

# Cherry Chatter



Incorporated by the Cherry Gardens Community Association Inc.

## EDITORIAL

In early 2017 Cherry Gardens is scheduled to get connected to the National Broadband Network but unlike most of Australia NBN Co has decided to install a Fixed Wireless network instead of the Fibre and copper network.

NBN Co has applied to the Onkaparinga council to erect a 40 metre tower to deliver the wireless broadband. They have proposed that the Tower be erected on the Blackwood Golf Course land near the boundary fence to the Recreation Ground and in close proximity to the kid's playground, netball/tennis courts and clubrooms.

While we are very keen to be connected to the National Broadband Network we were a little concerned as to the location of the proposed Tower. Some research led us to have concerns as to the safety of the wireless system especially as it was so close to the Recreation Ground and the facilities there, where a lot of people gather in large numbers, particularly kid's. We also looked into the effectiveness of the Fixed Wireless network and realised that this method of delivery would disadvantage all residents who do not have a "line of sight" to the Tower. This would essentially mean that if you live in a gully or on the low side of the road then it is unlikely you would be able to get a connection without erecting a tall receiving tower on your house.

We are still unsure why our district cannot get the fibre and copper connection to the NBN however we assume it is because of the number of households in Cherry Gardens.

Anyway we discussed the issue with

the Recreation Ground and the 4 sporting clubs and decided that on behalf of the community we would object to the development application on the basis that there had been a complete lack of community consultation, information sharing by NBN Co and the location that they had chosen, we believed was unsatisfactory.

If anyone in the district has any comments or has some expertise in regards to the NBN options then we would be happy to hear from you. If the council upholds our objection then we hope we can arrange a public meeting where NBN Co can provide the community with information on this Fixed Wireless service, how they can ensure that all residents will be able to access reliable and fast broadband and allay our concerns on the safety of the wireless signal which the World Health Organisation has declared to be a Class 2b carcinogen.



We will update you in the next Cherry Chatter

## RAINFALL REPORT

Rainfall for April 2016	17.8
Rainfall for April 2015	110.6
Average for April	71.2
Rainfall to the end of April 2016	165.5
Rainfall to the end of April 2015	181.4
Average to the end of April	166.9

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## NEXT CC MEETING

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th June  
Articles to be received 5<sup>th</sup> of each month

## PLEASE TAKE NOTE:-

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## HALL NEWS

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Following the Hall AGM in February, Rae Brumby made the decision to retire from the Committee, and step down as a Sealholder. Rae has been a member of the committee for 40 years and a Sealholder for 20 years. Her experience will be missed. Rae fondly recalled the mid-year dinners and the horse rides organised by Kevin Meese. The committee presented Rae with a Certificate of Appreciation for her years of hard work on the committee, as well as flowers and a gift voucher. We hope to see Rae at hall functions in the future, and wish her well. The remaining Sealholders subsequently elected Bill Semple to fill the Sealholder vacancy.

Rae Brumby & Bill Semple --->



### 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

The Table Tennis season has now commenced. Anyone interested in playing Table Tennis for Cherry Gardens please contact Edie on 0407798418.

Matches will start in the first week of May.

- Divisions 1 & 2 play on Tuesday nights
  - Divisions 3 & 4 play on Thursday nights
- Hope to see you there!



## GARDEN CLUB

### NEXT MEETING

Monday 20th June (start time is 6.30) Our Winter Warmer Meeting where we have a meal of homemade soups, bread, cheese and desserts followed by a gardening quiz. Monday 11th July is Freebies Night - free admission and every one scores a door prize. Three speakers from within our club will talk on an interesting topic.



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

### GEORGE'S GARDENING SUGGESTIONS

Start to think about planting roses and deciduous trees - decide on which ones you want now as it will give you time to source the varieties you desire and also prepare your site (dig a good sized hole and add some compost or well-rotted manure as soon as possible). Prune deciduous trees from the end of the month onwards.

New season strawberry runners can go in now along with leafy vegetables.

Pansies, viola and linaria are great for a splash of colour.

### PLANT STALL

Our Club will have a plant stall at the Memorial Hall on Election Day. Please have a look what is on offer and our friendly Club members will be only too happy to talk about gardening with you.



## OVER THE STABLE DOOR

Greetings Fellow equines and Horse Owners!

You may have noticed that many of my main topics concern either land management or safety. Once you become a horse owner, you also become in a way a custodian of the environment. Having this large animal in close proximity to your home will often make you more aware of the impact this creature has on your small or even not so small area of land. It is the interests of both yourself, your horse and your acreage that you arm yourself with as much knowledge as possible to improve and maintain the quality of your animal's environment. Throughout the seasons I often mention things which are useful or appropriate to do re care of your equine or your property.

