here would have to comply with heritage guidelines. Existing facilities at the showgrounds badly need upgrading and this would happen more quickly with this option. The pool won't be the first priority though.

2. Dual facilities that maintain and upgrade the existing facilities at the showgrounds for footy, cricket, hockey, etc and collocate a swimming pool and recreation centre next to the school on land the Shire already owns. This site is not big enough to

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Toodyay Chamber of Commerce

THE Toodyay Chamber of Commerce had its AGM on Monday the 19th of October and we now have a new Committee. The members are:

President, Steven Stanbrook (Little Farm Australia); Vice President, Peter Robinson (Mannaview Tiling); Secretary, Sandy Mijota (Rural Cabinets); Treasurer, Grant McLeod (Bendigo Bank); Committee members, Tom Carter and Carlos Chandler (Toodyay Home Fresh), Lynda Burke (Black Wattle Retreat), Kathy Robinson (Mannaview Tiling), Joanne Sherar (Ladyraven's Clothing & Giftware) and Roz Davidson (Courtyard Antiques and Collectables).

There was a large attendance for the AGM with roughly 37 people representing the many different businesses throughout Toodyay.

A vote of confidence for Mike Knowles and Lee King who had achieved an excellent result in rebuilding the Chamber's membership, re-establishing a workable relationship with the Shire and tackling some very sticky issues over the last 18 months was unanimous by all who attended the AGM.

For those who wish to join the Toodyay Chamber of Commerce and Industry Inc, the next General meeting is being held on Monday night the 16th of November at 7pm at the Freemason's Hotel.

A light supper is also being served so, if you wish to attend and have supper, please email the secretary for catering purposes at sandymijota@westnet.com.au.

Toodyay Miniature Railway Inc.

June Eastwood

WITH the miniature railway becoming more widely known, our run days have become very busy indeed. We have also had another visit from a member of the Castledare Miniature Railway who was very impressed with our track. He had difficulty in believing the track was only 1.1k as he was sure it must be 3 kilometres in length. Perhaps all the side attractions add another dimension so that it

seems the ride is longer. New addition Shaun (or is it Shorn) the sheep has proved a real hit with passengers who burst out laughing at Shaun's wide eyed expression at a train in his feeding ground.

News and photos from up north have been emailed to us by one very dedicated member, Gary. His work takes him away from Toodyay most of the year but he is busy machining parts for an engine he is building. Gary is working in a tin shed in 40 degree heat to manufacture the necessary for 'Brockman' in his spare time off the job. I don't think you can get more dedicated than that!

Stan has recently visited the Katanning Miniature Railway where he had the unnerving experience of driving his brother-in-law's new engine. This massive steam engine is approximately four metres in length and extremely powerful making it a very different drive. In fact, he had to be restrained from speeding as 'Smokey' fairly flew around the track.

For those parents intending to apply to have a birthday run for their child, please note the following changes. These events will be incorporated into our normal running days. A special train will be put aside solely for the use of the birthday party at the usual rate of \$50 for the hour. If, however, a run is required apart from our normal run days, the charge will be \$100 for the hour or \$75 concession for school groups.

With summer coming on, all intending passengers are reminded that we close over the summer period with our last run scheduled for Sunday 15th November.

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Rain Damages Hay

Peter Robinson

UNSEASONALLY late October rain caused delays in hay making in the Toodyay district. A rainfall recording of around 15 mm also causes a reduction in quality of the hay and can lead to the growth of mould.

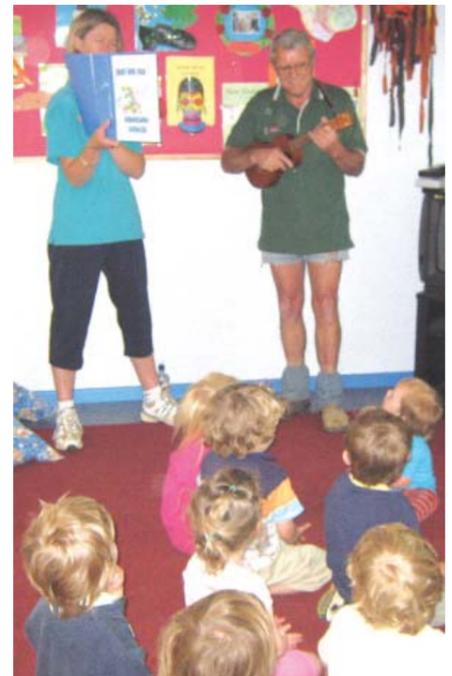
Much of the hay produced in Toodyay is sold to the horse industry and horses are very susceptible to illness from hay with mould. Horse owners are therefore very particular about hay quality and will avoid hay with any sign of mould.

The same rain which is a nuisance to crops already cut for hay production is a bonus to crops which are to be harvested for grain. This is particularly true for late sown or late maturing crops.

Grain prices are very low this year, in part due to the exchange rate of the Aussie dollar to the US dollar. Farmers will need high yields from their crops to at least part cover that low price.

The late rain was good for gardens and domestic water storages, however.

Friday, during school term, in the Pavilion at the Showgrounds at 9:30 am. Remember, your first class is free. For more information, please contact our President, Karen Gale, on 0421 357 333.



Little Rascals

LITTLE Rascals Child Care Centre's special visitor for October was Spencer singing and playing his ukulele. With Spencer is staff member Kerry House holding his music.

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Toodyay Kindergym

CHRISTMAS is just around the corner, and so are our 2010 calendars. This Kindergym fundraiser is sure to be a big hit as we showcase some local events, flora and fauna in beautifully presented, affordable calendars. There will be a choice of 6 different styles so you can buy one for each member of the family! What a unique and cost effective idea for gifts to send to relatives and friends overseas. At just \$8 each you can't go wrong! Look out for them in the local shops and they will also be on sale at the Street Party.

Our AGM was held on October 23rd. Congratulations to: Karen Gale as President, Bronwyn Gavlik as Treasurer, Kelly Jefferies as Secretary and Lisa Giorgi as Fundraising Coordinator. Although small, this committee is very dedicated and hard working, with some very positive ideas and plans for the future development of Toodyay Kindergym. So if you would like to be a part of the club at this exciting time of change, please contact Karen at the number below.

Toodyay Kindergym has classes every



Jordie on the train (r) Tom at Vasse

Toodyay Scout Group

ONLY ten weeks to go until Jamboree! Our pre Jamboree camp has been held and now we're ready to rock and roll – well, all except raising a chunk more money!

There has been a lot happening between columns, but not enough room to write about it all here. Joeys have been working really hard on a lot of projects and having great fun with Kanga and Evie. Cubs have been to the Zoo, have linked to a Scout camp (for the older Cubs) and have built billy carts! They're also going iceskating and billy cart racing this term. Scouts travelled to Vasse Scout Camp in Bunbury for a linking camp entitled 'Reality Bites', where they carried out a MasterChef Challenge, a sandcastle building competition, went caving at Yallingup in the spectacular caves there, went swimming, building dams, mini golf, archery – did we really fit all that into four days? We also hooked up with a neighbouring Scout group on camp for campfire and learned some skills. Congratulations to the award recipients for the camp and our linking Cubs, who did really well on what was a big camp for their first Scout event! Congratulations also to Rocky, who won an award for his amateur surgery on a wart on his knee – Scouts were massively impressed!

Thanks to all leaders and parent helpers who assisted with the camp.

Welcome to our new Scouts Tristan and Courtney. They join the Penguin and Albatross Patrols. The Scouts have been working really hard on their badge work and have learned some interesting skills along the way (including making rope out of toilet paper, with a drill!) The Scouts who will be attending the Jamboree – Mikaela, Casey, Harry, Tiana, Gabby and Jake – have mostly completed their Pioneer badge and will have it knocked off next week. Harry and Tiana are well into their Explorer level work and should have it completed by December (right, guys?) Five of the Scouts attended the Pre-Jamboree Camp this weekend with Troop Leader Ironbark, where they met 30 other Scouts from Kalamunda and other districts. Broome also join the Scouts to make up Troop 1015, 'Alien Stingers'. Contingent shirts, bags, backpacks and other gear was handed out for the event. To see what the Scouts will be getting up to at Jamboree, go to <http://www.scoutsaj2010.com/> Toodyay will be well represented with Ironbark as Troop Leader and Dropbear in the Media Centre as Editor of the JNN Daily newspaper. We'll be putting out 22,000 newspapers per day and getting them sent in to the site from a printer about an hour and a half away, then distributing them with the Scouts meals – no mean feat.

Scouts are collecting corks and will be setting up collection points in Toodyay. If you can offer a collection point, please let us know. The cork will be recycled through a Green Depot and sorted by the Scouts.

Happy FIFTIETH birthday to Danielle, (Ratcha), our Cub Leader, who continues to defy gravity and universal laws about the size of Cub Leaders! J

The Venturers finally finished painting the top bar at the Race Course, which took about eight weeks. Well done, guys. We are all very sad about the loss of Blu, the caretaker at the racecourse, who was always a friend to our Scouts and Venturers. He will be sadly missed.

Venturers are planning some major events, including a camp at Ledge Point in about a fortnight. This venue is probably one of the flashiest places we've ever camped, so no accident they're booking out there again!



On one of their last outings, Venturers hired wheelchairs then travelled into the city on an event called 'Ferris Wheelchair' – apart from having very sore arms at the end of the day, we all had a blast and had a experienced awareness of what people who use wheelchairs go through in order to access services. Poster moments – Courtney stacking it on Perth train station transferring from the train, Jess telling another Venturer (and a whole heap of drop jawed eavesdroppers on the train) that the reason she used the wheelchair was because she had 'heart cancer', and the Venturers being unrealistically angry that the lift was full of people whose 'legs worked!' Next event is this Saturday – dinner at Sizzlers and movie in Perth, plus planning for 'Canada'. If you want to go to a DIFFERENT overseas country, you need to have your say, so turn up! New people welcome. Check the Facebook events for details.

If you're in town on the 7th November, please support our Cake Stall, kindly supported by the guys at Toodyay Fruit and Veg, who have offered their venue for Scouts. Our wonderful President Gina has been busy coordinating the bakers, and if any parents think they have some undiscovered culinary skills they can put to use, now's the time! Scouts and Venturers can also dig out their aprons (sorry, Macca) and start cooking. Cakes, biscuits, scones, slices etc will all be gratefully received. Gina has made some tags for you to attach to your cakes to let everyone know what is in them.

Thank you very much to those businesses and people who have supported the fundraising to date. We received a generous donation recently from the Op Shop which was very gratefully received. Along with the Shire sponsorship and donations at the Show, we're well on the way to making our target (over \$19,000). Thank you also to our Parent Committee and especially Gina and Bron, who organised a book sale and raffle at the Show; thanks also to the parents who participated in manning the gates at the Races.

We're also looking for The Best Spraypainter in the World for a very important job. The Scout Group has a fantastic tradesman's trailer which was purpose built for Scouts (designed by Quokka and Heather Davis) and which is in need of spray painting. We've also had the idea of asking businesses to promote their business on the trailer by sending us their logo and an accompanying donation so we can print the logo on the trailer in vinyl! As the trailer travels far and wide with the Scouts, it's a great way to promote your business not just in and around Toodyay but also in surrounding areas. Email moondyne@iinet.net.au. if you're interested in having your logo fixed to the trailer. Of course, The Best Spraypainter in the World would have their logo attached for free! You know who you are – if you can help the Scouts, call 9574 2106 and leave a message.

Rovers are also officially up and running with their own Crew, ably led by Rob. The forms are in and we are seeking a Rover Advisor. If you've had any experience in Scouting and would like a casual position where you attend occasional Crew meetings and events and lend guidance to a group of young people 18-26, email Julia at polgara86@hotmail.com. Our Toodyay Rover Crew participated in Bush Baja, Rover's Cams Motosport event, last month (see story in last month's Herald). For more information about what Rovers do and how they do it, go to <http://www.warovers.com.au/>

Joey Scouts, Cub Scouts, Scouts, Venturer Scouts and Rovers are coordinated through the 1st Toodyay Scout Group; for enquiries phone the section leaders. Joeys – Lee, 9574 5401; Cubs – Danielle, 9574 4005, Scouts and Venturers - Sam, 9574 2363; Rovers – Julia, 0428 820 010.

Meetings – Joey Scouts, Thursday afternoon (3-4pm) at the Toodyay Youth Hall, Cubs, Thursday afternoon (4.15 – 5.45pm) at the Toodyay Youth Hall, Scouts, Thursday night (6-8pm) at the Toodyay Youth Hall, Venturers, Monday night (7-9pm) at an undisclosed location, Rover Crew meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at rolling locations. All new members and visitors welcome.

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fire chat

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Desraé Clarke

WITH the summer months rapidly approaching, it is time to revise your Family Fire Plan for your family, your pets and your property. Involve the children in the discussion as there are many little chores they can do so include them in the plan.

