

## Quieter times in Guilderton!

We have had a busy few months with Clean Up Australia day, Bernard Carney Concert, Water testing on the river, Plein-Air art weekend and much happening at the Guilderton Club and on the Golf Course that it has been difficult to fit in the usual fishing, walking on the beach and enjoying the quieter times in Guilderton.

Autumn is an amazing season in Guilderton, with warm weather and gentle or even no breeze most days and no flies! The ocean has shown its power at times as the beach is being swept with huge waves right up to the vegetation line.

The river has broken its bank several times and with a little help from the Shire is flowing out toward the northern end of the sandbar.

Enjoy your time in a beautiful place.



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### Moore Arts Easter Art Show

We held a very successful Arts Exhibition and Sale on Easter Saturday. The good quality and range of artistic pieces was further enhanced by a new approach to layout with the new Art Track hanging system and the use of some recycled materials. The whole effect was visually very pleasing. Artists and attendees were happy with the event. We look forward to attracting these contributors next year. Maggie Schmiedte was our tireless funds manager and her repartee made for a cheerful day.

Elizabeth Eaton

## Clean Up Australia Day in Guilderton

The Guilderton Community Association would like to thank all the volunteers who contributed towards a very successful Clean Up in Guilderton on Clean Up Australia Day March 6<sup>th</sup> 2016.

We had 63 volunteers across 5 sites – the river, foreshore, Groyne, Silver Creek, and Guilderton Road (from Indian Ocean into the town). We counted 99 filled rubbish bags, and as much again in bulk, comprising timber, polythene sheeting, plastic piping and carpet, most of which came from the river. It's upsetting to think that some people consider our beautiful river a dumping ground for unwanted waste.

On the plus side, the overall rubbish collected was less than that of previous years, which reflects the success of the Clean Up campaigns over the years, and also the litter conscientious shire gardeners and residents who habitually pick up litter.



Volunteers joined us at the Guilderton Country Club, after the hard work, to relax and socialise over a sausage sizzle followed by chocolate brownies and water melon. Michael Aspinall, Chair of Keep Australia Beautiful(WA), and Shire of Gingin Councillor, joined us with his family to participate in the Clean Up. Michael and GCA President Dean Brady, both gave a short speech and presented Clean Up Certificates to the Beldon Scouts and members of the Gingin Scouts who assisted with the river clean up.



We would particularly like to thank the Shire of Gingin for organising the skip bin and allowing special dispensation to the Beldon Scouts to camp at Silver Creek, the Beldon Scouts who have taken responsibility for cleaning up an extended area around Silver Creek for the last 8 years or so, the Guilderton Country Club for their assistance with the Sausage Sizzle, members of the Gingin Scouts who helped with the river clean up and all the individual volunteers. We could not have achieved the satisfying feeling of a clean town and environs without all your help.

Gillian Lamont

## The Bernard Carney Concert

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> March, in the Guilderton Community Hall.



It was clear from the start that the audience would definitely enjoy this concert.

Due to the inclement, unpredictable weather, a decision was made to re-locate from Gabbadah Park to the Guilderton Community Hall, which had been booked in advance for exactly this eventuality.

Rather than focusing on what was a bit of a disappointment, Bernard used this situation to advantage by commencing with songs about rain, followed by sunshine songs, many being suggested by the audience.

And with that the fun started, and continued until the conclusion when the audience was still wanting more. Bernard lived up to his promise of "songs for all ages" which included songs which he had written, both comic and serious, requests from the floor, the premiere of a song about Moore River, and plenty of audience participation.

At times he was able to encourage his partner in life and music, Eleanor, to join him in some melodious duets, which were much appreciated.

The Guilderton Men's Shed members, with the assistance of some female partners, provided refreshments which were much appreciated on the almost wintery day.



Following the break, Peter Fry presented some poetry which included a wonderful poem by Brian Langley entitled Moore River Blues written in 1993.

The highlight of the second half was the "Cool little Quokka" song which elicited an amazing 100% response to an invitation to find your inner Quokka in both action and song. Thanks go to Cheryl at the Country Club for the post-concert refreshments provided for Bernard, Eleanor, and the organisers.

