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Australia's 'First Bloke' Shares with Our Blokes

Grant Scobie
Editor

ON Thursday 27 October, the Toodyay Men's Shed hosted a special lunch in Duidgee Park.

Members of the Shed were joined by other Sheds members from as far away as Mukinbudin along with some of their partners, Shire of Toodyay Councillors and representatives and Toodyay business proprietors. They'd all come to hear from Men's Health Ambassador and patron of the Australian Men's Shed Association (AMSA), Mr Tim Mathieson, partner of the Prime Minister, Julia Gillard.

Mr Mathieson was joined by David Helmers, CEO and the driving force behind the current momentum of the Association, Andrew Stark, publicity and communications officer and Julian Krieg from the Men's Health Initiative.

Jeff Roberts, chairman of the Toodyay Men's Shed welcomed all to the day, introducing the distinguished guests as well as the Hon Max Trenorden MLC, Wendy Camenzuli, Principal of the Toodyay District High School, the local police and sponsors of the Shed, including the Bendigo Bank, Toodyay IGA, Men's Health Initiative, and Dr Phil Lawton who supplied the Toodyay Men's Shed with their current, temporary premises.

The Shire President, Cr Kevin Hogg, said a few words of welcome and stated the Shire's support for the Toodyay Men's Shed and the Shed movement as a whole.

Tim Mathieson was then introduced and



Tim Mathieson with Toodyay Men's Shed chairman, Jeff Roberts

began by saying, "I'm actually turning 55 today and I couldn't think of a better way to celebrate than spending some time here in a Men's Shed or a men's gathering which is what we've got going on today."

Mr Mathieson told how he grew up in country Victoria and remained a country boy at heart. He learnt from an early age that blokes getting together was a special part of the Aussie culture. He joined the scouting movement eventually becoming a patrol leader and, all through that time, the

idea of blokes looking after each other never left him. About ten years ago, when he was working on the Gold Coast, he formed the Terrace Club. "We didn't know what we were doing," he said. "There was no map or handbook, just a bunch of blokes getting together each week to enjoy mateship and talk with each other - a men's shed without the shed."

Later, Tim got involved in men's health and mental health issues, travelling around country Australia with Jeff Kennett giving

talks on depression and witnessed the difference Men's Sheds were making and so Tim became passionate about them.

He told the listeners that he has his own shed at the Lodge. "Julia can go anywhere in Australia, but she can't come into my shed," he said.

As a hairdresser, Tim Mathieson saw the support that women provided each other, sharing problems and finding spaces where they could feel safe and comfortable. Then he compared that to the way men tended to carry on, bottling things up, not going to the doctor until it was too late, never showing feelings or asking for help. "I realised that men needed to do better," he said. "That's where Men's Sheds come in; they're more than fixing old furniture or repairing toys; they're fixing men and building communities."

Mr Mathieson went on to explain the growth of the movement. A few years earlier, when he had first joined, there were about 40 or 50, last year there were 300, and now there are over 650 Men's Sheds registered with AMSA with membership of 75,000 men. Each day a new Shed forms.

He explained how Men's Sheds can play a great role alongside other community groups like Rotary, RSL or Lions which all work a bit differently. The Men's Shed are "Blokes for blokes, creating an atmosphere, a cave if you like, where blokes can feel at home," he said, "where they can find time to have a yarn and a cuppa with their mate, time to tinker and mess around, time to think about their health, physical and mental, and reach out for the help that may be needed."

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Fly on the Wall

Peter Robinson

THE October Council Meeting was brought forward one week so that new Councillors were not expected to be up to speed just one day after being sworn in. It was the last meeting for retiring Councillors, Bob Somers and Charlie Wroth. They had both decided not to seek re-election. As it turned out, it was the last meeting for Councillor Debbie Larkin also. All three must be thanked for the time and effort they put into the role of being a Councillor. At times, some of their decisions may not have been popular, but that does not detract from their commitment to the task.

Museum Advisory Committee

There have been some problems with the museum advisory committee, with the last successful meeting occurring back in March this year. It is not good enough when people knock off work and drive from Perth, only to be told that the meeting has been cancelled. There is also a need to look at the areas of museum activities which the advisory can discuss and form an opinion.

Fire Advisory

The Bush Fire Advisory recommended some changes to the senior positions in the organisation. Murray McBride remains as the Chief Bush Fire Control Officer and Brian Wood as the 1st Deputy. Mick Rogers becomes 2nd Deputy, and Mark Briggs has been given the new position of 3rd Deputy. Ranger Alan Knapp loses the role of Deputy. Charlie Wroth has been appointed to the position of Fire Control Officer representative on the advisory.

Foggarthorpe Subdivision

An approved subdivision application only lasts for three years if no clearances have been issued. Since not all conditions have been met by the developer, Ironbridge Holdings, no clearances have so far been issued. The developer therefore has sought a renewal. They also requested some changes. The West Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) only gives Councils 42 days to respond. Our administration had already been given an extension of time for this application and Councillors were concerned that any delay could mean that our Council's submission on the matter would not be heard. Councillors took an adjournment to discuss the problem with the administration. When standing orders were resumed the subdivision application was deferred.

North Street

You would not believe it, but this saga started back in 1999! I don't have the time and the Editor won't give me the space to go through all that has happened. On this occasion the administration gave Councillors two options. They could approve the erection of gates across North Street or order that they be removed. Councillors opted for the latter.

Extractive Industry

In August of this year, Boral Bricks was granted an extractive industry licence for a property along Chitty Rd. The licence was for five years and contained a list of conditions. Boral believed that five years was not enough time, given the cost of all the conditions, and therefore requested that the licence be extended to 10 years. Councillors Larkin and Wroth both spoke about being consistent with other 10 year licences and the probability that the shorter time frame would mean even more trucks per day on Chitty and Toodyay Rds. This seemed like a good logical argument. Interesting to note however that Councillor Larkin moved and Councillor Wroth seconded the August motion for a five year licence.

Food Act / Annual Risk Assessment

In keeping with recent reductions in fees and charges, the annual inspection fee for food premises has now also been significantly reduced. This continued push from the Shire to be more friendly, supportive and cooperative will promote more business and domestic development for Toodyay. There are only a couple of areas where some cultural change is still required.

Basketball Court Lighting

A request to consider entering into a licence agreement for the shared use of facilities for sporting and recreational purposes at the Toodyay District High School was defeated. However they have not made a decision on what to do with the \$16,729 grant from Community Sporting and Recreational Facilities Fund (CSRFF). There is also \$50,186 in the Shire budget for this project. During the debate it was unclear as to how much support there was for night basketball / netball games or training. There does not seem to be any constituted or incorporated clubs that are seeking to use the courts at night. Given that the Shire's first priority in the recreation sphere is for an aquatic centre; lighting the school courts should at least be deferred.

Thank You Vote

The last item for the evening was a thank you vote to Mr Frank Panizza. There was very well deserved praise for Frank who remained chair of the Audit Committee, even after resigning from Council four years ago. He tells me that he has made himself available to be on the Audit Committee for another two years. Most people will never get to know how large a contribution Frank made to the financial stability of our Shire.

New Councillors

On the evening of Monday 17 October, three new Councillors were sworn in along with two others who were returned. Congratulations, and welcome to our new Councillors: North Ward - Rosemary Madacsi, Central Ward - Richard Wilkinson, West Ward - Sally Craddock and returned Councillors, Bethan Lloyd and Chris Firns.

Former Councillor and Shire President, Geoff Ludemann JP had the honour of conducting the swearing in ceremony.

Next came the election of Shire President and Deputy President. Cr Hogg was elected unopposed to continue as President for another two years. Cr Prater won the Deputy's position in a contest from Cr Jackson.

In the draw for the seating arrangement all the existing Councillors have new positions.

In his speech welcoming new Councillors and thanking the retired ones (reproduced elsewhere in this paper), Shire President Cr Hogg outlined a plan to try and introduce a portfolio system to Council. This system would allow more of the general community to become involved through advisory groups with the Councillor on his/her portfolio subject. As a tradesman, I get to meet many retired people who have moved to Toodyay and are building/renovating a house. The level of expertise over a very wide range of subjects we have in our community is enormous. Many of those people would like to contribute in some way without standing for Council. This would be good for both the individual concerned and the community. I feel quite excited and very positive about the potential for the next few years.

New Acting CEO

Over the long weekend we said 'goodbye' to Acting CEO, Trevor Harken, and 'welcome' to Acting CEO, Lindsay Delahaunty. Trevor has been with us since Simon Fraser took ill back in March. His extensive wealth of knowledge has been invaluable to our Shire. He has assisted greatly in steering us through a difficult time. Trevor came out of retirement to help us. He expected to be here for a matter of weeks only, but stayed on for eight months.

Trevor, your quietly spoken, people friendly manner is just what we needed. Thank you and enjoy your return to retirement.

Lindsay also comes to us with a great wealth of knowledge about Local Government. He has held senior positions, including CEO, at several city Shires including City of Stirling, and Shires of Wanneroo, Joondalup and Melville. Lindsay's contract is for up to twelve months, depending on when Simon is able to return. He was born and raised just down the road in Northam (almost a local!)

Welcome Lindsay, we look forward to a harmonious and fruitful relationship.

Toodyay Picnic Races



Naomi Millett

PERFECT spring weather ensured several thousand enthusiastic punters turned out on 8 October for this year's Toodyay Picnic Race Day, coinciding with the town's 175th year celebrations. It was the first event to be held at the racecourse since the area was devastated by fire nearly two years ago.

Thanks to a hastily organised busy bee and the hard work of volunteers and contractors, rubbish (and fire debris) was removed, the outer fence line was rebuilt, a new veranda floor was put in and the area was made generally more presentable – only hours before the gates opened.

Highlights included traditional events such as the Fashions of the Field parade and



competition, and the 100 metre Reudavey Dash for Cash (run by representatives of local footy teams). A Gingin football player took home \$1000 for his efforts in the Dash. There were more than two dozen entries in various 'best dressed' categories, including a special prize for the most convincing 1800s period costume.

Between and after the races, patrons were also amused by roving comedians, and a live band, *Peace, Love and All that Stuff*, kept the crowds entertained well into the evening.

Children were generously catered for, with a free gym bus, a mobile baby animal farm and face painting in the infield.



A highly visible, professionally coordinated security team ensured the day proceeded smoothly. There were only three incidents of misbehaviour, all involving young men affected by alcohol. One patron allegedly climbed over the racetrack fence, and was escorted from the grounds by police.

Almost every man present who was laying bets could not resist putting money on a horse named *Trouble With Girls* in the day's last race. The move paid off handsomely for many. Although tipsters, and the 'stewards' last start' information suggested *Trouble* would find the other horses 'too slick for her' in Toodyay, the mare remained at the rear, then powered forward to a resounding win in the final minute.

Attendance was apparently down a little compared with previous years; however Toodyay Race Club President, John Prater praised everyone who was there for getting into the spirit of the special event, and said that the races will definitely be on again in 2012.



Country Comes to the Subiaco Fair



THE Oak Lawn at the University of WA was host to a sea of stalls on Sunday 21 October for the Subiaco Craft and Community Fair. Among the 200 stalls of crafts and wares was the Toodyay display, run by a team from the town of Toodyay. The display was showcasing the town, the diverse range of tourist attractions and accommodation and promoting the beauty of the Avon Valley in spring time. The Subiaco fair is an annual event and is organised by the Rotary Club of Matilda Bay.

Club president, Christine Stewart, said she was astonished by the generosity of the business operators of Toodyay who donated raffle prizes consisting of accommodation packages and delicious local produce along with craft and wares. The prizes were raffled off with proceeds to the rotary charity one of which is the 'Uni camp for Kids'.

Lesley Hug from Toodyay Holiday Park and Chalets spent the day distributing 'Toodyay a Valley for All Seasons' brochures and dispensing information on Toodyay. Lesley was interviewed by Channel Seven personality, Reece Whitby, and put a very positive spin on Toodyay and also the wonderful array of raffle prizes donated.

Thanks go to the following businesses for supporting the event and making it possible for Toodyay to be profiled at this event in good time for CHOGM. Accommodation packages, gift baskets and local Toodyay products were received from Avalon Homestead, Bee Happy & Uniquely Toodyay, Blackwattle Retreat, Coorinja Wines, Earth Sculptures, The Toodyay Emporium, The Limes Orchard Stay, The Toodyay Visitors Centre and Toodyay Holiday Park and Chalets.

All was done with the aim of Promoting Tourism for Toodyay - A Valley For All Seasons.

Can You Help re the Nunyle Hall?

THE Toodyay Historical Society is seeking photos of the former Nunyle Agricultural Hall that stood on Hall Road, Nunyle (now Nunile), from 1904 to 1947. To date we haven't found any!

The hall was the social centre of the district and also used as a school (briefly) and by the Nunyle Branch of the CWA (from 1934 to 1946). The site also had a tennis court. Some of the bricks from the hall were used to build the Sanctuary of St. Stephen's Church in 1948.

The Society intends to reinstall the hall's foundation stone this year as part of the 175th Anniversary Celebrations and also plans some historical interpretation. We have already been given some valuable archives but would really appreciate some photos.

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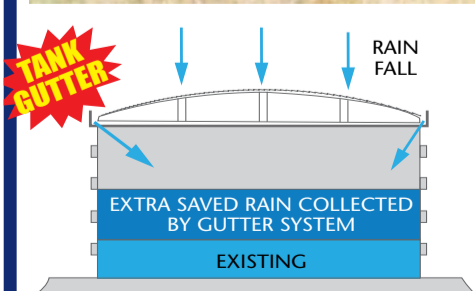
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To the Toodyay Community

I WISH TO thank the West Ward residents who voted for me at the recent Local Government Election on 15 October 2011. Unfortunately I was unsuccessful in my attempt at re-election.

Although some people did not always agree with the position that I took on some issues, it was always my intent to vote in the best interests of the community as a whole.

I also wish to take this opportunity to thank all those members of the Toodyay community who have supported me during my four years as Councillor. It was my privilege to serve you during that time.

My commitment to the Toodyay community remains.

Regards

Debbie Larkin

I WANT TO thank all the people who helped me to be elected - those who printed material, who handed out fliers on that long, long Saturday, those who encouraged me during the month of electioneering and, of course, those who voted.

I am now part of a team of wonderful Councillors. I am learning about the hard decisions that will have to be made in the next few months and years. In many ways we are at a critical time in the history of the Shire. But as one of a team of diverse Councillors, and with constant input from the community, we can achieve many good results.

Thank you,

Sally Craddock

I FEEL BLESSED and fortunate to live in a small country town such as Toodyay.

My son, Dale, recently injured himself in a car accident and was taken to Shenton Park where he will spend the next six weeks.

The support from our friends has been wonderful; just knowing you are there is a comfort. The youth group has been a huge support for us all. It made Dale's week when they brought a bus of youth group friends to the hospital for a visit and to decorate his room. The O'Neal family has been a huge emotional support.

Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

Bronwyn Gavlik

I AM WRITING to express my disappointment with the Shire over the way they have handled an issue about a turkey in the town site.

Otto is my son, Leo's pet. He is also a protector of my hens against fox attacks. We have had him for over a year.

Out of the blue a few weeks ago, one of our neighbours in Reserve Street put in a complaint about the turkey's 'gobble' noise. Otto's noise is not particularly loud and he does not wake early or make noise at night, like roosters.

