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Sue's swan song

When we first shifted to Mt Pleasant in the mid-nineties, my middle son soon figured out where to take the injured wildlife he kept finding. Nick always seemed to find things just before they died, and he'd take them up the road to Sue, who'd look after them and make them comfortable in their last moments. When I worked at the Primary school in Birdwood, Sue and I often had chats at the end of the day as we were finishing up our jobs. Solved the problems of the world and had a few laughs. I envied Sue her vocation, getting to cuddle those lovely possums and creatures, but I'd never have been able to devote my time and life to them like she has. It's now time for Sue to hang up the 'roo pouch, put away the feed bowls and spend some quality time enjoying her family and life, and those animals that are unable to fend for themselves. We will miss knowing that we had a safe pair of hands close, but we're glad she'll still be about so we can catch up. Enjoy the time off, Sue, and thanks for over thirty vears of amazing wildlife care.

From Sue Shaw:

I am unable to continue with my volunteers work as a wildlife carer. Having come to this decision has not been easy, but it has become increasingly difficult to find homes for unreleasable little ones. I have been involved with the care of native animals for 33 years, and feel I need to concentrate on the motley crew that I still have in my care – which is quite time consuming.

If there are any registered wildlife carers out there, please make yourself known to me and the local community.

Thank You.

No, Sue - Thank YOU!



PS: Sue has a small aviary to give away – 1800H x 1500W x 800D. Tel: 0407 609 832.



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Around the town Paula and Bill sneak off to celebrate



Fifty years is a long time, but Paula and Bill aren't ones for big celebrations other than catching up with family. They snuck off to a quick cruise on the Murray to celebrate quietly, and will join the family on the weekend for a celebration. Happy Anniversary – you two!



Joe goes it alone

Last week was the opening of TOTT Gallery Artist Joe Dennis' solo exhibition titled "What a Mix". The exhibition was opened by Lesley Jorgensen, a fellow artist and lifetime friend of Joe's. Joe is a very accomplished artist with many landscape pastels on display. Additionally, she has a variety of pottery items she has created, and all on display are for sale.



November, 2022



Although she is notoriously hard to photograph, I managed to snap one or two. The other photographs are from the TOTTG Facebook page.

TOTT Christmas Panto!



Cinderella will be performed by TOTT at the end of November.

Four matinees, 19th, 20th, 26th and 27th November at 2.00 pm and two evening performances 20th and 26th November at 7.30 pm. Bookings open on 3rd October. Enquiries from our ticket helpline 0435 403 364.

Jamie has a cup ride

After fulfilling her suspension for staying in an Airbnb during lockdown, Jamie Kah will be back for next Tuesday's Melbourne Cup, where she'll ride beaten Caulfield Cup favourite Smokin' Romans. Good luck Jamie!



MP Bakery



From Chey at the bakery: We did it team! Team Chey is sitting at #15 out of 28,706 people raising funds. Together we can!

We raised \$5274 for the BLACK DOG INSTITUTE this October!!! Thanks to my major sponsors, thanks to my drivers and thanks to my amazing partner for always being behind me. THANK YOU TO ALL WHO DONATED!

Well Done, Chey!





Want to be part of spreading some 'Joy to the World' this Christmas in Mount Pleasant?

Come and join us for a gentle walk around the streets singing traditional Carols.

People of any age, prams, strollers, bicycles, gophers, & well behaved dogs welcome!
(Each night is about 3kms but if you wish to join for less, contact me for info of route.)

7pm MONDAY 19TH DECEMBER from the Front of Market Hall in Talunga Park

7pm TUESDAY 20TH DECEMBER from Eastern corner Melrose & Saleyard Roads

PLEASE RSVP to Meg - 0437 647 247 or mysticmeg@adam.com.au

(So that we have enough words books available)



Mt Pleasant Community Choir

ON THE EDGE!

After a Covid-induced break of nearly 3 years we are wondering if it might be time to reboot the choir...

Whether this happens will depend largely on how many people are interested in coming along and exercising their tonsils. As has always been the case with "On The Edge", the only prerequisite for being a choir member is to turn up. We do not audition anyone, and there are no costs involved – we just turn up for practice, usually once a week for a few weeks prior to significant community events, have a sing, have a lot of laughs (at ourselves), and frown at anybody who takes it all too seriously.

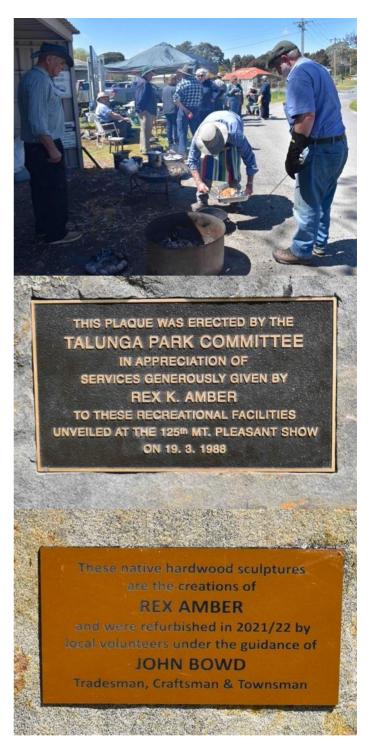


If you are interested in being part of one of the cultural cornerstones of the Hills, (and you can live anywhere, not just Mt P), either email or phone Ken as soon as you can, and we'll see whether we can all make this happen.

Ken Sieben E: ksieben@apblondes.com.au M: 0408 301828

Amber re-dedication







Amber re-dedication cont'd

On the first of October, a large group from the Mt Pleasant and adjoining districts joined with many of Rex Amber's family members to remember him, and help re-dedicate the animals he created all those years ago.

It was a labour of love for John Bowd, who rarely backs down from a challenge, and with the help of trusty sidekick Peter Wilde, refurbished the sad looking animals over the last couple of years. Under the auspices of the Mt Pleasant Progress Association, John mended, adapted, and painted the much-loved sculptures, and placed them back in the park. but ensured that they were mounted in a way that would protect them better from the damp ground.

The day was cool, but the sun shone brightly, and we all spent the time reading the story board the Amber family had put together, and eating damper and drinking billy tea provided by the Men's Shed. Quite a few of the family had dressed as swaggies for the occasion, honouring Rex in a way that many who knew him would relate to. Lyn Molinaro and Jenny Lovett (nee Amber) gave us a snapshot of what it was like to be Rex's daughters and how much he meant to them, they then unveiled the new memorial to Rex (see pics previous page). Several other family members then spoke about his influence on their lives and included many funny anecdotes. Others who had worked with or known Rex, then got up to pass on their memories, and a picture emerged of a complicated, funny, imaginative, caring, lovable, ratbag, and we are so lucky that he chose to spend so much of his time in Mt Pleasant.