This event was the outcome of great co-operation between the GCA, the Shire of Gingin, Guilderton Men's Shed, and the Country Club.

Moore please! Peter Fry, GCA

## Health Services in the Lower Coastal Region

Our local member, Shane Love MLA, attended the Lower Coastal Community Association Meeting in Guilderton recently and brought us up to date with changes to health care services in country regions. Shane is well aware of the woeful lack of health services in the coastal communities, inclusive of after hospital care, transport to hospital for appointments, and late life care, and has been working for several years to try and reverse this situation.

Shane has had meetings with the former health minister, Kim Haynes, the present health minister, John Day, Terry Redman MLA and Martin Aldridge MLC. They realise that bringing services from Northam is not working, nor is the practice of re-enforcing old patterns of services, such as increasing the sizes of hospitals already established. Studies have been made to bring an appropriate level of health services to all coastal communities between Jurien and the Wanneroo boundary.

The GCA recognises the need for Meals on Wheels in Guilderton, amongst other needs, and invites expressions of interest from persons willing to volunteer their time to provide these services, until such time as a more formal arrangement is available.

The Club could possibly make the club kitchen available at appropriate times.

Please contact Cathy Naussedat on [scnaussedat@yahoo.com](mailto:scnaussedat@yahoo.com) , or 0428 925 268.

## Fund Raising Opportunity for the GCA

The Guilderton Country Club have kindly offered community associations the cover fee for the Rock Classix Band at their June Moon Party on 25<sup>th</sup> June, for all bookings made through the community association. We encourage our members to come along to what promises to be a great evening, and to book through the GCA and help to raise funds for the GCA at the same time.

For bookings through the GCA, please email Dean Brady on [deanbrady@bigpond.com](mailto:deanbrady@bigpond.com) or phone Dean on 0400 950 191.



**GUILDERTON COUNTRY CLUB**  
presents  
**ROCK CLASSIX BAND**  
FEATURING FRANK GENOVESE  
RENOWNED SINGER, SONGWRITER, RECORDING ARTIST (OZ, U.S.A & FRANCE)

**June Moon Party**  
Saturday 25th June 2016 | Music from 8.30pm till late  
**\$10.00 Cover Charge**  
Meals Available from 5.30pm @ \$25 ea

*Sumptuous Carvery of Spit Roasted Meats with all the hot veg trimmings, salad bar & fruit & cheese board*  
*Bus transport can be arranged*

**BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL:** 9577 1013 or [guildertoncc@bigpond.com](mailto:guildertoncc@bigpond.com)



## Guilderton Moore River Visitor Centre

The Guilderton Visitor Centre will be open all winter on weekends, school and public holidays from 9am till noon. Local and tourist, fishing and boating brochures are available, free to all. Local art, produce, children's and quirky gifts are displayed for purchase.

We thank all our volunteers and customers and would welcome more.

L. Johnson

**Friends of Moore River Estuary NACC** conducted the second water quality monitoring testing of the estuary on May 6th. We are testing 5 sites; the mouth, before Silver Creek, at Diamond Island, before Woodridge boat ramp and up by the last navigable bend. In May and November we use the Pro Plus meter and in February and August. The information is being recorded for future comparisons as well as to see any immediate problems. The Shire is responsible for microbial testing to be sure the water is safe to swim in, this is a separate issue.

AGM in April and welcome membership and renewals from anyone interested in our activities. Cost is \$20 per family.

The FOMRE website contains lots of information on our purpose and actions, Photomon, ACORN (measurement of sea surface currents using land based high frequency radar) and water monitoring. Many thanks to Gillian Lamont for collating and displaying FOMRE's various activities on the web.

L Johnson

## Plein Air Painting Weekend

Held on 14/15 May in place of Carl Haanappel's painting school.

Unfortunately Carl had to cancel due to ill health and we put together an alternative weekend. Ten of the people originally enrolled for Carl's workshop came to the alternative programme.