Whether you decide to 'stay and defend' or 'leave before a situation becomes unmanageable' will depend on the circumstances and the decision you make with your family. However, there are a number of measures that can already be in place to help protect yourselves and property should the need arise. The following suggestions may be some food for thought:

- Have a battery radio to hear both police and fire reports, when broadcast, and a functioning torch and lamps available
- Check the tank pumps function and the Family know how to start the pumps
- Ensure all garden taps and hoses are functioning and in good condition
- Pack together important documents such as birth and marriage certificates, title deeds, passports, insurance documents, etc. Photos are irreplaceable if destroyed so perhaps gather together those that are most precious.
- If the situation does become nasty have your mobile phone at the ready and also your medications handy. Don't forget your young ones' favourite toy, a change of clothing, baby food and liquids and several pacifiers - one may get lost! Also a name written on the arm in permanent marker pen can be a good idea if the community is gathered together in a hall or sports ground.
- The household pets need to be confined with perhaps puss in a cat basket and doggy on a leash, both with name and telephone numbers in place in case of loss.

The Toodyay Central Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade needs your help as both active and ancillary participation. All enquiries may be made to the Captain, Kevin Hug, on 9574 2612, or Secretary, Wayne Clarke, on 6364 3609.

The following dates for training to be held at the Fire and Emergency Services Centre:
 Saturday November 14th at 2pm
 Saturday November 28th at 2pm
 Saturday December 12th at 2pm

The next General Meeting to be held on Tuesday 24th November commencing at 7.30pm at the Fire and Emergency Services Centre.

coondle

Beth Ruthven

WE are now in the prohibited fire season, with no exceptions. Brigades have not been given an extension so that means everyone is in the same boat. In other words, **any open fire is now prohibited**. You can no longer burn that heap of rubbish. If you see smoke, call 000.

Despite the odd wet day, the weather is now warming up and the grass is drying out. Because of the extended wet season there is a lot of fuel and we have been warned that this is likely to be a bad year for fires. This means that we must all be very careful in the coming months.

Thanks to Brian Salmond for his work in putting together the display at the Toodyay Show. Thanks also to Sam Salmond, who spent most of her day assisting Brian on the stand. We had several inquiries and gave out contact details for most Brigades.

Brian has been particularly busy as the following weekend he conducted an Introduction to Fire Fighting course for new Coondle members as well as a few from other Brigades. We also had a couple of auxiliary members attend the course to gain a better understanding of what we do.

With the new members undertaking training, we now have full crews for this fire season. However, don't let that stop you coming and joining us. Rostered crews only operate for the weekends and we can always use additional help during the week from anyone who is available.

At the October Ordinary Meeting of the Shire of Toodyay, Cr Bob Somers introduced a notice of motion concerning the delegation of powers under the Bush Fires Act. As a result, the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and the Shire President, acting jointly, have the delegation from Council to alter the dates of the restricted and prohibited burning periods, depending on the conditions.

Over the last few weeks members have been busy tidying up around the shed. We have new cupboards in the kitchen; notice boards have been brought up to date; vehicles and equipment checked; the areas surrounding the new concrete apron have been levelled and the driveway graded. Now we are ready for the season.

As the fire season has started, we are resuming monthly meetings and our next meeting will be on Saturday 14th November. This month we'll be reverting to the standard summer fare for dinner after the meeting; bring your own meat/fish/whatever for the BBQ and a salad, vegetable dish or dessert to share. If you have any queries, check with Kerry Gregory, our logistics officer/social director on 9574 4470.

If you can't make it to the meeting, come and join us any Friday night for a bite to eat and a good social evening at the Coondle Fire Shed on Coondle West Road. No matter where you live, a visit to **your local Brigade** is a great opportunity to meet other people from around your area and obtain advice about maintaining your property to restrict the chances of fire.

If you can't get to the shed on Friday night, but would like to know more about Coondle Brigade or would like information about any aspects of fire prevention and safety, phone Peter Ruthven (Captain) on 9574 2951.

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Grant Scobie

AFTER much asking, pleading, begging, etc, our Captain has managed to gather together enough information from our fire fighters to make up a roster for the season.

This would have to be one of the hardest in recent years for many reasons, not the least of which is the fact that our new 'light' vehicle, the 1.4, requires drivers who have the next level driver's licence (LR) above a car licence (C). This means finding two, experienced fire fighters with the appropriate 'heavy vehicle' licence per shift compared to only one for the past seasons. We also seem to have a drop-off in our fire fighter lists compared to other seasons with no new members joining in the past 12 months.

So, anyway, the roster has been published and has been in operation for some weeks. I ask all members to take note of their rostered weekends and turn up on the Friday night to pick up their pagers and help with the vehicle checks.

For members of the general public who have no links with your local bush fire brigade, please note, the prohibited burning season came into effect on 1st November. This means NO FIRES.

More general information for the public: we have had lots of rain which means lots of growth which means lots of fire risk; we have had warnings of the possibility of lots of lightning strikes this season; we have been lucky for two seasons now - can it last?

The next meeting of the Brigade is on Saturday, 7th November at 6pm at 'The Fireplace' followed by our regular BYO BBQ. Training, on drafting from the new 1.4, will be on Sunday, 8th November from 10am.

Last month's training on the general operation of the new 1.4 had a small but interested group of fire fighters turn-out to get the low-down on the unit. I know it is hard for some to get to these training sessions but they can and should be able to impart valuable information to members, whether experienced or inexperienced. Don't forget, however, that members only have to ask one of their officers for further information or training. The officers are generally more than

happy to give up their time to help make fire fighters and auxiliaries more knowledgeable and safer.

If you wish to know more about your fire brigade or more about fire and how it may affect you in your community or even if you just want to get to meet some of your neighbours, get down to your local fire shed.

'The Fireplace', behind the Julimar Fire Shed is open from about 5pm on Friday nights for some casual interaction with Brigade members. Even if you're not a member, come along and have a chat about your fire prevention plan, find out about your brigade and get to know the people who hope they never have to be called to your home (except maybe for dinner!).

Country Womens Association

Glensy Clabaugh

ON Monday 26th October CWA hosted a Garden Party at the CWA hall. Originally planned to be held in the glorious garden of Shirley Patten, we were thwarted at the last minute by the torrential rain

Not to be outdone, our unstoppable ladies moved the event inside the CWA Hall and an enjoyable day was had by all.

The 'Ladies who Lunch' had a wonderful time, with good food and entertainment.

There was a raffle of beautiful hand embroidered Italian bed linen. Really inventive and pretty hats were worn, and 1st and 2nd prizes were awarded for the best ones. That was a hard decision to make.

The delightful ladies from Toodyay op shop regaled us with a fashion parade. It was such an entertaining afternoon and I think we all have a different opinion of op shop fashions now. Thank you to Tricia and the wonderful volunteers.

Ladies of CWA continue to enjoy life to the fullest. If you think CWA could be for you - please join us at one of our meetings. They are on the fourth Thursday of each month (except January) commencing at 1.30pm.

Toodyay 4WD Club

TOODYAY 4WD Club is a recreational club whose aim is to provide its members with opportunities for safe, educational and enjoyable 4WD-ing. Our philosophy is to cause no damage to vehicles, tracks and the environment. We are actively involved with the Department of Environment and Conservation and are planning projects in Avon Valley National Park and Julimar Conservation Area.

Our activities include day outings, weekends and extended trips, and catering for both tents and camper trailers. Anyone with a traditional 4WD vehicle and a sense of adventure who enjoys the great outdoors is welcome to join.

We are holding a Visitors' Day on 14th November, 2009, at Clackline/Bakers Hill. If you would like to come along and experience an outing with us, this will be an easy drive, suitable for people with limited or no 4WDing experience.

Please contact Dave on 9574 4035 after 7pm for more information. Bookings for this trip close on 11th November, 2009.

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PUGGLES Playgroup meets every Monday and Wednesday morning (except school holidays) in the Toodyay Community Centre. If you would like to arrange a 'trial morning' for you and your child, please contact the Playgroup Leader, Felicity Brown 9574 4254.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended our meeting including the newly elected Shire President, Chris Firms and Debbie from the Childcare licensing services. It was a great turn out and was very informative. The next stage of the planning for a Montessori Education Centre for 3 - 6yrs is under way.

We will be holding another public meeting in November, all interested parties are encouraged to attend - notices will be placed around town closer to the date.

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Toodyay Historical Society Inc

Beth Frayne
Secretary

AT our September meeting, the Society discussed the Council's intention to commence planning for sport and recreation facilities at the Toodyay Showgrounds and environs. While such facilities are certainly needed, and better use could be made of available spaces and buildings within the Showgrounds, the Society has very serious concerns about the Shire's intention to expand the site by gradual acquisition of surrounding residential properties.

While most of our members disagree with the over-riding premise that current and future facilities should be co-located into one area, thus requiring expansion of that area, the decision was made that our response should be confined to the main business of our Society - the protection and conservation of the Shire's heritage.

In our March 2008 submission to the Shire on the Recreation Strategy and April 2008 article in the Toodyay Herald, we set out in detail our concerns to what was then referred to as Option 7. These concerns still hold, especially now the showgrounds site has been chosen with the intention of encompassing even more heritage-listed buildings within the proposed perimeter.

Nearly all of the buildings within this perimeter are listed on the Shire's Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places with the recommendation they be retained and conserved. Some that are not included on the inventory should be, as they are part of the early history of the town.

All these buildings contribute to the special ambience of North Toodyay. By placing the threat of a highly uncertain future over the heads of the property owners, there is the very real danger of the locality becoming downgraded over time. This happened in Northbridge during the decades it took to acquire properties and construct the Graham Farmer Freeway. In heritage circles, the term 'demolition by neglect' is used to describe the process, or even strategy, of allowing a place to degrade to the point it is not worth retaining.

We can't help but wonder at the Shire's thinking. It seems ironic that at the very time the Shire is updating its Municipal Inventory and expressing the value it places on heritage, it is proposing a plan that, in the long term, would result in the destruction of a significant segment of it.

While the amount of vacant land in the area to the north of the showgrounds would have attracted the Shire's attention, we feel the Shire should be looking instead at how to enhance this historic area with design guidelines for future residential and other appropriate developments.

We believe the Toodyay Showgrounds should remain on its current site, which in itself has a rich history, and that the Shire should consider having two locations for recreation facilities. This is a small rural town in a river valley setting. It's geography and historic ambience are not suited to the creation of a mega sporting and recreation precinct.

The Shire is in the process of reviewing and updating its Municipal Inventory of Heritage Places. In spite of the short notice for public nominations, the Society submitted nominations for the Toodyay War Memorial, Shepherd's Rock (1849), an early cottage in Jubilee Street, Joe's Cage, and the rock cairns constructed by John Forrest and his team as part of the 1877-78 survey of the Avon Valley. We hope the Shire's consultant (when appointed) will contact the Society as part of the MIHP review and update process.

We are in the process of obtaining Society polo shirts. These smart little numbers in black with gold logo will have arrived by the time you read this. Watch out for our new look at our next event. Any member interested in buying a shirt should contact President, Len Leeder.

Donegan's Cottage was open to the public, as usual, on Toodyay Show Day (10th October). We had a pleasing number of visitors to view the various displays prepared by our Archivist, Jenny Edgecombe. An enthusiastic group of men came over to look at the truck photos in our Industrial Extracts collection. Outside, we had to play musical chairs with our lovely new sandwich board sign, as cars seemed to like parking right in front of it! A gentleman from Clackline signed up as a new member, and we sold a few more Long Toodyay Chronologies.

Our Monster Garage Sale (the Society's 7th on 24th October) was a great success, in spite of the lovely rain. Many thanks to all who helped in any way, either contributing and pricing

items for sale, or setting up and selling on the day. It was amazing how quickly the junk (oops! ... precious pre-loved treasures) went sailing out the door or off Donegan's verandah.

If you are not a card-carrying member of the Society, you missed a great article by our Vice-President, Robyn Taylor, on the history of the Toodyay Masonic Lodge (and former Templars' Hall), in the most recent issue of our bimonthly newsletter Duidgeeana.

Next excursion - Change of plan and date. We have made a change to our planned event for November, which had been tentatively an excursion on 29 November to the Toodyay Catholic Precinct. We will try to organise this for next year. Instead, we will travel to Beverley on Sunday, 22nd November (note change of date), for the Avondale Harvest Festival (10am-4pm) at the Avondale Discovery Farm (a historic working farm, on Waterhatch Road, off Great Southern Highway, just north of the town). Meet at 9am at the Toodyay Visitors' Centre, or make your own way there. Entry is \$10 per car, so carpooling is encouraged. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, 18th

November, 7pm at Donegan's Cottage. For information about any matter to do with the Toodyay Historical Society, or how we may assist you or your group, please contact our Secretary, Beth Frayne - 9574 5971, President, Len Leeder - 9574 4343, or Vice President, Robyn Taylor - 9574 2578.

Our headquarters are at Donegan's Cottage, which is open to the public every Thursday from 1pm to 3pm. You will find us on Toodyay Street in the Toodyay Showgrounds. Membership is \$10.

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Bejoording Babble

Kim Leonhardt

EVENING, all. What a big weekend you all missed, because this edition will be out after the weekend, and if only you came to Wednesday nights and/or Community Meetings, you would've known all about it, and had a terrific time!