Where safety is concerned, there are always factors to take into consideration when working with your horse/s both on the ground and under saddle. One area I would like to revisit this month concerns riding along trails and/or public thoroughfares. In the past I have mentioned courtesy to other road/trail users etc., but there are other codes of conduct involving our fellow riders when on a trail.

When going out in a group, the ability of the various riders must be taken into consideration. The speed of the group must be kept to the lowest common denominator. This means that if there is a rider capable of only going at a walk, then that sets the pace for all the other riders. One way around this is to split the group into a 'fast' ride and 'slow' ride. The fast group should ensure that they are a good way ahead before they put on the speed,



for risk of upsetting the horses behind. Horses being a herd animal, will be wanting to keep together, so all caution must be taken. Sometimes just the sound of the quicker hoofbeats can be enough to set the other horses off. The rider/s with lesser ability should be kept in the middle of the group, not pushed up the front nor left too far behind. If need be, a more experienced rider can have the one with less experience on a lead rein. The more experienced rider rides closest to the traffic. Try to plan in advance who will be the lead rider and who will bring up the tail. Know who has a mobile phone (if not all of you!). If anyone is a First Aider, then that should be known too. When traffic is about, everyone will know who goes to the front, who goes to the back and who goes in the middle. When encountering other riders on a trail, slow down and allow room for passing.

If catching up with another group, call out to signal your approach and again slow to a walk for passing. These common courtesy procedures are also relevant to other trail users, such as walkers and bike riders. Some other things to consider before venturing out include fitness and previous experiences of both horse and rider. So an introductory ride for a young horse or inexperienced rider should not be for more than an hour. The type of terrain to be covered also needs to be considered. Is the horse shod, unshod or wearing boots? Weather also plays a part. Many horses are unsettled in windy conditions (they pick up much more than we can hear), so this is not ideal for the green rider. Riding in stormy weather is best to be avoided and extreme heat can be a problem for some riders and horses. These are just a few tips to consider before you leave the front gate! The better prepared you can be, the safer and more enjoyable your ride will be enjoyed!

Safe riding and happy munching! Hamish.



## CFS NEWS

### FROM THE FIRE SHED

After the recent storms, I think we can safely say the bushfire season is over until later this year!

The winter period is a time for your CFS to take stock especially in relation to our equipment, which receives a real hammering over summer and due to lack of time, many of our repairs are done on the run. As I write, Cherry 34 is 'off line' for the day while a much needed service is conducted and then Cherry34P will have a turn. At last night's training new hoses had to be stencilled with Cherry Gardens CFS in yellow to ensure our hoses are returned to us following a Strike Team, where hoses and such forth tend to disappear onto



other attending Brigade's trucks!

Onto another subject which is the Cherry Gardens CFS Siren. Many residents have asked why it only sounds now on a Friday morning at 8am, which is a test to ensure it is working. Members do not need it for response anymore as we use pagers BUT it does fulfil two other very important roles. Firstly, in the event of a local bushfire it will be manually sounded to warn residents of the danger and the need to activate their bushfire plan. Secondly, but unlikely, in the event our wonderful paging system malfunctions we would use it to respond our members.

Finally, how many of our residents have

a Fire Blanket and Dry Powder Fire Extinguisher near the kitchen where many structure fires start? I say *near*, because they both need to be close by but located away from the potential sources of fire, which are hotplates and ovens in general. Most of us, during our lifetimes, will have experienced the sheer terror of an oven on fire or a fat fire on the hotplates. **NEVER** use water on this type of fire and call 000 for assistance **ASAP**.

Cheers

Brian Sims



## CHURCH NEWS

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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.

## MINTON FARM

The beautiful Swamp Harrier pictured, was flown down from the Cooper Basin by the Santos miners. He arrived with an injured wing. He is coping very well with the wing strapped and eats a chicken a day! Hopefully he will recover from his injury once the strapping is removed and he can be flown back to the Outback! Minton Farm has been busy rescuing many birds of prey species, kangaroos, lizards and possums at this time of year. We are thrilled to offer you the opportunity to buy the People's Choice Community Lottery tickets to help fund this free service that we offer.

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear neighbours & residents of Cherry Gardens,

I am aware that the subject of the road speed through our beautiful township has been raised before, however, I have recently received a letter from the Minister for Road Safety (Hon Peter Malinauskas MLC), via Nat Cook MP, informing me that the matter has been raised once more with the local council through Mayor Rosenberg. I believe that a reduction in road speed limits through the township would encourage the daily commuters, passing through our community each day, to drive in a safer manner. In turn, this will provide the residents with greater protection from risk of accidents whilst emerging from driveways, walking along the roadside or simply driving to / from home.