Our weekend at Guilderton started as planned at the Country Club. We made our preparations before leaving the club, by taping paper to boards, deciding on shared cars, collecting our morning tea, and then heading to our first painting spot at the North Groyne, below the Lighthouse.

Some tentative painters watched and painted with other more experienced artists and the morning passed in no time, helped by having delicious cakes and quiches with a cup of tea or coffee.



Lunch back at the Country Club was a feast of salad and sandwiches, followed by water melon.

Off we went again, this time to the river mouth. By now the sun was shining and highlighting rocks, the sandbar, sand hills

and the challenging colours of the river. We slowly took in the scenes, arriving back at the Country Club half an hour late for more tasty food.

We reviewed our paintings and this proved to be a very positive and worthwhile exercise. In the evening we were joined by some partners as well as Gillian and Neil Lamont. Again Cheryl and her staff had excelled themselves and our day was complete.

On Sunday, Jill Matthews gave a talk on how she prepares her paintings, by sketching first and showed us visual diaries from her travels. Jill's message was to draw whenever and wherever you can, every day if possible. It doesn't matter what you draw or whether it is a good drawing, just draw and draw.



By Jill Matthews *at the Groyne*

We then set off for Silver Creek and painted the gnarled and beautiful paperbark trees along the creek. At Jill's suggestion we sat in groups together so that less experienced artists could gain from the experience of others.



By Susy Wright *by the Creek*

After lunch we went to the boardwalk along the river, opposite the desert. This proved to be a very popular spot and we could have stayed much longer. It would be worth returning to take advantage of the morning light in this spot. At the end of the weekend, we had made some very good friends, we had developed our observational skills, and produced a prolific number of paintings.

Carl may not have been able to be with us this time, but he was very instrumental in bringing us together for a magical weekend.

We look forward to another Guilderton painting weekend.

Anne Gilkes

## Moore Light on the River

*Photographing river, sea and macro (close-up photography)*

**Date: 20 – 21 August 2016**

**Location: Guilderton Country Club, Wedge St, Guilderton**

**Cost: \$220\* plus optional Saturday dinner**

***Two days of creative photography with Master Photographer, Dale Neill***



Dale Neill has spent a lifetime in photography and photographic education. He has earned numerous awards in state and national competitions in his specialty areas of portrait and travel photography. Dale is an innovative teacher who generously shares his extensive knowledge and has a reputation for taking creative and quirky images.

*“Dale makes the complex seem simple and the simple seem like fun.”* Molly Immerzeel, Kazakhstan.

Would you like your photographs to stand out from the crowd? Moore Arts and Dale Neill invite all keen photographers to join in what promises to be a fun-filled weekend of photography at the idyllic, laid back Moore River Estuary. We will explore the river, stunning well-known, and secret spots choosing picturesque locations.

*For more information and bookings,  
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*\*\$160 with Pensioner discount*



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**Moore Arts – promoting arts in the Guilderton Community**

# Community planting day



*Help repair the North Guilderton dunes.*

*We need your help to plant 2,000 native seedlings and protect them with tree guards.*



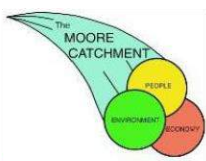
**When:** Sunday 12th June 2016

**Where:** Meet at car park above North Groyne

**Time:** 9:30am onwards. Light lunch and refreshments provided

**RSVP:** Rachel 9653 1355 / 0409 296 264 or [mcc.nrmo@bigpond.com](mailto:mcc.nrmo@bigpond.com)

- Please be sunsmart - bring hat, glasses and sunscreen
- Please bring gloves, own shovel or trowel and bucket
- Wear boots and suitable clothing



*This Moore Catchment Council project is receiving funding through Western Australian Government's State Natural Resource Management Program*





## GCA Membership Application / Renewal Form

**\$25 for Family or Single Membership (for all people who live at the same address)**

**Member Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form to the GCA and remit \$25 by:**

**Cash to the Visitor Centre or**

**Cheque posted to GCA, PO Box 1101 Guilderton WA 6041 or**

**Bank Deposit to GCA at**

**Bendigo Bank**

**BSB: 633 108**

**Account: 145418018**

**Reference: your surname**

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