First up, is the Games Night on Halloween, Saturday 31st October from 6pm. Get into your scariest and ghoulieest Halloween Costume you can create, and give all the little kiddies heart palpitations, shortness of breath and the ability to disappear behind Mum. Don't worry, when the actual games are due to commence, we'll pump them full of Red Creaming Soda to get that spark back into them. And watch their mums get heart palpitations, shortness of breath and the ability to disappear behind dad.

Second up, is another Busy Bee at the shed on Sunday 1st November from 10am. This is to clean up any fire hazards from around the shed and infrastructure. Bring the kids! We'll spark them up with left over Red Creaming Soda, hand them picks, shovels, axes and chainsaws, and then just sit back and enjoy the free BBQ while the kids get the job done!

Third up, is Melbourne Cup Day on Tuesday 3rd November. Come on down to the shed and watch the race whilst gorging yourself on chicken, salads, strawberries and cream, pavlova and trifle. Non-members will have to face the indignity of paying \$10 a head.

Fourth up, is Wednesday Night Feast night on November 4th. This is where we eat all the leftovers from Tuesday November 3rd. You know, the chicken, salads, strawberries and cream, pavlova and trifle. Non-members only pay \$5 a head this time.

Another event for which you will have plenty of notice, is the Community/Fire Shed Xmas Party. This is set for Sun. 20th December. Non-members \$10 a head, kids free. Well... kids are free, but they must be accompanied by an adult. Santa does get to be a bit narky if it's hot. That's right! Santa! We've sent our party of eminent persons off to the North Pole to negotiate bookings, flight paths etc. Now... reports so far, seem to be a bit shaky. Santa, apparently didn't appreciate our negotiation tactics last year. But that's all right, Bert looked around and started asking some of the elves if they have any workplace agreements. Wow! That certainly got Santa's face red! No... hang on... no apparently Santa's face is always red. Well it certainly pricked up the elves' ears!

No... wrong again... elves ears apparently always look pricked up. Well, suffice it to say, negotiations are still under way, but we're all pretty confident that Santa will be here on time.

Bathurst Day was a big success. The Ford Flag Pole had a red bag flying at half mast, something to do with nine of the top ten cars all being of a red disposition. I got into trouble for having the audacity to eat a slice of cake during the PIES ONLY timeline. Skiddy created a new competition by not going to the toilet til lap 110 (only the most elegant of competitions held here!). And the code for next year's event is... SMELL FISH. Well if you were there, you'd have known what it's all about, wouldn't ya?

Speaking of code. Cody supplied the soup for last month's Feast Night. It was so chunky you could carve it! Oops! Now that's the wrong ad line! Whatever the ad is for soup that you could eat with a fork. THAT's what Cody's soup was like! Well done Cody. We look forward to more MasterChef concoctions!

The Bejoording Blondes and Brunettes are now Budding Bricklayers! Ashlee, Samantha, Kara and Kiara were part of a group of students that participated in a Bricklaying Step Out Programme run by the Toodyay High School. Their project consisted of building brick flower and veggie beds for the pre-primary students. Well done girls! We have plans for our next busy bee!

At the last Community Meeting it was reported that garden refuse is being dumped on vacant land in our locality. They know who they are, and this is a polite, non-confrontational way of saying STOP IT!

On a much sadder note, one of our first residents here in Bejoording, Arthur Riddle passed away at his home in early October. Arthur had a penchant for sheep and hay. He loved one, wasn't quite so enamoured with the other. Our condolences and best wishes to Mary and her family. I'm sure Arthur is enjoying himself on that great sheep station in the sky. However... if there's hay bales on the ground... he may be in that other place! See you in about 30 or 40 years Arthur!

Our next Community Meeting is Wednesday 2nd December and is also a Feast Night. Don't forget the Shed is open every Wednesday night from 6pm. See ya there!

Photo Caption: Samantha Glossop, Ashlee Leonhardt, Kiara Gray, Kara Scraighe and Stan the Brickie, with pre-primary students at the brick garden beds ribbon cutting.

community essential to developing a truly 'local' Plan. Issues such as vandalism and graffiti, or youth facilities are often dominant subjects of conversation; your ideas are sought on ways to address these matters, to allow us to develop a plan to capitalise on funding opportunities available.

The CSCP Committee Working Group has been meeting regularly to develop a Draft Plan. It is envisaged that a forum will be held early December to present the Draft to the community, and to receive feedback.

The survey return date has been extended until 13th November 2009 to allow more opportunity to respond. Again, it is not limited by age, and the Committee invites responses from all sections of the community, including our youth.

Copies of the survey are available from the Bendigo Bank, and can be returned either to the Bank, the Toodyay Police, or can be emailed to:

toodyaycscpc@westnet.com.au

Responses to the survey will assist Toodyay to attract funding for targeted aspects of the CSCP Plan, aimed at keeping Toodyay a safe place in which to live.

For further information, please contact the CSCP Committee Chair, Wayne Clarke, on 6364 3609 or at email toodyaycscpc@westnet.com.au.

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Community Safety and Crime Prevention

Wayne Clarke

THE Community Safety and Crime Prevention (CSCP) Survey, distributed in early October, had a limited response, which is rather disappointing. The Toodyay CSCP Committee is anxious to have as much input into developing a CSCP Plan for Toodyay, with the needs and the perceptions of our

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Fly on the Wall

Peter Robinson

THE Julimar Fire Shed was the venue for the final Council meeting for our 3 retiring Councillors, Panizza, D'Alton and Tanner. Each gave a short farewell speech at the end of the meeting. They thanked their fellow Councillors, both past and present and also the administration. When Cr Panizza was first elected, he promised to 'dress up' for his last meeting. As always he was true to his word and looked very splendid in his black suit, white shirt and black bow tie. All three will be greatly missed on Council. They contributed strongly to many debates and each gave an enormous amount of time to the task of representing the people of Toodyay as a whole and their wards in particular. I would like to add my personal thanks also. You always had the time to discuss the important issues of the day and helped out wherever possible. However, nobody is indispensable and I'm sure the three new Councillors will also be excellent representatives of the people of Toodyay.

The October Meeting was also significant for another reason as the CEO, Mr Merrick was absent from an Ordinary Meeting for the first time since he came to Toodyay over five years ago. Deputy Shire CEO, Sam Mastrolembro had the unenviable task of filling in for Mr Merrick.

Question time once again took quite a while as there were many questions ranging from Shire expenditure, strategic firebreaks, road resurfacing, the new Shire depot, recreation facilities and restricted burning. Councillors had some difficulty moving the minutes of the September Special Meeting at the Memorial Hall. WA Local Government rules concerning the recording of minutes is different from normal minutes. Everything in the agenda presented by the administration is in the minutes, but none of the argument from the Councillors is recorded. Only the outcome of each vote appears and the wording of any amendments. At the Special meeting Cr Somers moved an alternative motion as circulated. Councillors eventually agreed that for posterity reasons the wording of the circulated motion needed to be recorded, otherwise in a few years time nobody would be able to make sense of the minutes.

The first of the substantive motions dealt with the old railway reserve along West Toodyay Rd. The first section is the triangle piece along Telegraph Rd on the town side of Connor St. The next section goes to Reserve St and the third piece continues to the current railway line. After some considerable time, with questions and debate, Councillors voted to leave the third section alone and change the first two pieces of land from road reserve to unallocated crown land. The real practical reason for changing the status of the land, apart from administration having nice tidy maps with all roads being 20 m reserves, is to change the maintenance responsibility from the Shire to FESA. The first two pieces of land could be used for recreation facility car parking. That's providing Option 6.5 remains the preferred site!

The next significant item on the agenda was an application from Landscaping Outdoor & Hire to adjust their compliance timetable to allow a practical solution to a problem which should never have escalated to where it has. During the debate it was revealed that the Court imposed fine has not yet been paid nor has the Shire yet moved to collect the fine. The motion to allow extra time was passed 9 to 0. Later in the meeting there was another request for an extension of time to comply with development orders. This one was also approved. During the debate it was pointed out by a couple of Councillors that maybe the policy needs adjusting so people are not forced to come cap in hand to the Council. Former Councillor Sally Craddock and Cr Panizza both argued this point some years ago, but the administration always wanted tough rules. Let's hope this time, enough Councillors realise that we need to encourage businesses to start up in Toodyay, so we can facilitate employment and the provision of goods and services locally. A fair and level playing field does not have to be a rock hard playing field. (A greenfield site would be perfect.)

I don't normally comment on the monthly financials, but this time I will mention one point. Over the years Cr Panizza and for the last year Cr Tanner have asked many questions relating to the financials, often just to make it clear to the public what certain things mean. They have also brought anomalies to the attention of the administration. With both Councillors retiring I'm now curious to see who will take up that role.

The contract for the transport of waste from the Waste Transfer Station to Northam has again been granted to Avon Skip Bins. Because they are a local company with trucks already working the district and with Toodyay's best interest at heart, they were able to quote a price about half the other quotes. It is interesting to note that the people of Toodyay have taken recycling and composting on board very well, as the monthly tonnage going to Northam is now less than half what it had grown to some years ago. That is extremely good as our population has grown over that time. Keeping the tonnage down has a direct relation to keeping our rates down. The Shire's new recycling and composting initiative will also help.

The last item for the evening was a Notice of Motion from Cr Lloyd. This motion will be debated at the November meeting on Thursday 19th November. The motion is to rescind the August 2009 motion to locate new recreation facilities at an expanded showgrounds site known as modified Option 7 (Option 6.5). The plan to purchase residential properties near the showgrounds has been widely criticised by the community. Submissions (either for or against) the rescind motion, including alternative sites, should be forwarded to the Shire and all Councillors.

There is always a meeting on the Monday night following Council elections. The purpose of this meeting is to firstly swear in new and re-elected members and then to elect the Shire President and Vice President for the next two years. Toodyay has its own unique extra item at this meeting and that is a ballot for seating positions around the council table. Councillors Prater, Hogg and Nouwland were sworn in as new Councillors for East, North and Central wards respectively and Cr Jackson was sworn in as the re-elected member for West ward.

At the election for President, Cr Wroth stood down from the contest at the last minute in favour of Cr Somers who then nominated for President in a contest against Cr Firms. Cr Firms was then elected Shire President with a 5 to 4 vote. Cr Somers was elected Deputy President unopposed. The refusal of some Councillors, and staff to shake hands with the new Shire President reflected badly on those individuals. We can only hope that all members and staff can put aside their differences and remember that

they are there on our behalf to do what is best for our community.

Cr Wroth had been a councillor for 2 years when he was elected to the position of President. He then held the position for two, two year terms. In that time a great many positive things have occurred in Toodyay. Infrastructure projects like the underground power in the main street, the Stirling Tce upgrades, the refurbishment of the Old Gaol Museum, the extension to the library and the remodelling of Duidgee Park are just some of the main ones. At the administration level, LPS4 was eventually adopted after years of delay and then many policies were also adopted, along with future plans, plant replacement plans as well as long term road maintenance and road construction plans. The Shire's financials have also been turned around. However, the community has reached the stage where they want a change in attitude, culture and actions from our administration. It is obvious that those changes were not going to be facilitated or assisted by the previous leadership group. It is clear to the new Councillors in particular, that the only way to make changes is to make a change. It is now up to everyone to accept what has happened and work together to make Toodyay a better, happier and more pleasant place to live, work and do business in. As for the rumours going around town, the people who start them as well as those who repeat them, should be ashamed. At the very least all the Councillors should be given a chance to prove themselves. Australians believe in a fair go!

Thanks must go to Cr Wroth for his time and effort as Shire President. The job can't be easy, especially when we have an administration which tries to control everything and everybody. Congratulations to our new President Cr Firms. We wish you and all Councillors every success in seeing that the wishes of the community are respected.

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Toodyay Ratepayers and Residents Association

Important information for the community to consider.

CONGRATULATIONS to the new councillors elected at the recent Local Government elections.

CONGRATULATIONS to Councillor Chris Firms on being elected Shire President and to Councillor Bob Somers on being re-elected Deputy Shire President.

CONGRATULATIONS to Councillor Bethan Lloyd on her motion to rescind the decision made at the August meeting of Council to proceed with option 7, the showgrounds site, for the development of recreation facilities.

The development of recreation facilities in Toodyay is the most significant and costly project to be undertaken in the Shire and requires full community support, which it does not currently have.

The decision to proceed with option 7 was made just prior to the elections for council and it makes sense to give the new council, who will be responsible for implementing the decision, the opportunity to make their own decision on the best option for the location of the recreation facilities.

The Toodyay Ratepayers and Residents Association has been critical of the process by which the Recreation Advisory Committee arrived at the recommendation to select option 7 after this option was so soundly rejected previously by the community. The committee did not adhere to the terms of reference set by the council and requests for clarification of information provided to the committee have gone unanswered.

The report prepared by the committee, and considered by the council, was long on rhetoric and short on facts and was not made available to the community for comment prior to the decision being made.

