

Cherry Chatter



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EDITORIAL

From the Aldgate Men's Shed

Men's sheds make a valuable contribution to men's health in Australia. This is based on factors including self-esteem, feeling productive and valuable to society, having social relationships, and being active. Many retired people have had to downsize their living arrangements, often resulting in the man's personal space (usually the garden shed or workshop) being lost.

At the Aldgate Men's Shed, men can come and share a fantastic variety of tools, keep pursuing their interests, learn new skills or keep old skills honed and active. Men can feel valuable and vigorous by contributing to community needs and creating projects of personal interest and expertise.

The Aldgate Men's shed started in October 1999 using a small outbuilding on the Church of Christ campus at Aldgate. It is the sixth oldest men's shed in Australia. As demand grew the shed progressed to larger premises on the campus. The men rebuilt and renovated the buildings and this allowed them to work more comfortably and safely.



Clem at work in the Shed

With grant monies and with money earned, the shed was able to build further extensions, one for timber storage and the latest one to house a dust extractor system. The shed has had good community support and is now very well equipped with a range of hand and power tools. The shed also has a good selection of timber, which has been donated by the community. Shed members mainly work with wood but have undertaken some metalwork when the need has arisen. The shed is incorporated and works closely with The Church of Christ, who lease the workshop to the shed. The shed relies on generating income from work they undertake, donations and grants. All members contribute to the fund raising.

The shed meets on Monday and Wednesday mornings (9am - 12 noon) and are always pleased to welcome new members. At this stage, the shed has been able to operate without charging members any fees, except for a \$1 weekly contribution to cover tea, coffee and biscuits. The contact for the shed is Jeff Whitbread on 8339 3734.



Dennis painting one of his Dove Cotes

RAINFALL REPORT

October 2015	18.0
October 2014	2.0
Average for October	72.3
Rainfall October 2015	687.2
Rainfall October 2014	714.0
Average to the end of October	830.5

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NEXT CC MEETING

Next meeting will be held on
Tuesday December 8th
Articles to be received 5th of each month

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Correct carcass disposal

The Livestock Biosecurity Network has published an article advising landholders of the correct way to dispose of livestock carcasses.

“Animal carcasses can pose a serious risk to both human and animal health, can jeopardise biosecurity and impose a range of environmental impacts if not properly disposed of. These risks can include polluting water courses, spreading disease and interfering with community amenity.

Depending on where you live, there may be local, state or national regulatory requirements that relate to your on-farm waste management procedures.”

If you have any questions, please get in touch with Emma Rooke, the LBN Regional Officer for South Australia, at erooke@lbn.org.au.

The full article can be found here: <http://www.lbn.org.au/2015/09/28/correct-carcass-disposal-an-essential-part-of-biosecurity-plans/>

Remember to check out what's on at the Coromandel Community Centre by visiting their website:

www.communitywebs.org/CoromandelCommunityCentre/

For information on Coromandel Valley history, events and more, go to; www.coroalive.org.au, Trevor Conlon - Ph 8270-5686 or David Wyatt Ph 8270-4400

Lost Camera!

At the Cherry Gardens Fair on October 10th at the Recreation Ground a Samsung Digital Camera was lost. It had been used to video my grandkids using the firehose, after that I was tasting damper which I had to spread. I would like to offer a reward for the return of the small Samsung camera in a black mock leather case on a yellow lanyard. It has all my grandchildren's photos and videos of two years family occasions on it so has sentimental value!

My phone number is 0413 944 706 if you have seen it. Kath

Community gets behind goannas

The Goanna Watch Citizen Science Project is in full swing with daily sightings of the increasingly rare reptile being reported since the launch in September. As part of the project, Natural Resources Adelaide and Mt Lofty Ranges and UniSA's Discovery Circle are asking the community to report sightings of the four largest goanna species in southern SA – Rosenberg's Goanna, Lace Monitor, Sand Goanna and Perentie.

The most frequently reported species to date has been the Sand Goanna, which has accounted for over half the sightings. Goannas are active during spring and summer, during which time they are more likely to be encountered.