The Moth Table - who some refer to as the 'Butterfly Table' - has also been restored and will be placed sometime in the future. There are many more examples of his work around the district, and hopefully there will be more information on these available in the future.

Please see October's issue for an article about Rex from the Stock Journal

Stephanie and Maggie drop in

A couple of weeks ago, Stephanie Alexander, who devised and lent her name to a fantastic gardening and cooking experience for school students, visited Birdwood Primary School with her good friend and Barossa icon, Maggie Beer, It was exciting times for Sue Green, who has managed this amazing scheme since its inception at Birdwood ten years ago. The children created slideshows and spoke about the affect it has had on their lives and learning. As a nanny who has been assisting in the kitchen for the last couple of years, I have to say it's been an amazing experience, and thoroughly enjoyable for helpers and students.

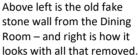


Totty Tales

They've been busy again! We've added pictures from the last couple of months, as Neil and Steff have been busy all over the place, in fact, there are rooms in the Totness that people would struggle to recognise now.

The latest room to be overhauled is the old dining room, or 'great room' as they call it - and the responses from the public have been overwhelmingly positive. Many of the bedrooms have been almost completely restored and furnished - ready for the next phase of the Totty. (For stunning pics - visit the Facebook page) The bottle-o is getting closer to open ready – fingers crossed – and we may be able to buy our Christmas tipples locally again!









Above left is the old mantle and fireplace from the Dining Room and right is the new mantle in place.

Below the floor was revealed when the carpet was removed.





Steff inspecting the 'new' old counter for the bottle-o. She has done heaps of work in the old space - and once again, we locals will be gobsmacked at the changes.



Pleasant History Mt Pleasant Men's Shed milestone

It only seems like yesterday that Bob Long ventured into the History Room asking about assistance with his idea of forming a Men's Shed in Mount Pleasant. He had already put thought into a planned logo, and was looking for a facility where the group could meet, to discuss an opportunity of the establishment. The Australian Men's Shed Association was in its infancy at the time, late 2012, so it was all new steps and a learning curve.

The first meeting was called for November 29th 2012... so ten years ago this month. Eleven men attended that first meeting. Were you one of them? Initially it was planned to hold meetings at the Natural Resource Centre, but negotiations did not pan out and so the meetings were held at the Mount Pleasant Bakery, with eight men contributing in the discussion.



Meeting at the Mount Pleasant Bakery... Bill Bartsch, Rod Howie, do you know this person, John Bowd, Bob Long, George Harrison, David Bradley

Prior to official meeting notes being recorded the opportunity to participate in the Spanner in the Works event, hosted on behalf of the Australian Men's Shed Association was conducted in June 2012, to spread the word of the plan for a shed at Mount Pleasant. This was supported by the then State member of Parliament, Ivan Venning, with newcomer in the wings Stephan Knoll, and proved a successful day, thanks to the work of Bob Long who invited a guest speaker, and displays from other Sheds and businesses.



David Bradley, Ivan Venning, Bob Long, Stephan Knoll Regular meetings were held and discussions began with The Barossa Council regarding a possibility of establishing a shed at Talunga Park... this eventuated in identifying a section of land at Old Talunga Park, which The Barossa Council did not realise was actually their property, but was highly suitable for a Men's Shed... not too far from the centre of town, with space around for expansion. So the dream began...

Word of mouth is a wonderful thing, and the first fundraising opportunity was that of dismantling a couple of sheds at Woodside, which contributed \$800 into the bank account. Then a chance discussion with the residents of Rockleigh eventuated in the Mid Murray Council paying the Mount Pleasant Men's Shed to preserve and restore the former Rockleigh School, which had been planned for demolition. This contributed \$20,000 into the bank account and gave the group an opportunity to develop great camaraderie whilst also giving hope for the dream of a new shed actually eventuating. There is much more work that occurred to assist in raising funds for the new build... wood cutting, walnut sales, all shelled and ready for use, repairs to a stable, sausage sizzles and burgers to name a few.



George Harrison (now dec'd), Bob Long, Bill Bartsch, David Bradley, Don Barrett, John Bowd after dismantling two sheds at Woodside. The Mount Pleasant Men's Shed proves that with just one person's idea, great things can be achieved, but of course it also needs support of other members of the community. The first official Annual General Meeting in May 2014 saw Don Barrett, Bill Bartsch, Barry Liddicoat, Bob Long, George Harrison, John Bowd, Colin Forbes and Roger Trudgen nominate for the committee.



Former Rockleigh School is on the Kidman Trail and a regular stopover for people and their horses using this trail, as well as the local community.

Bob Long was the driving force for the first few years, but has now moved from the district. George Harrison was a great worker, but has now passed on, but other members of that inaugural committee are still about. Men's Sheds are all about supporting those around them... Shoulder to Shoulder... so to speak, and the work at the Mount Pleasant Men's Shed never seems to stop. You can see the new addition happening even now...

Paula Bartsch Historian Find us on facebook



Marketina Makers Market



Only 3 weeks to go!! Come and join us for the launch of our brand-new artisan market, MAKERS on MELROSE, happening on 19th November 2022 from 8am-12pm.

We're so excited about our artisan market that we're kicking things off in style with a celebration, including entertainment, special guests and delicious food & drinks available to purchase.

Featuring a carefully curated selection of quality, hand made products from South Australian artists and makers, the artisan market will run alongside our fabulous farmer's market.

Located in the gorgeous town of Mt. Pleasant, which is nestled between the Adelaide Hills and Barossa Valley, and only a 45minute drive from the suburbs of Adelaide. It's a spectacular drive from every direction, with so much to see and do in the region while you're here.

So, gather your friends, head to the Mount Pleasant Farmers Market and enjoy this very special occasion with us. This just might be your new favourite market!

Tabletop Artwork



Wow, there was some beautiful artwork this month, and it was very tough to choose a winner. But I can only choose one, and this month, the winner is Georgia, with her beautiful drawing featuring pretty flowers, sunshine and rainbow. Great job Georgia, you win a \$10 market voucher. Please come see us at the Information Desk on Saturday morning when you're next at the market to collect your prize. And if you want to win a \$10 voucher for your artwork, draw something beautiful on the craft paper with the pencils provided at the tables inside the market, and make sure to sign your name to your work so we know who you are. The next winner will be announced at the end of November. We can't wait to see what you create!