A petition from concerned residents objecting to the purchase of properties for the purpose of developing recreational facilities was not dealt with in accordance with the resolution passed by council. A question asked at the October meeting of council as to whether council contravened standing orders in making a decision without considering the petition was taken on notice.

Rescinding the decision will allow the report of the Recreational Advisory Committee to be amended to include ALL options for the development of recreational facilities in Toodyay.

It is hoped that the council will make the amended report available for public comment. This report has been allowed to go unchallenged and contains contradictions and misinformation, which requires comment and correction.

For Example: the premise that CSRFF grant funds for recreational facilities, including the swimming pool, will only be made available if all recreational facilities are co-located is incorrect.

What the guidelines actually state is "Priority will be given to projects that lead to facility sharing and rationalisation. Multi-purpose facilities reduce infrastructure required to meet similar needs and increase sustainability".

Some commonsense is required when considering what is a multi-purpose facility designed to meet the needs of similar sporting and recreational activities.

Another quote of interest relating to CSRFF funding is "co-located and/or jointly provided school/local government facilities are encouraged as is the community use of existing school facilities".

Also, in relation to the siting of new recreational facilities, "Attractive obvious access to and from existing facilities (such as schools) is important".

Is this beginning to show relevance to option 3 that was not even considered by the committee?

An examination of the list of successful CSRFF grants in the 2009/2010 funding round confirms that the co-location of all recreational and sporting facilities is not a pre-requisite.

It appears that there may be a delay before the motion to rescind the decision for option 7 can be considered by council as the CEO has advised that a report needs to be prepared that defines any legal and/or financial liabilities that council may incur by rescinding the decision. It appears that the CEO considers that the Shire of Toodyay may have incurred an obligation to purchase properties in the area designated for the development of recreational facilities and wishes to obtain an opinion from council's solicitors.

It is important that council understands any

such liabilities although it is difficult to see how any such liabilities could exist.

The properties that would be required if option 7 were to proceed have not yet been identified. The CEO, at the last public information meeting, stated that the 10 hectares shown in the plan for the extension of the showgrounds site was indicative only and perhaps only 6 hectares would be required.

The draft policy for the purchase of properties at the showgrounds site that has been made available for public comment makes it clear that the council MAY require to purchase properties. It also states that the defined area is indicative only and no property can be identified as being required until detailed plans of the siting of the recreational facilities have been completed. Further, it states that if a property is offered for sale to the council, it will only be considered for purchase if council has the funds available and the property has been identified as being required.

At this point in time council cannot have an obligation to purchase any properties as the detailed site plans have not been completed and therefore no properties can have been identified as being required.

It is hoped that the councillors will be involved in the preparation of the brief to council's solicitors and approve the final brief before it is submitted.

The Association considers that the previous council allowed the CEO too much latitude to control matters such as this in the past.

New Council Depot

Work on the proposed new council depot in Railway Road is proceeding.

A question was asked at the October meeting of council about the apparent failure of the council to deal with a petition received by council from concerned residents.

Councillor Larkin submitted this petition to council and council resolved to prepare an agenda item in order that council could address the concerns expressed in the petition.

The question asked if council had contravened standing orders in failing to create this agenda item and failing to consider the petition.

The question was taken on notice.

This raises an interesting point of procedure. Who is responsible for ensuring that petitions received by council are dealt with appropriately? Is it the councillor that presents the petition? Is it the presiding member? Is it the CEO? Is it all councillors?

This is important because, under standing orders, council cannot proceed to make a decision until petitions and/or submissions relating to that matter have been properly considered. Breaches of standing orders are a serious offence and carry penalties, not only for each occurrence, but also for each day that the breach continues.

It appears that the Shire of Toodyay does not own the land that the new depot is being built on and neither has it been transferred to the Shire.

The land remains crown land but has been made available to the Shire for the sole purpose of building the new depot.

It also appears that the Public Transport Authority has been granted a non-exclusive easement on the land by the State Government and they are able to move any equipment and machinery on to and through the land. The PTA has taken out a \$10,000,000 insurance policy against contaminating the land or causing any other environmental damage. Why was this required?

A question whether any other activities were going to take place on the site of the new depot was asked at the October meeting of council and the response from the Shire President was that they were not.

How much control does the Shire have over what access and use of the site may be made available to other government agencies in the future?

If the Shire President is not aware that the PTA has access to the site then how well are the councillors being kept informed?

Residents of Railway Road have raised concerns about the potential fire and environmental hazards relating to this site and relevant investigations and reports should be obtained by the Shire that allay those concerns.

Rating methodology change.

Many ratepayers are concerned and confused about the proposed change of method of calculating rates for certain properties within the Shire of Toodyay.

That this change from unimproved value to gross rentable value is going on across the whole state of Western Australia is cold comfort, however it is not until Council's budget has been formulated and approved that actual rates in the dollar can be struck.

It is hoped that Council will not use this change in valuation methodology as an additional revenue raising exercise and will apply differential rating if necessary to allow for the varying services enjoyed by town and rural properties.

Ideally the change in valuations should be revenue neutral, i.e. if these properties provide 20% of rates revenue now then they should only provide 20% in the future.

The next meeting of the Toodyay Ratepayers and Residents Association is the AGM and will be held on Tuesday the 10th November in the CWA Hall at 7.00 PM.

All residents are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Arts Toodyay

NO sooner had we packed up and recovered (perhaps) from our 'Vino' Exhibition at Coorinja than most of our members were on display again at the Toodyay Show (as well as some other people too of course). There was an excellent display of over 80 pieces in a range of interesting styles and media.

The Brendan Fitzgerald Rural Award was won by our long time member Doreen Watson, the Overall Most Points in Section was shared by Wendy Lewer and Janet Michael, the Shire Acquisition Choice by John Mitchinson, Best Overall Exhibit by Robyn Taylor and Section 1 Best Exhibit by Greg Orgles. Congratulations to all our members, and to all other winners and participants.

With the high standard of Photography and the Woodwork and China Painting sections the Youth Hall was a great place to visit

during Show day. Did you know it's been proven that stress levels are immediately cut by 50% on entering an Art Gallery? Next year the show organizers are looking to include a category for Collage which is having another renaissance in art. I believe it all began with Picasso a hundred years ago approx.

Although we are still to fully discuss next year's programme a few ideas so far are to carpool to cultural events. If there is something you want to go to, let us know. We also want to stage another exhibition at Coorinja, and perhaps to have an exhibition with prizes. While 'competition' most certainly can and does limit creativity in a lot of situations it can also provide a stimulus to get completed work ready to exhibit. Pretend you haven't plenty of time and start working now!

Bev has some neat little lights that are perfect for positioning over an artwork if you are interested in purchasing one or more from her, at cost price of \$5.95 each. Phone 9574 2898.

We still want input for next year's Programme so feel free to email your ideas or come to our meetings, first Tuesday of the month at the Old Police Station in Duke St South, 7pm. Check 'When and Where' for details.

My favourite graffiti popped up the other day: 'I wish I were what I was when I wished I were what I am'...

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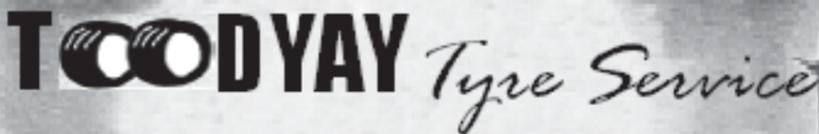
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Lions Lines

EVEN if we have missed a few reports in the Herald the Lions Club has still been active in the community.

The Chocolate Wheel was particularly active this year at the Toodyay Show when a gust of wind knocked it off the back of a ute. Unfortunately it hit two brave volunteers, Lions Heather Galbraith and Dave Mc Namara. Our good friends St Johns Ambulance attended to the victims on-site and called out an ambulance crew to take them to Northam Hospital for check-up. Fortunately there were no serious injuries, although Heather did hurt for a good week. She bore it all with good grace and humour, especially the feedback about it just going to show that chocolate is bad for you. It was good of Heather and Dave to break the wheel's fall as the rest of the Club were able to carry on selling tickets and spinning the now well-anchored wheel, raising a goodly sum.

Our thanks go to Peter Harris of Toodyay Express for the loan of his truck, Target and Malz Motoring of Midland who assisted by allowing us to return unused prizes, ensuring that all money collected is able to go into our funds. Thanks to all our supporters on the day who turn up every year, St John Ambulance and the Toodyay Agricultural Show for their care and concern for Lions Heather and Dave and, last but by no means least, to the staff of Northam Hospital.

The Toodyay Races saw the Lions Wriggly Worm in action, always a popular spot with the littlies.

More importantly over the past few months the Lions Club has been involved in two community project when busy-bees were organized to assist people with garden maintenance. One of the projects was for our own Rachel Oliver whose husband Gary has been receiving medical treatment. The Club was especially delighted to provide this assistance as Gary is a past member and an on-going supporter of the Lions Club. For years his business Budget Cash Registers has provided all the technological support for our annual auction to help the auction office work efficiently and quickly. In addition Gary has frequently made himself available for overnight security and is always available to solve any problems on the day. So we were glad to return the many favours he has done for the Club and thereby his community and wish him well with the treatment.

Coming up watch out for the Wriggly Worm at the street party. That will be a big weekend as the Lions Christmas Tree will be on the following night, Saturday 12th December. All welcome, just provide a gift for your child, labeled with the child's name and age and drop it into Toodyay News, from where Santa's little helpers will make sure that the sacks are delivered to Duidgee Park for Santa's visit. Lions Christmas cakes will be available very soon so watch out for them around town.

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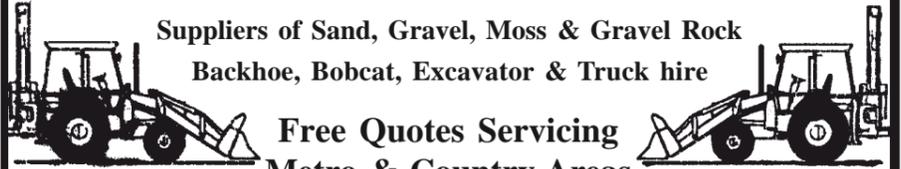
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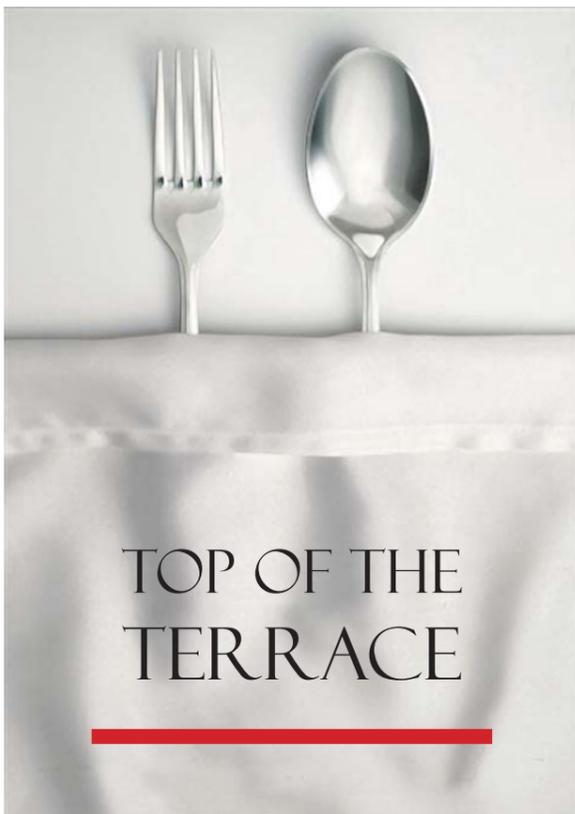
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NEW AVAS COMMITTEE

We advise our members of our new committee. President: Anne Ashman, Vice-President: Sharon Boxall, Secretary: Rhodda Andrews and Treasurer: Joe Corcoran (returned).

CULTURE VULTURE TRIPS

AVAS have expressions of interest to arrange a bus trip to the following events. The funniest night you'll ever have at the ballet with 'Les Ballets Trockadero' at His Majesty's Theatre, Sunday November 22. See 'CATS' at the Burswood Theatre in April 2010, with the magnificent music of Andrew Lloyd Webber. Register with AVAS now on 9622 2245.

AVON ROCK 2009

It's back! Sunday November 29. Don't miss it! FREE ENTRY to watch bands compete in the Battle of the Bands. Food and drinks on sale. Enjoy a great day with great music.

Arts Toodyay News

Are you interested in Textiles? There is to be a workshop in the Old Police Station Duke St Toodyay using textiles in different and interesting ways. The day will consist of up to 6 small workshops to give you a small sample of things to come. Anyone interested is welcome and cost will be minimal.

Dates to be set still. If you are interested please contact Bev on 95742898 or mobile 0428531008.

NOTICE OF INCORPORATION

The Toodyay Community Singers Inc Notice is hereby given that Jacqueline Ann

Lucas of 33 Harper Road Toodyay 6566 (retired) being duly authorised by the above named association intends to apply to the Commissioner for Consumer Protection on or after 8 December, 2009 for incorporation of The Toodyay Community Singers Inc. The Association is formed for the purpose of; to entertain charity and local community, fellowship, love of music, service to the community, promote love of singing.