The project team is particularly interested in sightings of Rosenberg's Goanna which is considered to be threatened with extinction in South Australia. The sightings will help to build a picture of where Rosenberg's Goannas still occur and allow the development of recovery initiatives centred on these areas.

Goannas are often called 'nature's pest controllers' because they eat not only rabbits but also rats and mice, as well as carrion.

If you see a goanna in your area, please report it on the following website:

<http://www.discoverycircle.org.au/>

Photo: Rosenberg's Goanna, Nick Clemman

HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

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OVER THE STABLE DOOR

Greetings Fellow Equines and Horse Owners!

Even though we have had some rain (sorely needed), it is looking like a long dry summer ahead. As I mentioned last month, cleaning and clearing up around the house, shedding, fence lines and undergrowth will help to keep your land fire safe. With horses, have a written record of breed, height, age, colour, markings, sex and any other distinguishing features. Keep tails short and on high fire danger days leave any gear such as halters and rugs off. Be really sure whether you plan to stay or go and organise accordingly. If you are planning to remove horses by float, have a medical kit handy as well as having feed and extra gear organised.

Last month I mentioned my new paddock mate, William. William is a 10 y.o. 14hh Welsh cob. He has a somewhat chequered history, passing through many hands. He has settled in very well, although he is very nervous. To assess him, my owners first checked his stop and go responses (in hand) and as expected, these were



both heavy and delayed. He was over reactive to the whip (or leg) and was very heavy to stop. When asked to stop, he also evaded the contact of the bit by extreme head raising. This was long established as we could see a very well developed muscle under his neck. The slightest noise would startle him, or an unexpected touch. Good things included tying up relatively well, good to catch and have feet trimmed. Bridling has improved – ie, putting his head down instead of up! Saddling up also good and standing still whilst being mounted has become very consistent. He is confused with his turns and is crooked, falling in

on the left. Ridden work so far consists of walk and trot, combining upward and downward transitions, some shortening and lengthening as well as turns. He has been worked in two different areas and this does seem to affect how he goes – ie, he is more tense in one area than another. Also we have noticed that any changes in his environment affect him. What does shine through with him is his lovely temperament and the progress he is making. Hardly a day goes by without there being a small improvement. It will be a long road, but he is ticking over quite nicely. Yours truly is also ticking over quite nicely too and being very well behaved. My other Welsh mate Oli (6 y.o.) is also ticking along, with canters becoming more established. His homework will be to have more outings, as this is what affects him the most. Anyway, as all horse owners know, it is the journey not the destination!

Safe riding and happy munching,
Hamish

CFS NEWS



As many of you may have noticed, summer is fast approaching. We have already experienced a number of days with temperatures in the mid to high 30's, accompanied by hot dry winds. These are optimal conditions for a bushfire to ignite and cause significant damage around the district. We are asking all residents to check their properties to make sure you are ready for the fire season.

One of the most important ways you can minimise the risk is to clean up around your dwellings, removing all loose ground litter and trimming or removing overhanging trees. Other things that should be considered include, checking that sprinkler systems are functioning properly, that pumps have been serviced

with fresh fuel and oil. You should also make sure that you have any evacuation plan in place, with everyone knowing what to do, where to go, and when to act.

The dates for the 2015-16 Fire Danger Season have been confirmed, with the Mount Lofty Ranges coming into effect from the 17th November 2015 and finishing on 30th of April 2016. Any burn offs should be completed before the 17th of November. We would encourage you to come down on a Monday night and have a chat with us at Cherry Gardens CFS, about any concerns or questions you may have about being "Bushfire Ready".

On Sunday 1st of November 2015, the Cherry Gardens Airstrip and Cherry Gardens CFS conducted the Air

Support Refresher Course. Crews refreshed their skills on loading water bombing aircraft with water and fire retardant. We also had valuable practical demonstrations on just how effective the water bomber aircraft when tackling a bushfire. While the Cherry Gardens Airstrip stands ready to support the bombers for the coming season, we hope their exceptional skills will not be required.

Finally, the new Sturt Group Tanker being based at Cherry Gardens CFS is having a few last minute adjustments made to it, and we hope to see it around in the district in the coming week.