I have spoken in person to all near neighbours and no other people have a problem with our bird.

The Shire has no policy on turkeys in the town site, nevertheless I am having pressure put on me to remove this single bird - it seems to me simply to make life easier for the Health Officers concerned.

I am currently conducting a petition in my area to add weight to my case, but it seems I will be fined if I don't get rid of him soon.

It just seems unfair, petty and 'not Toodyay' in spirit, that one complainant can wield so much power over a neighbour.

Is there anyone out there who could take poor Otto and give him a home? He needs quite a large, secure cage. If so please give me a call.

Yours sincerely,

Naomi Millett

I ATTENDED THE Agricultural Show last Saturday as many others did, and enjoyed it immensely.

I was heading, very unsteadily, up the path to the Lee Steere Pavillion for our singing gig with the Toodyay Community Singers. There was a gentleman walking behind me who noticed I was having trouble with the loose gravel on the rise to the Pavillion. He came forward, asked if I was OK and offered his arm to me to walk up the hill. This offer was gratefully accepted and we chatted as we slowly made our way up the hill. We didn't exchange our names, but I'm sure you know who you are. I was very grateful for the kind and chivalrous offer and ladies, it is good to know that chivalry is not dead in Toodyay!

Thank you, kind gentleman.

Mona Coffey

All Council Meetings to be held in Toodyay Chambers

MANY MEMBERS OF the community may not yet be aware that Cr Bethan Lloyd will be moving a motion at the November meeting of Council that will discontinue the practice of holding one Council Meeting each year at Bejording, Julimar and Morangup locations.

In recent years Council has held the April (Bejording), June (Morangup) and October (Julimar) meetings to provide easier access for these communities to attend Council proceedings.

I am concerned that these meetings are planned to be discontinued without any consultation with the community members who will be affected by this decision.

I urge members of the community who disagree with this intention to contact their local elected member and let them know.

Regards

Debbie Larkin

To the Business Community re Toodyay Chamber of Commerce

A MEETING WILL BE held on Monday 7 November 2011 in the dining room at Uncle Vinnies Italian Restaurant, Stirling Terrace, to determine the future of the Toodyay Chamber

of Commerce. As a former member of the Chamber Management Committee, I feel it is in the best interests of Toodyay local businesses to enable the Chamber to become a fully-functioning body supporting - and being supported by - local Toodyay businesses.

The Chamber currently sponsors a number of pro-active organisations and events in Toodyay including the Moondyne Festival, Christmas Street Party and Living Communities. If the Chamber ceases to function, these events will be at risk of closing unless they consider becoming incorporated bodies in their own right. It would be a shame if Toodyay loses any or all of these events.

An approach has been made by the Shire of Toodyay to assist in re-forming the Chamber together with a commitment to support and liaise with the local business community in terms of taking a more pro-active role in promoting local business interests. In order to show their commitment to the Chamber, Shire representation will be present at this meeting to outline their role.

Please show your support for the chamber and attend the meeting.

Thank you and best regards

*Barbara Mottershaw
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Editor's Note

Grant Scobie
Editor

THIS month there are a few issues that have come up that I need to address. So here goes.

Firstly, I must apologise to the community at Morangup for mistakenly putting the wrong polling place for the recent, West Ward Council Elections. At death knell for the paper (just before sending to the printer), we still had a full page free so, rather than trawling through stories from the Dept of Agriculture, we thought it 'community spirited' to give the elections a boost. The information was easy to find - one of the candidates had provided us with that - so we copied it and put it in.

A week later, an email from the Shire and a phone call from candidate, Debbie Larkin, informed me that there was a wedding reception at the Morangup Community Centre, the polling was at the Morangup Fire Shed and that people were, I assume, worried that voters would crash the reception.

So, sorry, Morangup, I hope the reception wasn't interrupted and that voters weren't too put out.

While I'm apologising, I must say that we try, at the Herald, to get everything right, everything in the paper that is submitted that is publishable, etc. but we do make mistakes. We are working hard to try to make our system infallible but it's a long road with too much relying on memory (never reliable in my case.) So if we've made a mistake with your submission, please accept our apology.

One way we can make everything a little easier is for all people making submissions to the paper to get them in by the deadline (and earlier if possible.) I have one article sent via email at 11.58pm on deadline day! That's really cutting it fine and, I might add, not really by deadline which is close of business on that day. This means that I'm a day behind before I start. Bad news for the memory!

Another thing about memory is global positioning - where any member of the Herald team is when asked questions or told something. There is no point telling me or another of the volleys that you want to place an advertisement in the paper when we're doing our Saturday morning shopping. The actual GPS coordinates are not that far from the Herald office but kilometres away from the Herald memory bank. Don't think that telling us something in the street means we'll remember it later; it may happen but, in reality, it probably won't.

I wish to mention our Letters section of the paper. These letters are your chance to give a personal opinion on pretty much any topic. As stated on the first page of Letters, they must be no more than about 200 words and may be edited for clarity, legal reasons or for size. The letters are not the opinion of the newspaper so, if one is printed that you don't agree with, it's the writer who is the person whom you must address. The Herald will happily print replies / rebuttals in the following issue but we're not interested in being copied in to personal correspondence between you and the writer that is marked 'not for publication'.

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All entries will be placed in a barrel and drawn on 16 November. Winners will be notified by phone. The free passes will be marked with your name and can be collected at the door on the night.

Celebrate 175 years of Settlement of Toodyay 1836 - 2011

Desraé Clarke

TOODYAY'S 175th Anniversary year of celebrations is gradually winding down but what a year it has been! So many Toodyay-ites, and those who have left the Shire, contributed support, photos and valuable information that will all be kept and treasured. When one hears that people have travelled from different parts of our State and, as far away, as Queensland to enjoy Toodyay's 175th Anniversary it demonstrates the pull that is felt for old roots!



There is still a little memorabilia left to purchase such as caps (\$10), stubby holders (\$5.50) and polo shirts (\$25) available at the

Information Centre and Black Market.

The 175th Committee would like to update the current brochure and also to design a '175th Anniversary Reflections' with data and a photographic record of the year's events. If you have a photo, or photos, which tell a story or an interesting happening that could be included in the 'Reflections' please contact a member of the Committee as below. The ultimate aim is to store the 'Reflections' within both the Shire and the Batty Library.

Photo courtesy Beth Frayne 'History is as old as yesterday'.

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Toodyay Ballet School



Lani McGeady (Lic) CBA CICB cert iv

WHAT a fantastic time all the kids and parents had at the two weeks' worth of competitions during the school holidays.

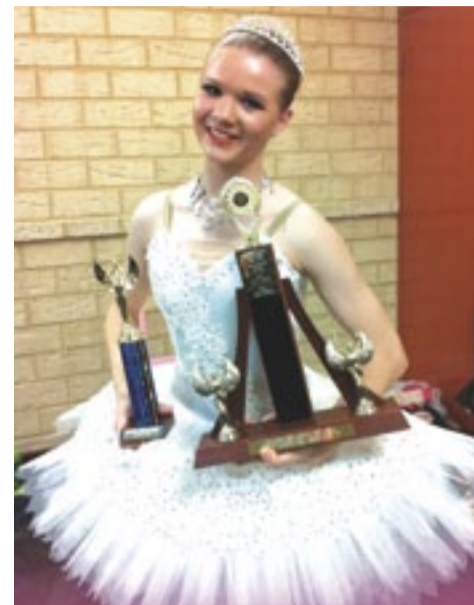
In the first week, we travelled down to Penrhos Girls College and the beautiful Rixon Theatre. It was great to see everyone and watch the extremely talented dancers from all around Perth.

The students all tried so hard and I was so proud of each and every one of them. We had some very successful days with the 10 years and under troupe taking home their first ever perpetual trophy for winning their section at Penrhos and then winning another one at Bayswater! The girls (and parents) were extremely excited. The troupe consists

of Erin Hall, Alicia Leyland, Danielle Lucy, Whitney Mills, Hannah Gladwell, Lauren Evans, Briannah Horridge, Lily Blechynden and Georgia Pankiw (pictured below). The 12 years and under troupe (Maddi Sheahan, Isla Cooke, Isabel Ferguson, Shaylee Mills, Ebony Toovey, Jasmine Watson, Emily Blechynden, Mollie Hare and Ashleigh Pankiw) won their section at Bayswater, collecting their second first place for the year as well.

Maddi Sheahan was runner-up for the overall dancer of the festival; an outstanding

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Bonnie McGeady - Senior Dancer of the Festival

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achievement for this 12-year-old. Maddi is looking forward to relocating to Melbourne at the end of this year to take up a position at the Victorian College of Arts Secondary School where she will share her days between school work and full time dance training. This Government run initiative is the only school of its kind in the southern hemisphere and students auditioning and being accepted are offered not only state of the art facilities but also full scholarships with no school tuition fees or dance tuition fees. Obviously they only take the very best of the very best and Maddi is now our second student to be accepted after Kate Arber was also accepted last year. Congratulations to both girls on their outstanding achievement.

We then travelled to our favourite competition for the year, Bayswater Festival, which is held at the Morley Rec Centre. Once again we had many successes with lots of students taking home perpetual trophies. The camaraderie between the teachers and students at this particular festival is always a great way to end the competition year for us. We have been competing at this one for 10 years now and have very firm friends who we always look forward to catching up with.

Bonnie McGeady (Miss Bonnie) finished the year by taking out the Senior Dancer of the Festival. Winning six perpetuals and getting 2nd for her other two sections was simply amazing. Lauren Smart (Miss Lauren) won the Open Slow Modern section receiving her first ever perpetual solo trophy. It was a wonderful way to end the competitions for the year.

No time to relax though, with only four weeks till the concert. Everyone is pumped and sewing furiously to make sure everything is ready in time for the big day. We will once again be holding our concert at Swan Park Theatre at the bottom of the hill on Sunday 20 November at 2pm. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the mums and dads for the great support they have given and continue to give to their children and to me. I am truly blessed to have such wonderful people around me to help all the time.

So don't forget to grab your tickets early as we look like a sell-out this year. Tickets go on sale on Saturday 5 November at the showgrounds pavilion from 10am.

Keep Stretching

Bejoording Babble

Kim Leonhardt

HI SPORTS Fans! Last month saw a Community Meeting, and Holden winning Bathurst but more on Holden winning Bathurst later.

The Community Meeting was held on Wednesday 5 October, followed by the Breakfast Night. First item on the agenda was from Barry Grey, who gave us an update on the Fire Signs, and informed us of the burning period extension. Linda Veldtman reminded us of Melbourne Cup Day on 1 November. Barry Grey reminded us of the Family Games Night on 31 October. Eric thanked Barry Grey for his epic attack on the shed extensions, and Kim Leonhardt reminded everyone of Bathurst Day (Holden came first you know. More on that later.) The next meeting will be held on

Wednesday 7 December.

Breakfast Night was, as usual, a gastronomic success. Mention must go to Sparkmark for tirelessly frying up from before the meeting, during the meeting, and after the meeting as members and kids were circling him like a school of mullet in a kiddies' wading pool.

Speaking of events that start with B, Bathurst Day was the following Sunday. (Holden came first you know... and second – more on that later.) Now, as dedicated readers may remember, Bathurst Day isn't just about car racing. No. For the last three years, in conjunction with Bathurst Day, is a side event called Bathurst Bladder. From 7.30am, whoever goes to the toilet first, loses, and whoever holds on the longest, wins. The record apparently (I swear it gets longer every time it's told) is 120 laps, currently held by Skiddy. This year, Skiddy has just come home from hospital, and I'm suspicious that the illegal use of a catheter may be involved. So I said to Darb, "Darb?" I said. "Can you buy me some incontinence pants?" Darb just looked at me. "Pleeeeee!" I said. No response. "What? Don't they come in Holden Racing Red?" I asks. "Too expensive?" I says. "Don't worry, I'll pay you for them." Her reply was a little puzzling, "You're NOT getting incontinence pants!" "Well what are they called then?" I says.

Bathurst Day arrived and I entered Skiddy's lair unarmoured. The three Bathurst Bladder Buster contenders were Skiddy (still suspicious), Lawrence and me. The rules are you have to be there by 7.30 to officially gain entry. The race started and Holden was winning (more on that later). I felt a little chilled, and foreboding set in. It couldn't be helped... by lap 15... I'd failed. Lawrence couldn't believe his luck, Skiddy, being the seasoned campaigner, was indifferent. Lap 30... I failed again, (Holden is still winning by the way – more on that later.) Lawrence now is incredulous, and a little nervous... it seems that seeing me going so often has the same effect as listening to trickling water. He collapsed at lap 35. Skiddy won the day, scoring lap 47, but refused a strip search to confirm that no artificial aids were present. Skye, a latecomer, so not officially recognised, started espousing how she's winning! Something to do with women something, and having babies... or something. It was pointed out to her that perhaps if women weren't always late, they might actually BE in some of these events! Andrew sagely nods his head. Then Hank-achief starts crying. Well... he's only a couple of months old! He can't quite see the TV, and no one had told him that Holden is still winning, and coming second... and coming third, but more on that later. Skye thought she might have to check his nappy... NAPPIES! OF COURSE! Heh heh heh, next year look out! Oh, and by the way, Holden won... and came second... and came third... HEE HARRR! And I managed to watch Bathurst commercial free... I'd better go in for a checkup soon.

OK, by the time this tome is published, you would have missed the Family Games Night, Melbourne Cup Day, and Leftovers Feast Night, but the next event is our Community Meeting and Sausage Sizzle on Wednesday 7 December. Remember the Shed's open every Wednesday from 6pm, and I'll see ya in the traps.

News from Bolgart and Surrounding Areas

Doris M Martin

ALMOST all of my articles in recent times seem to revolve about loss of our elderly citizens. Sadly, this time is no different and it is with much sadness that I report on the

sad loss of Mr Alf King from Goomalling but formerly of Calingiri.

Alf had been a very public minded citizen in his days at Calingiri and, if there was something going on of interest in the town, Alf would be there. A writer of poetry, he wrote some very touching poems and put them together in book form. He also wrote an interesting item for the Victoria Plains History book - 'Hands To The Plough', which was a history dealing with the period after 1945. The author was Dr Ken Spillman. Alf was also a very keen sportsman in his time. Sadly his wife Pearl pre-deceased him a number of years ago and, in recent times, Alf had not enjoyed the best of health. He was laid to rest at Toodyay Public Cemetery.

Sympathy is extended to his two daughters and their families.

Sympathy is also extended to Dr Ken Spillman and family on the sad loss of Ken's father, Mr John Spillman, who at one time was a Toodyay boy and attended school at the Toodyay Convent. As reported earlier Ken wrote the above history book for our Shire.

Another sad loss in the area is that of Mrs Eunice Forrester of Calingiri who passed away recently of a terminal illness at Wongan Hill's Hospital and sympathy is extended to her loved ones, especially her daughter, Trish, son-in-law, Gary Edmonds, and their family and friends in their sad loss.

A High Tea was recently held at Trees' Cafe at Bolgart on 19 October. Judging by the number of cars in the vicinity, it must have been a great success. I was sure it would be, as some delicious foodstuffs are prepared there.

The Toodyay Show was well attended this year and once again it was rather hard to find parking nearby. Noted this year in attendance at the show was Ms Janice James, local historian and author from Northam but a former resident of Toodyay in her childhood. It was the first time in a very long time since Jan had actually attended the Toodyay show and she enjoyed meeting up with former friends. Jan recently received an award in connection with Cultural Affairs for the Northam area.