AGM

Clackline/Toodyay Karate Club Annual General Meeting – Toodyay Youth Hall, 10am. Sunday 22nd November 2009. All members and parents welcome to attend.

AGM

Toodyay Football Club (INC) Tuesday 10th November 2009 7.30pm at Freemasons Hotel Committee Members Required URGENTLY

AGM

Toodyay Ratepayers and Residents Association. Tuesday 10th November, 7 pm, CWA Hall, Stirling Terrace.

AGM

Annual General Meeting, 22 November 2009, 10am. Scout/Youth Hall, Toodyay. Clackline Toodyay Karate Club Inc. For more information phone Russ Johnson, Secretary, 9574 4635.

LAST CHANCE FIRST AID – Our final two day Senior First Aid course will be held at Toodyay Sat/Sun 14th and 15th November. If anyone requires a certificate for their C.V. or for work purposes for the beginning of 2010, this is the course for you. Contact Jenny at L J Hooker 9574 2455 or a/h 9574 2412 to register.

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Desa Munn	Keaton Munn
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Peg Beech	Jenny Clarke

Anniversaries

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Thank You

Forsyth – Eva

The family wishes to thank the many friends and relations who attended Eva's funeral and everyone who sent comforting sympathy cards, phone calls, flowers and personal words.

Please accept this as our grateful thanks as there were too many tributes to acknowledge individually. The Forsyth family.

Elizabeth and Ray Cook would like to thank our neighbours, friends and members of the Coondle Fire Brigade for their help and generosity during Ray's illness in this last year. Please accept this as a token of our appreciation. Thank you all. Elizabeth and Ray.

Bereavements

Forsythe (Eva)

With deepest sympathy to Eva's family. Eva was a life member of our club and greatly admired. From the ladies of the Toodyay Bowling Club

Forsyth (Eva)

Deepest sympathy to Ernie, Doug, Peter and families. A great lady now at rest. President, Committee, staff and members of the Toodyay Club.

Forsyth (Eva) The Committee and Members of the Toodyay Tennis Club would like to extend their sympathy to the family of Mrs. Eva Forsyth. Eva was a great competitor and hardworking member of our club for many years.

Forsyth, Eva

The Toodyay Golf Club Committee and Members would like to pass on their deepest sympathy to the members of Eva's family. Eva was a wonderful sport person and club member and will be sadly missed.

Morris, Blu

Toodyay Venturer Unit and Toodyay Scout Group wish to extend their sympathies to all Blu's family and friends. Blu was a good friend to Toodyay's young people and was always willing to 'lend a hand'. He will be sadly missed.

Morris, Blu

You tried so hard to stay with us. Now resting free of pain. Gone but not forgotten. President, Committee, Staff and members of the Toodyay Club Inc.

Watson, Jim (Spor)

Loved husband of Doreen. Dear Dad of Brendan, Phil, Jim and families. Loving memories sprinkled with tears, lets all remember the happy years.

In Memoriam

Enda Louise Murphy, fifth child of Con and Breda Murphy (of Coondle), passed away on 21st October 2009. The following excerpt is from her eulogy;

"Enda Louise Murphy was born on 23rd December, 1955, in Dublin, Ireland – the fifth child of Con and Breda's ten children. Enda was a lovely, dark eyed, pretty and happy child. She was full of curiosity and enthusiasm for life. Her personality was bubbly and outgoing, and her goal in life as a little girl was to please her mother.

She attended primary school in Rathfarnham, Dublin. Rathfarnham at the time was a semi rural region of outer Dublin. There were fields, trees and flowers surrounding the house. It was a carefree childhood until the death of Enda's oldest brother Colm in 1966 at the age of 16 years. Enda was 11 years old.

The family, with the remaining seven children, emigrated to sunny Perth. Enda completed secondary school at Hampton Senior High School and entered and completed the Enrolled Nursing Diploma at Shenton Park Hospital. She was a most caring, compassionate, giving person and nurse. Her love and respect for people brought her to Wyndham District Hospital and the Kimberley, where she married Steve, her first husband and father of their three children, Bonnie, Jessie and Kevin.

Enda became a grandmother to Tom, Jessie's son, then to Jamie and Luke through Bonnie, then Abbey Rose, Jessie's daughter.

Enda married Dougie on 17th March 2007, St Patricks Day and found a life of comfort that she had never known before. In the last few months of her life, she realised her artistic ability. She painted for others and had a sense of self fulfilment in her last days.

Until we meet again, Gra Mor. Lots of love dear Enda."

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Chaplaincy News

Millie Heath

OCTOBER has been a busy month with a Street stall on the 17th which was again very successful. Our very grateful thanks to our local Toodyay Garden and Outdoor Centre for plants for a money tree raffle; thanks to Lotterywest for the scratchies and to Amcamp for the Holden HSV Jacket. And a big thank you to all those who supported the stall with cakes, slices, biscuits, jams, pickles, plants and small gift items and the public who bought same. Winners of the raffles are noted under Public Notices.

Wednesday 21st October saw a group of Friends of the Chaplaincy having morning tea at the school, beautifully catered for by the Yummy Chummies. The occasion was to thank those people who had signed up as 'Friends' this year, together with local organisations, the Toodyay Shire Council who have generously contributed to the support of our school Chaplain.

Events for November – a car boot sale, St Stephens Anglican Church Car Park, Saturday 21st November – 8am – 12 noon. Sellers set up 7.30am. Cost \$10 per car. To book a bay please phone Moya Bruce 9574 4080. First in, best bays.

Remember MOVEMBER – Fundraiser for Men's Health (beyond blue and prostate cancer). Our School Chaplain is involved and we ask people to get behind all those participating this November.

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Toodyay Playgroup

TOODYAY Playgroup went to Duigee Park last week for our Teddy Bears Picnic. We all had a fantastic time with the children enjoying the new play equipment. There was lots of teddy's, food and lots of fun. We decided that we would make it a regular outing now. Once a month we will be having our playgroup session at the park so parent's please look on the notice board for further dates.

There will be a Garage Sale on the 14th Nov from 8am to 2pm, so if you have any pre-loved goods you would like to sell, please see Jean at Playgroup. It will be held at Tracey's house at 241 Sandplain Road Toodyay any enquiries phone 9574 5642. There will be a \$5 fee per table.

OUR CHRISTMAS PARTY will be held on 28th December from 10am to 2pm at Hunter Farm, we have bouncy castle, pony rides, face painting and lots more fun things to do.

All parents are asked to supply a present for their children. Please have it wrapped and named and bring it on the day, as we have a special person arriving at 1pm to see all the children. All parent's please bring a plate to share.

Next month we need to organize a new committee for next year, as a few committee member's won't be back, with their children going to school. If you would like to be involved with the committee where you help make decisions regarding the playgroup, please come and see us.

For all Toodyay Playgroup Enquiries please phone Cass on 9574 2850 or Sandy 9574 4657.

Birthday wishes this month go out to Shyla who is turning one, Robbie will be 2 and Amy will be 4, special wishes from all your playgroup friends.

The A.G.M. will be on Thursday 19th November starting at 10am. It is very important that all Toodyay Playgroup Committee members attend especially if they are resigning their position. We need to fill all the positions for the start of 2010, so if you think you would like to be a part of Toodyay Playgroup Committee, come to the meeting and exercise your vote. We have most of the positions to fill due to kids going off to kindy and pre-school. Look forward to seeing all members on the day...



Bolgart Primary School

THE final term for 2009 has been a very productive one for Bolgart Primary School. While the incursions and excursions have decreased, the improvements to the school have continued at an amazing rate.

Thanks to the Building the Education Revolution (BER), \$14.7 billion is being made available to schools across Australia, to build or upgrade existing facilities. Bolgart Primary School has been successful in receiving funding for a wide range of projects. The school is a hive of activity as new large whiteboards are installed in classrooms, there are new backboards on the basketball hoops, mesh around the bottom of the toilet block and toilets, blinds in the transportable and new guttering and bench seats will also be installed. A new smart board has also been provided for the junior room. The Smart Board interactive whiteboard operates as part of a system that comprises the interactive whiteboard, a computer and a projector. Some of these projects, like the mesh, may seem a little trivial, but it has stopped sporting equipment from being able to end up in some very

hard to reach places, which has made a big difference to the children.

Bolgart Primary School is now a solar school and we are anticipating being able to feed some power back into the grid as soon as the sunny days become longer and brighter.

The children are participating in their annual tennis lessons and are all doing very well. The children and teachers are able to walk to the nearby tennis courts and we have been very proud of their behavior as they continue to behave in an upstanding manner. The tennis lessons are held in the cool of the morning and the children have the option of an ice-cream at the end of their lesson.

All the staff and students of Bolgart Primary School would like to say congratulations to Miss Kate Nagy (who has become Mrs Kate Glatz) and her husband on their wedding.

The improvements at Bolgart Primary School haven't been confined to just the school, as the children who catch the bus now have very comfortable ride in a new, much larger bus that can seat 43 students. Parents have been invited to inspect the bus, which includes booster seats to make travel safer for the littlies, a UHF radio, and seatbelts.

At this time new Aussies of the month have not been chosen as we have only just returned from our last school holidays.

Mrs Fury has begun her long service leave and will be greatly missed, but we have been blessed by having a lovely 'flying squad' teacher to take over the classroom whilst she's away. The teacher flying squad was established to provide statewide teacher relief for schools in need. Ms Rochelle Beavan has been teaching for ten years and has taught in both WA and London. Rochelle is planning on working on a Christmas theme for most of this term.

There are two new temporary members of the junior room. Mrs Stevenson has brought in her baby magpie named Hawk, as Mrs Stevenson rescued the poor little magpie after seeing it being taken from his nest by a hawk then dropped in the firebreak. Ms Beavan's rabbit Pepper joins hawk. Pepper is toilet trained and walks on a lead. When the gorgeous little ones are in the classroom, the children have learnt not to be distracted by them, but love being included in their care.

Christmas and the end of year concert are coming up quickly and the children are already rehearsing for the end of year concert.



LITTLE RASCALS CHILDCARE CENTRE

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Ph/Fax: 9574 2922

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- Before and after school drop off and pick up
- Hours: 6.30am to 6.30pm, Monday-Friday



when and where they meet

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AFRICAN DRUMMING

Tuesdays children and adults 3.30 - 4.30pm
Thursdays adults 7.30 - 9pm at The Factory Baptist Church
Drums available. All welcome.

ARTS TOODYAY INC

Meets first Tuesday of the month, 7pm at The Old Police Station in Duke St Sth. For all interested in arts/crafts, workshops. Enquiries to John on 9574 4664

AUSTRALIAN BREASTFEEDING ASSOCIATION

For breastfeeding information and the company of other mums. 2nd Tuesday of month at Parent Information Centre, Gordon Street Northam 10am-noon. 4th Tuesday of month Toodyay Playgroup 10am - noon. Contact Louise for more details on 9574 0229

AUTUMN CLUB

Every Wednesday, 1pm to 4pm. Toodyay Sports Pavilion
Contact Glenyce Bosnjak 9574 4587

AVON VALLEY ADULT RIDING CLUB

Meets 4th Saturday of each month (Feb - Nov) at Toodyay Race Course. Contact: Sandra 9574 4429

AVON VALLEY ENVIRONMENTAL SOC.

3rd Friday of each month at Dept of Water, 254 Fitzgerald Street Northam, noon.

AVON VALLEY VINTAGE VEHICLE ASSOCIATION

3rd Thursday every month, 8pm at the old engineers quarters, next to Northam Railway Museum, Fitzgerald Street, Northam. ph 96221192.

AVON WOODTURNERS GROUP

Monthly meeting 4th Sunday 9am to 10pm, Workshops 2nd and 4th Sunday 9am - Wool Pavilion, Toodyay Sports Ground.

BEJOORDING VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE

Meet at Bejoording Fire Shed, 3rd Saturday 5pm

BINGO

Every Wednesday, eyes down 7.30pm Community Centre

CENTRAL VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

4th Tuesday of each month, 7.30pm at the Toodyay Fire and Emergency Services Centre. Training 2nd Thursday of each month.

CHILD HEALTH IMMUNISATION CLINIC

The next immunisation clinic: 18th November from 9am-11am. Please call Sheree on 9574 4577 to book an appointment.

COONDLE NUNILE VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

Meets 2nd Saturday of month from October to April, June and August, 5pm at Coondle Fire Shed.

COUNTRY WOMEN'S ASSOCIATION (CWA)

General meeting - 4th Thursday of each month, 1.30pm, C.W.A. Hall. New Members very welcome.

CUBS, JOEYS & SCOUTS (only during school term)

Youth Hall, Showgrounds, Cubs & Joeys 4.00pm - 5.30pm
Scouts, Thursday 6pm - 8.00pm Ph: 9574 2363

DRAMA CLASSES FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Monday 4-5.30pm, Call Anne on 9574 2458.

EARTH SOLUTIONS - AVON VALLEY

Third Tuesday of each month, 6pm at the PB Kirby Centre, cnr Gordon and Wellington Sts, Northam. New members welcome. Contact Caroline Barr on 9622 8043 or Belle Moore on 9622 5203 for additional information.