The aoats were back!

Baby goats - funnier than cats.

And they brought their owners – selling lots of goat goodies.









Recreate

Recreate is a creative reuse centre, shop, materials depot & workshop space that transforms old wares & waste into something fabulous. Come and see the new ranges constantly being added to our shop. Open Wed to Sat 10am - 3pm.



BOTANY WITH BEV WEDNESDAY'S AT RECREATE Got any botanical questions you want answered? Bev is on site Wednesday's to help with anything and everything botanical Bev is a retired botany lecturer and field botanist who has a lifelong interest in useful plants. A lot of her childhood was spent on subsistence farms, learning to grow food, cook, brew, make dyes and herbal reparations under the tutelage of a grandfather who was an enthusiastic wer of fruit trees, vegetables and prize flowers, and a grandmother who had been a farmer and the village herbalist and midwife back in Ireland before coming to Australia. University studies in botany, organic and inorganic chemistry and geology followed, leading to work with the CSIRO and participation in several exploratory and collecting expeditions, including the early Stroud expeditions covering parts of outback SA and WA, and the Tanami Desert. She has run classes in bushcraft, wilderness survival and wild foods, with a particular interest in the edible fungi of the local area. Since then, she has taught botany, done volunteer work with the Friends groups of several National Parks, ran the volunteer gr<mark>oup rehabilitating the</mark> Athelstone Wildflower Garden, and now volunteers with the Mount Pleasant Natural Resource Centre's Recreate project and the Mount Pleasant Community Garden, as well as growing and selling local produce at the Mount Pleasant Farmers Market. She can help you to identify your

Botany with Bev!

Wednesday's are now for all things botanical. Come in and get all your burning questions answered by our resident expert.

Hey preservers!!

We have lots of free jars at the moment. Great time to start planning for all those beautiful summer fruits.

Garden Centre

prices!

There are still lots of plants on offer - drop in to see what you can find. Native plants at VERY reasonable

GRON

Native plants at VERY reasonable



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Volunteers needed

The Recreate committee is a vibrant and imaginative mob – and they have great ideas. The circular economy is becoming more of a necessity, and definitely more accepted as a legitimate process for our wellbeing and environment. There are many ways you can help, and you will be welcomed.



Retail volunteers

Calling on people who love retail - we need to fill the shop roster. We are looking for people to work 9.30-3.30 on one of the following days once a week.

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

Must be able to communicate well with others, handle money, follow opening and closing procedures and importantly - to enjoy dealing with customers.

If you're interested or know someone who would be great, please contact Bec via DM, phone 0427 998 55, or email. recreatemp@outlook.com

Sharing garden

The sharing garden is a great initiative that has been going for some time. Sharing carries an emotional impact that makes the experience memorable - giving from the garden makes you feel happy.

After the pandemic many of us are looking to our gardens to help as we turn to our gardens to restore our physical and mental health. But if you also plan now for sharing what you grow, the extra rewards, which include feeling like a better human being, make a good gardening year even better. For how you can become involved in the sharing garden, speak to the team at Recreate, and see how it can help you.



Free Library

Don't forget to take advantage of the Free Library – browse and swap – sit and have a read, meet up with other locals. The verandah of Recreate is a natural gathering place – friendly and welcoming – there's no other place like it.





People



Happy Birthday!



October - Cheryl Farinola

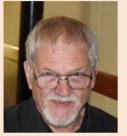




Elaine Ivey



October - Pete Stephens



Di Minge



Hank Schermer



Leon & Leonie Holmes



Merry Schaeffer



Graham Parker



A special Happy 50th Anniversary to Paula and ΩillI



Doreen & Steve K



Gwen & Pat Hannagan



Michael & Margaret



Vicky & Paul Johnson



Did we miss anyone?

If you know of any celebrations coming up or missed, nlease let us know

Scarlet Fawcett Daughter to Ashley & Claire Grandchild to Vicki and Colin



Welcome!



Pete's Poem Sunflower



I'm having an extra coffee now –
(It's too sharp to go outside),
The gardening will have to wait,
Though the weeds won't be denied.
The Gardening Show on the A.B.C.
Was forecasting this weather,
Saying "Gardeners hate July because
The frosts come close together."
"The soil's too cold for things to grow,
And will be for a while."
But despite the damage being done,
There's still some cause to smile,



Peter The Peripatetic Poet

Was the promise, evernew,

Of the Spring's regeneration,

Just yesterday in my Greenhouse,

My Sunflowers have burst through.





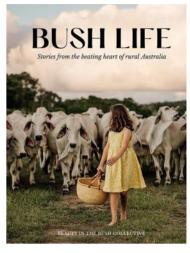
New books



From Angus and Robertson online

Bush Life:

Told through the camera lens of ten exceptional photographers, Bush Life explores the vibrant world of creative living that exists beyond our city limits. Written by Jessica Howard. photography from Camilla French. Elena Chalker. Ellie Morris, Emma Leonard, Georgie Mann, Henrietta Attard, Jessica Howard. Kate Nelder. Lindy Hick and Lisa Alexander.



THE BOOK OF ROADS & KINGDOMS THE ROADS RICHARD FIDLER

The Book of Roads and Kingdoms:

The Book of Roads & Kingdoms is the story of the medieval wanderers who travelled out to the edges of the known world during Islam's fabled Golden Age; an era when the caliphs of Baghdad presided over a dominion greater than the Roman Empire at its peak, stretching from North Africa to India. Imperial Baghdad, founded as the 'City of

Peace', quickly became the biggest and richest metropolis in the world.

Fidler expertly weaves together these beautiful and thrilling pictures of a dazzling lost world with the story of an empire's rise and utterly devastating fall.

Older books

Star Books

Looking for a great read? Searching for a gift? Possibly an inspirational tome or an awe inspiring autobiography?

Maybe – you just want a book on funny sayings or silly thigs cats do.

If John hasn't got it – he'll find it for you.

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Clubs & Committees

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CFS Comedy night

If you weren't there, you missed one of our best shows ever. The fabulous Lori Bell as MC started the show then handed over to new up and coming comedy star of the future - Dehli Boy was followed by The true professional, Big Al who fought through severe pain to rock the hall. Our final act left everyone in stitches - Fabien Clarke.

What a night and you our fabulous community raised over \$3100 clear by your tickets and values raffle ticket purchases. Thank you everyone who assisted me in

organising and running the show.