Also visiting the show for the first time in about 40 years was Allan Jarvis and his sister Betty Lund from Perth. They also thoroughly enjoyed the day and, whilst we were sitting and having afternoon tea with them, they were delighted when a judge approached us and announced that I had won a prize for being a stylishly dressed lady. I was presented with a \$20 voucher from a Toodyay business. I was greatly surprised and pleased at the same time as I had not known that prizes were being given.

On Sunday 16 October, Ray and I attended a Picnic at Forrest Edge farm on the Bindoon Springs' Road, Toodyay. We had been invited by Allan and Lynlee Chitty to help celebrate 100 years of farming in Toodyay for the descendants of the late James Melroy Chitty who took up his first parcel of farming land in Toodyay on 22 April, 1911. It was nice catching up with members of their family as, when I was a child, my parents had a farm next door to the Chitty family.

Several descendants of the Chitty family made speeches regarding their ancestry and a beautiful celebratory cake was cut and distributed to the happy throng.

The day reminded me of the many times we had all sat beneath the gum trees on my late father's farm having afternoon tea at a large timber table made by my father at our local Dewar's Pool tennis club. I almost expected to see the big old teapot that the Chitty family used to lend us for those Sundays which must (in my childish eyes back then) have held about 20 cups of tea.

On Saturday 22 October it was off to the Bindoon Show which was about the biggest show that they have ever held and, for as far as the eye could see, there were cars lined up in every available spot along roadways and in parking areas. I met up with two Toodyay ladies, Peg Nelligan and Joan Hubie, and asked where they had parked their cars. The reply was that they felt like it was halfway

to Midland from the show grounds. It must have felt like it.

We enjoyed the Country and Western singing which was happening whilst we lunched.

All this travelling around turned us into couch potatoes the following day and we both slept soundly.

I was pleased to learn that grandson, Kyle Martin, received a letter following the recent Interschool Carnival held at Goomalling Oval acknowledging that an error had been made and he had actually been the Open Boy Champion not the Runner-up Champion as was announced on the day. Good on you Kyle and I believe that you broke a high jump record and a flat race record also. Hopefully you will have received the correct trophy by the time this goes to print.

One final point of interest is to notify the tourists or caravaners to this area that Bolgart Hall is definitely able to be used and often is. The main hall is often used for their meetings and the kitchen for the preparation of their foodstuffs and our local oval takes any overflow that the caravan park can't handle. To those who knock our old and beautiful hall, may I say that, if there was a local disaster in the area at any time, the hall is a place where we could all be temporarily housed and would be happy to have a roof over our heads until things were put to rights. This has happened in other areas in times of trouble.

Herald Advertising: Price Rise in 2012

Grant Scobie
Editor

IN July 2011, *The Toodyay Herald* was informed by our printer that, due to rises in the cost of paper and ink, our printing prices were to rise by 5%. As all would know, costs such as electricity, etc., have also risen rather dramatically.

Rather than spring this on our valued advertisers, the Committee of *The Toodyay Herald* decided to cover these rises for the remainder of the year, to inform our advertisers with plenty of notice that our prices would be rising in the new year and to try to keep the rises to a minimum.

To that end, I have detailed the rises to take effect from February 2012.

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The Men's Shed movement has been showcased at CHOGM with the association building a shed inside the Maritime Museum in Fremantle, highlighting Men's Sheds to the rest of the world. Tim said, "As Australia's 'First Bloke', I want to do some good." He said it was money well spent. "Because it's not just about building a structure, it's about building better men," he concluded.

David Helmers, CEO of AMSA, a shedder himself in Newcastle NSW, told the gathering about the 50 sheds in NZ, 24 in Ireland, a dozen in the UK and a couple in Canada - all predominantly Commonwealth countries. He thought that that was because the name 'shed' rings true in all those countries. "In America, they call it 'The Workshop'" said David, "but that just doesn't seem to ring true."

Mr Helmers explained that he was looking forward to getting together with Toodyay Shedders to see if he could help in some way to make the shed a reality. "But really," he said, "when you look at the heart and soul, you've already got a shed here, sitting here in front of us."

Julian Krieg, from the Men's Health Initiative, said that, for Men's Sheds, having Tim Mathieson and people like him involved in the movement is a great help. He explained that about 60 - 70% of men work most of their life in a shed. "Going back to

a shed, in the latter part of our life puts us back in an environment where we can talk about those things we really need to talk about," he said.

Jeff Roberts then gave special thanks to Bel Rowe saying that it was her push that got people talking and helped the Toodyay Men's Shed come to fruition. He concluded by thanking the wives of shedders and his wife especially for their support.



The function finished with a cake for Tim Mathieson to cut, a presentation of Toodyay Men's Shed cap and shirt (with a comment that TMS did not mean 'Tim Mathieson's Shed'), a round of Happy Birthday from the guests, a thanks to Jeff Roberts for organising the function and lunch - a fitting end to a day where our blokes got a chance to talk and celebrate a special day with Australia's 'First Bloke'.

Vino 2011

Meredith Neilsen

COORINJA Winery opened its doors and wine cellar for the Arts Toodyay Vino Exhibition on the first weekend in October. There was quite a number of interested people admiring the wonderful range of art whilst sipping on wine and listening to the most wonderful music by the extremely talented Shenanigan Sisters. The weather was just right, the substantial 'nibbles' very tasty and the wine and port were just heavenly.

Vino 2011 exhibited a variety of art media totalling 76 pieces from 23 different artists and sold over \$3000 worth of art.

The Vino Exhibition has been run at the Coorinja Winery for three years now, with the coordination of the event being rotated amongst committee members. This year's event was coordinated by Arts Toodyay President, Sharon Boxall - an amazing effort considering that Sharon is also studying for her Masters, works full time as a clinical nurse and does volunteer work for Native Arc.

One art group or another has been active in Toodyay on and off for quite a number of years and, with Toodyay Shire support, operated out of the Purple Pear Gallery.



Coorinja's Michael Wood opens the exhibition.

for the operation of the group and also in awarding them a community grant for the promotion and development of artists in Toodyay.

There are over 100 artists in Toodyay who contribute an impressive collection of art in varying media, some of which can be viewed at 'Bee Happy' located in the old Post Office building on Stirling Terrace.

The committee has been very busy and has begun working on the planning phase for 2012. As producing art is often a solitary pursuit, the group is focusing on more workshops and social activities to inspire new ideas, sharing and developing new skills and to encourage interaction and participation from both members and the public.

Different art forms such as dance and writing are also being considered, and any ideas will be enthusiastically welcomed and the committee is pleased to advise that a fledging writer's group has now formed.

Each year, Arts Toodyay organises a number of group art exhibitions and workshops. Workshops are advertised in *The Toodyay*



Arts Toodyay president and secretary, Sharon Boxall, and member, Wendy Lewer.

Herald and are open to the public.

The group meets on the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Old Police Station in Duke St, Toodyay. Should you require further information, please contact Sharon Boxall on 9574 2703 or via email sboxall1967@gmail.com.

ARTS TOODYAY

Wendy Lewer

A BUSY month for Arts Toodyay, with our annual Coorinja 'Vino' exhibition a great success again, thanks to the generosity of Hector and Michael Woods. There was an interesting variety of works this year and the opening night was well attended and catered for with tasty food provided by Sally from Wendourie Tea Rooms, wines from Coorinja and beautiful live music from Bettina and Eleanor. A number of works were sold during the exhibition and the Peoples' Choice was won by Wendy Lewer.

At the Toodyay Agricultural Show, a number of members entered works in the Arts Section. Also, to celebrate Toodyay's 175th anniversary, a separate section was included displaying clothing

representing the various fashion styles since the 20s and 30s, including wedding dresses and fashion outfits. Congratulations to all those whose works won awards.

Congratulations also to our president and secretary, Sharon Boxall, for selling a painting at the Royal Agricultural show in Perth.

Arts Toodyay members enjoyed a dinner on Saturday night at the Freemason's Hotel, which was a great way for us to just get together and have fun.

Don't forget our monthly meetings on the first Tuesday each month at 7pm at the 'Old Police Station' in Duke Street, when we talk about Art stuff and plan the various activities for the year.

If you haven't paid your membership for this year, please do so ASAP.



In 2008, Arts Toodyay was constituted and incorporated, enabling them to apply for grant funding. The Toodyay Shire again supported the group by providing a venue

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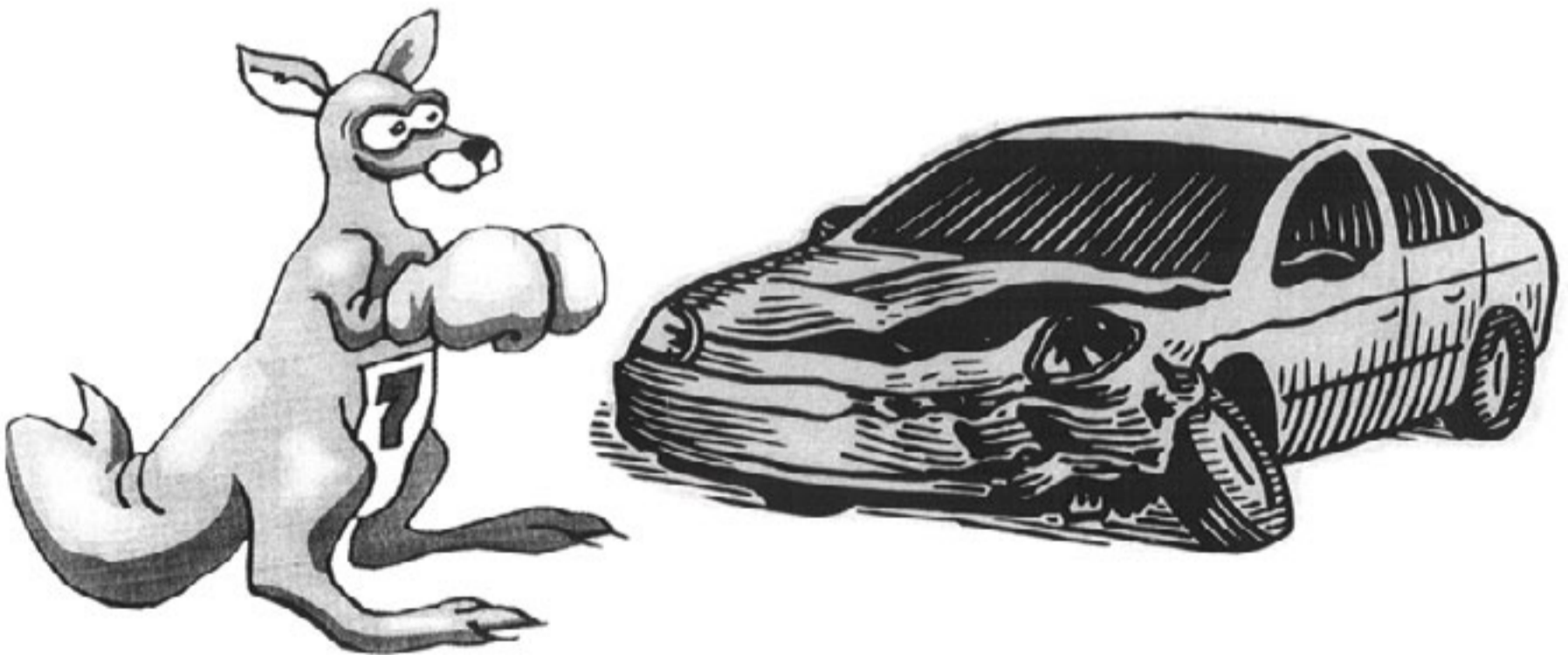
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out and about

Maree Lewis

Out and About finally caught up with Brian Dawe from The Cola Café. Most of us know about the legendary collection of Coca Cola memorabilia showcased in a 1950s American style burger bar/soda cafe. Brian started his Coke collection when he was about 14 and won a miniature coke bottle as part of the company's promotion in Zimbabwe. He hasn't stopped collecting since and is patron of the Coca Cola Collectors Club of Western Australia.

Whilst this 'museum' of an astounding 7,000 items is one reason to visit the **Cola Café**, it's "the menu that makes the locals into faithful regulars." According to Brian, consistency in offering good quality, basic food and friendly, efficient service are the ingredients for keeping his customers happy. Oh, and good coffee of course! The names given to the dishes on what is a very extensive menu, adds to the dining experience there. For breakfast, for instance,



you could order Daybreak Scramble, or King of the Road Omelette (I wonder how many bikers have based their decision on this title?) The burgers bear the names of the trains that pass through, such as the Avon Link. The lunch menu extends to meals like home-made tuna patties, spinach quiche or Thai chicken curry. And the cakes and desserts are just fabulous! Who wouldn't be tempted by the Knickerbocker Glory, a spectacular American style sundae of jelly, ice-cream, fruit salad and strawberry sauce? Brian's café is testimony to his formula for success – "Decide to do something and do it well. And put some fun into it."

Vinnies occupies a quaint old building on the western end of Stirling Terrace. It's nine years now since it was established by Jackie Irvine who, unable to donate any blankets for a Winter Appeal, offered her time instead. Now she and a dedicated band of volunteers work tirelessly to provide a huge range of recycled clothing and sundries for very cheap prices. It's likely that we are all aware that **Vinnies** is a business run for charity. Their slogan reads, "It's not just the clothes that get a new life. Everything you buy or donate helps people in the local community." The



wider community is also supported in areas such as welfare agencies, drug rehabilitation centres, age care and youth agencies.

The clothing comes in from Perth on a monthly rotation and so items are always new to the shop. The volunteers check items before they are presented for sale - no musty smells common to pre-loved clothing outlets there. So what are the big movers in **Vinnies**, Toodyay? Curtains are a popular item and handbags are quick to sell. In the clothing area it's sturdy farm clothes and ladies wear. Prices are clearly marked on each item and there are some racks of reduced items out the front. Donations can be made at **Vinnies** and these are sent to Perth to become part of a wider distribution system. And the staff is always willing to assist – just ask. There's

some great stuff in there – well worth a browse!

Vinnies is always looking for new volunteers so drop in if you can help.

Right in the centre of town is the **Toodyay Op Shop**, the oldest business in town, operating since 1979 and run by another group of ten or so energetic volunteers, some of whom



have been contributing time and effort to the shop for about 30 years. Posted on the display window is the Op Shop's mission statement. The objective is to market donated goods, the profits from which are distributed "to needy individuals or organisations at the discretion of the committee."

There are some great bargains to be found at the Op Shop, starting at the entrance with the specials rack of clothing. Venture inside and you'll be amazed by the range of clothing and other goods for sale. Barbara and Bel, who were looking after the shop at the time, explain that there are lots to keep them busy, such as keeping the stock well organised so that customers can easily find what they want. The ladies also carefully check that all pre-loved clothing is freshly laundered and presentable. Furniture and other larger items are sold at a garage sale that is run on a regular basis. Keep your eye on notices in the window for date and times. It's nice to know what organisations have benefitted from the dedication of this group - you will also find this information clearly posted there.

Residents around Toodyay are spoilt for choice when it comes to hardware stores because we have two in the main street, located almost opposite each other. Both offer the convenience of shopping locally and the proprietors are well acquainted with the needs of a rural population.