I have created an on-line petition addressed to the Mayor for those that wish to show their support. This petition can be located at the link below or by visiting the change.org website and searching under the title 'Cherry Gardens Road speed':

[https://www.change.org/p/Irosenberg-onkaparinga-sa-gov-au-cherry-gardens-road-speed?recruiter=88436452&utm\\_source=share\\_petition&utm\\_medium=copylink](https://www.change.org/p/Irosenberg-onkaparinga-sa-gov-au-cherry-gardens-road-speed?recruiter=88436452&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=copylink)

Alternatively, your opinion on this matter can be provided to Mayor Rosenberg by emailing her at:

[Irosenberg@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au](mailto:Irosenberg@onkaparinga.sa.gov.au)

Several minutes to voice your opinion may affect our township for generations!

Regards

Danny

### Editors note:

As readers will be aware, there have been a number of discussions previously in regards to speed limits throughout the district. In particular this has related to the more "built up" areas and where there is more perceived risk due to larger numbers of people being around, such as near the Recreation ground and golf course.

The 60km speed limit that exists from the boundary of the golf course through to Acklands Hill road was put in place a few years ago due to the assessment then by the department of Road Transport. We have asked several times for a change to be made to the speed limit along Ackland Hill road as you approach the Recreation ground entrance due to the increased traffic that exists there, especially during winter with football and netball. This request has been rejected each time. The proposal above is essentially requesting a reduction in the speed limit from 80km/h to 60km/h from the CFS fire-shed through to the start of the 60km/h near the golf course. This would see a speed limit reduction through the more populated area of Cherry Gardens.

If you support this change or have any comments in regards to any changes to the speed limit through Cherry Gardens please write to us expressing your opinion and thoughts. Check out the petition that Danny has put on line and if you feel inclined add your name to it if you support the proposed change.





## SPORTS NEWS - News from the Recreation Ground

Firstly a couple of thankyou's. In recent weeks the Onkaparinga Council have installed a doggy bag dispenser at the North-western side of the oval. Dogs are very welcome at the recreation ground but there is now no excuse for not picking up after your dog.

Also, we greatly appreciate a donation from the Cherry Chatter which allowed us to purchase a 58" TV for the clubrooms. The TV has a much clearer picture than our projector and combined with a newly acquired pool table we have seen an increase in patronage on Thursday and Saturday nights.



I will also take this opportunity to highlight the proposed NBN wireless tower. The tower is to be located at the Blackwood Golf Club maintenance site, adjacent to the recreation ground. We need quality wireless services in the area and I appreciate the Northern end of Cherry Gardens is the highest in altitude. However, the site selected is only 20m from our playground site. Despite whether the health concerns of these towers are real or not, the perception is not positive and this will reduce the number of families using our facility. There would be many possible sites available which are not directly against the only playground in the district. Morgan Hill would surely provide better coverage to the area or another site within the golf course facility further from our recreation ground. I hope sense prevails and we have a tower erected soon, but at a smarter location.

Cheers,

Matt Smith

## IRONBANK CHERRY GARDENS F.C. SOCIAL CALENDAR

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23 JULY  30 YEAR ANNIVERSARY	6 AUG  THUNDER BALL	20 AUG  BEER PONG TOURNAMENT



The Ladies of IBCGFC.jpg

## REGIONAL LANDCARE NEWS

### The Frog Spotter app

A new citizen science project is aiming to increase our understanding of SA's frog population. A new app will allow people to record frogs they find. There are 26 species in South Australia and eight are endangered. The app aims to assist with the protection of frog populations into the future.

The app was developed locally with the help of Zoos SA.

Visit the FrogWatch website, <http://www.frogwatchsa.com.au/>, for more information.



## How do you store your eggs?

There are conflicting thoughts on how is the best way to store eggs. Refrigerate or not! I always thought it best to refrigerate but others have told me that eggs should be stored at room temperature.

So I went looking for information and was fortunate to find that the CSIRO has just published their findings. Eggs are similar to other protein foods such as meat, fish and poultry, in that they may be contaminated with microbes which can, if allowed to grow, cause food poisoning. Although Salmonella is easy to destroy in cooking (any food cooked uniformly to a temperature of 72 °C will be free of Salmonella), poorly handled eggs have caused many documented outbreaks. This is often the result of consuming eggs raw or only lightly cooked.