FITNESS & FUN FOR THE OVER 55's

Wednesday 9am, Sports Pavillion.

IDA'S HIDEAWAY

Every Saturday, 1pm to 4pm at Butterly House.
Contact Ida Edwards on 9574 2858

JULIMAR / TOODYAY JEWELS

Ladies only. Tuesday 17th November at 10am, Wendourie Tea Rooms. All ladies welcome. Contact Shirl on 9574 5077.

JULIMAR VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE

Meets 1st Saturday of month, 6pm at Julimar Fire Station followed by BYO BBQ. Training Sunday following meeting, 10am, Julimar Fire Station.

MOERLINA

Every Tuesday and Thursday Toodyay Sports Pavilion

RAG BAGS QUILTING GROUP

1st, 3rd Wednesday, 10am CWA Hall

ST STEPHEN'S MOTHERS' UNION/GUILD

3rd Tuesday of month, Anglican Hall, 2pm from March to November

SHIRE OF TOODYAY COUNCIL MEETING

3rd Thursday of each month Council Chambers 7pm

SILVER CHAIN AUXILIARY

Meetings 2nd Tuesday of each month, 10am at Toodyay Telecentre.

SIMPLY MUSIC

Piano lessons for all ages. CWA Hall Friday afternoon and Saturday morning. Contact Jan 0416 054 942.

SOCIAL TENNIS

Tuesday 8.30am Ladies and senior men

TOODYAY 4WD CLUB

Meets every 3rd Saturday of the month.
Please contact Dave Isbill 9574 4035 for location and time.

TOODYAY BALLET SCHOOL

Classes in Classical, Jazz and Tap held at 507 Julimar Rd, new studio. Ages from 4yrs to Adults, girls and boys. 9574 4459. Saturdays 9am - 2.30pm (except school holidays)

TOODYAY/CLACKLINE KARATE CLUB

Wednesday 3.30-4pm, under 8, 4-5pm under 11, 5-6pm under 14, 6-7.30pm seniors. Friday 3.30-4pm Peewees, 4-5pm juniors, 5-6pm intermediate, 6-7pm seniors at the Youth Hall

TOODYAY DISTRICT HIGH SCHOOL P & C

Every 3rd Wednesday (except school holidays)
School Library, 7pm

TOODYAY FRIENDS OF THE RIVER

3rd Sunday of each month Duidgee Park (near Bolgart Bridge) at 8am October to April and 9am May to September. Enquiries 9574 2578

TOODYAY KINDERGym

Kindergym Fridays (except school holidays), Toodyay Sports Pavilion. Contact: Debra Andrijich 9574 2676

TOODYAY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

3rd Wednesday of each month, 7pm Donegan's Cottage

TOODYAY LIONS CLUB

1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month Hotel Freemasons

TOODYAY MASONIC LODGE

3rd Friday each month (except Jan)
Masonic Hall, Fiennes St, 7.30pm

TOODYAY MINIATURE RAILWAY (Inc)

1st and 3rd Sunday commencing Easter Sunday. Enquiries 9574 4462

TOODYAY MUSIC CLUB INC

2nd Friday of the Month from 7pm
CWA Hall. Contact Teddy or Spencer 9574 4492.

TOODYAY NATURALISTS' CLUB

3rd Saturday each month, at CWA Hall 7pm. Enquiries to President on 9574 5445 or Secretary on 6364 3609. Visitors and new members will be made very welcome.

TOODYAY NEIGHBOURHOOD/RURAL WATCH

2nd Tuesday each month commencing 6pm Toodyay Police Station (General Meeting bi-monthly - Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec) Enquiries 9574 2212

TOODYAY OLIVE GROWERS

Contact Francis Moran for meeting dates 9574 5786.

TOODYAY PLAYGROUP

Tuesdays & Thursdays 9.30am - 11.30am, Playgroup Hall, Community Centre, Bindi Baxter 9574 4430

TOODYAY RATEPAYERS & RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION (INC.)

General Meetings 3rd Tuesday each month @ the CWA Hall, 7pm. Committee meetings fortnightly on Tuesday evening. Contact Roger Bray (Chairperson) 9574 4562.

TOODYAY RED CROSS

2nd Monday of month, Anglican Hall, 1.30pm

TOODYAY SPINNERS

Wednesdays and 2nd Saturday from 9am Parkers Cottage.
President: Greta Sauta 9574 2868; Secretary: Rita Morald 0428 956 909

TOODYAY SUB -BRANCH RSL

1st Saturday of March, May, July, September and November at 2pm at the Bowling Club. AGM second Saturday in February at the Bowling Club. Contact Lou 9574 4310

TOODYAY SWIMMING POOL ACTION COMM.

12.30pm on the 2nd Monday of each month at the Freemasons Hotel.

TOODYAY VOLUNTEER FIRE BRIGADE

1st Monday of each month Fire Station, 8pm

TOY LIBRARY

Tuesday and Thursday, 9am to 10am at Toodyay Community Centre. Contact Tracey Hunter 9574 5642

UNITING CHURCH

10am, St Stephen's Church, Toodyay

YOGA

Friday 9am Friday CWA Hall. 9574 4184

DRAMA FOR YOUNG PEOPLE

Weekly drama group (ages 10 to 16 years) meets in Toodyay on Mondays 4 - 5.30pm.

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For more information and to register your interest in this unique opportunity for you child, please call Anne on 9574 2458

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TOODYAY SHOW RESULTS

Toodyay Agricultural Society

Pam Jackson Committee

A BIG thank you to all who participated in the Toodyay Show:

All the volunteers, the sponsors, judges, firms and individuals who donated trophies and prizes, stewards, members, exhibitors, entertainers, community groups, advertisers and all the people who came through the gates. Without YOUR support the day would not be the success it was. We hope that you, your family and friends had an enjoyable day.

Equestrian and exhibition results are printed in this issue.

Show Results

The Presidents Trophy – Mr Gaven Donegan
Most points in Sections C, A and B

BRIAN WOOD
Toodyay Agricultural Society Inc

Best Commercial Exhibit/Display
AVON TRACTOR AND IMPLEMENT

SECTION A SHEEP

The Patrons Trophy – Mr. Brian McGill
Most points-Sheep Section

BH & AJ WHITE

FARMERS CLASSES - MERINO

Landmark Northam Trophy
Best Exhibit Group A3

BH & AJ WHITE
Robert Waters Perpetual Trophy – M & B Mohr

Best Outstanding Lamb Exhibit Group A4
ADAM DONEGAN

Robert Waters Perpetual Trophy – M & B Mohr

Best Wether Exhibit Group A4
BRIAN WOOD

SECTION B WOOL

Judi Moylan (MP) Member for Pearce
Most points in Wool Section Joint Winners

DOUG WOOD MEMORIAL TROPHY
CHAMPION FLEECE
PRIESTLEY NOMINEES

Martin Family Memorial Prize
Most points in Classes 610 to 613 Lambs wool

RINGA GRAZING

SECTION C CATTLE

GROUP C1 LARGE BREEDS

Landmark Trophy
Most points Group C1 Large Breeds

CATHOLIC AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
Jomal Glen Murray Grey Stud prize

Champion Bull Group C1 Large Breeds
CATHOLIC AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

Toodyay Classic Cars Prize & Shield
Champion Cow Group C1 Large Breeds

CATHOLIC AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
GROUP C3 TRADE CATTLE

Toodyay Traders Trophy
Class 901 Trade Cattle Pen of 3 females

BRIAN WOOD
Warragenny Murray Grey Stud Trophy

Class 902 Pen of 3 Baby Beef
CATHOLIC AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

P & S Ferguson Bulldozing Trophy
Class 903 Single Baby Beef

CATHOLIC AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE
Vernice Pty Ltd prize

Class 904 Single Baby Beef bred Shire of Toodyay

WARRAGENNY MURRAY GREY STUD
Avson Group Trophy

Class 905 Single Female
CATHOLIC AGRICULTURAL COLLEGE

SECTION D FIBRE GOATS
FJ & AS Panizza Trophy

Most points in Section D – Fibre Goats
DENNIS MOTTERSHAW

SECTION E AGRICULTURE
RJ & SR Millar Trophy

Most points in Section Agriculture
KEVIN HUTCHINGS

Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker
Toodyay prize

Best Exhibit in Section
LEON ARCHIBALD

SECTION F POULTRY
Avon Valley Vet Trophy

Most points in Section Poultry
KEITH BERESFORD

David Gray & Co Pty Ltd Trophy
Best Exhibit in Section Poultry

Joint winners
P GROWDEN and K BERESFORD

Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker
Toodyay prize

Best Exhibit Group F1 Pair
KEITH BERESFORD

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group F2
KEITH BERESFORD

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group F3
KEITH BERESFORD

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group F4
P GROWDEN

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group F5
P GROWDEN

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group F6
KEITH BERESFORD

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group F7
KEITH BERESFORD

Avon Valley Vet Trophy
Best Exhibit Group F8 – Junior Entry
T CLARKE

SECTION G PIGEONS
Toodyay Lawnmowing a Garden Service Trophy
Champion Male Bird

ANTHONY WRAY
Toodyay Lawnmowing & Garden Service Trophy
Champion Female Bird

IMRE UNGVARY
Toodyay Electrics Trophy
Best Exhibit Group G1 Pair

Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker
Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group G2

IMRE UNGVARY
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker
Toodyay prize

Best Exhibit Group G3
IMRE UNGVARY
RJ & SR Millar Trophy

Best Exhibit Group G4 – Junior Classes
LIZ TOUCHÉY

SECTION H ALPACA & COLOURED FLEECES
Shire of Toodyay prize
Most points in Section H

VALERIE RICHARD
Toodyay Spinners prize
Best Exhibit in Section H

TREECHANGE ALPACAS
Pitwillow's Alpaca & Stuff Trophy
Best Exhibit Suri

VELLUM FARM
Rivermist Alpacas prize
Best Exhibit Huacaya

TREECHANGE ALPACAS
SECTION I HOME PRODUCE
Toodyay Physiotherapy prize

Most points in Section
COURTNEY FLEAY

Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker
Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit in Section

BEV HEWETT
Dr Richard Walkey prize
Best Exhibit in Group, eggs

CATHIE BROADBENT
John Butler prize
Best Exhibit Group, jams

BEV HEWETT
Dr Richard Walkey prize
Best Exhibit Group, pickles & preserves

KERRY WANDLESS
Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group, Young Adult

COURTNEY FLEAY
Toodyay & Districts Community Bank Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, Children 15yrs & under

DAMON GEARY
SECTION J FRUIT & VEGETABLES
Toodyay Physiotherapy prize

Most points in Section
LEN LEEDER
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy

Best Exhibit Group, vegetables, varieties
LEN LEEDER

Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Young Adult

COURTNEY FLEAY
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, fruit, varieties

KERRY GREGORY
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, nuts

KERRY GREGORY
SECTION K APICULTURE
Toodyay Pharmacy prize

Most points in Section
LESHUTCHINGS
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker

Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit, honey
LES HUTCHINGS

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit, beeswax
LESHUTCHINGS

SECTION L HAND SPINNING
Toodyay Op Shop prize
Most points in Section

VALERIE RICHARD
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker
Toodyay prize

Best Exhibit Group, handspinning
VALERIE RICHARD

Toodyay Spinners prize
Best Exhibit Group, fleece & fibre
VALERIE RICHARD

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group, first year spinner
ANDREW MCCANN

SECTION M PATCHWORK & QUILTING
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker

Toodyay prize
Most points in Section
SHARLENE TOOP

Toodyay Hardware & Farm Trophy
Best Exhibit in Section
JENNIFER CARLIN

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group, quilting & patchwork
SHARLENE TOOP

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group, commercial quilting
JENNIFER CARLIN

Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group, appliqué
SHARLENE TOOP

Moya Hammill prize
Best Exhibit Group, Children 16yrs & under
CHELSEA MORGAN

SECTION O FLORICULTURE
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker
Toodyay prize

Most points in Section
TONI CHRIMES
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy

Best Exhibit in Section
TONI CHRIMES
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker

Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group, specimen classes
IAN STANNARD

Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, vases
TONI CHRIMES

Mrs Peg Geary prize
Best Exhibit Group, bowls
TONI CHRIMES

Karen Jacomelli prize
Best Exhibit Group, decorative art
TONI CHRIMES

Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, pot plants
TONI CHRIMES

Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, hanging baskets
JUNE EASTWOOD

Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, herbs
TONI CHRIMES

Eleanor Maria Bell Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, Young Adult
COURTNEY FLEAY

Toni Chrimes prize
Runner-up Best Exhibit, Young Adult
COURTNEY FLEAY

SECTION P HOMEBREW
Brewbakers Trophy
Most points in Section

BRUCE MCGOWAN
Brewmart Distributors
Best Exhibit in Section

TERRY TUCKER
SECTION O HOBBY CRAFTS
Toodyay CWA Mary Sims Trophy

Most points in Section
KERRY GREGORY
Grant Woodhams (MLA) prize

Best Exhibit in Section
KERRY GREGORY
Lynn Cook prize

Best Exhibit Group, adult crafts
KERRY GREGORY
Eugene & Margaret O'Sullivan prize