Bob Ashley has owned **Toodyay Home Traders** for the last six and a half years. As far as Bob knows, the premises, located next to the Cola Café, has been utilised as a hardware and farm shop since the 1940s, when it was known as Toodyay Valley Co-Op Co Ltd. Bob ensures his staff are well informed about the diversified range of products the store supplies. Apart from being part of Home Timber and Hardware group, he is the agent for Stihl products and Davey water pumps. You can get your produce there, order a water tank and buy farm and nursery supplies. Out the back is an enormous range to meet your building and fencing needs. You can purchase goods for the home and goods for away from home (camping). **Toodyay Home Traders** also sells guns and ammunition. Just for your information, tucked away inside the store is a Westpac branch.

Carolyn and Greg Downie have been owners of **Toodyay Hardware and Farm** for the last ten years. Their staff are friendly and knowledgeable. Owing animals themselves, they are well able to recommend suitable feed for them and can offer advice concerning animal welfare. Not surprising then, there is a diverse range of produce for sale. Many of us have been doing maintenance on our reticulation requirements in preparation for the coming summer. An extensive range of these bits and pieces are stocked at the premises as is fire fighting equipment. Ask the staff if you need further advice on this. Spring garden needs like pea straw, manures and fertilisers

are available for purchase. Carolyn informs us that they are happy to provide quotations for any building requirements that owners or tradespeople may need. And you'll often see people checking out the locally grown native plants that are in trolleys at the entrance to the shop.

Toodyay Garden and Outdoor Centre, owned by Alan Renner, has been providing garden needs to Toodyay residents for the past eight and a half years. "Most gardening is common sense," believes Alan, but he is more than happy to provide advice and assistance in choosing plants suitable to our Mediterranean type of climate, the season and soil type. Then there are mulches, fertilisers, manures, sprays and



fungicides which many of us require to keep our plants happy and healthy. Alan supplies water features and arbours, solar lights and an array of pots, all of which add interest to our outdoor areas. At **Toodyay Garden and Outdoor Centre** you can buy mowers, cultivators and trailers alongside the more basic requirements of garden tools. Rather than traipsing out of town to

get your mower or the like serviced, go and see Alan who has a well equipped service



department and can work on any make. Venture just a little further down the main road and you'll find **Toodyay Produce** (next door to the Emporium). Sue Hammer started the business almost a year ago when she decided to source her own stock feed for her horses. As a result, Sue has established a growing concern that provides feed for an extensive variety of animals and particularly caters for the hobby farmer and for the horse fraternity. Pet and bird foods are available as are commonly required animal health supplies. Teats, bottles and powdered milk specialised for calves, lambs and kangaroos can be purchased there. Small bales of hay are for sale. Upstairs, Sue has a saddlery that offers new and second-hand items for purchase. Sue is keen to keep her customers happy and says "What I don't know, I'm quite happy to find out about and get in if necessary." Pop in and you'll likely meet Tabby, the resident mouser, who does a marvellous job at keeping the premises clean and fresh.

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Plan to Survive a Bushfire



Roleystone Kelmscott fire. Photo: Evan Collis, FESA

BUSHFIRES happen every summer and often start without warning. This is why developing and using a bushfire survival plan is critical, especially if you live in or near bushland areas. This plan will help you take action and avoid making last minute decisions that could prove deadly during a bushfire.

When developing your plan, decide if you will leave for a safer place, which may be to relocate to family or friends, or stay to actively defend your home.

FESA District Manager Avon, Sven Andersen, said your bushfire survival plan must be written down and practised with everyone in the family or household both before and during the bushfire season.

"Your plan should include tasks for everyone in the household to carry out," Mr Andersen said. "If you live alone, you may like to develop your plan with a neighbour."

"If you have pets and livestock it is important to include what you will do with them in a bushfire."

Mr Andersen said bushfire survival plans should be based on the Fire Danger

Rating for the day.

"You must decide what conditions you are prepared to stay at home in, if any, and when it would be best to leave," he said. "Homes are not designed or constructed to withstand fires in catastrophic fire weather conditions. On these days you should put your survival first and leave early, whether that is the night before or early next day."

"Conditions can change very quickly in a bushfire and often without warning, so your plan needs to be flexible and cover a range of situations. This includes what you will do if things go wrong during a fire."

"A backup plan is also vital."

Mr Andersen said a bushfire survival plan should be kept in an easy to find place that everyone knows and must be reviewed every year.

"The bushfire season may start early, and this means you need to act now and bring your planning forward," he said.

Visit www.fesa.wa.gov.au for more information on how to prepare you, your family and your property for bushfire.

St John Ambulance

Karen Jacomelli

NOWADAYS a First Aid Certificate is a requirement for employment or deemed beneficial in obtaining employment. Many do not think about when their certificate expires until the employer requires proof of a current certificate. Then it is a mad panic to attend a course to meet the requirements so check to see when your certificate expires.

If you need to do a course in 2012 you will need to book and the dates for the calendar year 2012 should be in the next *Herald*. Attending locally is both more cost effective and less hassle. The costs are less because our trainers are volunteers. If you attend elsewhere you will pay more and have to travel to that location. So plan ahead if you need to do the course in 2012.

September statistics saw 29 callouts consisting of 4 trauma, 17 medical, 3 cardiac and 5 other which are generally ambulance-required sporting standbys. Toodyay attended to 22, Morangup 6 and Bolgart 1, totalling a distance of 2,910kms.

The Christmas Hamper Raffle is being readied again and tickets will be available from Toodyay Hair Studio. You can also obtain your ambulance cover while you are getting your tickets. So show your support for your community's volunteer ambulance service.

Julimar Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

Alison Wroth

THE Restricted Burning period has once again been extended to 14 November 2011 giving us all a bit more time to clean up around the sheds and home and burn those piles of leaves that have been sitting there for far too long. To do this you need to obtain a permit from your local Fire Control Officer (FCO) who will advise you of what you need to do before burning and who you need to advise.

On the day of the Toodyay Show, the Julimar brigade decided to support the Toodyay Agricultural Society by running the kitchen in the Youth Hall. Well supported by keen and very willing helpers, they supplied sandwiches, cake, scones and tea and coffee throughout the day. A wonderful sponge made by Wes seemed to be the highlight and was most sought after on the day! Our thanks go to all the helpers in the kitchen and those lovely ladies who donated supplies but were unable to be there on the day. The following volunteers all deserve a big pat on the back as



The 1.4 at the show

the kitchen proved to be a great fundraiser for the brigade; Ann, Lou, Peg, Bettina, Graham, Megs, Corri, Iris and Barb. Ange, Kaye, Vicki and Shiril also made wonderful donations to help the day along.

The Toodyay Show also provided a great base for recruitment and for spreading the word regarding being prepared for fire and safety in general. Brian Salmond, who represents all the Toodyay brigades when he goes to the Show, had the 1.4 fire appliance on the ground and during the day received many queries from people interested in which Brigade they should contact to get more information. Brian believes that all the brigades would have benefitted from the day.

Our meeting was held on 15 October and training was held the following day. They had a very good turnout and it provided Lou with the



A little teaser from the calendar

opportunity to take photos for the calendar while everyone was down and dirty! Training included Structural and Car Fire basics, then we inspected buildings, pointing out exposures and difficulties, where to park vehicles and run lines. We also looked

at how buildings might be better protected (such as cleaning up rubbish). We looked at vehicles and problems with fires in them and pointed out danger areas like suspension struts, air bags, tyres, magnesium alloy wheels etc. Next months' training is on November 20 at 10am.

We had the pleasure of hosting the monthly Council Meeting at Julimar on 11 October. The 'Fireplace' looked fantastic, fit for a Queen, and thanks must go to the ladies who helped organise on the day and those who donated food. Unfortunately, Margaret suffered a terrible fall onto her shoulder early in the evening and we all wish her the best as she recovers. The Council meeting was the last one for long standing Councillor and former Shire President, Charlie Wroth, Cr Debbie Larkin and also for Councillor Bob Somers. We hope that, since the election, the new Council will still have the best interests of all volunteer organisations at heart.

The Julimar Brigade will be holding their Christmas stall outside new IGA over two days, Friday and Saturday 2 and 3 December. The raffle prize will be a food hamper featuring local produce with a 'Christmassy feel'. Stall items will include homemade cakes, jams, plants and of course our calendar. Can people please bring their donations to the shed by the last Friday in November. Local duo, The Shenanigan Sisters (two Julimar girls), will also be playing at the stall on the Saturday morning. For more information on the stall, please contact Bettina.

Anyone wishing to find out more about the Julimar Brigade can do so by calling into the Fireplace on Julimar Road (just opposite Blue Gum Way) on any Friday evening from around 5pm for our regular sundowners. The party atmosphere is a great way to wind up any week, so come on and meet some people who are just like you. If you can't make it on Friday night, but have some queries, then please contact Captain Lou Kidd on 9574 4310.

Keep safe and be fire aware.



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Saturday 12 November
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Bushfire Ready Group – Coondle Area

HELLO again. Just a short note to let you know how the Bushfire Ready Group is going.

After our very successful meeting a couple of months ago, we now have six experienced firefighters acting as facilitators. They are there to assist our street co-ordinators. The co-ordinators in turn work with the residents in their area.

So far we have had two street meetings with up to fifteen residents attending each meeting.

The first two topics we discussed were bushfire survival plans and bushfire safety and preparedness in and around the house. Residents were then asked to go back to their properties and put together two bushfire plans: one plan to evacuate and the other one to stay and defend. In the next few weeks we will all get together, work through these plans and compare them all to get the best results for all the individual properties.

It was great to see a group of people who want to not only help themselves but also help their neighbours. A big thank you to all our street co-ordinators and also our bushfire ready staff.

If you need any information please don't hesitate to call Mick Rogers 0428 583 954 or Tracey Salmond 9574 5360.

Coondle-Nunile Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

Colin Blanchett

BY the time you read this, the ability to burn without permit will have finished on 28 October but there may be a chance to burn with a permit for a 2 week period. Please check with the Shire office or your local Fire Control Officer.

With the wet season we have had, there is a heavy fuel load in some paddocks so we all need to be extra careful this summer. This means we don't want to put Toodyay on the map for the wrong reasons. Also check with your neighbours and their fire plans and don't leave it til it all goes "BELLY UP". Do they have a plan? Do they have a fire pump? Do you have one? Do you all have a second escape route should your driveway be blocked by fire?

All brigades attended a fire at Morangup on Sunday 16 October, the day that the All Blacks beat Australia in the semi final of the Rugby World Cup (wish I could have seen that one!) It was the hottest day we have had for some time with crews working on into the night showing that we need to think twice before burning off that pile of rubbish. Have you had a look around your property for any fire risks such as long grass near your house, leaf build up in the gutters and under your decking? Now is the time to clean it up before it is too late. Also get your fire breaks done if you have not already done so.

During the 'off season' our brigade had some refresher courses on using the new radios in the trucks as, after not using them for some time, we just had to familiarise ourselves with them again. We also had a good turnout for training on 9 October which proved to be a good challenge for all the new and not so new members as we took

everything out of the vehicles and we all had to familiarise ourselves with where it all went back.

You can join us at our social night after our next meeting on 12 November or, for more information on the upcoming fire season, come down to our fire shed on a Friday night from 5pm for a chat and a bite to eat prepared by our gourmet chefs or you can ring our Captain, Peter on 9574 2951.

Central Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

Compiled by Wayne Clarke

THE fire outlook for Toodyay this coming summer is rather bleak. Good rains continuing to fall late in October have encouraged weed growth, with some fire breaks having been sprayed up to three times. Grassy weeds along road reserves are of particular concern, as is one of our subdivisions, where breaks have not been in place for a number of years.

FESA is certainly aware of the potential for extremely dangerous fires and, through two community presentations will provide advice on preparing your family home for the summer. The first session will be in the Toodyay Memorial Hall on Saturday 12 November from 10am to Noon, and the second session will be at the Morangup Community Centre on Saturday 19 November, again from 10am to Noon. If you cannot get to either session, information booklets are available from the Shire Office, or from FESA.

The Central Brigade wishes to offer condolences to Ron Bone on the passing of his wife, Joyce. Ron and Joyce manned the Radio Base for Central and the Shire for a number of years, providing 24/7 coverage. The Brigade also offers condolences to member, Stuart Dodemaide and his mother Bobbie, on the passing of Mick, Stuart's father/Bobbie's husband.

Central Brigade will hold regular training sessions on the third Thursday (7pm) and Sunday (9.30am) of each month, with the next sessions, on 17 and 20 November, to be on vehicle familiarisation. This training is a must for new members who have not been on the fire ground and is an important refresher for those who have not been there since last summer. Members meet at the Fire and Emergency Services Centre; please contact Captain, Kevin Hug, on 9574 2612 (mobile 0418 932 515) for all enquiries.

The next general meeting of the Toodyay Central Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade is to be held on Tuesday 22 November commencing 7.30pm, at the Fire and Emergency Services Centre, Stirling Terrace, Toodyay.

Volunteers, both active and ancillary, are always needed to join Central Brigade. Enquiries may be made to Captain, Kevin Hug, on 9574 2612 or Secretary, Wayne Clarke, on 6364 3609 or email: 2jcentralvbf@westnet.com.au.

Police Beat

Sergeant Geoff Dickson
Officer in Charge

EXCITING communication opportunities have presented themselves to Toodyay Police recently with the introduction of the Toodyay Crime eWatch.

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Registration is free! To take part in the programme all you need to do is to send an email to Toodyay.Crime.eWatch@police.wa.gov.au with your name and preferred email address. Your details will be added to the distribution group and used by police to communicate with you, directly into your home. This information will be held by the WA Police and not shared with anyone else.

As Officer in Charge, I am certainly looking forward to the ability to send information to you at the push of a button. I envisage the eWatch programme to include crime prevention and community safety advice, crime alerts about offences being committed in a particular area, requests for information and the ability for you all to email me directly about suspicious activities in your area.

Please feel free to help out by distributing this information as far and wide as possible – the more Toodyay Shire residents that get this information and sign up – the better our communication by email will be.

During the week ending 23 October 2011, our children went back to school. Toodyay Police were out and about in force each day of last week, heavily targeting the roads leading to school, and the school zone on Drummond Street.

It was really pleasing to see that the vast majority of people were doing the right thing; however, some people did receive infringement notices for going too fast. These school zones should be sacred ground – with no speeding at all. The fastest speeds were those people who were running late. Your children are at school, and in good hands, so there should be no excuse for speeding to pick them up.

You can expect further targeted patrols around Toodyay District High School in the future, so please, slow down around our schools.

Morangup Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade

Cheryl Mustchin
Secretary

FIREBREAKS! Firebreaks! A fire doesn't know that it is not supposed to cross a firebreak or road.

Hop-overs and embers can travel quite a long way. If you don't have the appropriate access on your property, how are we, your local volunteers supposed to help protect you, your property and your neighbours? Go for a walk around and across your property. While you're doing this think about the size of a fire truck. Will it be able to move along the access way you have? It's not just the width but the height that you need to consider. It should be a minimum of 3 metres by 3 metres. Would you be willing to put your life and the lives of those you work alongside as a volunteer if you couldn't guarantee a safe exit strategy? If you are not sure of your obligations or responsibility as a land holder, ask us or the Shire. Do you

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want what happened in Roleystone to happen here? It only takes one phone call to ask for advice. Now I have had my little rant, on to the good stuff.