Cadets Training

18 Oct: Our cadets went through Burn over Drills in their training session. A important and mandatory skill once a firefighter goes out on incident callouts. The risk of crew being caught in a burn over situation is ever present especially during major fire incidents. By being able to enact the burnover safety protocol without immediately hesitation, enhances our ability to return home safely.



Photographs - Barbara Hoffman.



Training exercise

Brigades that were involved were Eden Valley (1st response) Mt Pleasant and Williamstown (rescue vehicles), with Lyndoch and Springton as supporting appliances.

The arrival message ascertained multiple vehicles were involved, with entrapments in both vehicles. One car was on its side and the second vehicle was on its roof, with a fallen limb upon it, and smoke was emitting from one vehicle. The



In a staged approach 2 rescue appliances were responded, along with 2 more brigade support appliances.

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After an outer search of both vehicles, an inner search was done and the findings reported to the Incident/Forward Controller who then appointed a Rescue and Safety Officer. After discussions with the Rescue Officer and IC the crews set to work stabilising vehicles whilst equipment was being set up and laid out for easy accessibility Chocks and Stabfast were used.



It was noted by a crew member that the car on its side had a baby seat in the rear, and an open window, so another search was made looking for a 'baby' that may have been thrown from the vehicle. 'Baby' was found at base of a tree in long grass. Once the vehicles were made stable, extraction cutting and spreading began. In preparation for extraction, a ladder and salvage sheet were used as a makeshift stretcher.

After successful extrication from both vehicles, a debriefing was held with both rescue brigades, and then also with the supporting brigades. State RCR Training organiser David Z, conducted the debriefing and provided valuable tips and comments to further improve what was an impressive result. Thanks to the 'bystander' James Kelly of Springton Brigade, who is also the Group Training Officer, for organising such an enjoyable and multi-tasking training exercise.

Presentation

1st November – Bushfire Ready and Fire Wise Gardening in Nuriootpa1.30pm-4pm.

CFS in collaboration with Barossa Bushgardens present a free bushfire information meeting for everyone. Learn about:

- bushfire behaviour and warnings
- property preparation
- where to go and when
- your Bushfire Survival Plan
- fire wise gardening tips



Glynn Jackson - Captain



Friends of the Mount Pleasant Hospital



Meeting news

The October meeting was held in the Mt Pleasant Bowling Club, and we discussed holding a stall at the Christmas Street Party. The members agreed, as not a lot has happened for us this year, and 2023 is fast approaching.

Donation

A member of the community has donated a pianola in good working condition, as well as numerous music rolls, and we are organising delivery to the Mt Pleasant Aged Care facility.

New members

We welcome any people who are interested in contributing to and aiding our local hospital – please contact Virginia Carnell on 0400275602.

Next meeting

The last meeting for the year will be on 13th December, once again at 10am in the Bowling Club. All are welcome.

Kath Fisher – Publicity Officer



MP Community Association General meeting

Seeds of Hope was again on the agends and we are still awaiting some positive news about the reflection bench.



We also discussed some publicity and tourism ideas whih we are hoping to explore further – the group was very enthusiastic and hopefully we will have more to tell you in the near future.

Street Party Group

The group has been meeting regularly and is on track for a cracking parade and party this year. Stay tuned for more information, and if you'd like to help, or perhaps enter the parade or have a stall, please contact them via their Facebook page or email: mp1streetparty@gmail.com.

Paula Bartsch - Chair

MP Community Dinner

The next Community Dinner will be on Sunday, 27th November at 6pm.

It will be the last one for the year – and it's Christmas!

Two Course Christmas themed Meal for \$25Raffles and beverages available.

We are asking members of community groups to come along and tell their stories. (see p3)

Angela Slagter



Men's Shedding Tenth Anniversary

October marked the 10th anniversary of the first meeting to investigate the possibility of establishing a Men's Shed in Mt Pleasant. And look how far we've some! (See Paula's History article p6 for the details.)

Market Gate and Amber re-dedication

Once again, the Shedders were called upon to 'man the gates. We were also able to help out at the re-dedication of the Amber animals, with Roger and his merry crew providing hot and sweet damper and billy tea – keeping with the 'Swaggie' theme in honour of Rex Amber. (See p4)



Mental Health talk

Recently Denise Westwood spoke to the Shedders about Mental Health. Denise provided some valuable insights into her work at the Lyall McEwin Hospital when evaluating people attending with mental health issues. Remember, get plenty of sleep, eat well – not to excess, exercise and stay off non prescribed medications.



MPPS engagement

Recently the students from Mt Pleasant Primary School have been working on constructing metal plant holders.



Women's Workshops

The next Women's only woodwork session is on the first Wednesday in November (2nd). If you have a project you are working on and need some guidance, or even if you want to try something new, come along and take advantage of the blokes' expertise and willingness to lend a hand.



Photography

We will be working on our schedule for next year, and choosing photos for the first calendar, so don't forget to bring your favourite photos for inclusion in the 2023 calendar! The next session will be on Wednesday, 2nd November at 9.30am – call Gareth on 0430 026 993.

Next Meeting

The next Men's Shed Meetings: 9th and 23rd November.

Gareth Saunders - Secretary: 0430 026 993



Join the Shedders - Mon & Wed from 9. ALL WELCOME!

Kindling for Sale

8 Kg/\$10 kindling bags for sale. Call Gareth

(AKA *George the Lumberjack) on 0430 026 993 for purchase details. * Like the Phantom. George lives on.





MP Progress Inc Mt Pleasant Progress Ass.

MÖUNT MIPLEASÄNT Mount Pleasant Progress Association Incorporated

Inc. Board Meeting

Held on Tuesday 11th October 2022 at 7.00 pm.

- 1. Present: Gareth Saunders, Wendy Harvey, Peter Wilde, John Bowd, Pauline Williams, Mike Williams, Pete Stephens
- 2. Apologies: Graham Westwood, Anne Moore, Genevieve Hebart, Chris Hebart, Don Barrett
- 3. Business arising / ongoing:
- Progress of the Caravan Park pipe work has been installed. Painting is being done in the second-hand cabins
- Rex Amber celebrations were a huge success. The family were very impressed and very grateful. Particular thanks to the Men's Shed for organising the sausage sizzle and the damper and billy tea.
- Talunga park as a depot the machinery has been removed. Noted that it is likely to return if work is ongoing within the township. The machinery is causing significant damage to the roadway near the northern entrance. Council to be notified if the machinery returns.
- Southern entrance to Talunga park. Nothing further.
 Don Barrett, Local Councillor and Ashton Hurn, Member for Schubert, have been made aware of both these issues.
- 4. Sub Committee reports:
- Talunga Park: There is some damage to the floor of the train at Talunga Park. This has been temporarily repaired to ensure current safety but a more permanent repair will be completed soon.
- The Community Dinner: will be held on the 27th
 November with the guest speakers
 Bob Woodbury and Simon Taylor from the Southern
 Barossa Alliance to talk about how they work and the
 plans for groups such as this, to begin to work together.
 A notice is to be placed in the Beat inviting
 representatives from all community groups to attend
- **SM Hall:** maintenance issues: Peter Stephens will draft a letter (for ratification by this committee) to the Barossa Council seeking a schedule of the maintenance program. Noted that gutters are full of leaves and that the fence near the Rex Amber bridge still has not been repaired.

the dinner to hopefully recruit some more people.