CHURCH NEWS

In the days of the pioneers Cherry Church provided a number of services to the community as it does today. One of those services was the provision of a burial ground. It was not a public cemetery and as it was in their homeland, application had to be made to the church to bury people. Research by Alex MacFarlane and Darryl Dyson has shown that the cemetery was used from 1852 to 1894. It has only a few graves with memorials. It is possible there was a burial in 1849; there is evidence that a Mark Hoskin (Hosken), a resident of Cherry Gardens, died at Luke Broadbent's home but we are still researching his burial site. There are known to be twenty-three graves in the churchyard with the deceased being from Cherry Gardens, Scott Creek, Coromandel Valley and one from no known address. The ages of those interred ranged from 97 years to 4 months. The names of the deceased include such names as Durwent, Turner, Field, Boothey, McLean, Muirs, Stone, Colmer, Davey, Broadbent, Donnell, Johnson, Brumby, Anderson, Middleton and Jacobs (names not in order of date death).

There are five headstones and some tablets. There are lengthy stories associated with all of these families, and cannot be told in this venue. In brief they are the Middleton graves – they arrived on the Buffalo. The Field family donated the land for the church. Jacobs grave is the only one on Fleurieu region and possibly the state with a wooden picket fence. Broadbent family was important with the development of the district and the life of the Church. Donnell family provided the first teacher in Cherry Gardens, related to the well-known nurse Anne who volunteered as a nurse in the ANZAC expedition establishing a field hospital on the isle of Lemnos.

The garden has plants donated from Quentin Wollaston whose father produced the famous Claret Ash, considered an icon in SA. He also provided a plane tree and smoke bushes that now make a glorious display. Currently we have a small sward of Kangaroo grass established, kindly supplied by Onkaparinga City. We have a plaque from the Heritage Rose Society proclaiming that the roses in our grounds are a National treasure. These roses were planted by the founding fathers. Other heritage roses have been planted by the Society. Also it is our intention to plant threatened native plants of the district around the top of the memorial wall so that with the grass and these plants we have a reservoir of plants from the district conserved. Also they would be useful when we can have visitors interested in history.



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GARDEN CLUB

October meeting

On October 12th Andrew Ward - President of the SA Bonsai Society demonstrated and talked to us about this ancient art form. It was an amazing privilege to watch his confident twists, bends and snips in the course of shaping a tiny Juniper tree. We learned about the best mediums in which to grow bonsai, watering and feeding and some of the types of rewarding trees that you can Bonsai. The Society has meetings at the Goodwood Community Centre at 32 Rosa Street, Goodwood on the 1st Tuesday of the month from Feb to December and workshops on the 3rd Tuesday of the month Feb to Nov. With correct instruction it seems we could all enjoy practising the art. A very informative question time followed. Andrew also judged the Rose Challenge entries before he spoke to us.

Congratulations to new members John and Madeline Duckmanton winners of our annual Rose Challenge! Andrew looked for symmetry in petals and leaf structure in making his judgement.

The plants left over from our successful plant stall at the Hills Family Fair on October 10th were auctioned at good prices. The evening was rounded off with a great friendly evening and sumptuous supper.

Meetings are held at the Uniting Church meeting room, 87 Hicks Hill Road Cherry Gardens at 7.30pm usually on the 2nd Monday of the month. Other excursions and garden visits occur on an ad-hoc basis. Supper is provided and we have lucky door prizes. Visitors are most welcome.

Contacts are:- Ray 8383-6011 or Shirley 0403 801 916



IBCG FOOTBALL

The Ironbank Cherry Gardens Football Club AGM was held at the Club Rooms on the 1st of November. After a difficult year both on and off the field in 2015, the Thunderers are already working on improving the performances for 2016. To start the meeting, the efforts of all volunteers that make the club run were all recognised. From the canteen and bar, to the water runners, umpires, coaches and team managers, cleaners, parents and supporters, anyone who spent some of their spare time contributing to our club were sincerely thanked.