To all the other brigades that turned out the other Sunday for our first fire of the season in Morangup, I would like to express our heartfelt thanks. It was a wakeup call for all of us.

To our local community who donated the wonderful home-made goods for our show stall, thank you so much for your generosity. We have decided to have our annual community Christmas party on Saturday 3 December. Please put the date in your calendar as this is our way of thanking you for your support throughout the year.

Toodyay Neighbourhood and Rural Watch Neighbours Looking after Neighbours

Desraé Clarke

eWatch

OUR Toodyay Police are launching a new initiative within our Shire of Toodyay known as eWatch which is a crime alert email that can be sent to businesses and those registered. This project has been trialled in the City of Gosnells with excellent results and will be advantageous to both the businesses and the private citizens of our Shire.

To register and receive information and regular updates on safety tips, statistics and crime trends within our Shire, you can send your name and preferred email address to Toodyay.Crime.eWatch@police.wa.gov.au

If you call Toodyay Police and you are transferred to Northam District Office PLEASE DO NOT HANG UP. Give details as requested and the situation will be assessed. The Northam District Office staff is in constant contact with our Toodyay Police and will contact them by either phone or radio as seen necessary.

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Did You Know?

On 23 November 1910, the inaugural meeting of the Toodyay Fire Brigade was held at the Victoria Hotel, Toodyay, with Oswald Louis de Mamiel presiding. Mr de Mamiel was elected Captain and Victor George Counsel Riseley Secretary. (From *The Long Toodyay Chronology*, Part 2, 1901-1950, Toodyay Historical Society Inc.)

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Looking for Christmas gift ideas? The P&C has Christmas all wrapped up this year with personalised calendars. The calendars will have important school dates, historical photos of TDHS to celebrate Toodyay's 175th year, and a photo of your child/children. Choose the photo of your children that you want on the calendar, bring it and pay at the front office by Friday 11 November and we'll get the calendars to you before the end of term. Calendars will cost \$14.95 for one, \$24.95 for two or \$29.95 for three. You are also welcome to buy generic calendars which have the historical photos of the school, but without photos of students.

Pamela Barwood will be finishing in her role as Uniform Coordinator at the end of this year so the P&C is looking for another volunteer to take over. Ideally the next person will be available to start this term so that they can get a handover from Pamela. If you are interested in this role or have any questions about what it entails, please see Pamela in the uniform shop on a Monday or Friday morning from 8.30 – 9am.

SUSHI is back! The summer menu has returned to the canteen so, now that the weather is warming up, students can once again enjoy the yummy salads and a variety

of sushi.

P&C is holding a busy bee at the school on 6 November to help shift the uniform shop to bigger premises as well as help to get the school ready for the impending bushfire season. Contact Kerry Skinner on 9574 5126 if you can help.

The next P&C meeting will be on Wednesday 16 November at 7pm in the school staffroom.

Toodyay YouthCare (Chaplaincy)

Moya Bruce
Secretary

THE Chaplaincy morning tea was not held in the quadrangle as it had been in previous years but was moved to the school library due to impending rain.

Wendy Camenzuli, acting Principal of Toodyay District High School, welcomed everyone and went on to thank our major sponsors who had sent along representatives. Toodyay Shire Council has been a major contributor since the start of Chaplaincy in the Toodyay School; a very warm vote of thanks to the shire. The Bendigo Bank has also been a major source of help and support since the bank opened in Toodyay.

Wendy then thanked all the friends of Chaplaincy who do so much throughout the year to support our ongoing fundraising. Joy Cruickshank, the Chairperson of Toodyay Youthcare, also thanked everyone for attending the morning tea including Stanley Jayaraj, CEO of Youthcare, Perth, and David Ladner, also from Perth. Joy explained

to everyone how the Youthcare Council Toodyay is made up of members of all the church groups in Toodyay.

The *Yummie Chummies* were given a warm vote of thanks for their wonderful effort once again in presenting morning tea for everyone. Wendy and all her staff can be very proud of them. Our Chaplain Benn Gladden also thanked everyone for all their support and spoke about the work he undertakes as Chaplain of Toodyay School. We are so blessed to have Benn working with our children. Thank you and God bless you all.

On 25 and 26 November, Chaplaincy will be holding a Christmas Raffle outside the old IGA.

Request to Re-Engage Learners in Training and Employment

THIS request is for non-accredited community based learning programs which use innovative practices to re-engage people from equity target groups into training and improve future employment opportunities.

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- New innovative project models; and

- Projects that develop a social community enterprise or business incubation model.
- Target groups are:
- People from new and emerging communities and humanitarian refugees;
- People with disabilities; and
- Youth at risk.

The documents are now available on the TendersWA site at <https://www.tenders.wa.gov.au/watenders/index.do>.

Closing date for submissions is Monday, 7 November 2011 at 11am.

New Vision for the Future of Muresk Launched

TRAINING and Workforce Development Minister, Peter Collier, has launched the *Vision for the future of Muresk* delivering long-term security to Western Australia's oldest agricultural campus and expanding the scope of available study options available in regional WA.

Mr Collier has also appointed Steve Cooper as managing director, Muresk Redevelopment to implement a new strategic business model that will drive the future sustainability of Muresk's Northam campus.

The Minister said the *Vision for the future of Muresk*, which included \$10million Royalties for Regions funding for capital upgrades, further reinforced the State Government's commitment to providing the highest levels of training throughout WA.

"The future for Muresk requires diversity

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So if your 4WD or passenger car tyres are getting low on tread or just not performing to your requirements, make sure to drop in for a quote and a chat about your next set of premium tyres from Toodyay Auto Centre, 99 Stirling Terrace, Toodyay

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and developing a modern campus that provides a variety of new training options, while recognising and investing in its traditional training focus," he said. "I am committed to Muresk bringing new courses online and developing a Centre of Excellence in Agricultural and Agribusiness Education at Muresk involving Vocational Education and Training providers and universities."

Mr Collier said the future viability of Muresk will rely on modern training philosophies partnered by contemporary business practices.

"Mr Steve Cooper will be responsible for developing and implementing a model that ensures Muresk is sustainable and self-financing in the future and strengthens its relationships with the business sector and the community," he said.

New areas of training that will come online at Muresk in 2012 include conservation and land management, education support, fire fighting and awareness, mining, horticulture and agribusiness.

The Minister incorporated Muresk into the jurisdiction of the Department of Training and Workforce Development following Curtin University's decision to close the campus at the end of 2010 and transfer all agricultural programmes to Bentley.

Children and Families Update

WELCOME to this edition of the Children and Families Update for 2011.

National Regulations Endorsed

All State and Territory Governments agreed to new national regulations for early childhood education and care services and outside school hours care at a meeting of the Ministerial Council for Education, Early Childhood Development and Youth Affairs on 14 October 2011. This has occurred after an extensive consultation and development process with the sector.

The National Regulations are a part of the National Quality Framework for early childhood education and care services. These regulations will ensure all education and care services are working towards the same high quality standards regardless of location or service type and will serve as a template for the Western Australian corresponding version which will be developed shortly.

The Regulations and sector material are available at www.acecqa.gov.au/links-and-resources/national-quality-framework-resources.

Framework for School-Age Care

The *My Time, Our Place (MYTOP): Framework for School Age Care* was officially released in mid-August; it is a National framework for providers of before and after school and vacation care. *My Time, Our Place* extends the principles, practices and outcomes of the Early Years Learning Framework (EYLF) which focuses on children from birth to five years, to the school aged care settings.

My Time, Our Place will support and guide educators to provide opportunities for school aged children to engage in a range of leisure and play-based activities. It sets out the main principles for school age care, such as collaborating with children and learning through play, and methods that educators can use to follow these principles. The framework makes clear that children need a place to engage in a range of play and leisure experiences which allow them to feel happy, safe and relaxed.

It also recognises that they need time to interact with friends, practice social skills, solve problems, try new activities and learn life skills.

My Time, Our Place will be implemented across the country from the beginning of 2012. As well as an Educators' Guide, a new web-based support package, and a Families' Guide which explains how the Framework will work, has been translated into 20 languages.

Copies of *My Time, Our Place* and supporting materials are available at www.deewr.gov.au/earlychildhood.

Giving Outside School Hours Care a Voice in WA

The National Out of School Hours Services Association (NOSHSA) is a not for profit national organisation that provides a voice for stand-alone Out of School Hours Services in Australia. NOSHSA is made up of the peak Out of School Hours Services (OSHC) associations in each state and territory.

Currently the WA branch of NOSHSA is in the process of reforming, following the closure of the WA association in November last year. It is envisaged OSHWA will become a strong voice for OSHC in WA and provide

representation for the WA OSHC sector at a national level. NOSHSA and its members are powerful advocates for informing quality practice in school age care services and active supporters of children's rights to happy childhoods filled with play.

Lisa Bevan of the Catholic Education office is currently the WA delegate to NOSHSA and has been active in helping the NOSHSA secretariat reform the association.

If you are a representative of an OSHC service and would like to have your service join the OSHC West Australian branch please email Robyn Monro Miller at noshsa@noshsa.org.au for more details. To learn more about NOSHSA go to website www.noshsa.org.au.

National Quality Framework Governing bodies

Under the governance arrangements set out in the National Partnership Agreement, the National Quality Framework will be a jointly governed national system with a three-tiered governance structure that includes the Ministerial Council, the National Authority and State and Territory Regulatory Authorities. Set out below are the functions of the governing bodies.

MCECDYA

Ministerial Council for Education, Early Childhood Development and Youth Affairs

At the apex of this structure with overall responsibilities for the National Quality Framework is the Ministerial Council.

Both the West Australian Ministers for Community Services (Minister McSweeney) and Education (Minister Constable) are members of this council.

ACECQA

Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority

The Australian Children's Education and Care Quality Authority is the national authority responsible for guiding the implementation and ongoing administration of the Framework across Australia. The national authority will play a key role in monitoring and promoting national consistency in the implementation and operation of the National Quality Framework. The Board of the national authority will report directly to the Ministerial Council. Western Australia's representative on the board is Mark Brown, from Department of Education Services. The Chief Executive Officer is Karen Curtis. ACECQA's new website is: www.acecqa.gov.au.

Regulatory Authority

The third tier of the governance structure is the Regulatory Authority in each jurisdiction. The Regulatory Authority remains accountable to State and Territory Ministers. It will be the main point of day to day contact for services through its operational responsibility for the National Quality Framework. In Western Australia the Department for Communities is the lead Regulatory Authority.

Grants for Child Care Centres

The Australian Government has announced the \$5 million Long Day Care National Quality Framework Transition Support One-off Grant. This funding will support Long Day Care services in disadvantaged areas to meet the requirements of the National Quality Agenda for Early Childhood Education and Care.

Twenty services in Western Australia were identified as being eligible for the Grant. Eligible Long Day Care services will be contacted by the Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations and an offer of funding will be made. This process will ease the administrative burden on services and make it as easy as possible to distribute the funds.

The grant can be used for a broad range of operational purposes, for example staff development, new equipment and to assist in modifications to internal or external environments.

Visit www.deewr.gov.au/Earlychildhood or call 1800 181 088 to access more information.

Successful Professional Development Days

The professional development day organised by North and East metropolitan Children's Services Officers, for licensed three year old programmes, was very well attended.

The COAG team provided attendees with up to date information, answered questions and cleared up some myths that had been floating around. Attendees commented the information was relevant and they enjoyed meeting others in the industry.

The Childcare Association of WA (CAWA) held a forum on the National Quality Framework on 10 October 2011. The forum was well attended by both metro and country services representing all service types. The COAG Early Childhood team gave a presentation and

answered a variety of questions on a number of topics ranging from transitions to staffing. The presentation highlighted the transparency of the National Quality Framework.

If you have a function organised and would like the COAG team to give a presentation please contact Jo Abbot on 6551 8207.

Listen to Children Report

The Report to the United Nations (UN) Committee on the Rights of the Child, prepared by the Child Rights Taskforce and titled 'Listen to Children', provides an extensive overview of Australia's performance in relation to each article of the Convention on the Rights of the Child. It also includes recommendations to address disadvantage, promote child protection and wellbeing, and to ensure Australia meets its commitments under the Convention.

The Child Rights Taskforce consists of a coalition of organisations committed to the protection and promotion of child rights in Australia. The report includes 116 recommendations which outline concrete steps that Australian authorities should take in order to ensure Australia meets its commitments under the Convention.

Update on Progress of the Child Care Services Amendment Bill 2011

A Bill to amend the *Child Care Services Act 2007* and to consequentially amend the *Working with Children (Criminal Record Checking) Act 2004* was passed by the WA Parliament on 22 September 2011. It is currently being processed. Once the regulations are also updated it will be ready for Proclamation by the Governor.

The Bill is important because the amendments to the Bill include measures to:

- lay the groundwork for the transition to the proposed Education and Care Services National Law (WA) Bill, and provide a stronger legislative framework in Western Australia for those services that will be out of the scope of the national legislation;
- refocus the definition of managerial officer away from whole committees or boards to those who have identified management and control of the service;
- broaden the jurisdiction of the State Administrative Tribunal and the range of compliance measures available to the CEO; and
- establish separate processes for application for a child care licence and the assessment of a Supervising Officer, to allow for a more thorough consideration of the fitness of a Supervising Officer to be in day-to-day control of a service.

For further details or to follow the progress of the Bill go to www.parliament.wa.gov.au/web/newwebparl.nsf/iframewebpages/Bills+-+All.

Department for Communities central office move

The central office of the Department for Communities is now located at 140 William St, Perth, at Gordon Stephenson House. Public access to level 2 is via the lifts located in the arcade off Murray Street. The new phone number is 6551 8700.

Child Care Licensing and Standards Unit remains in the same location at 111 William Street, East Perth. Phone 6210 3333 (metro) or free call 1800 199 383.

Parenting WA Centre also remains in the same location at 28 Alvan Street, Mt Lawley. Phone 6279 1200 or free call 1800 654 432.

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Country Women's Association

Maxine J Walker

NINE ladies from our Branch travelled to Tammin on 20 October for Tammin's WA week luncheon. A most enjoyable three-course meal was prepared by the ladies of Tammin. This lunch was also attended by many other branches along with special guest speakers.

On 31 October we would have travelled to Mt Helena Parkerville Branch for their Cultural day, a day of stalls, demonstrations, raffles and entertainment. This has been, in the past, a most enjoyable day out.

Another fun day is Melbourne Cup at Gidgegannup on Tuesday 1 November. The Gidgegannup ladies always put on a great Cup Day.



CWA display at Toodyay Agricultural Show



CWA float for the 175th Anniversary Parade

Some dates to remember:

Friday 4 November – 9.30am to 12noon Our Garden Party to be held in the garden of Shirley and Eric Patten, the dress here is pearls, hats and gloves. Entry to the garden is via Charcoal Lane.

Tuesday 8 November

An information evening run by the Bendigo Bank of Toodyay will be held at 6.30pm for 7pm start in the CWA rooms in Stirling Terrace.

The evening will include:-

- Avon Legal to discuss, Wills and Estates, Power of Attorney and Enduring Power of Attorney;
- Purslowe Tinetti Funerals to discuss Funerals, Prepaying Funerals, and Funeral Planning;
- St John Ambulance to discuss their responsibilities to residents in our community;
- Don Bates, Financial Planner from the Bendigo Bank of Toodyay.