Best Exhibit Group, Young Adult
COURTNEY FLEAY
Mrs. Peg Geary prize

Runner-up Best Exhibit, Young Adult
COURTNEY FLEAY
SECTION R ART

Shire of Toodyay prize
Most points in Section
Joint Winners

WENDY LEWER & JAN MICHAEL
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker
Toodyay prize

Best Exhibit in Section
ROBYN TAYLOR
Shire of Toodyay Open Acquisition Choice

Local Theme Groups R1 & R2
JOHN MITCHINSON
Max Trenorden (MLA) Trophy

Best Exhibit Group R1 – Open
GREG ORGLES
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker

Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group R2 – Open
DOREEN WATSON

SECTION S NEEDLEWORK
Bar-Bar-A-Black-Sheep Trophy
Most points in Section

BETHRUTHVEN
Mrs. Bel Rowe Trophy
Best Exhibit in Section

BETHRUTHVEN
Margaret Hodge Memorial Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, knitting & crochet

SHEILA BROMLEY
Margaret Hodge Memorial Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, embroidery

JP WILKINSON
Kay Chitty prize
Best Exhibit Group, stretch stitch sewing

BETH RUTHVEN
Kay Chitty prize
Best Exhibit Group, machine sewing

BETH RUTHVEN
T & C Frank prize
Best Exhibit Group, teddy bears

ADELE BELL
Susan King Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, miscellaneous

RENAME JENNINGS
Kay Chitty prize
Best Exhibit Group, over 70 years

M J SLAYTER
SECTION T COOKERY
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker

Toodyay prize
Most points in Section
G A BARR

Mrs. S Patten prize
Best Exhibit in Section
G A BARR

Toodyay CWA prize
Best Exhibit Group, scones & breads
BARBARA THOM

Hutchings Family prize
Best Exhibit Group, bread hand-made
G A BARR

Dr. R Walkey prize
Best Exhibit Group, cakes & biscuits
G A BARR

M & E O'Sullivan Trophy
Best Exhibit Group, decorated cakes
GA BARR

Mrs. Phil Wood Memorial prize
Best Exhibit Group, schedule cake
EVELYN WACURA

Mrs. P Geary prize
Best Exhibit Group, Young Adult
COURTNEY FLEAY

SECTION U CHINA PAINTING
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker
Toodyay prize

Most points in Section
BEL ROWE
R Harrison prize

Best Exhibit in Section
WIN MARTEN
SECTION V PHOTOGRAPHY

Grant Woodhams (MLA) prize
Most points in Section
MICHELLE TAYLOR

Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker
Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit in Section

LOU KIDD
Avon Valley Jewellery Gifts & Homeware prize
Best Exhibit Group V1

KERRY LEEDER
Avon Valley Jewellery Gifts & Homeware prize
Best Exhibit Group V2

LOU KIDD
Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group V3

SUE EVANS
Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit Group V4

JOHN BAKER
Avon Valley Jewellery Gifts & Homeware prize
Best Exhibit Group V5

KERRY LEEDER
R & T Chrimes prize
Best Exhibit Group V6

LIAM COLFER
R & T Chrimes prize
Best Exhibit Group V7

ROHAN BROWN
SECTION W WOODCRAFT
Avon Wood Turners prize

Most points in Section
DON BULL
Avon Wood Turners prize

Best Exhibit Group W1
DON BULL
Avon Wood Turners prize

Best Exhibit Group W2
JOHN SMART
Avon Wood Turners prize

Best Exhibit Class 8406
LES HAMMILL
SECTION X CHILDREN SCHOOL YEARS 6-10

Beth Somers Memorial Trophy
Most points in Section
DAMON GEARY

KL & MJ Knowles prize
Best Exhibit Group X1
COURTNEY FLEAY

Toodyay CWA prize
Best Exhibit Group X2
CHELSEA MORGAN

Toodyay & Districts Community Bank prize
Best Exhibit Group X3
EWALD ELLIS

Heather Blackwell prize
Best Exhibit Group X4
DAMON GEARY

SECTION Y CHILDREN SCHOOL YEARS 1-5
Beth Somers Memorial Trophy
Most points in Section

CAMERON FERNIHOUGH
Shire of Toodyay prize
Best Exhibit in Section

CAMERON FERNIHOUGH
KL & MJ Knowles trophy
Best Exhibit Group Y1

LIAM DARWELL
Karen Jacomelli prize
Best Exhibit Group Y2

LIAM DARWELL
Toodyay & Districts Community Bank prize
Best Exhibit Group Y3

SAM CHITTY
Heather Blackwell prize
Best Exhibit Group Y4

CAMERON FERNIHOUGH
SECTION Z CHILDREN SCHOOL YEARS KINDERGARTEN-PRE PRIMARY

Ian Harrower prize
Most points in Section
JAMIE COLFER

Toodyay & Districts Community Bank prize
Best Exhibit in Section
NICHOLAS BERNASCONI

RING EVENTS

Leah Broderick
Ring Co-ordinator

THE 2009 Show was well attended on both days. I would like to thank my sponsors for their continuing support, for without them, competitions like these cannot continue.

I would also like to thank the Toodyay Shire and their excellent curators for the state of the oval, which was presented beautifully.

Thanks go to all my volunteers who do a wonderful job for me every year. Rob for the parking. Jody, Pam, Georgie, for pencilling and the Pony Club for the novelties. Special thanks to Chickie who does all the thankless jobs for me. Thanks to all the parents and riders who helped as well.

