

# Cherry Chatter



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## EDITORIAL

### THE STORY OF GALLIPOLI

England, France and Russia were allies in WWI and they wanted a sea route from the Mediterranean to southern Russia. The route lay via the Dardanelles strait into the sea of Marmara top the Black sea and across it to the Crimea. They sent a small naval expeditionary force to the Dardanelles coast to secure a beach head. The plan was to push on from there to Constantinople (Istanbul), which was then part of the Ottoman Empire. The initial assault failed due to the terrain and fierce fighting by the Turks. By the time a larger force had arrived, the element of surprise was lost and the Allies faced a much larger force of Turks. The Allies were pinned to the coast while the Turks held the higher ground. The Allied troops dug in for the long haul.

After nine months of fighting, the Allies had lost 70,000 men and the Turks had lost 60,000. More than half the deaths in WWI were due to sickness and disease and Gallipoli was no exception. The winters there were very cold and wet and some died in the trenches from drowning. The summers were really hot and the smell at times unbearable. Corpses lay everywhere and many soldiers suffered from dysentery as well. Of the 70,000 Allies that died, about 11,000 were from Australia and New Zealand. With no prospect of success the Allies withdrew after nine months of carnage.

The reasons for the failure of the campaign were many. The majority of Allied troops were needed to fight the Germans on the Western front, so initially the force

sent was far too small. They also underestimated the fighting abilities of the Turks and they were not equipped to handle either the weather conditions or the medical needs of the troops, both the wounded and the sick.

Faced with either a stalemate or defeat, morale fell. So why is this failed campaign so much the focus of our remembrance down under? We lost many more troops on the Western front and spear-headed great victories there like the liberation of Villers-Bretonneux. And our allies lost many more troops at Gallipoli than Australia and NZ combined. Another strange thing is this; the campaign has forged a brotherly bond between our peoples and the people of Turkey. Just a few of life's many mysteries.



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## RAINFALL REPORT

Rainfall for March 2015	21.2
Rainfall for March 2014	36.6
Average for March	38.4
To the end of March 2015	70.8
To the end of March 2014	134.6
Average to the end of March	95.7

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### NEXT CC MEETING

Next meeting will be held on Wednesday May 6th at the Watton's  
Articles to be received 5th of each month

## PLEASE TAKE NOTE:-

Opinions and articles printed in the Cherry Chatter are not necessarily shared by all members of the Cherry Chatter Committee.

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## GARDEN CLUB

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

### May 2015 Cherry Gardens Garden Club

Our next meeting will be on Monday May 11th

Our guest speaker will be Sam Luke, a fruit tree specialist and manager of Balhannah Nurseries, supplier of Plant Net fruit and ornamental trees to SA garden centres

Our meeting on March 16 was well attended to hear the wisdom and experience of Marilyn Kuchel, a passionate gardener who is a member of the Mediterranean Plant Society.

Surprisingly we were told that only 2% of the World's land mass has a truly Mediterranean climate - generally on West facing shores of most continents. It is in these regions that we find plants that have adapted to hot

dry Summers and cool damp Winters, often with grey, hairy or furry, and sometimes narrow, leaves. There is of course the succulents which have developed moisture storage in their leaves and sometimes their roots.

To establish a Mediterranean garden we should look to these plants especially our native species which do need trimming to keep a more structured shape if that is what you want. Marilyn showed us many excellent photos illustrating examples of the above-mentioned plants from her World travels.

### GEORGE'S GARDENING SUGGESTIONS FOR MAY

This is your last chance to plant bulbs such as Ranunculus, Anemone, Daffodils and Jonquil, they really should be in the ground by the time you read this. Wallflowers make a wonderful show as well as Iceland Poppies and Snapdragons, so try a few punnets in a spot near the front of your garden that will receive some winter sun.

In the veggie patch Broccoli Cabbage and Cauliflower can still be planted into well prepared soil, and now is the time for those Rhubarb crowns to go in to the plot you prepared last

## HAPPY BIRTHDAYS

### MAY

Andy Kirss  
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month!

Three members from the Blackwood Action Group were guests at our April meeting where they showed examples of the wonderful work they have done in Blackwood, such as the flower boxes and gardens in front of the Post Office and around the main roads, Waite Road, railway stations; historical displays; and the red bows at Xmas-time. They have plans for future developments in the area, such as colourful banners and more garden work. If you would like to join the Group, or have ideas for Blackwood and surrounding areas, please contact [geoffrey\\_bartlett@bigpond.com](mailto:geoffrey_bartlett@bigpond.com)

## COMMUNITY NEWS

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

[www.communitywebs.org/Coromandel-CommunityCentre/](http://www.communitywebs.org/Coromandel-CommunityCentre/)

For information on Coromandel Valley history, events and more, go to;

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## OVER THE STABLE DOOR

**G**reetings Fellow Equines and Horse Owners! Firstly, we will have had welcome rain by now, tanks filling and paddocks greening up – with both pasture and weeds!

Early autumn is a great time for getting a soil test done and then if need be, following that up with the appropriate additions, fertilizer etc. Also getting stuck into broadleaf weeds while they are little flowerets will be most efficient too.

Back to work in hand. If you have done your homework well, your horse will lead alongside you lightly and at the same speed as yourself. This is called 'self-carriage' and eventually hopefully will mirror what happens under saddle. When under saddle this means that we are not 'holding' our horse in a frame, but that he will maintain his line, speed and rhythm when you release the reins for a step or two. This can be either rein (tests straightness), or both reins (tests speed and rhythm). When going in hand, he should also keep the same rhythm as yourself ie. Walk at your speed, not lag behind or faster than yourself (see last article). When he is doing that reliably,



you can test how good he is by walking a bit slower (check that he does too) and then walking a bit faster/longer. Of course this is what we are aiming for. Some horses will pick it up quickly; others will need a little more time. If he is barging into your space, use your right hand to turn him away from you and take another few steps. This may take several repetitions until he gets the idea.

Now I am assuming you will have been doing all this in a quiet and safe environment. This optimises your chances of keeping his attention. When you feel that he is responding quickly and lightly to your signals, try either moving to a different part of your arena or

work area, or even an adjacent paddock if safe, and repeating those exercises. Horses are extremely 'place specific', ie. They will quickly learn that canter is in a certain corner, or that you dismount in a certain spot etc. So it is good to slowly start to generalise their responses to different areas/situations. Optimally, it is best to only introduce one variable at a time; otherwise the horse can be overwhelmed by too many changes. Sometimes, life being what it is, more than one variable becomes involved. And sometimes everything all falls apart, or you may find that the horses copes. If it all falls apart, you just need to go back to the original work area and recheck all his first responses and again slowly reintroduce variables.

Of course, when yours truly was being broken in, my owners thought I had already read the book I was so well behaved, but most times this is not the case. Best to not put a time limit on things as the horse will let you know how fast he wants to go. Be patient and you will reap the rewards.

Happy munching, Hamish

## CFS NEWS



**W**e've had a touch of cool weather

now and some people are already well into preparing for the colder days and nights ahead; cutting up and stacking firewood, pulling up the old summer veggies and sweeping up the ever increasing number of accumulated autumn leaves from those nooks and crannies around the house and in the garden.

With the approach of winter you would have already thought about preparing for the roaring fires that will be keeping you warm and the condition of your roof plumbing during the expected rain squalls.

Having your chimney or flue cleaned out will ensure that you are less likely to suffer a chimney or flue fire, which can be catastrophic for home-owners, as they tend to start in the roof space, where you may not see it until it is much too late. Chimney and flue fires are usually caused by the build-up of

residues on the inside of the chimney breast or flue pipe from the burning of not fully cured (green) timber and also from incomplete combustion when the flue damper on the fire is turned down very low. This build-up can then restrict the opening and with enough heat applied from a 'hotter' fire can ignite and burn unseen in the chimney or flue. When one gets going it sounds very much like a jet engine as it draws air in rapidly and flue pipes can begin to glow red hot. Chimneys will rattle and shake and flue pipes will bang and jitter, with black sooty material raining down, along with the jet engine roar sound effects. If you've turned down the fire for the night and gone to bed, you may not realise what's going on until too late. A simple clean will reduce your risk and give you a cleaner warmer fire through winter.

Same goes for your gutters and down pipes. Cleaning them now will save you the grief of dealing with overflow-

ing gutters and water spewing from clogged down pipes, with the overflow rushing in under doors or flowing back under the eaves and down in over internal walls.

It's also a good time to book the car in for a regular pre-winter service and check; tyres, brakes, wind-screen wiper rubbers, lights and indicators, mirrors, heaters and vents.

All of our CFS training schedules are now moving over to prepare for the changing weather conditions.

Since the Sampson Flat fire we have been fortunate and had an influx of new members and have added another 6 people to the Cherry Gardens CFS. We are now an even stronger and better trained Brigade with a group of new and enthusiastic recruits bringing a further sense of commitment to the membership.

Stay warm and stay safe.

Paul Heck, Captain.

## CHURCH NEWS

Hi, my name is Margaret Seyfang and I have the privilege of recently being appointed as the Pastor of the Cherry Gardens Uniting Church. I look forward to meeting many of you from Cherry Gardens whom I don't already know; meanwhile, perhaps you might like to know a little bit about me. I'm on the wrong side of sixty, with a husband who is keen on golf and a son who is keen on drift cars. I am proudly a fifth generation Australian but equally proudly have a strong Scottish heritage (I can almost hear the bagpipes!) My working life has been spent mainly as a piano teacher, but also in office managerial positions and just for a complete change of pace, several years as a professional chauffeur (I don't miss the 4am starts!) In my younger and decidedly more agile days, I played hockey and squash. In my spare time, (not as much as I thought I would have in retirement!), I enjoy cross stitch and knitting, playing the piano for Church services and a choir and watching footy and cricket. I am not the keenest gardener in the world, but I try - roses are very forgiving and hard to kill! We live in Aberfoyle Park, not all that far away and I would be glad to talk with you at any time if you have a concern - my phone number is 0404 008 372. Worship services are held in the Church every Sunday (except on days of catastrophic fire danger) at 9.30am, and everyone is welcome - contrary to popular belief, roofs do not fall down in God's house! I hope to see many of you at community events in the district - you can't miss me - just look for the bright pink walking stick!!

Blessings  
Margaret

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## FRIENDS OF SCOTT CREEK

Reptiles have been on the receiving end of adverse publicity for time immemorial. This is the time of year when there is always an opportunity to continue this fine tradition.

Yet, for all the publicity, relatively little is known about many of Australia's snakes and lizards and some are still to be formally identified, despite having been discovered some time ago. Here in the Cherry Gardens region you will no doubt be pleased to know there is an interesting cross-section of reptiles from small skinks to quite large snakes. The Common Brown along with the Red-bellied Black Snake are the largest seen here and can grow to 2-2.5 metres. An interesting evolutionary divergence sees the Brown Snake laying eggs whilst the Black gives birth to live young from eggs hatched within the body. Blacks' are more commonly seen along watercourses or close to dams or swamps where they pre-date upon frogs, lizards, small mammals (children excepted) and other snakes. Browns' eat mainly small lizards and frogs and also help keep mice numbers down.

The water loving Golden Water Skink can be seen, if approached quietly and slowly, sunning itself along watercourses such as Scott Creek. This very handsome lizard can grow to 30cm in length and feeds on worms, tadpoles, frogs and insects. Both the Blue Tongue and Shingleback (Stumpy) are members of the Skink family although neither are abundant here with habitat fragmentation and so many roads to cross. Several other skink species are found around here, the most common being the garden skink that is abundant around gardens living in stone walls feeding on flies, moths and small insects. The small but beautiful Marbled Gecko is nocturnal often living close to a night light making for an easy life of take home moths. They tend to sleep away the winter and both they and the skinks lay eggs under rocks or in little crevices. Bearded Dragons are less common but are certainly around occasionally being seen on roads risking life for a sunning. Perhaps, like the

## LOCAL SPORT NEWS

### Ironbank Cherry Gardens Tennis Club

Our 2014/15 season has now ended. Our two Saturday senior teams and two of our junior teams played in the finals. The senior Div 1 team lost to Summertown in the first elimination final while the senior Div 3 team won their elimination final but unfortunately lost to Hahndorf the following week in the Preliminary final. Our Div 3 boy's team had a very good win over Uraidla in their first final but went down against a very strong Woodside team who went on to win the Grand Final. Our other junior team in the finals was playing in the 10 & under mixed competition where they finished third after the minor round. After two hard fought knock-out finals they went on to defeat Woodside 4 sets to 2 in a very tense and thrilling Grand Final. It was a very good result for a group of kids playing in their first competitive season of tennis and we'd like to congratulate them for the way they represented the club through the season. 10 & Under Mixed Division Premier for 2014/2015: Annaliese Watts, Oscar Murphy, Jaxson Russell and Patrick Murray.

The 2015/2016 season will start in October (Usually after the long weekend). The club has teams playing in the Hills Tennis Association in Saturday senior and junior competitions and also Tuesday and Wednesday night competitions. We will circulate information prior to the start of the next season but If anyone is after information before that about our club or tennis in the hills please contact our President Graham Bate 8270 3041, Secretary Phil Battersby 0417 215 647 or e-mail the club at [ibcg@bigpond.com](mailto:ibcg@bigpond.com)

### IBCG Football

Footy season has arrived!! We were greeted with a beautiful Autumn day out at Balhannah for the start of the 2015 season and left with a resounding last quarter victory over Onkas. A mixed day of results but certainly some optimism for an exciting year.

Our weights shed is now fully complete and up and running, with many from our club taking advantage of this great facility. Again this was a facility that the Cherry Chatter generously donated towards and for that we want to again thank you.

We're looking forward to seeing members of the Cherry Gardens community on ANZAC Day when the senior squad will pay their respects at the Memorial Service and take part in the formalities in the Cherry Hall after. Something

### FRIENDS OF SCOTT CREEK - cont.

once fairly common Heath Goanna, it too has become a victim of shrinking habitat and the "island effect". This lizard is now rated as Endangered but was once locally common. They are very occasionally seen in Mt Bold but it's been about twenty years since one was seen in Scott Creek Con Park..

This is where you come in; The Dept. of Environment is trying to get a better idea of numbers left and locations so if you are lucky enough to see one please record where and when and if possible get a photo. You can report your finding to [DEWNRThreatenedWildlife.sa.gov.au](http://DEWNRThreatenedWildlife.sa.gov.au) at this site there is also a downloadable fact sheet which is very informative. You can also phone the local Natural Resource Centre on 82739100.

Reptiles have adapted to a vast range of habitats and conditions and play an important role in the natural world by helping maintain the "fittest survive", balance in their environments.

The last thing a snake wants to do is spoil your day so if you do see one, just let it quietly disappear as it will be very unlikely you will see it again. If it is too close to your house for comfort then a snake catcher is the way to go.

Tom Hand, Friends of Scott Creek Conservation Park

we're very proud to be a part of on this very special day. We will also be playing our annual ANZAC Day clash that day at Cherry Gardens Ironbank Oval against Blackwood, should anyone wish to come along. There will be a service before the A Grade game at approx 2:20pm. Lest we Forget!

To keep up to date with all that is happening at the Ironbank Cherry Gardens FC, visit our website ([www.ironbankfootball.com.au](http://www.ironbankfootball.com.au)), find us on facebook and also sign up for our weekly newsletter email on our home page.

### IBCG Netball

Netball hosted a senior carnival last Sunday against Hahndorf, Uraidla and Clarendon with IBCG Netball club winning all divisions.

This was a great warm-up for us. All club divisions were really competitive. Matches will commence on Saturday 2nd of May for all 20 of our teams. Hoping to get lots of spectators out to see our new look and all the teams.

## HALL NEWS

We have had signage erected on the new Eastern wall of the Hall, to promote the Hall and provide a phone number for bookings. It is the Committee's hope that this will raise awareness of the Hall

### CHERRY GARDENS TABLE TENNIS CLUB

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### Chocolate is toxic to pets

For sweet lovers, chocolate is an indulgence that can result in a few extra inches on the hips. However, even a small amount of chocolate to some cats and dogs can be devastating. As well as a high fat content, chocolate contains caffeine and theobromine. These two stimulants affect the central nervous system and the heart muscle, as well as urination frequency.

How long will it take before my pet shows signs of chocolate poisoning?

Between 30 minutes to 3 hours.

What signs do I look out for?

If your 20kg dog gets his/her paws on a single chocolate-chip cookie, it probably won't cause him/her serious problems. However, if he/she gobbles up enough of your favourite chocolate treats he/she may develop symptoms such as:-

- vomiting
- diarrhoea
- increased urination
- restlessness
- hyperactivity
- muscle twitching
- in severe cases or where left untreated seizures.

What should I do if I suspect poisoning?

The sooner you seek help the better off your pet will be. Seek veterinarian attention immediately



### A PERSONAL PHILOSOPHY

Beata and I wanted to share some thoughts about The Clarendon Market.

The initial concept of a grower/farmers market was based on the firm belief that food selection and personal health are one and the same thing. "You Are What You Eat".

Two years ago I (Arnie) had elevated blood pressure and was 15 kilos heavier than I am today. I decided back then to 'manage my own health based around food selection'.

Beata was great support as she was already in great shape through this same regime. She supported me with regular juicing in lieu of a meal and healthy choices on the dinner plate.

We both agreed to change the main meal of the day to lunch instead of dinner. I slowly lost weight and also reduced blood pressure. I feel great but I cannot let go of the regime because the effects to my health will return.

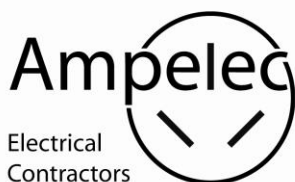
So organics is first choice; especially vegetables; fruit and whole grains. Fermenting is amazing. Please make time to talk to Beata about this as it is her passion. There should be a whole science on this subject it is so important. Meat is not "OFF" the menu but certainly reduced by 75%.

Time in the garden is vital to also receive that important vitamin D from the sun and trace elements through the skin from the soil.

The soil; the soil – everything lives because of the health of the soil – so manure fertilisers (chicken, cow and horse); mineral supplements (from Perry's Nursery), manure crops (peas; beans and lupins), companion planting and permaculture work-practices are all sources of 'food for the microbes' that 'feed the plants' that 'feed us and our chickens'.

Our own little ecosystem is in the front and back yard. Come around sometime to share your thoughts and experiences with Beata and me at Clarendon Market.

Arnie & Beata Luks  
Clarendon

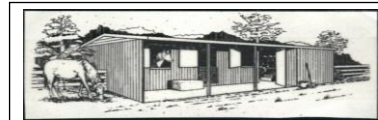


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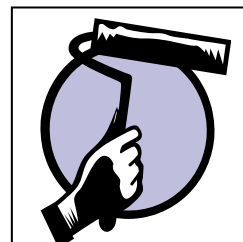
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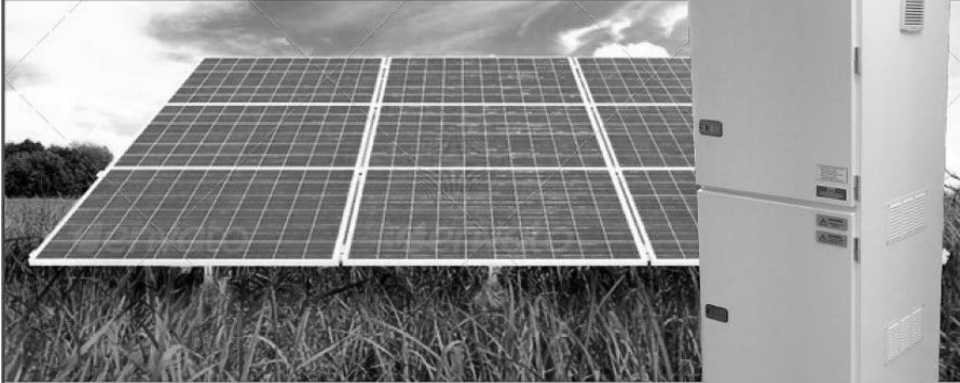
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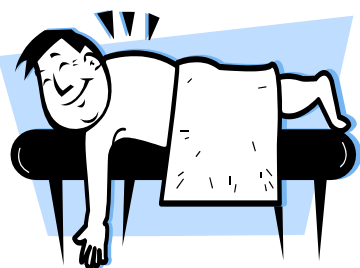
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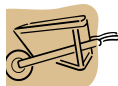
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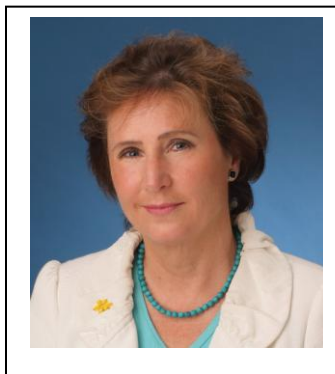
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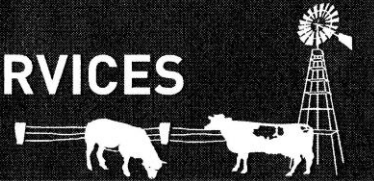


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