If you look closely at an egg shell held against a bright light in a dark room you will be able to see an air gap, usually at the blunt end of the egg. In a fresh egg this air cell is quite small but as the egg ages, water is lost from the 17 000 pores in the egg shell and the air cell gets larger. Also you can see a large moving shadow in the egg which is the yolk floating about in the white.

In fresh eggs the yolk is small and in the centre of the egg. If you hard boil an old egg, you can quite clearly see the air cell indentation in the top of the egg, you can also identify if the yolk has moved off centre by cutting a hard-boiled egg lengthways.

- A quick test for freshness is to check if the raw egg in the shell sinks in a basin of water. Fresh eggs stay at the bottom while stale eggs stand on end or float because of the large air cell.
- Good quality, fresh eggs display certain characteristics when broken out. The yolk is small and rounded and stands high in a thick, gel-like egg white which tends to stay compact rather than spread out over a wide area.



- As eggs age, the yolk becomes larger and flatter, until it eventually breaks. The thick egg white becomes thin and runny. By this time the egg will also have developed a stale odour and flavour.

So to storage. The easiest way to maintain eggs at high quality is to store them in cartons in the refrigerator as soon as possible after they are laid. Clean eggs, free of visible defects of the shell and contents,

will then remain at high quality for up to three months and will still be as 'fresh' as eggs stored for seven days at room temperature. They can be stored for longer periods but the quality will begin to deteriorate. The cartons reduce water loss and help prevent flavours from other foods from being absorbed into the eggs. When storing eggs it is important to only store clean, uncracked eggs. Keep dirty or cracked eggs separate to avoid contamination of the clean eggs, these eggs should also be used immediately or frozen as pulp.

Under no circumstances should eggs for in-shell storage be washed as this removes the surface bloom and makes the eggs more susceptible to attack by microbes.

So there you have it, avoid washing eggs before storage (separate dirty eggs from clean ones), refrigerate as soon as possible and store in egg cartons. I guess the key is that enjoy the best from your fresh eggs, eat them as soon as possible and don't undercook.

## Natural Resources Centre – Regional Landcare News

### Horse SA Farm Walk

Horse SA is running a free farm walk to learn about planning your horse property. Visit a property that is undergoing a planned transformation from a cattle holding to a horse property, with revegetation, pasture management and erosion control being just a few examples of good rural land management.

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Directions to the property will be emailed out one day prior to the event.

Autumn weeds: Monitoring and control  
Due to the summer rains there has been a notable increase in the number of broadleaf weed species in paddocks. This in turn can affect how you plan the timing of your chemical weed control.

If you opt to begin your weed control now chances are you will need to undertake further control in winter if the opening rains are significant. On the other hand, if the dry period continues, weeds could go into a semi-dormant state which would reduce the effect of the chemical control.

With this taken into consideration, there are two suggested options:

1. If your pasture has a minimal amount of weeds, it may be best to do nothing - wait and see how the season develops, and if possible graze your paddocks to keep weeds under control.

2. If weeds are dominant, consider carrying out your weed control now, as well as grazing your paddocks.

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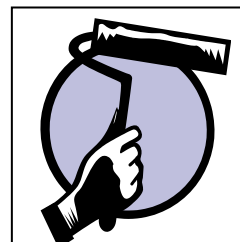
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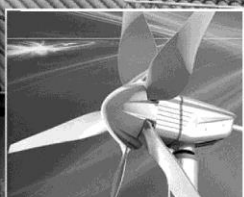
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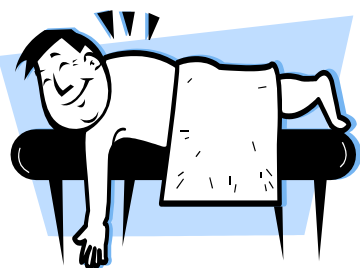
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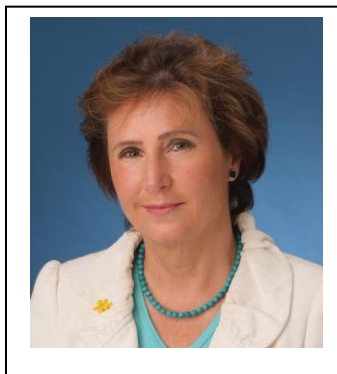
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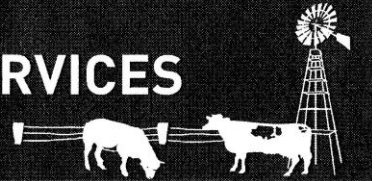
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