Further information on this evening can be obtained by contacting Margaret O'Sullivan at the Bendigo Bank. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend. Supper will be provided by the Bendigo Bank and your questions on the above topics answered.

Our Branch members have been busy putting together the care packages for our Australian Forces serving in Afghanistan. These will be posted out over the next few weeks.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 24 November at 1.30pm. If you would like to share an afternoon with us we would love to meet you.

For information on joining our Branch please contact President – Vivien Street on 9574 4871 or Secretary – Kath Hayes on 9574 2923.

Autumn Club

Autumn Leaf

On 28 September we held our AGM and Laurie Beech took the chair to call the election of office bearers and they were: President - Wes Smith; Vice President – Mike Cox; Secretary – Glenyce Bosnjak; Treasurer – Jim Short; Catering officer

– Joan Hubie. Joan Cook who has held Bowls Captain for a number of years will be stepping down and Joe Paulsen has taken her place. We all would like to thank Joan for her dedication to the job of bowls captain over the years. Raffles Officer was Freda Richardson. The members wish to thank them for taking up these positions.

It is with great loss and sorrow we heard of the passing of our good friend and Treasurer for many years – Mick Dodemaide. Our condolences to Billie and her family.

Birthday for November is Peggy Beech on the 19th. Happy Birthday, Peggy.

We welcome two new members to the club, Fred and Shirley Hacking.

On 8 November we are off to visit Goomalling Seniors Club – meet at 9.15 am. On the 15th, we have day trip to Warwick and, on the 23rd, we will have a visit from Bindoon Seniors Club.

RSL Toodyay Sub Branch

John Adams

Secretary/Treasurer

WE are sad to report the passing of one of our members, Mr G (Mick) Dodemaide. Mick has been an active and respected member of our Sub Branch for many years. Our sincere condolences to his wife, Billie and family.

November is a busy month for the Sub Branch with the following events occurring:

- Poppy Day, Friday 4 November to raise funds for RSL welfare;
- General meeting, Saturday 5 November at Toodyay Club commencing at 2pm;
- Remembrance Day, Friday 11 November at 11am at the War Memorial;
- Annual Street Stall and Raffle Friday and Saturday, 18 and 19 November.

As mentioned last month, we are again planning to organise the annual Sandakan scholarship tour. Applications from students attending the Toodyay District High School will be sought in the next few weeks.

Toodyay Miniature Railway

June Eastwood

GOOD news for all who have waited so long to see Avon Blink in action - we have lift off. The new motor can be held in the palm of your hand but Graham was not confident after so many disappointments.

Avon Blink was taken to Bunbury where Graham's son-in-law aided Graham to wire in the new motor – and nothing. Quick phone call to the supplier and a red faced reply. Six faulty wired motors had been dispatched and five recalled. Graham's was the one they overlooked. So after even more delays the motor was returned east, the necessary action taken and back it came. Graham finally got back to Bunbury. Motor in – and nothing. However this time the problem was simple so, finally, after a test run, Avon Blink came home and had its first run day. However the complete happy ending is still to come as there is no reverse gear. At the conclusion of our running season, the motor will once again head east for a final adjustment. This will allow the train to be driven from either end, no need for turning to be ready for off again. At the moment it is a laborious task to unhook and turn each end separately, but at least it is running successfully.

Percy is now a 100% Percy look alike with the addition of a red stripe across the bottom of its new green coloured body and a beautiful shining brass number 6 is attached to each side of the cab. We know it is right because we have the little plastic toy Percy to model on. The fact that toy Percy is a steamer and our Percy is a diesel matters not one jot. Our young enthusiasts see the correct colours and that's enough to have them shouting gleefully. This is 'big biccies' when you are 4-years-old.

With most of the red tape rolled up, the new loco shed appears set to become a reality in the near future and it can't come quickly enough. No more shunting engines and carriages to and fro to get at the wanted set. More particularly for some people with sore shins, no more catching ankles on Shandy's side foot rests during the sort out.

Sunday 6 November is the next public run day and then Sunday 20 November will conclude our public running season.

In conclusion, best wishes to Pat on reaching a special birthday, but we won't let on which one!

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Indigenous Health and Animal Management Programme



CY O'CONNOR Institute is providing training to eight students involved in the Indigenous Health and Animal Management Programme in the areas of Civil Construction and Regulatory Services for the next four months.

The six month programme was an initiative started by the Shire of Northam, Max Employment and CY O'Connor Institute, with the aim of providing students involved the skills necessary to gain employment for local government and shires in areas relating to road works, garden care and maintenance.

Shire of Northam senior ranger, Craig Highlands, who was largely responsible for the organisation and coordination of the programme, said he believed students' employment opportunities would increase as a result of their participation in the programme.

"The programme has been in operation since 26 July and was set up with a training framework that aimed to provide the Indigenous students with the skills required to improve their employment opportunities with local government and shire," said Mr Highlands. "It also had the aim of highlighting the importance of animal management in Northam to ensure the region understands the importance of looking after their animals."

"Currently the Shire of Northam has several principle agreements with other local

shires where the current students will gain employment if jobs become available.

"I believe the programme has been a success thus far and we are hoping to expand this initiative to other shires located in Western Australia," concluded Mr Highlands. The programme at CY O'Connor Institute is being run by Daron Wesley, Lecturer, Civil Construction and Jack Banes, Lecturer, Building and Civil Construction. Jack Banes stated that the course was designed to give the students exposure to as many practical skills and competencies as possible using a skill set from Certificate II in Civil Construction.

As part of the programme students will receive training so that they could get their tickets for the use of skidsteer loader (bobcat), excavator and kanga loader and chain saw, gain exposure in the use of ride-on-lawnmowers, line trimmers and their forklift licence.

The projects the students will be involved in will assist in starting the development of the civil construction training driving track, borrow pit and stockpile area, drainage and field drain area and dam at the rear of the Institute site in Northam.

Mr Banes stated, "The students appear to be enjoying the course which generally means that they will complete the programme and gain the skills necessary to gain employment for local government organisations and shires."

Careers and Opportunities Roadshow

THE first Careers and Opportunities Roadshow event was held in York on 6 October as part of National Careers Week.

Youth Connections, in partnership with the Construction Training Fund, trialled the career development event aimed at providing youth and parents and families with first hand industry information on skills in demand, to help plan career pathways in a casual and relaxed environment.

The Roadshow brought together organisations including the Construction Training Fund, Youth Connections, Directions, Workforce Development Centre, CY O'Connor Institute, Max Employment, Representative from the local Health Industry and Nyaarla Projects – an Aboriginal focused organisation. The School Business Community Partnership Broker for the region, Trevor Saunders, worked with Youth Connections and the Construction Training Fund on the partnership and sourced the Careers Bus to provide computer aided career guidance and a careers counsellor.

Chloe, a local of York, said, "The computer programme was really great and helped me work out what I really want to do." Further discussion with Youth Connections Manager, Denese Smythe, clarified that she was able to study online – when initially she thought she couldn't.

The Careers and Opportunities Roadshow attracted about 25 young people and a number of parents, including an Aboriginal dad and his family from Quairading who completed the computer programme and said, "It was useful and brought things to

mind that I hadn't considered before".

Warren, from the Construction Training Fund, was able to help a student, home on school holidays, to work out which pathway suited him better – hands on or University.

The Careers and Opportunities Roadshow plans to visit Wheatbelt communities in 2012, including Mining, Health, Automotive and Construction industries as major partners. Wheatbelt schools and industries who wish to be involved should contact Denese Smythe on 0428 372 179 or email denese.smythe@rdawheatbelt.com.au. Youth Connections is funded by Department of Education, Employment and Workplace Relations.

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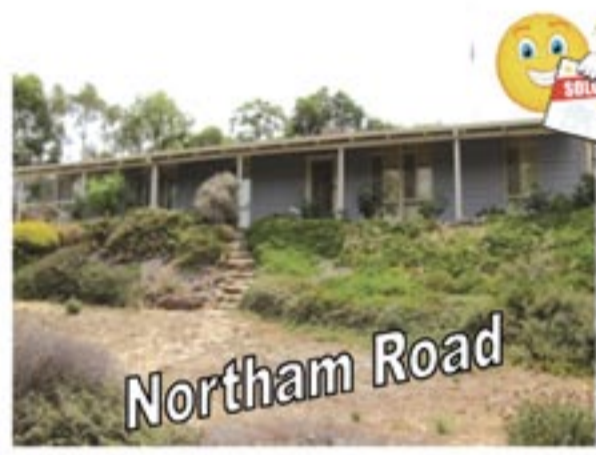
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Best Exhibit Group A3
BH & AJ WHIFE

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SAM CHITTY

Robert Waters Perpetual Trophy - M&B
Mohr
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BD & MJ WOOD

SECTION B WOOL

Grant Woodhams MLA Trophy
Most points B & J ASHWORTH
Doug Wood Memorial Trophy
Champion Fleece B & J ASHWORTH
Martin Family Memorial Prize
Most Points in Classes 610-613
B & J ASHWORTH

SECTION C CATTLE

Wacca's Earthmoving & Landscaping Prize
Champion Bull Group C2
DAVID COLLINS
Toodyay Hardware & Farm Supplies Prize
Champion Cow Small Breeds Group C2
DAVID COLLINS

Toodyay Traders Trophy
Class 901 BD & MJ WOOD
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Class 902 Group C3
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Class 903 Group C3
PAUL & JANET MICHAEL
Vernice Pty Ltd Trophy
Class 904 Group C3 SAM CHITTY
Avson Group Trophy
Class 905 Group C3
PAUL & JANET MICHAEL

SECTION E AGRICULTURE

R & S Millar Trophy
Most Points KEVIN HUTCHINGS
Phil's Soft Serve Icecream Prize
Best Exhibit A & L CHITTY

SECTION F POULTRY

John Lucas Prize
Most Points GR IRELAND
David Gray & Co Pty Ltd Trophy
Best Exhibit B CARTER
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Prize
Best Exhibit Group F1 B CARTER
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group F2 IMRE UNGVARY
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group F3 P GROWDEN
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group F4 B CARTER
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group F5 B CARTER
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group F6 B CARTER
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group F7 L MILLETT
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group F8 WINONA HOUBRECHTS

SECTION G PIGEONS

John Lucas Prize
Best Exhibit Group G1 IMRE UNGVARY
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group G2 KEN HALL
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit Group G3 - sub group A
IMRE UNGVARY
Toodyay Lawnmowing & Garden Service Prize
Best Exhibit Group G3 - sub group B
IMRE UNGVARY
Toodyay Lawnmowing & Garden Service Prize
Best Exhibit Sub Group G3 - sub group D
IMRE UNGVARY

SECTION H ALPACA & COLOURED FLEECES

Shire of Toodyay Prize
Most Points KATH WILLIAMS
Toodyay Spinners Prize
Best Exhibit KATH WILLIAMS
Pitwillow's Alpaca Stuff Trophy
Best Exhibit - Suri - Group H2
KATH WILLIAMS
Rivermist Alpacas Prize
Best Exhibit - Huacaya -Group H2
KATH WILLIAMS

SECTION I HOME PRODUCE

Ian Stannard Prize
Most Points COURTNEY FLEAY
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit ZINNI BROWNE
Dr R Walkey Prize
Best Exhibit - Group I1 - eggs
BEV HEWETT
Alison Wroth Prize
Best Exhibit Group I2 - jams
ZINNI BROWNE

Dr R Walkey Prize
Best Exhibit Group I3 - pickles
M & S STUART

Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group I4 - young adult
COURTNEY FLEAY
Toodyay & Districts Community Bank Prize
Best Exhibit Group I5 - children 15yrs and under
COURTNEY FLEAY

SECTION J FRUIT & VEGETABLES

Phil's Soft Serve Icecream Prize
Most Points LEN LEEDER
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit LEN LEEDER
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group J1 LEN LEEDER
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group J2 COURTNEY FLEAY
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group J4 HECTOR WOOD

SECTION K APICULTURE

Toodyay Pharmacy Prize
Most Points LB & EM HUTCHINGS
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit - Group K1
LB & EM HUTCHINGS
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit - Group K2
LB & EM HUTCHINGS

SECTION L HAND SPINNING

Toodyay Op Shop Prize
Most Points CAROL WORRELL
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit CAROL WORRELL
Toodyay Spinners Prize
Best Exhibit Group L1
CAROL WORRELL
Spearwood Wool Handlers Prize
Best Exhibit Class 4011
VALERIE RICHARD
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group L2
JUDY MACKIE

SECTION M PATCHWORK & QUILTING

Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit SHARLENE TOOP
Ian Stannard Prize
Best Exhibit SHARLENE TOOP
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group M1
SHARLENE TOOP
Bar-Bar-A-Black Sheep Trophy
Best Exhibit Group M5
TAYLOR FERGUSON

SECTION O FLORICULTURE

Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit COURTNEY FLEAY
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit COURTNEY FLEAY
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit Group O1 DIANNE COX
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group O2
COURTNEY FLEAY
Peg Geary Prize
Best Exhibit Group O3
TA CHRIMES

K Jacomelli Prize
Best Exhibit Group O4
JEANETTE MASTERS
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Trophy
Best Exhibit Group O5
TA CHRIMES
Toodyay Garden & Outdoor Centre Prize
Best Exhibit Group O6
TA CHRIMES
Eleanor Maria Bell Trophy
Best Exhibit Group O7
COURTNEY FLEAY

SECTION P HOME BREW

Brewbakers Trophy
Most Points ANTON BEETS
Brewmart Distributors Trophy
Best Exhibit ANTON BEETS

SECTION O HOBBY CRAFTS

Toodyay CWA Mary Sims Trophy
Most Points TRACEY SALMOND
Grant Woodhams MLA Prize
Best Exhibit HAZEL CANTEM
Lynn Cook Prize
Best Exhibit Group Q1
TRACEY SALMOND
Eugene & Margaret O'Sullivan Prize
Best Exhibit Group Q2
SAMANTHA SALMOND
Mrs Peg Geary Prize
Best Exhibit Group Q2 runner up
COURTNEY FLEAY

SECTION R ART

Arts Toodyay Inc Prize
Most Points ROBYN TAYLOR
Hon. Max Trenorden MLC Trophy
Best Exhibit WENDY LEWER
Shire of Toodyay - Acquisition Prize
Local Theme Groups R1 & R2
JESSE COLLINS
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit Group R1
SPENCER JAMES
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit Group R2
ROBYN TAYLOR

SECTION S NEEDLEWORK

Bar-Bar-A-Black Sheep Trophy
Most Points MYRTLE TAYLOR
Mrs Bel Rowe Trophy
Best Exhibit BETH RUTHVEN
Margot Hodge Memorial Trophy
Best Exhibit Group S1
GISELA DUNSTAN
Margot Hodge Memorial Trophy Prize
Best Exhibit Group S2
JANET WILKINSON
Kay Chitty Prize
Best Exhibit Group S3
BETH RUTHVEN
Kay Chitty Prize
Best Exhibit Group S4
BETH RUTHVEN
T & C Frank Prize
Best Exhibit Group S5
JENNY BLEWITT
Susan King Trophy
Best Exhibit Group S6
L JOHNSON
Kay Chitty Prize
Best Exhibit Group S7
K REWELL
Beth Ruthven Prize
Best Exhibit Group S8
SAMANTHA SALMOND