- FOCS&CC: the second rainwater tank has been connected and the fencing almost completed.
 There will be a car boot sale on 6th November bookings to Sue Streich on 0407 978 757
 The hoof trimming workshop was very successful.
- 5. New Business
- The plaque for the Tungkillo moth is being organised by Genevieve
- Planting has begun in the Avenue of Trees to commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee (Men's Shed).

- Adam Ormsby, Tourism Services Officer, The Barossa Council and others from the tourism office will visit Mt Pleasant on November 3 to see first-hand what the area has to offer so they can promote the area to visitors.
- 6. The next meeting will be held on the 8th November at 7pm at the Men's Shed

Wendy Harvey for MP Progress Inc.

Red Cross

Meeting news

At our last meeting, arrangements for the 'Big Cake Bake' fundraiser for headquarters were discussed. During the month, Liv Andersen and Kim Yap attended the state AGM.



Also on the agenda was the question of the Christmas Street Stall, and it was agreed that it would be a Strawberry Stall. We once again will join with the Mt Pleasant SACWA and go to the Gumeracha Hotel for a Melbourne Cup Day lunch on the 1st November.

Cambrai visit

Our annual visit to the Cambrai Red Cross Shop was an enjoyable day out, as the weather was kind and we always enjoy catching up with our friends from 'over the hill'.

Morning tea was again worth going for and we had time to have a catch-up and find out what the members from Cambrai have been up to. A special out of hours visit to Cambrai's wonderful Agricultural Museum was very eye opening, as they have an active (and young) group of volunteers. Rose Laucke (pictured right with Les) is the Historian





and we spent some time chatting with her about the district. The Cambrai history that has been preserved is such a great thing for the town, and ensures those memories will never be lost. It definitely merits a visit. It is open on the first Sunday in each month except January.





We finished with a visit to the Red Cross Shop, where most of us managed to find a bargain or two. Their used book section is definitely worth browsing through. Thank you once again to Madge and her helpers for making us feel so welcome again.



Knitted donations and Foodbank

As a group, we are still working with our friends in the SACWA, and Friends of the Mt Pleasant Hospital to keep up the supply of warm knitted items for those who need them. Currently we are looking at sending donations of warm clothing to those in the middle of the war in Ukraine. It is their winter and anything we can do to help is appreciated. We also join with our community to assist Foodbank, as rises in food, fuel and rents are affecting more and more people in our district. We don't anticipate this lessening anytime soon.

New Members

Although sometimes it seems that our branch isn't as busy as we'd like, there is still a lot to do and special events run by Red Cross Australia that we support – including Red Cross Calling and the Bake Off. We also have various stalls and raffles and of course, the Glen Devon Garden Party. Most of all we value the fellowship our group enjoys and therefore we welcome new members at any time – please contact our Secretary Kath on 0437 195 597, if you'd like to know more.

Next Meeting

TBA

Kath Fisher - Secretary



RSL Report

Kitchen and refurbishment update

It is with the greatest of pleasure that the author of this item can announce that the renovations to the interior of The Mount Pleasant RSL sub branch are now complete.

The sub branch was fortunate enough to obtain a grant for \$30,000 from the Department of Veterans Affairs thanks to Michael Tapscott for his assistance in writing up the grant application and for MP Tony PASIN for his support with the application.



We have now upgraded the interior of the building to 21st century standards with a complete modern kitchen with all new appliances, cookware and crockery etc.

Further installation of an LPG instantaneous hot water system and modern, raised height all vitreous china toilet suites and full-length handrails were a welcome addition.

All lighting has been replaced with modern LED lighting and all light switches & Power points have been replaced.

The author is very grateful for the unpaid help he received from John Bowd, Hartley Ramm, Dennis Rockley, Graham Westwood, Collette Benton, Wally & Marie Birch & Gus Van Lakerveld.

A thank you also to Darren Waterhouse electrician, Paul Murphy tiling, Mark Holt, plumbing, Raymond from Supreme Kitchens, The Good Guys at Hectorville and Stan Bond Window Treatments.

A thanks also to Rob Nies of The Barossa Council for his patience with me, and his contribution.

Next Social Night

The next social night is Tuesday November 1st at 7 pm and members will be at the Farmers Market gate distributing information on Saturday November 5th for Remembrance Day which is Friday November 11th. The service will commence from 10.30 onwards at 156 Melrose Street Mount



Members of the Mt Pleasant Sub Branch of the RSL invite our community to join with us in commemorating

11th November, 2022

We will be gathering at the clubrooms from 10.30 am. Following the service, we invite you to stay for Tea, Coffee and light refreshments.

Left We Forget

THE RETURNED & SERVICES LEAGUE OF AUSTRALIA SOUTH AUSTRALIA BRANCH



Pleasant. It will be the 104th Commemoration of Remembrance Day.

RSL branch AGM

Sunday November 20th at 4 pm at The Mount Pleasant RSL Sub Branch, 156 Melrose Street the AGM will be held. All positions are declared vacant. Returning Officer is Don Barrett.



- ALL POSITIONS WILL BE DECLARED VACANT
- DON BARRETT IS TO BE THE RETURNS OFFICER.
- NOMINATIONS TO BE FORWARDED TO DON BY MIDDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 2022 EITHER IN PERSON. BY PUTTING INTO PO BOX 16 AT THE POST OFFICE IN MOUNT PLEASANT OR BY EMAIL (WITH FORM SIGNED BY ALL PARTIES ATTACHED).
- . NOMINATION FORMS HAVE BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO ALL MEMBERS EITHER BY EMAIL OR POST AND FORMS ARE ALSO AVAILABLE FROM COMMITTEE MEMBERS OR FROM THE RSL HALL ITSELF.
- . FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE NEXT SOCIAL NIGHT, 1ST NOVEMBER, AND SIGNED FORMS CAN BE GIVEN TO DON ON THAT DATE AS WELL.