Jason Wooley, Noel Morgan, Mark Hann and Kym Hulme were named specifically in the President's report for their outstanding contribution to the club through their tireless efforts throughout the year. Alby Morgan, who was named "Club Person of the Year", was also recognised in the President's Report for his efforts both on game day and behind the scenes that could only be described as herculean. This is the third year that Alby has won this award and his passion for our club cannot be questioned.

The vital support of our sponsors was also acknowledged as the club could not function without them. The club would like to thank Rob Shearwood from Mortgage Choice Adelaide Hills, Glen Turner from Y Coaching Matters, Adam Bishop from In Style Catering, Steve Clarke from Complete Joinery and Stuart Wells from Telstra Seaford and Colonnades for their continual support of our club.

Our Junior sides had a mixed season this year, with our U17 team battling hard all year and our U15's making the Preliminary final in a David and Goliath like battle. Our U13's continued to develop through the year while the U11 and U9 sides reminded us all why we play footy, to have FUN! Matt Smith, Stuart Wells, Adam Shearwood, Ben Dunbar, Darrin Baldock, Glen Turner, Craig Lidstone, Scott McKenzie, Will Turner, Josh and Kingsley Rosman, Nigel Downes, Rachel Tretheway, Greg Evans and Tim Higgins were all thanked by Junior Director John Rosman. The club announced its desire to field an U8 side next year as well, while continuing to develop young footballers in the community through the Auskick Program.

Bruce Heithersay was re-elected as President of the club while, past goal kicking legend, Stuart Wells was elected as Vice President for a one year term. Mark Hann shifted roles within the committee by being voted into the Senior Football Director's role with Dan Axford being elected as the club Secretary. Jarrad Tagliaferri will have a large task ahead of him in his Social Director's role as the club looks to improve on 2015 in regards to our social functions and community interaction, in particular to help us celebrate our 30th Anniversary. The senior players will be represented on the Committee by Ben Thomas, while Adam Bishop will assume a position on the committee as Catering Director. Craig Lidstone will be in charge of Junior Recruitment joining the rest of the existing committee.

The club announced the implementation of a salary cap within the HFL in-line with the requirements from the state football regulator, the Community Football League.

This was well supported by the membership along with the committee. We hope this will provide a more level playing field between clubs across the competition and with a further reduction of the cap in 2017 the club welcomes the new measures.

It was with great excitement that the club announced former Adelaide Crows player Eddie Hocking to be our senior coach for 2016. Eddie grew up in and around Country Football and understands it very well. His resume is impressive being a Level 2 accredited coach and winning premierhips with South Clare FC and Salisbury FC.

Returning to the Thunderers next season is past player Scott Wendelborn to coach the B grade as well as a number of other past players to bolster our playing group. Believe it or not, pre-season training starts on the 17th of November at the club so keep a lookout for the boys striving to impress our new coaches and come and say hello. With a larger, more settled playing group, a new Senior Coach and a number of our favourite sons returning the club is looking forward to a positive and successful 2016 and looks forward to seeing you at the oval for all the home games. Once the program is released we will keep everyone informed on when home games will be played and when there are functions that the local community might like to come along to.

CHERRY GARDENS TABLE TENNIS CLUB

Teams play on Thursday nights.
For more information regarding table tennis contact:

Gwenda Frith – 8270 1116 or
Edie Brooks – 0407 798 418



MINTON FARM

Thanks to everyone who donated to the garage sale and who came along. A lot of fun was had by all and a lot of happy customers got a bargain plus a good amount was raised to help the wildlife. It's a win/ win! Much appreciated.

I recently received a nest full of my all-time favorite songbirds!! A grey shrike thrush nested on a veranda but unfortunately took a shortcut through a cat run one morning to get their breakfast. The owner was devastated. You can only try to keep the birds safe!!

I've had 4 Tawny Frogmouth chicks come through the hospital. Three of them re-released, eating well and are flying in a much more controlled fashion. The oldest chick had the strapping removed from its wing whilst being filmed by the Totally Wild crew. The wings are not well formed so he won't be releasable, but he is very personable and happy to be hand fed the rest of his life!