SECTION T COOKERY

Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit BRANDON HATTON
Mrs S Patten Trophy
Best Exhibit CAROLINE SWAN
Toodyay CWA Prize
Best Exhibit Group T1
B M FOX
Hutchings Family Prize
Best Exhibit Group T2
TANYA STUART
Dr R Walkey Prize
Best Exhibit Group T3
CAROLINE SWAN
M & E O'Sullivan Trophy
Best Exhibit Group T4
ANNETTE MILLER
Mrs Phyl Wood Memorial Prize
Best Exhibit Group T5 Class 7401
GILLIAN REYNOLDS
Mrs Phyl Wood Memorial Prize
Best Exhibit Group T5 Class 7401 Runner Up
ROSLYN BOWMAN
Brewbakers Trophy
Best Exhibit Group T5 Class 7402
BRANDON HATTON
Mrs Peg Geary Prize
Best Exhibit Group T6
REBECCA PEARSON

SECTION V PHOTOGRAPHY

Grant Woodhams MLA Prize
Most Points KERRY LEEDER
Brendan Fitzgerald Mobile Mortgage Broker Trophy
Best Exhibit KERRY LEEDER
Avon Valley Jewellery & Gifts Trophy
Best Exhibit Group V1
SHARON RICHARDS
Avon Valley Jewellery & Gifts Prize
Best Exhibit Group V2
GARY WALTON
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group V3
KERRY LEEDER
Shire of Toodyay Prize
Best Exhibit Group V4
KERRY LEEDER
Avon Valley Jewellery & Gifts Prize
Best Exhibit Group V5
KERRY LEEDER
Lynn Cook Prize
Most Points Group V6
(shared winners)
LIAM COLFER
ANTHONY ANDRIJICH
R & TA Chrimes
Best Exhibit Group V6
ANTHONY ANDRIJICH
Lynn Cook Prize
Most Points Group V7
BONNIE GLOSSOP
R & TA Chrimes Prize
Best Exhibit Group V7
BONNIE GLOSSOP

SECTION W WOOD CRAFT

Avon Wood Turners Prize
Most Points JOHN SMART
Avon Wood Turners Prize
Best Exhibit Group W1
MAX HEATH
Avon Wood Turners Prize
Best Exhibit Group W2
DON BULL

SECTION X CHILDREN - SCHOOL YEARS 6-10

Beth Somers Memorial Trophy
Most Points KEELY RULE
Ian & Beth Harrower Prize
Best Exhibit JESSICA BROWN
MJ & KL Knowles Trophy
Best Exhibit in Group X1
COURTNEY VALENTINE

Toodyay CWA Prize
Best Exhibit Group X2
SAMUEL BOWMAN
Toodyay & Districts Community Bank Prize
Best Exhibit Group X3
GEORGIA WARD
Heather Blackwell Prize
Best Exhibit Group X4
JESSICA BROWN

SECTION Y CHILDREN SCHOOL YEARS 1-5

Beth Somers Memorial Trophy
Most Points CAMERON FERNIHOUGH
Toodyay Shire Prize
Best Exhibit HAYLEY DUCKWORTH
MJ & KL Knowles Trophy
Best Exhibit Group Y1
CAMERON FERNIHOUGH
K Jacomelli Prize
Best Exhibit Group Y2
CAMERON FERNIHOUGH
Toodyay & Districts Community Bank Prize
Best Exhibit Group Y3
HAYLEY DUCKWORTH
Heather Blackwell Prize
Best Exhibit Group Y4
HAYLEY DUCKWORTH

SECTION Z CHILDREN SCHOOL YEARS KINDERGARTEN - PRE-PRIMARY

Ian & Beth Harrower Prize
Most Points AMY DUCKWORTH
Toodyay & Districts Community Bank Prize
Best Exhibit AMY DUCKWORTH

FASHION THROUGH THE AGES

1879 Ladies Outfit
JEANETTE MASTERS
1961 Wedding Gown
S HESSE
1930's Wedding Gown
BEV BUSH
1879 Anniversary Costume
ROBYN TAYLOR
Men's Outfit
JOHN MITCHINSON
Ladies Outfit (Paraded)
SHIRLEY BANKS

GUESS THE ITEM COMPETITION

Stan and June Eastwood Prize
JOHN AND BRIDGET, GWELUP

TOODYAY SHOW RESULTS



Leah Broderick

I WOULD like to thank all of the judges for both days and all of the helpers and stewards. I would also like to thank all of the sponsors as, without their support, things would be a lot worse off. Thanks also goes to the Pony Club for running the novelties. And of course, all competitors as, without you all, we would not have any ring events.

Thank you

LOCAL EVENTS HACKS

Judge : Shelley Riley

Local High Points Winner

Nerida Evans

High Point Winner

Emily Carpenter

Local Hack: over 14hh

- First: SUZETTE DAVIS (Devine Devon Skies)
Second: TREVOR BLIGHT (Nawarra Park Pro Hart)
Third: TRACY WILLIAMS (Duke of Hazard)
Local Rider: 25yrs and over
First: SUZETTE DAVIS (Devine Devon Skies)
Second: TREVOR BLIGHT (Nawarra Park Pro Hart)
Third: TRACY WILLIAMS (Duke of Hazard)

LOCAL PONY HACKS

Judge : Shelley Riley

Novice Hack: over 14hh

- First: GEORGINA OAKMAN (Trenton Park Accolade)
Second: NATASHA ELLERY (Sundale Neptune)
Third: SUZETTE DAVIS (Devine Devon Skies)
Galloway Hack: over 14 – 14.2hh
First: CHLOE MOON (Little Paddocks Pasion)
Second: TAYLAH WELSH (Kirrakea Showtalk)
Galloway Hack: 14.2 – 15hh
First: CLARE EVANS (Revolution)
Hack: over 15-15.2hh
 NATASHA ELLERY (Sundale Neptune)
Hack: over 15.2 – 16hh
First: NIKOLE TASOVAC (Ropecharge)
Second: MERREDITH COX (Newington Statesman)
Third: GEORGINA OAKMAN (Trenyon Park Accolade)
Hack: over 16hh
First: SAM APPLIN (Intangible)
Second: SUZETTE DAVIS (Devine Devon Skies)
Third: TRACY WILLIAMS (Duke of Hazard)
Ladies Hack: over 14-15hh
First: CHLOE MOON (Little Paddocks Pasion)
Second: TAYLA WELSH (Kirrakea Showtalk)
Third: CLARE EVANS (Revolution)
Ladies Hack: over 15hh
First: NATASHA ELLERY (Sundale Neptune)

- Second: NIKOLE TASOVAC (Ropecharge)
Third: GEORGINA OAKMAN (Trenton Park Accolade)
Lighweight Hack: over 14hh
First: SAM APPLIN (Intangible)
Second: NIKOLE TASOVAC (Ropecharge)
Medium Weight Hack: over 14hh
First: CLARE EVANS (Revolution)
Second: TAYLAH WELSH (Kirrakea Showtalk)
Third: NATASHA ELLERY (Sundale Neptune)
Heavyweight Hack: over 14hh
First: MERREDITH COX (Newington Statesman)
Second: TRACY WILLIAMS (Duke of Hazard)
Champion Galloway Hack
 CLARE EVANS (Revolution)
Reserve Champion Galloway Hack
 CHLOE MOON (Little Paddocks Pasion)
Champion Hack
 SAM APPLIN (Intangible)
Reserve Champion Hack
 NIKOLE TASOVAC (Ropecharge)
Show Hunter: over 14-15hh
First: CHLOE MOON (Little Paddocks Pasion)
Second: TAYLAH WELSH (Kirrakea Showtalk)
Show Hunter: over 15hh
First: TREVOR BLIGHT (Nawarra Park Pro Hart)
Second: TRACY WILLIAMS (Duke of Hazard)
Third: NATASHA ELLERY (Sundale Neptune)
Champion Show Hunter
 TREVOR BLIGHT (Nawarra Park Pro Hart)
Rider: over 30 years
First: MERREDITH COX (Newington Statesman)
Second: NATASHA ELLERY (Sundale Neptune)
Third: TRACY WILLIAMS (Duke of Hazard)
Champion Rider
 MERREDITH COX (Newington Statesman)
Reserve Champion Rider
 TRACEY WILLIAMS (Duke of Hazard)

LOCAL PONY HACKS

Judge : Leonie Parker

- Local Pony Hack: 14hh and under**
First: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Local Rider 9 – 13 years
First: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Local Led Rider: under 11yrs
First: EMILY CARPENTER (Chelsea)
Leading Rein Smartest on Parade
First: EMILY CARPENTER (Chelsea)
Leading Rein Pony
First: EMILY CARPENTER (Chelsea)
Leading Rein Rider
First: EMILY CARPENTER (Chelsea)

PONIES

Judge : Leonie Parker

- Novice Pony Hack: 14hh and under**
First: CHLOE VERSTEEGEN (Harrington Park Carousel)
Second: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Pony Hack: 12.2hh and under
First: KARLA JERRETT (Carona Park Fairy Foots)
Second: CHLOE VERSTEEGEN (Harrington Park Carousel)
Third: ORLEANS GRAETZ (Beckworth Royal Music)
Fourth: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Pony Hack: over 12.2 – 13hh
First: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Pony Hack: over 13 – 13.2hh
First: RACHEL GAYNOR (Gem Park Cassanova)

- Girls Pony Hack: 12.2hh and under**
First: CHLOE VERSTEEGEN (Harrington Park Carousel)
Second: ORLEANS GRAETZ (Beckworth Royal Music)
Third: NERIDA EVANS (Ebony)
Girls Pony Hack: 12.2 – 14hh
First: RACHEL GAYNOR (Gempark Cassanova)
 NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Lightweight Pony Hack: 14hh and under
First: RACHEL GAYNOR (Gempark Cassanova)
Second: CHLOE VERSTEEGEN (Harrington Park Carousel)
Third: ORLEANS GRAETZ (Beckworth Royal Music)
Mediumweight Pony Hack: 14hh and under
First: ORLEANS GRAETZ (Beckworth Royal Music)
Second: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Heavyweight Pony Hack: 14hh and under
First: MORGAN LANE (Yartara Cotton Candy)
Second: NERIDA EVANS (Ebony)
Champion Small Pony Hack
 MORGAN LANE (Yartara Park Cotton Candy)
Reserve Champion Small Pony Hack
 ORLEANS GRAETZ (Beckworth Royal Music)
Champion Large Pony Hack
 RACHEL GAYNOR (Gem Park Casanova)
Reserve Champion Large Pony Hack
 NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Show Hunter Pony: 12.2hh and under
First: MORGAN LANE (Yartara Park Cotton Candy)
Second: NERIDA EVANS (Ebony)
Show Hunter Pony: over 12.2hh – 14hh
First: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Champion Show Hunter Pony
 MORGAN LANE (Yartara Park Cotton Candy)
Rider: 10 years and under
First: CHLOE VERSTEEGAN (Harrington Park Carousel)
Second: ORLEANS GRAETZ (Beckworth Royal Music)
Third: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Rider 11, 12, 13 years
First: CHLOE MOON (Little Paddocks Pasion)
Second: TAYLAH WELSH (Kirrakea Showtalk)
Rider: 14 – 17 years
First: RACHEL GAYNOR (Gem Park Cassanova)
Champion Junior Rider
 CHLOE MOON (Little Paddocks Pasion)
Reserve Champion Junior Rider
 CHLOE VERSTEEGAN (Harrington Park Carousel)
- BREEDING**
 Judge : Shelley Riley
- Champion Male**
 DWAYNE CULVER (Sprocket)
Reserve Champion Male
 CATHY BENDSTEN (Thowra)
Champion Female
 EMILY CARPENTER (Chelsea)
Open Champion Pony
 DWAYNE CULVER (Sprocket)
- OPEN HORSE**
- Champion Male**
 JILLY WEGNER (Neening Park Ahab)
Champion Female
 LEESA WARD (Claylee Abbey)
Open Champion Horse
 JILLY WEGNER (Neening Park Ahab)
- HANDY PONY CLASS**
 Judge : Tiffany Maddox
- Handy Mount: 12 years and under**
First: NERIDA EVANS (Ebony)

- Second: ADAM CIALLELA (Paddy)
Third: EMILY CARPENTER (Chelsea)
- JUMPING**
- 60cm AM7**
First: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Chanel)
Second: NIAMH THOMPSON (Roty)
Third: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
60cm Optimum Time
First: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Second: JOANNA LANG (Bucks Destiny)
Third: NIAMH THOMPSON (Roxy)
60cm AM5
First: NIAMH THOMPSON (Roxy)
Second: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Third: NIAMH THOMPSON (Indy)
75cm AM7
First: BETH CIALELLA (Pepsi)
Second: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Chanel)
Third: JESSICA MURRAY (Milly)
75cm Optimum Time
First: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Jimmy)
Second: KIARA BENNINGTON (Zia Park Mischief)
Third: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Chanel)
75cm AM5
First: KIARA BENNINGTON (Zia Park Mischief)
Second: JESSICA MURRAY (Milly)
90cm AM7
First: JESSICA MURRAY (Milly)
Second: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Jimmy)
90cm Optimum Time
First: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Jimmy)
Second: KIARA BENNINGTON (Zia Park Mischief)
90cm AM5
First: KIARA BENNINGTON (Zia Park Mischief)
Second: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Jimmy)
- BREEDING**
 Horses over 14hh
 Judge Sharlie Dickinson
- Pony 14hh and under
 Judge Karen Mori
- Champion Male**
 JOANNA LANG (Bucks Destiny)
Champion Female
 ROBYN LANG (Oregana)
 ALYSHA MAXWELL (Chanel)
Supreme Champion Exhibit (both groups)
 JOANNA LANG/ROBYN LANG (Bucks Destiny)
- STOCK HORSE CLASSES**
 Judge : Karen Mori
- Maiden Working Stock Horse**
First: JOANNA LANG (Bucks Destiny)
Second: SUMMER ROBERTS (Jutlands Dazzlyn Donna)
Third: TOM KRESS (Tabby)
Novice Working Stock Horse
First: ROBYN LANG (Coomalea Madaline)
Second: CATHY BENDSTEN (Thowra)
Third: ALYSON FLEMING (Pallano Quicksilver)
Maiden Hack
First: JOANNA LANG (Bucks Destiny)
Second: SUMMER ROBERTS (Jutlands Dazzlyn Donna)
Third: JILLY WEGNER (Neening Park Ahab)
Novice Hack
First: ALYSON FLEMING (Pallano Quicksilver)
Second: CATHY BENDSTEN (Thowra)
Third: ROBYN LANG (Coomalea Madaline)
Maiden Polocrosse Horse
First: JOANNA LANG (Bucks Destiny)

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Second:
SUMMER ROBERTS (Jutlands Dazzlyn Donna)
Third: TOM KRESS (Tabby)
Novice Polocrosse Horse
First: CATHY BENDSTEN (Thowra)
Second: ALYSON FLEMMING (Pallano Quicksilver)
Third: ROBYN LANG (Coomalea Madaline)
Maiden Station Hack
First: JOANNA LANG (Bucks Destiny)
Second: SUMMER ROBERTS (Jutlands Dazzlyn Donna)
Third: KYLIE EVANS
Novice Station Hack
First: CATHY BENDSTEN (Thowra)
Second: ROBYN LANG (Coomalea Madaline)
Third: ALYSON FLEMING (Pallano Quicksilver)
Time Trial Maiden
First: JOANNA LANG (Bucks Destiny)
Second: TOM KRESS (Tabby)
Third: KYLIE EVANS
Time Trial Novice
First: CATHY BENDSTEN (Thowra)
Second: ROBYN LANG (Coomalea Madaline)
Third: ALYSON FLEMING (Pallano Quicksilver)

JUNIOR/JUVENILE STOCK HORSE

Junior Working Stock Horse
First: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Second: JESSICA OAKES (Magic Happens)
Juvenile Working Stock Horse

First: TAYLOR CONWAY (Texas)
Second: KIRRA HAIGH (Link)
Junior Hack
First: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Second: JESSICA OAKES (Magic Happens)
Third: KATE MCKAY (Polly)
Juvenile Hack
First: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Chanel)
Second: TAYLA CONWAY (Texas)
Third: KIRRA HAIGH (Link)
Junior Polocrosse Horse
First: KATE MCKAY (Polly)
Second: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Third: JESSICA OAKES (Magic Happens)
Juvenile Polocrosse Horse
First: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Chanel)
Second: KIRRA HAIGH (Link)
Third: TAYLA CONWAY (Texas)
Junior Station Hack
First: KATE MCKAY (Polly)
Second: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Third: JESSICA OAKES (Magic Happens)
Juvenile Station Hack
First: KIRRA HAIGH (Link)
Second: TAYLA CONWAY (Texas)
Third: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Chanel)
Junior Time Trial
First: JESSICA OAKES (Magic Happens)
Second: NERIDA EVANS (Aryline Toyboy)
Juvenile Time Trial
First: ALEYSHA MAXWELL (Chanel)
Second: TAYLA CONWAY (Texas)
Third: KIRRA HAIGH (Link)

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Pam Jackson Committee

THE 158th Annual Toodyay Show was held on Saturday 15 October and, from feedback I have received, another successful show day was enjoyed by many. *Scitech* was popular with the young ones, not just the stage show but also the hours spent having fun with science experiments behind the stage tent.