MARIE BIRCH - SECRETARY / TREASURER

Nomination forms to be handed in on the social night or posted to PO Box 16 Mount Pleasant by Remembrance Day. Final cut-off date for position nominations is November 11th.

New members welcome

The Mount Pleasant RSL welcomes all new members as either Affiliates or Service members. Having a Military background is not necessary, contact President Walter Birch on 0428 854 886 or Vice President Dennis Rockley on 0431 731 403

Roger Benton - RSL

SACWA Meeting news



Welcome everyone - it's been a fairly wet few I'm sure weeks, and everyone is hoping for some warmer weather so things can dry out a bit.

Our Guest Speaker for the October meeting was local florist Ian Gardner (pictured left with President Heather), who spoke about the very interesting history of many common - and not so common - herbs. Finding out the medicinal uses and benefits of including herbs

in our diets was very useful - and entertaining - as some of the early uses were often drastic. Jan had brought along 'tussie mussies' (herb bouquets) for our members, as we originally had planned to meet in Jan's garden, but the weather was pretty bad, so Jan brought her garden to us!



Above members with the ussie Mussies.

Right - knitted items donated by the community for distribution to those in need.



Angaston Homelink visit

Wednesday last week, we enjoyed a fantastic visit with the SACWA Ladies from the Angaston Branch. As always, they were hospitable and provided a great morning tea - before we headed out to Seppeltsfield, which we found was our secret destination. What a treat! Some of us had never been there and some hadn't visited for over 40 years - so it may as



well have been a new experience. We spent a fabulous few hours wandering and checking out the wonderful historic precinct and also the Jam Factory - which housed several artisans - including Knife Maker Barry Gardner, who it seems has had Royal Visitors, and semi-local Mike Russell, from Springton. Some magnificent artisans and artists are represented here, so it's well worth a visit. We also visited Vasse Virgin, which was featured on Hello SA (Adelady) last



weekend. and the trip gave us many ideas for Christmas presents. After Seppetsfield we went to Wohlers for a lovely lunch, and then members had the opportunity for more shopping. (We were told that Hayley and Lauren from Hello SA would be there later on, but unfortunately most of us had commitments, so we couldn't wait.) Thank you so much once again to our fantastic Homeland Branch Angaston, we always have a good time and are made to feel welcome. Some of us will also catch up again at the State Council in a couple of weeks.

Tea Rooms continue

Last month I added that the tea rooms have been going for over 40 years – but the CWA (as it was then) took it over in the mid 1940's! So that's nearly 80 years!! We are hoping to have some small jobs complete soon, which will make it a bit more user-friendly.

Cuppa, Craft and Chat

Our last Cuppa, Craft and Chat session was well attended, with members and non-members chatting and swapping notes. We are really happy that word is getting out that you don't have to be a member of SACWA to join in, or even interested in crafting - we welcome everyone – even if you just want to sit and chat and get to know people. Before our next meeting, we will have another Cuppa, Craft and Chat at 10am. Our Craft Officer Jan will be there to welcome visitors and members, and to help if needed.

Winter Warmers

Winter warmers are still in demand as this cold spell lingers, and our ladies continue their good work, knitting and crocheting beanies, rugs, scarves and quilts for any who need them.

Foodbank

The pressure on Foodbank continues to increase as the price of food rises, and the withdrawal of the relief from the fuel excise at the end of September.

Reflection Bench

Our branch, together with the MP Community Association, is a supporter of the Seeds of Hope's efforts to establish a Reflection Bench in our town. A small group including Kath Fisher (SACWA), Paula Bartsch (MP Community Ass'n) and Susan Raven (Seeds of Hope), together with Councillor Don Barrett, met Mayor Bim Lange to discuss this project, and we hope that the green light will finally be given for its construction.

New Memberships

If you are interested in joining this wonderful association, please contact branch President Heather Reekes-Parsons, on 85682084.

Next meeting

Our next meeting will be on Monday the 31st instead of the 1st, as that is Melbourne Cup Day, and we will be going to the

Gumeracha Hotel for lunch again – together with members from Mt Pleasant Red Cross branch. The December meeting is on the 5th at 1pm.

Kath Fisher - Secretary SACWA



Top left – morning Tea, bottom Seppeltsfied Mausoleum, and right Lunch at Wohlers.



Sport MP Bowls Club Open Day

A great day with a good turnout.



Memberships
Memberships are now overdue!
Bo Hambly – President



MEMBERSHIPS ARE NOW DUE FOR THE CURRENT 2022/23 BOWLS SEASON

DUE BY OCTOBER 31ST 2022

\$160 MEMBERSHIP
\$90 NEW MEMBERSHIP
\$50 JNR MEMBERSHIP
\$50 SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP
\$50 SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP
\$50 SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP

BANKING DETAILS
ACCOUNT NAME: MT PLEASANT BOWLING CLUB
BSB: 325 185
ACCT: 037587390

IF YOU ARE A NEW MEMBER YOU WILL ALSO PAY HALF
PRICE FOR YOUR NEW CLUB SHIRT!!





Mt Pleasant Tennis Club



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PLAYING TENNIS?

THE MT PLEASANT TENNIS CLUB WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU PLAY FOR US.

WE HAVE BOTH JUNIOR AND SENIOR TEAMS

Also looking at getting social tennis going on a weeknight to use our brand new Courts and lights

Season starts early October

FOR MORE INFORMATION RING NICK SEAGER 0448884721

email: mtpleasanttennisclub@outlook.com

Torrens Valley FC New players



The Torrens Valley FC is extremely excited to announce the player signing of Dougal Grieve. Dougal is a 6"3 Key Utility player who was a previous Mt Torrens junior who boasts an impressive football resume, playing for the Sturt FC and State representative football.

Most recently, he has been a key utility playing Division one football in the HFL with Bridgewater and Mt Lofty FC.

Welcome home Dougal!!

TVFC welcomes 4 new players for 2023 season. Brad Yendall, Lachlan Haufe, Adam Bridgewood & Cameron Bell.



Welcome to the Lion's Den!

Find us on facebook

Lyn Wilhelm - Vice Pres

Cromer news

If you have been past the Old School in the last few months, you would have seen the original old turnstile, completely restored and installed. Huge thanks to Betty and Jack Muster for keeping it safe for so long, the Mt Pleasant Men's Shed, John Bowd and Peter Wilde.

