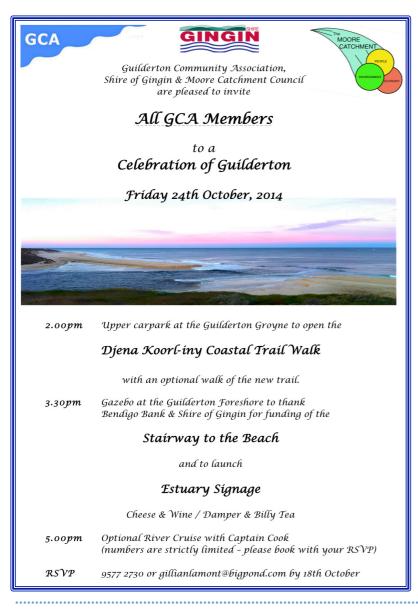
GCA

Quarterly Newsletter





From the President's Desk...

The GCA Committee has been busy, organising a number of events. I am going to keep my report short this quarter and let the pages of this newsletter do the talking. We hope to see you at either the Celebration of Guilderton or the WA Youth Jazz Orchestra Quintet concert, or better still, at both. Details of these free events are included in this newsletter. We would like to thank the **Gingin Shire** for their sponsorship of both events, and **Moore Catchment Council** for their sponsorship of the Celebration.

We are proud of the strong association and partnership that we have with both the Shire of Gingin and Moore Catchment Council.

Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Awards: Guilderton has won the Community Action and Partnerships category in the Midwest Gascoyne Regional Tidy Towns Awards for 2014 for the second year running. The judges commended Guilderton for its whole of community approach to getting projects off the ground and for taking care of its natural environment. Three Springs is the Regional Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities Winner for 2014, and we wish them well for the state finals in November.

The standard was very high this year with Moora, Meekatharra, Murchison, Three Springs, Cervantes, Northampton, Coral Bay, Dongara, Kalbarri, and Guilderton entering very strong submissions.

Congratulations once again go to Madeline Henshaw for the countless hours she put into the Guilderton submission, and her interesting and professional presentation. Congratulations must also go to all the groups in Guilderton, because without the high level of volunteerism, and the hard work on everyone's part, Guilderton would not have been a contender.

Judging day for the awards was organised by the GCA and hosted by the Gingin Shire. Special thanks to the Guilderton Country Club for presenting the community hall in immaculate condition for this prestigious event, and to **Tracey Hagan** and the Shire Gardeners for presenting Guilderton at its very best on both Judging day and the Awards day.

Tidy Towns Sustainable Communities is a Keep Australia Beautiful Award.



Congratulations Madeleine Henshaw and the Guilderton community

Keep Australia Beautiful:

The Keep Australia Beautiful 2014 Awards were held in Perth on 5th September. Guilderton received a certificate "in recognition of outstanding action to reduce litter creating a cleaner, safer Western Australia", and also won the 2014 Clean Beaches Award. This was in recognition of the community's efforts with regular clean-ups throughout the year to keep the beach and the river in good clean condition.

Guilderton Visitor Centre: The Visitor Centre is now open again, after a planned break during the month of August. The new opening hours are 9.00 to 12.00 weekends and public holidays, and every day during the school holidays.

We are very grateful to **Richard** and Sylvia Cleverley, and to Debbie Onus for all the work that they have put into the Visitor Centre over the years, and hope to see them back again in the future. The new subcommittee comprises **Sharon** Staude as co-ordinator, Linda **Iohnson** as roster co-ordinator. Terri Mowle as business coordinator, and Neil Lamont as sub-committee member. I will be acting as interim treasurer, with assistance from Gav Messer until a treasurer is appointed.

All members of the former board were invited to join the Sub-committee which is busy seeking out new merchandise, following a "made in Australia" policy, and will have lots of lovely gift ideas for Christmas.

Gillian Lamont

Friends of Moore River Estuary

FOMRE continue to monitor any development that will affect Guilderton's Moore River Estuary.

News in regard to Moore River South is that the Gingin Shire and the WA Planning Commission have now passed Moore River Company's Outline Development Plan (Sept 2013), Foreshore Management Plan (Aug 2014) and Subdivision Plan (Aug 2014). To go further they will need additional formalities such as Detailed Design Plans and Department of Water approval. We have no idea when this will go ahead while there is so little chance of being able to sell anything. If you are aware of any activity in that area, such as road construction around Barragoon Road, please let us know by email to lindabob@gmail.com. We will continue to wait and watch.