I cannot believe the volume of maggots that came out of a blue tongue lizard!! It had punctures all over its body from a dogs teeth and you wouldn't even know any maggots were there until I bathed it in disinfectant and out they came!!!

I received a brush tail possum Joey. Its

mum had been electrocuted on power lines and had burns and smelled like singed hair. Remarkably the Joey survived the electrocution and the fall! It started to feed properly and recovered from the trauma and hasn't looked back since. Talk about resilient!

Four more baby ringtail possums came in from people's cats attacking them.

With the arrival of baby bird season, the Australian Veterinary Association (AVA) has some good advice:-

When you see a helpless-looking bird out of its nest, it can be hard to resist the urge to come to the rescue. But most of the time it's best to do nothing. Many young birds that people try to rescue are still being cared for by their parents and should be left alone. Species such as Magpies, Blackbirds, noisy minors, will intentionally leave their young, often left in low branches to encourage them to come to the ground. This is vital in teaching their babies to find food and fend for themselves. The AVA recommends following these guidelines to determine if a baby bird needs to be rescued:

- If it's been brought in by a pet dog or cat
- Wounds are visible
- It's cold and not responsive to touch

- It's in a bad location for example, in a drain or next to a road

- It's covered in ants

- If no parents return to feed it within four hours.

Cheers, Bev Langley



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In the past we have shared the after hours case load over weekends with the Mt Barker Vets. We would like to advise that with more vets in our practice we now provide our own after hour's emergency cover. If you have an emergency at any time please phone the clinic number 83883455 and you will be diverted straight to the mobile of the vet on duty. If the vet doesn't answer please leave your name, Short message & a number as sometimes the vets just can't quite get to the phone before it goes to message bank!

Finally, if your pet has been bitten by a snake please get someone to phone ahead to let us know you are on your way. Then we can make sure we have a vet and any equipment or drugs ready to make treatment quicker and less stressful for all concerned.



Unfortunately we have already had a number of snake bite cases for the summer season! Although we wrote about this last month we feel it is worth repeating! The signs of snakebite vary depending on factors such as type of venom, location of bite and amount of venom injected. DO NOT wait for symptoms to appear – the quicker treatment is commenced the better the chances for recovery.

Just a warning with black snakes sometimes symptoms do not show for 24 hours. If there is any possibility your pet may have been bitten please contact us immediately. Being bitten previously does not give your pet any immunity to further bites nor deter them from being inquisitive. First aid includes keeping your pet quiet. Carry your pet rather than let it walk to avoid speeding the spread of the snake venom. Contact us as soon as you suspect your pet may have been bitten.



With horses the most common sign a horse has been bitten by a snake is to find the horse has died in its paddock. The signs of snakebite are usually weakness and collapse. The weakness tends to be progressive. It starts in the back and works forward. It gradually gets worse and they collapse on the ground. Paralysis extends to the diaphragm and chest muscles resulting in death. If you see your horse actually being bitten get help straight away before any clinical signs appear. If you wait

for signs to appear it will be too late! For any chance of recovery the antivenom needs to be administered within 20 minutes. So you don't have much time- we really recommend having your vet on speed dial!

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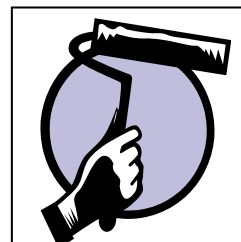
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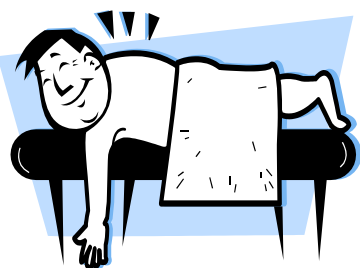
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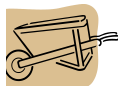
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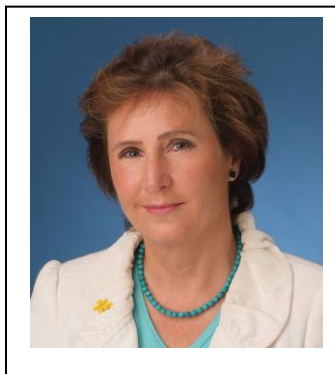
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