LOCAL EVENTS

HACKS

Judge: Kerry Wilson

LOCAL HIGH POINT WINNER

Comet Jayde Evans

HIGH POINT WINNER

Tyalla Opal Rachael Cook

LOCAL HACK over 14h

1 Sheldene Tristan Eli Paust
2 Beau Jennifer Kobulniczky
3 Joshua Brook Stylish Sam Cook
Gem

LOCAL RIDER 17-24 y/o

1 Sam Cook Joshua Brook Stylish
Gem

2 Leah Mossman Ask the Princess

LOCAL RIDER 25 & over

1 Jennifer Kobulniczky Beau
2 Eli Paust Sheldene Tristen
3 Suzette Davis Mondo

MAIDEN HACK over 14hh

1 Martristal Gabrielle Charbonneau
2 Mondo Suzette Davis
3 Magic Georgia Sharpe

GALLOWAY HACK over 14hh-14.2hh

1 Applewood Scarlet Britany Wilson
2 Gordon Park Earnest Ingrid Christmass
Beaux

GALLOWAY HACK over 14.2h-15hh

1 Burnbrae Audition Bree Cox
2 Sheldene Tristen Eli Paust
3 Vagabond to a King Ingrid Christmass

HACK over 15hh-15.2hh

1 Palmerston Park Alexandra Roberts
Silhouette

2 Beau Jennifer Kobulniczky

3 Nunile Lady Jacob Carpenter

HACK over 15.2hh-16hh

1 Joshua Brook Stylish Sam Cook
Gem

2 Mondo Suzette Davis

HACK over 16hh

1 Martristal Gabrielle Charbonneau
2 Snip Jordie Street

LADIES HACK over 14hh-15hh

1 Burnbrae Audition Bree Cox
2 Gordon Park Earnest Ingrid Christmass
Beaux

3 Beckworth Magic Kaela Farrier
Image

LADIES HACK over 15hh

1 Matristal Gabrielle Charbonneau
2 Palmerston Park Alexandra Roberts
Silhouette

3 Beau Jennifer Kobulniczky

GENTS HACK over 14hh

1 Joshua Brook Stylish Sam Cook
Gem

2 Vagabond to a King Phil Christmass
3 Nunile Lady Jacob Carpenter

LIGHTWEIGHT HACK over 14hh

1 Vagabond to a King Ingrid Christmass
2 Beckworth Magic Kaela Farrier
Image

3 Applewood Scarlet Britany Wilson

MEDIUM WEIGHT HACK over 14hh

1 Burnbrae Audition Bree Cox
2 Palmerston Park Alexandra Roberts
Silhouette

3 Gordon Park Earnest Ingrid Christmass
Beaux

HEAVYWEIGHT HACK over 14hh

1 Matristal Gabrielle Charbonneau
2 Joshua Brook Stylish Sam Cook
Gem

3 Beau Jennifer Kobulniczky

CHAMPION GALLOWAY HACK

Burnbrae Audition Bree Cox

RESERVE CHAMPION GALLOWAY HACK

Applewood Scarlet Britany Wilson

CHAMPION HACK

Palmerston Park Alexandra Roberts
Silhouette

RESERVE CHAMPION HACK

Matristal Gabrielle Charbonneau

SHOW HUNTER 14hh to 15hh

1 Sheldene Tristen Eli Paust
2 Gordon Park Earnest Ingrid Christmass
Beaux

3 Bimbadeen Flashlight Kaela Farrier

SHOW HUNTER over 15hh

1 Joshua Brook Stylish Sam Cook
Gem

2 Beau Jennifer Kobulniczky

3 Mondo Suzette Davis

CHAMPION SHOW HUNTER

Sheldene Tristen Elouise Paust

CHAMPION SENIOR RIDER

Gabrielle Charbonneau Matristal

RESERVE CHAMPION SENIOR RIDER

Alexandra Roberts Palmerston Park
Silhouette

RIDER 17-20 YRS

1 Alexandra Roberts Palmerston Park
Silhouette

2 Kaela Farrier Beckworth Magic
Image

RIDER 21-30YRS

1 Gabrielle Charbonneau Martristal

2 Jennifer Kobulniczky Beau

3 Eli Paust Sheldene Tristan

RIDER OVER 30YRS

1 Suzette Davis Mondo

2 Julie Nicholson ?

LOCAL PONY HACKS

Judge: Vicki O'Dea

LOCAL PONY HACK 14hh & under

1 Tyalla Dimity Chloe Moon

2 Tyalla Oriole Hannah Kotzen

3 Mirravale Banshee Rachael Cook

LOCAL RIDER 9-13yrs

1 Kirra Haigh Tyalla Dimity

2 Jacob Carpenter Nunile Lady

3 Maddison Meares Cassie

Rachelle Chitty Yahweh Jireh Jacob

LOCAL RIDER 14-17 yrs

1 Rachel Cook Mirravale Banshee

2 Jordie Street Snip

LOCAL LED RIDER 8yrs and under

1 Nerida Evans Ebony

2 Storm Hogan Bright Eyes

LOCAL LED RIDER under 11yrs

1 Jayde Evans Comet

2 Emily Carpenter Apollo

3 Hayley Duckworth Wendamar Marlock

Caitlyn Duckworth Monty

LEADING REIN SMARTEST ON PARADE

1 Dalgangle Candice Harper Lawson

2 Megsy Tilly Stowe

3 Lickity Split Minilya Stowe

LEADING REIN PONY

1 Dalgangle Candice Harper Lawson

2 Chloe Versteegen Judaroo Wizard

3 Jayde Evans Comet

Minilya Stowe Lickity Split

LEADING REIN RIDER

1 Chloe Versteegan Judaroo Wizard

2 Harper Lawson Dalangle Candice

3 Jayde Evans Comet

CHAMPION LEAD PONY AND RIDER COMBINATION

CHAMPION Dalgangle Candice Harper Lawson

RESERVE CHAMPION Judaroo Wizard Chloe Versteegen

PONIES

NOVICE PONY HACK 14 hh & under

1 Tyalla Opal Rachael Cook

2 Gem Park Cassanova Rachael Gaynor

3 Angus Argyll Stowe

Drumclyer Flotilla Claire Lemoignan

Yahweh Jireh Jacob Rachelle Chitty

Bright Eyes Storm Hogan

PONY HACK 12.2hh and under

1 Tyalla Opal Rachael Cook

2 Brayside Butterscotch Chloe Moon

3 Lily Claire Lemoignan

PONY HACK over 12.2hh - 13hh

1 Carona Park Callum Perkins

Kaleidescope

2 Tyalla Dimity Kirra Haigh

PONY HACK over 13hh - 13.2hh

1 DD Toy Boy Chloe Moon

2 Rockview Rebound Bodesha Robinson

3 Beckworth Strolling Aleisha Kleinitz

Play

PONY HACK over 13.2hh-14hh

1 Drumclyer Flotilla Claire Lemoignan

GIRLS PONY HACK 12.2hh and under

1 Brayside Butterscotch Chloe Moon

2 Tyalla Opal Rachael Cook

3 Lily Claire Lemoignan

GIRLS PONY HACK over 12.2hh to 14hh

1 Rockview Rebound Bodesha Robinson

2 Tyalla Oriole Hannah Kotzen

3 Beckworth Strolling Aleisha Kleinitz

Play

BOYS PONY HACK 14hh and under

1 Carona Park Callum Perkins

Kaleidescope

2 Angus Argyll Stowe

LIGHTWEIGHT PONY HACK 14hh & under

1 Tyalla Opal Rachael Cook

2 Beckworth Strolling Aleisha Kleinitz

Play

MEDIUMWEIGHT PONY HACK 14hh & under

1 Rockview Rebound Bodesha Robinson

2 Tyalla Dimity Kirra Haigh

3 Gem Park Cassanova Rachael Gaynor

HEAVYWEIGHT PONY HACK 14hh & under

1 Mirravale Banshee Rachael Cook

2 Dalgangle Candice Chloe Moon

3 Tyalla Oriole Hannah Kotzen

CHAMPION SMALL PONY HACK

Brayside Butterscotch Chloe Moon

RESERVE CHAMPION SMALL PONY HACK

Tyalla Opal Rachael Cook

CHAMPION LARGE PONY HACK

DD Toy Boy Chloe Moon

RESERVE CHAMPION LARGE PONY HACK

Rockview Rebound Bodesha Robinson

SHOW HUNTER PONY 12.2 and under

1 Brayside Butterscotch Chloe Moon

2 Jutteroo Wizard Callum Perkins

3 Dalgangle Candice Aleisha Klientz

SHOW HUNTER PONY over 12.2hh to 14h

1 Tyalla Oriole Jennifer Kobulniczky

2 Mirravale Banshee Rachael Cook

3 Rockview Rebound Bodesha Robinson

CHAMPION SHOW HUNTER PONY

Brayside Butterscotch Chloe Moon

CHAMPION JUNIOR RIDER

Chloe Moon Candice

RESERVE CHAMPION JUNIOR RIDER

Bree Cox Burnbsar Audition

RIDER 10 & under

1 Claire Lemoignan Drumclyer Flotilla

2 Nerida Evans Ebony

3 Argyll Stowe Angus

Storm Hogan Bright Eyes

RIDER 11, 12 and 13 yrs

1 Chloe Moon Candice

2 Bree Cox Burnbrae Audition

3 Hannah Kotzen Tyalla Oriole

RIDER 14 to 17yrs

1 Bodesha Robinson Rockview Rebound

BREEDING

Judge : Kerry Wilson

OPEN PONIES

OPEN COLT or STALLION

1 Arabella Eat My Natalie Bosman

Shorts

2 Wildfire Black Arrow Cherese Green

FILLY 3 yrs & under

1 Quidam Ntombi Shakari North

MARE 4 yrs & over

1 Tyalla Oriole Hannah Kotzen

2 Tyalla Opal Rachael Cook

3 Tyalla Oriole Jennifer Kobulniczky

GELDING - open

1 Carona Park Callum Perkins

Kaleidescope

2 Rockview Rebound Bodesha Robinson

3 Yahweh Jireh Jacob Rachelle Chitty

CHAMPION MALE

Carona Park Callum Perkins

Kaleidescope

RESERVE CHAMPION MALE

Rockview Rebound Bodesha Robinson

CHAMPION FEMALE

Tyalla Oriole Jenny Kobulniczky

RESERVE CHAMPION FEMALE

Tyalla Opal Rachael Cook

OPEN PONY CHAMPION

Carona Park Callum Perkins

Kaleidescope

OPEN HORSE EVENTS

MARE 4yrs and over

1 Palmerston Park Alexandra Roberts

Silhouette

2 Joshua Brook Stylus Sam Cook

Gem

3 Sunny Citrus Carmen Sadleir

OPEN GELDING

1 Suave Pekan Meredith Cox

2 Beau Jennifer Kobulniczky

Leedale Micardi Madison Derrick

CHAMPION MALE

Suave Pekan Meredith Cox

RESERVE CHAMPION MALE

Beau Jennifer Kobulniczky

CHAMPION FEMALE

Palmerston Park Alexandra Roberts

Silhouette

RESERVE CHAMPION FEMALE

Joshua Brook Stylish Sam Cook

Gem

OPEN CHAMPION HORSE

Palmerston Park Alexandra Roberts

Silhouette

HANDY PONY

Judge : Pam Watkins

HANDY PONY LED

1 Comet Jayde Evans

2 Chardonnay Michelle Reid

3 Megsy Tilly Stowe

HANDY MOUNT 12 yrs & under

1 Tyalla Oriole Hannah Kotzen

NOVICE TIME TRIAL
 1 Vancouver Park Sally Lang
 2 Riom Goosebumps Leah Broderick

JUMPING
 JUDGE: NEVILLE WESTLUND
AM7 TABLE 60cm
 1 Annie Herzer Prince
 2 Claire Lemoignan Lily
 3 Claire Lemoignan Drumclyer Flotilla
OPTIMUM TIME 60cm
 1 Claire Lemoignan Drumclyer Flotilla
 2 Jessica Herzer Ebony
 3 Niamh Thompson Roxy
AM5 60cm
 1 Annie Herzer Prince
 2 Claire Lemoignan Lily
 3 Claire Lemoignan Drumclyer Flotilla
Fault & Out 60cm
 1 Niamh Thompson Roxy
 2 Claire Lemoignan Drumclyer Flotilla
 3 Jessica Herzer Ebony
AM7 75cm
 1 Annie Herzer Emily
 2 Jenny Kobulniczky Tyalla Oriole
 3 Jessica Herzer Ebony
OPTIMUM TIME 75cm
 1 Jessica Herzer Ebony
 2 Jennifer Kobulniczky Tyalla Oriole
 3 Summer Smith Chinka
AM5 75cm
 1 Summer Smith Chinka
 2 Jennifer Kobulniczky Tyalla Oriole
 3 Annie Herzer Emily
FAULT & OUT 75cm
 1 Summer Smith Chinka
 2 Jennifer Kobulniczky Tyalla Oriole
AM7 90cm
 1 Jennifer Kobulniczky Beau
OPTIMUM TIME 90cm
 1 Jennifer Kobulniczky Beau
AM5 90cm
 1 Jennifer Kobulniczky Beau
FAULT & OUT 90cm
 1 Jennifer Kobulniczky Beau

JUNIOR AND JUVENILE STOCK HORSE CLASSES
JUNIOR WORKING STOCK HORSE
 1 Cassie Maddison Meares
 2 Beansville Sheaza Taylor Conway Miner
 3 Yankee Kirra Haigh
JUVENILE WORKING STOCK HORSE
 1 Elly Shakari North
 2 Dooley Sarah Seed
JUNIOR HACK
 1 Cassie Maddison Meares
 2 Beansville Sheaza Taylor Conway Miner
 3 Yankee Kirra Haigh
JUVENILE HACK
 1 Elly Shakari North
 2 Dooley Sarah Seed
JUNIOR UTILITY HORSE
 1 Beansville Sheaza Taylor Conway Miner
 2 Cassie Maddison Meares
 3 Yankee Kirra Haigh
JUVENILE UTILITY HORSE
 1 Elly Shakari North
 2 Elle Sarah Seed
JUNIOR TIME TRIAL
 1 Cassie Maddison Meares
 2 Beansville Sheaza Taylor Conway Miner
 3 Yankee Kirra Haigh
JUVENILE TIME TRIAL
 1 Elly Shakari North
 3 Dooley Sarah Seed

ASH Classes at Toodyay Ag Show

Words and photos by Sue Manning

The Annual Toodyay Agricultural Show is unusual for a country Ag Show, with just one day of actual show and two days of Equestrian events, held over the 10th & 11 October 2009.

Ring events are held on the Saturday, providing show-goers with entertainment, including official hacking, breed classes open to all breeds, a handy pony event and novelties to finish the day.

On the Sunday it is the turn of the showjumpers and the Stock horse classes. An official ASH event, organisers invite accredited ASH judges to officiate at this show.

This year's judges were Damien and Lynne Reid, who came all the way from Kendenup to judge at their first Toodyay Ag Show. Damien commented that he liked the inclusivity of the show – having classes for other breeds as well as stock horses so that everyone could have a go and get involved.

Sunday's featured Australian Stock horse events included breed classes, ridden ASH and stockhorse classes, with many events for other breeds to take part in. The working stockhorse patterns were popular, as were the utility horse classes. The time trial is always enjoyable for spectators – a timed event, it included obstacles to negotiate, such as poles, a gate and a hay bale to jump.

The junior's weren't left out, with junior and juvenile stock horse classes, open to any breed of horse or pony. Riders were put through their paces with working stock horse patterns, hack patterns, utility horse, station hack and time trial classes.

The showjumping was fairly quiet, with another showjumping event held on the same day at another venue. Despite this, the small classes didn't stop those taking part being very competitive – many challenging themselves to get as close to optimum time as possible. Judge and Course builder was Neville Westlund, who built an interesting course for classes from 60cm up to 105cm.

Organisers were very grateful to several sponsors who donated prizes and prize money, including many local businesses and Studs.

Results from Sundays ASH events
Breed Classes
 ASH Champion Mare: Beansville Sheza Miner; Reserve Champion: Mountain Top Coco.
 ASH Champion Gelding: Vancouver Park; Reserve Champion: Riom Goosebumps.
 Supreme ASH: Vancouver Park
 Any Other Breed Champion Mare: Gemma Hodge, Bell; Reserve: Summer Roberts, Jutlands Dazzlyn Dona.
 AOB Champion Gelding: Cathy Bendsten, Thowra; Reserve: Georgie Troup, Westbury Lad.
 Supreme AOB: Cathy Bendsten, Thowra.

Working Classes
 Novice Working Stock Horse: 1st Leah Broderick, Riom Goosebumps; 2nd Sally Lang, Vancouver Park; 3rd Leah Broderick, Blacklock Caddilac Jack.
 Novice Hack: Sally Lang, Vancouver Park; 2nd Leah Broderick, Riom Goosebumps; 3rd Cathy Bendsten, Thowra.
 ASHLA pattern: Sally Lang, Vancouver Park.
 Novice Utility Horse: 1st Sally Lang, Vancouver Park; 2nd Cathy Bendsten, Thowra; 3rd Wayne Seed, Opal.
 Novice Time Trial: 1st Sally lang, 2nd Leah Broderick.

Maiden Working Stock Horse: 1st Leah Broderick, Mountain Top Coco; 2nd Cathy Bendsten, Thowra; 3rd Summer Roberts, Jutlands Dazzlyn Dona.

Hack Class: 1st Leah Broderick, Mountain Top Coco; 2nd Cathy Bendsten, Thowra; 3rd Allyson Sawyer, Pallano Quick Silver.

Utility Class: 1st Cathy Bendsten, Thowra; 2nd Summer Roberts, Jutlands Dazzlyn Dona; 3rd Leah Broderick, Mountain Top Coco.

Time Trial: 1st Summer Roberts; 2nd Cathy Bendsten; 3rd Leah Broderick.

Junior Classes
 Working Stock Horse: 1st Maddison Meares, Cassie; 2nd Taylor Conway, Beansville Sheza Miner; 3rd Kirra Haigh, Yankee.

Hack class: 1st Maddison Meares, Cassie; 2nd Taylor Conway, Beansville Sheza Miner; 3rd Kirra Haigh, Yankee.

Utility Horse: 1st Taylor Conway; Beansville Sheza Miner; 2nd Maddison Meares, Cassie; 3rd Kirra Haigh, Yankee.

Time Trial: 1st Maddison Meares, Cassie; 2nd Taylor Conway, Beansville Sheza Miner; 3rd Kirra Haigh, Yankee.

Juvenile: 1st Shakari North, Elly; 2nd Sarah



Tom Kress in action with his striking horse Montana.

Seed.
 Trifecta Winners
 Any Other Breed: Leah Broderick, Mountain Top Coco.

Novice: Sally Lang, Vancouver Park.
 Juniors: Maddison Meares, Cassie.
 Juveniles: Shakari North, Elly.

Overall on day: Cathy Bendsten, Thowra
 Results Show Jumping
 Am7 60 cm: 1st Annie Herzer, Prince; 2nd Claire Lemoignan, Lily; Equal 3rd Niamh Thompson, Roxy and Claire Lemoignan, Drumclyer Flotilla.

60cm optimum time: 1st Claire Lemoignan, Drumclyer Flotilla; 2nd Jessica Herzer, Ebony; 3rd Niamh Thompson, Roxy.

Am5 60cm: 1st Annie Herzer, Prince; 2nd Claire Lemoignan, Lily; 3rd Drumclyer Flotilla.

Fault and out 60 cm: N Thompson, Roxy; Equal 2nd Jessica Herzer, Ebony and Claire Lemoignan, Drumclyer Flotilla.

Am7 75cm: 1st Annie Herzer, Emily; 2nd Jennifer Kobulniczky, Tyalla Oriole; 3rd Jessica Herzer, Ebony.

Optimum time 75 cm: 1st Jessica Herzer, Ebony 2nd Jennifer kobulniczky, Tyalla Oriole; 3rd Summer Smith, Chinka.

75 cm Am5: 1st Summer Smith, Chinka; 2nd Jennifer Kobulniczky, Tyalla Oriole; 3rd

Annie Herzer, Emily.
 Fault and out 75 cm: 1st Summer Smith, Chinka; 2nd Jennifer Kobulniczky, Tyalla Oriole.
 Am7 90 cm, 90cm Fault and out and Am5 90cm & 90cm Optimum Time all won by Jennifer Kobulniczky riding Beau.

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