Guilderton Community Association



Invites you to an afternoon concert featuring the

WA Youth Jazz Orchestra Quintet Saturday 25th October 2014

4pm - 6pm at Gabbadah Park, Guilderton

or the Guilderton Community Hall in the event of inclement weather

Admission free, BYO chairs, rugs & refreshments



Proudly sponsored by the Shire of Gingin

Guilderton Community Library

We have just completed our first audit/stocktake since the introduction of our new library recording system (Small Library Operating Program or SLOP as we affectionately call it) and were pleasantly surprised that we only have a handful of books that have slipped through the system prior to our volunteers being fully trained. These books are now slowly coming into the library as we process them.

Our volunteers, some of whom had never used a computer before, have done an exceptional job in managing this system and have all stepped up to the challenge. Each one of them should be extremely proud.

On checking our asset register we realised that our computer system was over 5 years old and had slowed down considerably since the new system had been installed. We have now purchased a new computer that has a larger screen and is used exclusively for the library application. This allows us to use the old computer purely for administration purposes such as spreadsheets and newsletters.



It may be an opportune time to mention that as we are not affiliated with the State Library Board, fundraising has to be undertaken to meet the costs of our books and equipment.

Our next **Trash N Treasure** will be held on Saturday 3rd January 2015, with goods that have been donated throughout the year. We will gratefully accept donations and can arrange for items to be collected and stored – please contact me either in person at the library, by phone on 9577 1528 or email to guildertonlibrary@gmail.com. Further details will be included in the December newsletter.

Madeline Henshaw



GUILDERTON VISITOR CENTRE NEEDS VOLUNTEERS

With spring upon us and summer just around the corner, Guilderton's Visitor Centre needs more volunteers to help us run our Centre on the foreshore.

If you can spare 3 hours on a weekend or holiday morning please come and join our friendly team.

If you like meeting friendly and interesting people and have a love of the Moore River & surrounds.

Please contact our Volunteer Co-ordinator: Linda Johnson on 0414631273.



Come and find out about the iconic but endangered Carnaby's Black Cockatoo and what you can actively do to help save this species from extinction.

27th Oct

Speakers

- Jess Lee (Birdlife Australia) 'Great Carnaby's Count grim future?'
- Sarah Mason (Carrah Farm) 'Enhancing biodiversity
 for Carnaby's on my farm'
- Keith Lightbody 'Behind the lens capturing
 Carnaby's on film'
- Wally Kerkhoff (Moora) 'Successful Carnaby's breeding using artificial nesting logs'



Photos by Keith Lightbody

 Natalie Vallance (Muchea Tree farms) 'Planting native trees and bushes for Carnaby's'

Win a signed Keith Lightbody Carnaby's Black Cockatoo framed photo !!!!



Place: Guilderton community hall

To include lunch and possible local field visit to look at native re-vegetation for Carnaby's







Please contact Rachel on

9653 1355 or mcc.nrmo@bigpond.com

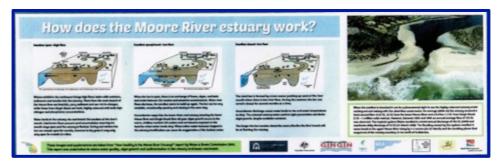
for more information, RSVP and dietary requirements

















Estuary Signage

Informative signs, designed by Rachel Walmsley of the Moore Catchment Council, in a partnership project with the Department of Water, South West Sea and Land Council, Shire of Gingin, Northern Agricultural Catchment Council, GCA and the Lower Moore River Working Group, will soon be installed at the estuary.

Boat Launching Facility Planning Study

The Shire of Gingin has arranged a Community Consultation meeting on:

Saturday 11th October

10am to 12 noon

Guilderton Country Club

For more information, call **Linda Fidge** on 9575 2211.

Secret No Longer

A few remaining copies of John Prince's "Secret No Longer" which recounts the history of the GCA, from its foundation in 1960, are currently available from the Guilderton Visitor Centre and the Gingin Shire office. New stock is expected to be available by Christmas.

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