Gates have been donated and installed by Peter Wilde and they open wide! Fantastic! Thank you! He also fixed the front fence from the gates to the conservation park to its original self. If you get a chance you might want to have a look at the fencing, it's ring-lock without the ringlock - it's actually welded - something Peter in his years of fencing has never seen before. Peter has also managed to source materials to complete the section from the gates to the corner.

Plans are afoot for the shed thanks to John Bowd and plans have been submitted to council, (this will be another working bee for the future). The Security Screen door is installed thanks to the Barossa Council and they have supplied a coded key lock box for the key which John has offered to install. The tanks are now inter-connected thanks to John Bowd and Peter Wilde (again! Wow these two are worth their weight in gold!).

Forestry SA have reinstated the side and back fences after they were pulled down to get access to the Pine trees - which have also gone.

For the Working Bee we are hoping to get mowing and slashing, and weeding done (general and some digging to remove flowering Cape Tulip). As well as fitting the new door and installing the outdoor fire ring.

Annual Car Boot Sale

The Cromer Car Boot sale is from 10am to 2pm. Sausage sizzle and drinks available. \$20 a site. Book with Sue on 0407 978 757. If you don't have much to sell perhaps talk to a neighbour or two and share a space. If you don't want to have a stall, come along, bring a friend and buy your lunch and some goodies. We are keen to get sellers registered asapplease contact Pauline on 0407 978 757

Pauline Williams

CROMER

Annual Car Boot Sale

715 Cromer Road Cromer Sunday 6th November 2022, 10am to 2pm Sausage sizzle, cool drinks, tea and coffee available



\$20 space - For enquiries call 0407 978757

November, 2022

Gumeracha news

Christmas Trees

Join Volunteers from the Gumeracha Green Shed to build your very own timber Christmas tree from recycled timber pallets. Learn some trade secrets and get the satisfaction of building something memorable yourself. Ages 8+ and children must be supervised by a parent or guardian for assistance during the workshop. All materials supplied, please wear closed toe shoes and have hair tied back. The session will be held in the Gumeracha Green Shed. 30 Nov from 4 to 5pm. Ages 8+Gumeracha - Tickets \$20

* Enclosed shoes * Long hair tied back www.ahc.sa.gov.au









Mt Torrens news

Next Market

Our final market for 2022 is being held on Sunday, November 27th, 10 - 3.

We are back on Heritage Reserve, next to the Key sculpture on the main street of Mt Torrens.

More than 20 stalls outside and some inside the Coach House. Live music, Face Painting, Baked goods (those hot donuts again!), fresh Apple Juice, and BBQ.

Sites are 3x3 metres and cost \$20. And they are filling quickly!

A great time to find Xmas gifts. Already mosaics & gemstone trees, beautiful locally made natural skin products, fabric craft, a range of different cards, Interior Decor, and Suncraft Shades are available.

For more information or to book a site, contact:

roseeposere60@yahoo.com.au



Mt Torrens History Centre, Primary School Centenary Celebration

Flowers Plants & more

What a wonderful combined effort when the Mt Torrens Christian School and the Mt Torrens History Centre came together to celebrate the centenary of Mt Torrens Primary School.

It was a warm and inviting day on Sunday 18th September 2022, when the doors opened and the atmosphere in the Mt Torrens Coach House buzzed with the excitement of old friends catching up and reminiscing about their old school days.

We were very pleased to see Dr George Sears, earlier Principal of the school, who started the project with the History Centre.

The handbell ringing performance, the orchestra, choir performance and the poetry reading, 'Why God Made Teachers' and 'Why We Need Schools,' causing great laughter. Handbell ringing was so enjoyable that lessons are planned to continue. Beautiful singing by the choir moved many in the audience and will be remembered for a long time.

A time capsule was buried in the school grounds after a dedication reading by the school captain, Tommaso Balacco; the students then demonstrated their barista and waiting skills with a delicious afternoon tea, serving coffee and freshly made scones with jam and cream.

The Mt Torrens History Centre would like to thank the whole Mt Torrens Christian School community for taking on this huge task with such generosity and commitment. We would also like to thank the many who contributed to the success of the day.

It was great to see our well-known seniors, Joyce, Andy, Denis and Garry. And our youngest, Maxwell, who is part of our ongoing village history.



Gail, Rose and the MTHC team.

For the full report and photos – please visit the Mt Torrens Facebook page

Palmer news

Celebrations

Happy Anniversary to Jade & Michael from the Pub!
Happy 21st Birthday to Cooper!





Car Club visit
Fantastic group
in for lunch one
day. Thank you
all...and we do
think the red
REALLY suits the
pub!

Palmer Hotel October Events

Cars and Coffee on the 8th.



Sedan



Call or text Julie on 0413 314-749 to book your table or to be included on the performers list. 191 Bank Road, Sedan.

Tungkillo news



OPEN AT 6.30PM with HEADS DOWN AT 7PM SHARP Admission is free
Tea, Coffee & Cake Provided
B.Y.O. Drinks & Nibbles
Soft drinks available for purchase.
RAFFLE PRIZES



Tungkillo Progress AGM

The Tungkillo Progress Club Inc. will be holding their AGM on Monday 7th November 2022 at the Tungkillo Soldiers Memorial Hall after the Special Meeting at 6.30pm Would you like to be a part of the Tungkillo Progress Club Committee, or do you know someone who does?

Maybe you or someone you know would like to join in or help out occasionally with our functions.

Come to the AGM and see what we are all about. TUNGKILLO PROGRESS CLUB INC

Tungkillo Gazette

tungkillogazette@gmail.com

Classifieds, courses & community info



YourSAy

Royal Commission into Early Childhood Education & Care The Royal Commission into Early Childhood Education and Care is investigating what can be done to better support children to thrive, including offering 3-year-old preschool to all children.

Your input will help the Royal Commission develop options to make SA's education system one that provides a strong foundation for all children.



BAROSSA + GAWLER + LIGHT + ADELAIDE PLAINS

Apply for a grant

You could be eligible for money to help your business or community organisation. There are all types of grants available. Search <u>GrantAssist</u>, <u>GrantConnect</u> or the <u>Grant and Programs Finder</u> to check eligibility. Don't know where to start? Contact the RDA Team for free advice and referrals.

CarersSA

Who cares for the Carers?

We meet Second Tuesday of Month 9:30 at Mt Pleasant Bakery Cafe and General Store- Next Meeting is Tuesday Nov 8th



St John's Anglican Church

Contact Minister: Bruce Hicks 0427 080 681



mp beat

Gardener Wanted (male or female)

1 day a week, any day would suit.