A lot of interest was shown in the vintage vehicles and machinery which was on display around the showgrounds. Thank you to all who provided the machinery and vehicles and to all those who contributed in the organising and transporting of the

vehicles and machinery to and from the show grounds.

Entries in some sections were down and we hope to see an increase in numbers next year. It was great to see an increase in entries in the wool and agricultural sections.

A BIG thank you to all who participated in the Toodyay Show, all the volunteers, stewards, exhibitors, entertainers, community groups, the sponsors, judges, firms and individuals who donated trophies and prizes, members, 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.

Ladyraven's Clothing & Giftware Fashion Parade

LADYRAVEN'S was invited to show off her latest fashions at the Toodyay Agricultural Show. Ladyraven's sells affordable clothing, plus quirky and unusual giftware.

Jo would like to thank her wonderful models, Lesley, Karen, Jan, Jenn, Gail and Danni Hug and, behind the scenes, our fabulous wardrobe mistress, Linda Sharman. Who better to model my clothes than my wonderful customers? Thank you ladies!





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FROM THE DESK OF THE SHIRE PRESIDENT

Late September and early October have seen several events marking the 175th Anniversary of the proclamation of Toodyay as a district.



On Saturday 24 September the Clackline-Toodyay Karate Club held a very successful outdoor Tournament which attracted 80 entrants many coming from metropolitan clubs and from some rural clubs. The Toodyay Historical Society on 25 September opened an eight day exhibition of photographs and movies relevant to Toodyay's history. The exhibition saw the acquisition of many images relating to the Toodyay District increasing the local archive of the district's visual history.

The 175th celebrations Grand Parade on 1 October was very impressive, with an appreciative crowd lining Stirling Terrace. The Grand Parade terminated at the Showgrounds where a small crowd assembled, many of whom were in period costume. Phillip then gave a memorable performance with a didgeridoo. The fourth event which was part of the 175th Anniversary events was the annual Toodyay Race meeting which saw the return of racing to Toodyay following the December 2009 fires.

Since the last Council meeting Councillor Jackson and I attended the Avon Zone meeting of WALGA at Calingiri. One message seeming to be there is that the focus on Council amalgamations has shifted from rural areas to the metropolitan area with an inquiry now underway. A further inquiry has begun Australia-wide to examine the circumstances, options, benefits and down-side to the constitutional recognition of Local Government within our national constitution. On 29 September the Acting Chief Executive Officer, Mr Trevor Harken and I attended National Police Remembrance Day Ceremonies in Northam. This day is held on 29 September every year to honour those from Emergency Services who have lost their lives.

I thank all Councillors for their involvement and hard work undertaken over the term of this Council. In particular I extend thanks on behalf of the Shire to those Councillors retiring at the end of their term. For those Councillors whose terms are at an end and are seeking re-election I also extend thanks as mathematically at least one will have retirement forced upon them. We should not forget the vast amount of time that Council business demands of all Councillors which has to be met along with the usual commitments of living. The demands are considerable, the pressures relentless. Everything we do is analysed and invariably criticised and it is a measure of the character of those involved to see the effort put into serving our Community.

I reiterate my thanks to all Councillors for their involvement in civic life and for the support extended to me in undertaking the role of the Shire President. It may come as a surprise to many but I thank those Councillors who have taken issue with me on various subjects as that opposing view means that the subject is placed under close scrutiny and every opinion has to have credible justification in support. That allows for a vibrant Community and hopefully informed debate delivering the best outcomes.

Thank you all members of the community. Invariably you are well informed, educated, and articulate and at times sections of the community are motivated on every issue. You keep us grounded, focused, and in touch with community aspirations and expectations.

COUNCIL DATES

15 November: Ordinary Meeting of Council, Council Chambers, 7pm.

13 Decmber: Ordinary Meeting of Council, Council Chambers, 7pm

RESULTS OF ELECTION

These are the results of the Local Government Election for President and Deputy President held on Monday 17 October 2011.

President -
Councillor K Hogg (elected unopposed)

Deputy President -
Councillor J Prater (elected)
Councillor R Jackson (excluded)

Councillor Hogg is therefore elected President of the Shire of Toodyay until October 2013 and Councillor Prater is elected Deputy President until October 2013.

TREVOR HARKEN
Acting Chief Executive Officer 18 October 2011

TOODYAY RATES INCENTIVE PRIZE

The 2011/2012 rates incentive prize was another great success this year with 13 prizes to give away. A **big thank you** to all the businesses who contributed prizes.

The prize draw took place at the October Ordinary Meeting of Council by Shire President, Cr Kevin Hogg.

Congratulations to all the winners, including:

- First - \$1000.00 – A Henshaw
- Second – 1 Month Personal Training – J & L Dekens
- Third – Tandem 14,000ft Skydive – D Holthouse

PREMIER'S AUSTRALIA DAY ACTIVE CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

The Shire of Toodyay invites you to nominate an individual or community group for one of this year's Active Citizenship awards.

The awards foster, recognise and celebrate significant contributions to community life and active citizenship in all local government areas of Western Australia.

The recipients will be selected from people and groups who have made a significant contribution to the local community during the current year, or given outstanding service to the local community over a number of years through active involvement.

The Three Awards

- A person of 25 years or older
- A person under 25 years
- A community group or event

Eligibility and Selection criteria

The winners will have been judged to have shown active citizenship, demonstrated leadership and has inspiring qualities as a role model for the community.

Nominees should reside principally within the Shire of Toodyay.

- A person cannot be awarded the same award twice, but can be considered for another award.
- Unsuccessful nominees may be nominated in future years.
- Sitting members of State, Federal and Local Government are not eligible.

Presentation of Awards will be presented on Australia Day, 26 January 2012.

Nomination forms may be obtained from the Shire of Toodyay Administration Office, 15 Fiennes St, Toodyay or downloaded from the Shire of Toodyay website at www.toodyay.wa.gov.au

Completed nomination forms should be received at the Shire Administration Office by close of business: Friday 25th November 2011.



TOODYAY TOWN CEMETERY – MEMORIAL GARDEN

The Shire of Toodyay has commenced an exciting new project aimed at restoring the Toodyay Town Cemetery. The first step in the project is to create a Memorial Garden.

The garden beds at the Toodyay Cemetery were built many years ago by Mr Graham Mills but have remained vacant until now. Preparations have commenced to create a Memorial Garden filled with roses. So far rubble has been removed from the four garden beds and replaced with fertiliser and soil.

In November, the Toodyay Garden Club with the assistance of the Shire depot staff will commence planting the roses in the Memorial Garden.

We would like to extend our thanks to the Toodyay Garden Club who have volunteered to offer their expertise and time in the finalisation of the Memorial Garden and continuing maintenance at the cemetery.

A big thank you is also extended to the Toodyay Scouts who had a busy bee recently at the cemetery.

If you have any queries regarding the Cemetery or Memorial Garden please contact Narelle Rodger at the Shire Administration Office on (08) 9574 2258.



LIBRARY NEWS

On Tuesday 4 October, the Library held a Children's Bread Making Workshop. Lisa Pope our parent volunteer arrived on the morning armed with a huge smile plus all the ingredients and utensils to make some delicious aromatic bread.

All the children attending had a great time and each left with their own personally prepared dough ready for baking. We would like to thank Lisa for suggesting and running this workshop.

Due to popular request Lisa has offered to run a similar hands-on session for adults at the Library on Tuesday 15 October at 11am. So if you would like to learn the art of bread making without the fuss of using a Bread Machine, call into the library for a morning of doughy delights.

Toodyay local Belinda Cowell will be joining us at the Library for an Author talk on Thurs November 10th. Please call into the Library and register your interest to attend this auspicious event. The Library would like to express our gratitude to Moya Hammill for her kind donation and industrious green fingers. Moya recently popped into the library armed with trowel and a selection of plants for the Library, and planted an array of beautiful flowers.

"Better than a Book Club" resumes this month on 10 November at 10am. "Baby Rhyme Time & Story Time" will be held each and every Friday at 10.30am and 11am respectively with this month's theme "In the Library Garden". Alison our resident Story Time volunteer enthralled our littlies each week with songs, stories and activities to engage and extend their imagination. New comers are always welcome.

Morangup Library will be held on 8 & 22 November between 3pm – 5pm, with Maureen, Peter and the gang there to assist you.

'Bay Watch'
This month's Bay to watch is bay 1 featuring...

Louise Bagshawe - Sparkles, Catherine Alliott - A Crowded Marriage, Tilly Bagshawe - Showdown, A. Manettee Ansay - Vinegar Hill, Douglas Carlton Abrams - The Lost Diary of Don Juan.

Toodyay Public Library - 9574 2323

MENS SHED LUNCHEON WITH TIM MATHIESON, AMBASSADOR FOR MENS SHED AUSTRALIA

On Thursday 27 October 2011, we welcomed Tim Mathieson, Mens Health Ambassador to Toodyay. The Toodyay Men's Shed proudly coordinated a gathering of Mens Shed representatives from Northam to Mukinbudin to coincide with Tim's visit for CHOGM. Tim took time on his birthday to attend the gathering, and was warmly welcomed by local Mens Shed members, and various Toodyay dignitaries. The gathering was a reminder of the great work that Mens Sheds do for the Men in our local communities, and Tim reiterated his support for Establishing Men Sheds in smaller communities.



MULCH

In an effort to minimise waste to landfill, green waste has been stocked on site at the Toodyay Waste Transfer Station. This has been tub ground and is free of charge. Opening Hours are seven days - 8am to 12pm excluding Good Friday, Anzac Day, Christmas Day, Boxing Day & New Year's Day; last Sunday of each month 8am to 3pm. This is limited to one standard trailer load per person, and any mulch materials are taken at your own risk. For any enquiries please contact Deputy Chief Executive Officer Sam Mastrolembo on 9574 2258.



NEWS AND NOTICES

NOTIFICATION OF AMENDMENT TO SCHEDULE OF FEES & CHARGES LEGISLATION

At its meeting held 20 September 2011, the Council resolved:

That Council:

1. Remove the reference 'These fees are based on Section 112 of the Health Act 1911' under Rubbish Removal in the 2011/2012 Schedule of Fees and Charges; and
2. Replace it with the reference 'These fees are based on Section 68 of the Waste Avoidance & Resource Recovery Act 2007 and Section 6.16 of the Local Government Act 1995; and
3. Advertise as per Section 6.19 of the Local Government Act 1995.

To that end, the Council of the Shire of Toodyay gives notice that the Rubbish Removal Charge contained in the 2011/2012 Schedule of Fees & Charges should be in accordance with Section 6.16 of the Local Government Act, not in accordance with Section 112 of the Health Act as stated.

TREVOR HARKEN
Acting Chief Executive Officer

BUSH FIRE CONTROL OFFICERS

The following appointments were made by the Shire of Toodyay on Tuesday, October 11, 2011:

Bush Fire Control Officer
 - Mark Briggs
 - Lawrence Hayward
 Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer
 - Brian Wood (DCBFCO1)
 - Mike Rogers (DCBFCO2)
 - Mark Briggs (DCBFCO3)

The appointment of Alan Knapp as Deputy Chief Bush Fire Control Officer is cancelled.
 Chief Bush Fire Control Officer – Murray McBride

TREVOR HARKEN
Acting Chief Executive Officer

CIVIL WORKS TENDER
CONSTRUCTION OF FIRE ACCESS TRACKS,
WOODLAND HEIGHTS, TOODYAY

TENDER NO. 06/2011

Tenders are invited for the construction of clearing, minor earthworks and gravel fire access tracks within the Woodland Heights subdivision. Tender documents and contractual information are available from the Shire of Toodyay website.

Tenders are to be placed in a sealed envelope and marked with the appropriate tender number and will be received at the Shire of Toodyay offices.

There is mandatory site inspection / tender briefing so that the Contractor is fully conversant with the ground conditions which will be held on Wednesday 9 November 2011 at 10am. All enquiries are to be directed to Mr Alan Knapp, Community Emergency Services Manager on 9574 2258.

Tenders close on Tuesday 15th November 2011 at 2.00pm.

Note that email or facsimiled tenders will not be accepted. The lowest or any tender will not necessarily be accepted. Canvassing of any Shire of Toodyay Councillors, Officers or Consultants will disqualify Tenderers from the Tender process.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

PROPOSED NEW CHANGE ROOMS – TOODYAY SHOWGROUNDS
FOR PUBLIC COMMENT

The Shire of Toodyay in conjunction with the main user groups of the facilities located at the Toodyay Showgrounds, has developed concept plans for a new set of change rooms at the site. The proposed facility includes male and female, home and away change rooms, umpires' rooms, trainers' rooms, a first aid room, in addition to disabled facilities and baby change room areas.

Upon completion of the new change rooms it is proposed to create storage space under the grandstand for sporting clubs and refurbish the existing pavilion to a contemporary standard, addressing storage, disabled access, kitchen and bar facilities.

The Shire is now seeking comment from the wider community on this project. Your views on the proposed change rooms are encouraged and welcomed. The proposal is available for inspection at the Shire of Toodyay Administration Centre, Old Court House, 15 Fiennes Street, Toodyay, during office hours.

Submissions on the proposed development may be addressed in writing and lodged with the Chief Executive Officer, Shire of Toodyay, PO Box 96 Toodyay 6566, by 4.00pm on Thursday 22 December 2011.

Further information on the above proposal is available by contacting the Shire's Deputy Chief Executive Officer, Mr Sam Mastrolembo on 9574 2258.

Trevor Harken
ACTING CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER