

Cherry Chatter



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EDITORIAL

Anzac Day always stirs many emotions for me, as I suspect it does for many others also. Countless times, I have stood amongst stands of towering, whispering, sighing pines and felt the shiver of loss and grief for all those ordinary, ruddy faced boys and men, those rose-cheeked hopeful girls and women, who went off to find adventure in the 'Great War', only to be, often-times forlornly lost, or deeply scarred by that turbulent and catastrophic period.

There are so many War Memorial gardens, like our very own here in Cherry Gardens, scattered across our wide land, that it doesn't take much effort to find one, then another and another and yet another, until you begin to notice how many there really are. All of them similarly engraved with the names of so many locals.

At that time Australia's population was not even 5 million people (4,948,990). Indeed for Australia, the First World War remains the costliest conflict in terms of deaths and casualties. From a population of fewer than five million, 416,809 men enlisted, of whom more than 60,000 were killed and 156,000 wounded, gassed, or taken prisoner. Little wonder that there are so many memorials, for surely there was hardly a township or household that was not touched in some way by the sheer brutal numbers of dead and injured.

In the UK around six million men were mobilised, and of those just over 700,000 were killed, from a population that the 1911 national census recorded just over 43 million people, with just under 36 million in England, 4.8 million in Scotland and 2.4 million in Wales. The French are estimated to have lost some 1,400,000 from the



8 million French soldiers who were involved, from a population that was recorded as 36 million in their 1911 census. Around 4,000,000 US soldiers were mobilised and of these 116,708 American military personnel died during World War I. Some 619,636 Canadians enlisted with the Canadian Expeditionary Force (CEF) during the war, and approximately 424,000 served overseas. Of these men and women, 59,544 of the CEF died during the war, 51,748 of them as a result of enemy action.

The conflict of those tragic years was indiscriminate, unrelenting and devastating, on both sides of that senseless war, with some 2,037,000 German soldiers also killed.

Perhaps alongside those staggering numbers Australia's losses may seem slight, but when you examine the proportion of men and women, out of the

total population that went, you can quickly see that the contribution was indeed enormously significant.

We are growing more and more aware as historians relentless and dutifully uncover and shed light on the everyday details of life during that tumultuous time, through diaries, letters, journals, photos and a range of other documentation and records.

These men and women had all stepped willingly forward and given of their all and at the end of it, when peace was finally won, there had been a seismic shift in our nation's sense of itself; this was a defining period in Australia's coming of age, when we began to really become a nation unto ourselves.

They gave their lives so that we may live ours in relative peace, so to truly honour them we need to be the best we can be.

Lest We Forget.

RAINFALL REPORT

March 2018	17.6
March 2017	15.2
Average for March	38.4
To the end of March 2018	43.6
To the end of March 2017	126.4
Average to the end of March	95.6

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Next meeting on Tuesday 8 May at 7.30pm
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HALL NEWS

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The Hall will this year again be holding the Community Dinner. Details are:

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HALL NEWS (contd)

The function will again be a 3 course meal, and BYO drinks.
Last year was a great event and sold out, so please book early.
We hope to see you there.

GARDEN CLUB

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Meetings are held in the Cherry Gardens Uniting Church, at 7:30pm on the 2nd Monday evening, from January to November

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NEXT MEETINGS

Monday 14th May Getting dirty with Milton Vadoulis presenter of Ch 44 gardening program.
Monday 18th June Kevin Bowden from the Camelia Society of SA, Stan-gate House and its history.

GEORGE'S GARDENING

SUGGESTIONS FOR MAY 2018

Continue to harvest Autumn leaves for a valuable resource later in the year - just pile them up and let them rot.

Any continuous cropping vegetables should be harvested twice a week to encourage them to keep producing. Strawberry runners can be planted out now, make rows about 60cm apart.

Spray Peaches and Nectarines with a copper based spray when they have lost nearly all of their leaves.

Now is a good time to establish a herb garden, it should be sited in a sunny position.

If you enjoy the Autumn colours of deciduous trees, search out Crab Apple, Crepe Myrtle, Golden Rain Tree, or Chinese Pistachio.

Plant Asparagus crowns, Broccoli, Cabbage, Garlic, Peas and Rhubarb crowns.

For some Spring colour try some Cineraria, Marigold, Snapdragon, and Wallflower.

Cherry Gardens Garden Club - March 2018 meeting

Few of us have not experienced the pleasure of having regular visits in our hills gardens of our favourite "little birds". It will be a challenge to do justice in this article to the impassioned and challenging presentation, which our March speaker Professor Paton of Adelaide University, brought us highlighting the plight of the birds of Mount Lofty Region. It was also alarming to all of us, as one rarely has the opportunity to hear in detail, statistics showing the disappearance of species such as robins, beautiful fire finches, tree creepers, tree martins,

OVER THE STABLE DOOR

Greetings Fellow Equines and Horse Owners!

The dry autumn continues, the paddocks have really dried out, but what an ideal opportunity to get those paddocks soil tested and topped up with whatever deficiencies are in the soil. If you are a new property owner this is especially important unless you have a history of the previous management of your land. It is not always available and if you are relying on your own pasture for feed, then it is very important to know what is in it (or not, as the case may be!). Also if you are cutting your own hay this is also very relevant. Many owners do, but it is not ideal to cut from the same paddocks year in, year out. My owners do, but get that soil tested every 3 years (after discussion with an NRM person) and that is followed up with the necessary minerals or whatever is lacking. Adelaide hills soils tend to be on the acidic side and leached of some essential minerals and with excesses of others. When my owners first had their land we (the equines) refused to eat the hay as it tasted horrible, so my owners used it to mulch around young trees. Next time around after soil



testing and improvement in minerals etc, it was hugely tastier and we didn't leave a scrap. This routine has continued over the last 21 years or so, with very little waste. The advantage for the owner/grower is that they know what their horses are being fed, there is minimum waste and hopefully less risk of weeds being imported into the property. It can also be cheaper, especially in extreme seasons ie. droughts or floods. Most feed suppliers these days are pretty reliable in what they are supplying, as owners have become more knowledgeable. Probably the hardest type of feed to buy in would be what is called 'meadow hay'. This should be the plainest type of hay to feed to those of us who cannot cope with too rich a diet and are needing something very plain. However plain

it is, it should still be clean and shiny with a good smell. It can be very risky to buy anything that is grey looking or dusty. When checking, look in the middle of the bale, not just at the ends, and if you want, taste it. It should be reasonably palatable, even to us. If you are new to this game, check with friends and their contacts, look at their hay, see if you can try one or two bales. A reputable farmer will exchange hay if you are not satisfied (within reason). It may take a while, but is well worth the effort and your horses will soon tell you what they think!

Now make sure your rugs are all ready for that break in the weather. The old horseman's saying 'a rug is worth one feed a day' probably holds true, especially with the oldies.

My owners are very happy with this dry break as it is keeping my weight under control, ie under 500kg. I am weighed regularly so that they can keep up with any changes in my weight. All my paddock mates are too, so I am not alone! Now there is food for thought! Until next month,
Yours, Hamish

CFS NEWS

If you voted locally at the recent State Election you would have seen members of the Sturt CFS Group at the polling stations collecting donations. A significant amount of money was raised and the Group would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to all who contributed. This money goes towards essential equipment and in the past has been used to purchase such items as a defibrillator and a rechargeable light for use during night incidents. It will be well used!

Cherry Gardens brigade also held another open day recently at the station. These events provide a great opportunity for people to come into the station, meet the volunteers, and learn more about what we do. They're also a good introduction for anyone thinking of joining the brigade. We were pleased to see so many people drop by on the day and several expressed interest in becoming members, both

as firefighters and communications officers. Even if you didn't get the chance to come along, we're still looking for more members and we'd love to hear from you! Feel free to drop in on a Monday night at 7pm and have a chat.

The fire season may be coming to an end, but the brigade is still getting the occasional callout to fires in our area. The most recent was on Mahar Road, where sparks from farm machinery ignited dry grass and stubble alongside the road. With help from the water bombers, appliances from Cherry Gardens and Ironbank were able to quickly extinguish the fire. We remained on the scene for several more hours to ensure there were no hotspots remaining, which involved thoroughly wetting the ground with water and foam, as well as using a Fire Finder to identify patches of ground that might still be hot. Nobody wants to be called back to the same fire twice!



A reminder that the fire danger season remains in force in the Mount Lofty Ranges until the 30th of April, and restrictions still apply. See the CFS website at www.cfs.sa.gov.au for more details.



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CHURCH NEWS

THE RECIPE

Take a cup of kindness, a measure of good cheer,
Add a heap of sympathy, some laughter and a tear.
Then some understanding, compassion and a smile;
Mix them all together, then let it stand a while.
After that add humour, some faith from up above,
And remember always, to add undying love.
Mix up those ingredients and when the job is done
You'll have the perfect mixture that makes a perfect mum!
(Margaret Lemmon)

May God bless your memories this Mother's Day.



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WELCOME



The Cherry Chatter committee would like to welcome the newly settled families who have recently moved into the Cherry Gardens area. We hope you love living here as much as we do.

WELCOME PACKS

If you are new to the area and have not yet received a welcome pack, please contact the editor at cherry chatter@yahoo.com with your address.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Cherry Gardens locals be aware that someone is stealing parcels from our roadside mailboxes. My son's very expensive text books were delivered to our mailbox recently, although I'm not sure why Australia Post didn't leave a notice to collect them from the Post Office where they would have been safer.

My neighbour noted the package was in my mailbox on the Tuesday. By the Wednesday morning it was gone. I imagine someone stole it, opened it and then threw the books away, as they would be of no value to them I'm sure.

I'm now using Australia Post Parcel Collect, where packages go direct to the post office.

If anyone reading this found two anatomy and physiology text books on the side of the road, please call 0417820914.

Anna

Tom Roberts Horse Trail on Weymouth Road

As many locals will be aware, part of the Tom Roberts Horse Trail goes along Weymouth Road. Unfortunately it has not been usable for some years as it's been overgrown with blackberries. The good news is that, due to a great deal of clearing by Onkaparinga Council, it is now possible to get through again. In addition, the horse step overs, which many riders considered too dangerous to use, have been fixed and are now much more user friendly. For those, who have never explored this trail it is a very scenic area and a great spot to get away from the traffic. It's definitely not just for horses. Walkers would also enjoy it although, be warned, the hills provide quite a challenge if you only have two legs. Many thanks to whoever in Council is responsible for making a valuable community resource available again.

GARDEN CLUB (contd)

beautiful flycatchers, etc due to the loss of habitat in the region over the past 30 years. We have been warned - these birds are truly the canaries in OUR mine shaft. At least a dozen birds which were often seen are now never seen in the region. After years of research it transpires that the only appropriate, useful response to the rapidly decreasing numbers of our favourite little birds, would be to purchase a few very fertile farms in the area and revegetate them very carefully with the plants which bear the flowers fruit and seeds necessary to support our beautiful birds in all seasons. Everyone's help is needed. Time is of the essence because it could take up to 30 years to replace the destroyed habitat completely. If you would like to know simple ways to help address the problem please go to www.bior.org.au. Upcoming garden club visits to Mandalay at Callington, Jurlique working farm, Pondalowie Bay and Kangaroo Island, as well as the next Saturday morning tea in a garden club member's garden in May. As usual some interesting plants were yet again auctioned at bargain prices, amidst hilarity which continued on during the delicious supper.

FRIENDS OF SCOTT CREEK CONSERVATION PARK



In July 2014 the Friends of Scott Creek commenced the ten year Almanda Project, to restore rare and beautiful native habitat within Scott Creek Conservation Park, with a particular focus on the eight headwater creek systems of the Scott Creek sub-catchment.

A long-term plan for this restoration work is essential, as the work needs to be conducted in a staged and methodical way. This prevents too much habitat loss in the short term and allows the recovery of these areas before moving on to the next. The welfare of all native species dependant on this habitat, from invertebrates to reptiles, birds and mammals, is central to our work.

We hold an Open Day in autumn each year to showcase our progress with the Almanda Project, and this year it will be held on Sunday 6th May. Come along and help us celebrate the fourth year of our project at the Open Day to be held between 10am and 3pm at the Almanda Mine site on Dorset Vale Road, Cherry Gardens.

Visitors can take a self-guided walk along a section of Almanda Creek and around Almanda Swamp, to see first-

hand some of the work being undertaken by the Friends group to help restore this, and other creek systems, within the park. There will be a display with information about the park and the Friends group activities, and Almanda Project reports, local bird brochures and park maps will be available for sale. Bird banding will take place along the nearby Mineshaft Track, for anyone interested in seeing what is involved in this regular Friends' activity.

Anyone wanting information about the group or park, or wanting to get involved in any of the Friends' activities, can contact us on info@friendsofscottcreek.org.au or visit our very informative website www.friendsofscottcreek.org.au.

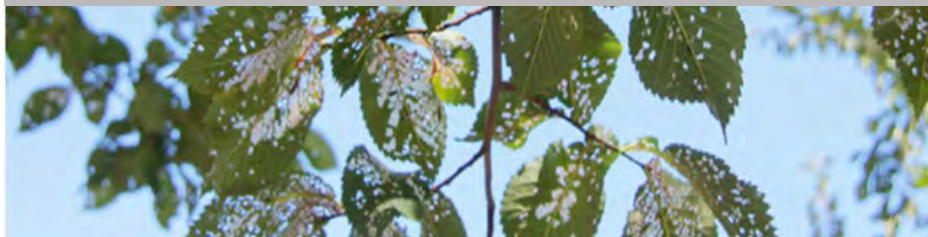
All working bees meet at the 9.00am at the Almanda Car Park on Dorset Vale Road (unless there is a MLR fire ban or very wet weather). To attend bird banding, contact the coordinator Don Reid on 83882123.

Programme of activities

May		
Tue	1	Working bee
Sat, Sun	5, 6	Bird banding
Sun	6	Almanda Open Day
Sun	13	Working bee
Sat, Sun	19, 20	Bird banding
Sat	26	Working bee



ELM LEAF BEETLE



I have noticed that there are a number of significant Elm Tree's in our district that are suffering this year. Their leaves appear like skeletons as if something is eating away at them – and there is! We have 3 Elm Trees in our place and 2 years ago I noticed that the leaves appeared to be getting eaten so I made some enquiries and found that we have Elm Leaf beetles.

I had heard of them many years before but was shocked to find them here in Cherry Gardens. I did a bit of research and found that the elm leaf beetle has become established in the suburbs of Adelaide and has infested many trees across the city and Hills. Elm leaf beetle causes cosmetic damage to elm trees when grubs feed on the leaves. Some leaves develop a 'shot-hole' or lacey appearance and others may be almost completely eaten. The beetles lay eggs on the leaves and when the grubs hatch they eat like crazy and hence the leaves get lots of holes throughout them.

While the grubs put elm trees under stress the trees usually recover when new leaves grow in the spring however if the tree is under stress, such as not being watered enough, then after a couple of seasons the tree will likely die. Summer heat waves can kill adult elm leaf beetles, with large numbers falling from trees on hot days, but reinfestation is common and typical. Infested trees can be treated with a systemic insecticide which is usually applied during spring.

An arborist can either inject the pesticide directly into the tree's sapwood or, if it is a young tree, apply a drench to the soil in the tree's root zone. Treatment should protect trees against elm leaf beetle for up to two years. During this time adult beetles will be seen in the trees but grubs feeding on the leaves will be killed by the residual pesticide. Pesticides should only be applied as a 'last resort', with more environmentally friendly options being explored first.

Another method to help reduce the numbers of grubs and beetles is to wrap the trunk of the tree with duct tape placed around the trunk with the sticky side facing out so that all the grubs and beetles get stuck to the tape. Once the tape is full of grubs it needs to be discarded and a new lot put on. Do it regularly.

Improving tree health organically can reduce the stresses caused by elm leaf beetle. Consider reducing grass growth beneath trees, instead covering the soil with a 50 – 75 mm deep layer of mulch and compost. Irrigating the trees with a drip system or running some water from a roof downpipe into the tree's root zone will also greatly aid tree health and speed the recovery after browsing by elm leaf beetle grubs.

If you would like advice on how to treat a tree on your property you are able to consult a local arborist; contact details can be found in the Yellow Pages and some contractors also advertise in the Messenger Press.



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CHERRY GARDENS IRONBANK RECREATION GROUNDS

Hello and welcome to my first update for the Recreation Ground. My name is Bernie Sharrad, my wife, Melissa, and I have three children, twin girls playing netball for Ironbank and a son, who enjoys tennis. We have lived adjacent Ackland Hill Road for the past 8 years and I have lived locally for the past 30 years. At the 2018 AGM, I was elected President of the Recreation Ground and look forward to continuing the good work and planning by the committee and outgoing President Matthew Smith.

As you may have heard, we received a "Fund my Neighbourhood grant" for approximately \$100k late last year for new playground/exercise equipment. This is currently in the planning stage and once we receive plans will display them in the clubrooms. Our intention is to add to the existing playground to broaden the age group of the equipment and even add some exercise gear too.

We have also submitted a "women in sport" proposal to upgrade our change-rooms which will ensure we have a female friendly environment. This is another Government Grant program and will be announced by August this year.

In 2018, we have teams in Senior and Junior Football, Netball, Tennis and for the second year have both a Senior and Junior Women's Football team. Summer netball was also very successful.

Meals are available each Thursday night (\$12 Main meals) and everyone is welcome.

If you have any ideas for the Recreation Ground, let myself or any of the com-

mittee members know and please remember the facilities are also available to hire.

We are a non-council, community owned ground and rely on patronage from all of us to contribute to the maintenance and development of the ground for the benefit of our children and community too.

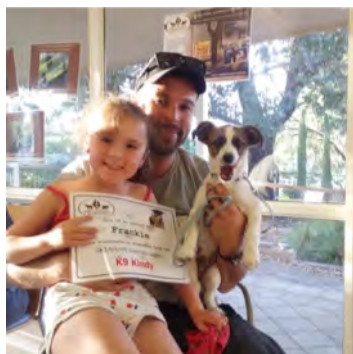
I look forward to 2018 and will keep you regularly updated on any news.

Kind regards
Bernie Sharrad

MEADOWS VET NEWS

Horse owners often ask us if there is a way to save money on their vet bills. Here are the two most common ways we suggest!

- float your horse to us rather than the vet going to your horse - this saves quite a bit in travel costs plus a lower consult fee - pic of the grey horse having a pre purchase exam done at our equine facilities
- club together! Clubbing together means sharing costs especially for dentistry. We often do dental parties where there are six or more horses to do. This can be a significant saving for the owners!



Congratulations to all the latest puppy graduates from K9 Kindy. This course is a must for all owners looking to give their puppy the very best start in life and the opportunity to grow into a well behaved, sociable dog. Donna Hearn runs our classes as she special-

ises in animal behaviour and training (including cheetahs at the zoo!) It is much easier to teach a puppy the correct behaviour at a young age than it is to correct bad behaviour later in life. Enrolments are now being taken for the next classes. Just give us a ring or check out our web site for more information.

A few reminders!

- We also have a wireless digital x-ray unit for taking equine x-rays on properties
- Wednesdays are worm count days at the centre. Horse owners can save money & prevent resistance problems by getting worm counts done to target worm problems. Ask us for more information.
- Puppy Preschool is accepting enrolments for the next course. There is no better way to start your dog off on the right paw!
- A reminder to clients who don't have pet insurance that if you would like 12 month payment plan on a large vet bill, we now offer Vet Pay! Any payment plan must however be organised prior to work being done! We will soon be adding another alternative to make payment easier - stay tuned!



- If you have a horse on sandy soil please remember to feed psyllium husks to help prevent sand colic. We only sell the highest grade husks which are the most effective! We have been seeing way too many colics lately due to the very dry conditions!
- Please phone ahead for repeat prescriptions of medications (preferably the day before they are needed!) as this allows us to gain authorisation from the treating vet and can have them dispensed by the time you arrive!



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New laws for all dog and cat owners...

media from the Dog and Cat Management Board

New laws for cat and dog owners will come into effect on 1 July 2018.

The laws and rules include:

- Mandatory microchipping of cats and dogs
- Desexing of dogs and cats born after 1 July 2018
- New rules for breeders who sell dogs and cats
- Introduction of a State-wide database, called Dogs and Cats Online.

Online.

These new laws and rules will simplify dog registration process, make it easier to reunite lost dogs and cats with their owners, help identify and put a stop to puppy farms and reduce euthanasia rates.

Microchipping

From 1 July 2018, owners must microchip their dogs and cats by 12 weeks of age or at the point of sale. Veterinarians may exempt an animal for medical reasons. Owners are encouraged to take advantage of the numerous discount microchipping days throughout the state.

Desexing

Dogs and cats born after 1 July 2018 must be desexed by 6 months of age or 28 days after purchase by the owner. Working livestock dogs as well as dogs and cats owned by registered breeders will be exempt from the requirement to desex, however will still need to be microchipped.

Breeders

People who breed dogs and cats for sale after 1 July 2018 must register with the Dog and Cat Management Board as a breeder. Your breeder registration number must be included in all advertisements for a dogs and cats. There are new requirements to disclose the breeder registration number and other information to the buyer at the point of sale. All breeders are required to follow the new industry standards and guidelines.

Dogs and Cats Online

From 1 July 2018, Dogs and Cats Online will be the central database for microchipped and registered dogs and cats and registration payments. Dogs and Cats Online will also be the register of breeders.

Existing dog owners should receive a renewal notice in the mail during July 2018 with their dog's new lifetime registration disc (replacing the annual disc) and instructions on how to complete their annual dog registration on Dog and Cats Online. If you do not receive a renewal notice for your dog, please contact your council.

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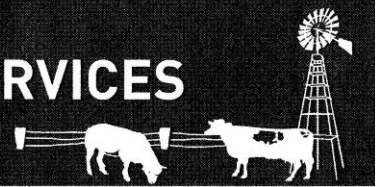


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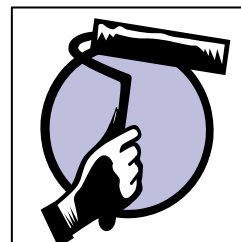
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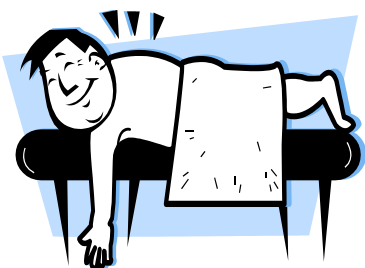
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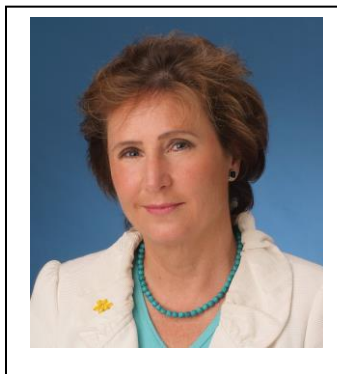
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