5 hrs a day, 10am to 3pm with a half hour lunch break. Working dry days only \$30 an hour

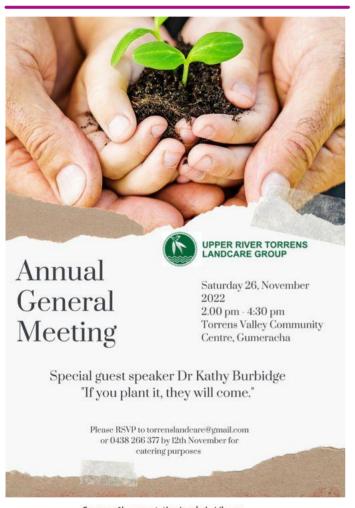


The successful applicant will be working with a retired lady on a country property in the Williamstown area. Text or phone 0466157248, to supply your reference.

Apprenticeship info

https://www.skills.sa.gov.au/apprenticeships Jobs website:

https://www.barossaplainsjobs.org.au/



German Classes at the Lyndoch Library Meeting Room to resume on Saturday, October 22, 2022, 2 pm to 5 pm



Level A2, for learners with previous knowledge \$ 315 for Term 4, 9 sessions of 3 hrs. each

Ring Gundi on 0452 519 347 for info

Council Voting info

Voting in council elections is conducted by post. Combined with the fact that it's not compulsory to vote in these elections, you can see why the return rate - about 30% - is so low.

All election materials, including your ballot papers, should have been mailed directly to the postal address you provided on the electoral roll between Friday, October 14, to Thursday, October 20.

These then need to be mailed back or dropped in the ballot box at the Nuriootpa Council offices by close of voting at 5pm on Thursday, November 10.

For more information, or if you believe you have been omitted from the council voters roll due to an administrative error and want to request voting material, visit https://www.ecsa.sa.gov.au/.../voting-in-council-elections

Councillor Carla Wiese-Smith



You've got to vote, vote, vote, vote. That's it; that's the way we move forward.

Mt Pleasant Hotel Motel

Elysian Springs

You may notice that we have been overrun with Goats, or more specifically GOAT Rosé!!! Please come and help us get some of these goats out of the place and enjoy our latest and potentially greatest wine in time to order for summertime with friend, family, food and fun!! Cheers - Nick



Markets







Farm Gate Garden 806 Springton Road,

Eden Valley Farm Stand 1823 Eden Valley Rd



COUNTRY MARKET





Support local - Buy Handmade





MAKERS **
on MELROSE

19th November 2022 8am-12pm



Featuring a carefully curated selection of quality, hand made products from South Australian artists and makers

Food, drink, entertainment, special guests, & our fabulous Farmers Market





Eat, browse, shop and find unique and beautiful hand crafted goods



November calendar

There are too many events to add to the newsletter. Please go to the Beat's website to see whether there is something you may be interested in.





Wood Oven Pizzas on the **last** Friday of the month at Elysian Springs Bookings essential Takeaway available





Apart from Rob's killer Cocktails, Robber's Dog is now offering Home Made food!





Dine in or Takeaway Pizza deals!



Events

Date	Event	Details
5, 12, 19 & 26 ALSO ONLINE	MP Farmers' Market	8-12, Saturdays @ Talunga Park
6	Cromer Car Boot Sale	10-2, @ Old Cromer School, 715 Cromer Rd
11	Remembrance Day	10.30am, @ RSL Hall, 156 Melrose St
19	Maker's Market!	8-12, @ Talunga Park

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Committee / Group / Organisation	Details	
CFS Training	Every Tuesday @ 7pm	
Friends of the Mount Pleasant Hospital	10am, 2nd Tuesday in month	
MP District History	1-4pm, every Thursday @ History Room, SM Hall	
MP Farmers' Market	8-12, every Saturday @ Talunga Park (unless otherwise advertised)	
MP Inc (MP Progress)	7.00pm, 2nd Tuesday @ Men's Shed	
MP Fitness Group	10am, Thursdays - Talunga Park Pavilion	
MP Men's' Shed	Open Monday & Wednesday from 9am.	
MP Photography Group	2nd and 4th Wednesdays – 9.30am @ Men's Shed- \$5 a session	
MP Show Society	2nd Monday @ Talunga Park	
MP Spinners & Craft Group	@ St John's Church Hall, 10-3 on Wednesdays (Call Elaine on 0411276190)	
Playgroup	9.30-11.30am, every Friday @ MP Kindy	
Pleasant Painters	2nd and 4th Friday from 10am-2pm, @ MP Library	
Red Cross	Bi-Monthly, 1.30pm, 4th Thurs @ SM Hall	
RSL Social	1st Tuesday - Social gathering @ RSL Hall	
RSL Meeting	Alternate month, 4pm 3rd Sunday - Bi-Monthly meeting @ RSL Hall	
St John's Card Group (500)	1st Thurs month. 12 noon \$10 - 2 course meal + beverages @ St John's Hall	
SACWA	1.00pm, 1st Tuesday @ Soldiers' Memorial Hall	
SACWA Cuppa, Craft & Chat	1st Tuesday, 10am to 12.00pm @ Soldiers' Memorial Hall	
TV Table Tennis	7.30pm, every Wednesday @ BHS Gym	
Women's Woodworking	1st Wednesday every month in the Men's Shed	
Writers' Group	Please email: <u>Dwainecelie@gmail.com</u>	

Newsletter:

Newsletters are published at the beginning of every month, and generally available in the Wisteria Atrium at the Market, Star Books & the Post Office. If you'd like a hard copy, please ask Anne or Rose @ the PO or John @ Star Books to reserve one.

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w: mtpleasantbeat.org or Facebook: mpbeat

First look! Panto Pics!

Are you excited yet?



Mo Johnson is once again in charge, and somehow she manages to get the best out of her charges.

There are some very familiar faces in the cast – and some unfamiliar ones... One I recognise from a

former life, and if he's as good now as he was then, you are in for a treat!

Cinderella is a great and well-known story – and pantomimes are a much-loved tradition in England – what a great opportunity to give the kids a taste of theatre – and I can't think of anything better than a Cinderella matinee – followed the week after by our fantastic Christmas Street Parade and Party.

Grab your tickets and do yourselves a favour! It's going to be a jolly season!





Get Well Soon, Kristina!

Our best wishes go to Kristina Vonow (pictured right) who was to be working with Mo to direct, but had to withdraw because of ill health. Our thoughts and prayers are with Kristina and her family at this time. (Kristina was formerly the drama teacher at Birdwood High School and staged some spectacular and exacting performances.)