



**Guilderton Community Association**

## Quarterly Newsletter – March 2017

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### From the Committee. . . .

Hello Members

It was good to see new and current members at our AGM which was held on Saturday 28 January. We have a small committee, going forward this year, with no elected President or Secretary.

There has been a change to the membership rules this year, due to the new Associations Incorporations Act of 2015 and we are now only able to offer single memberships for an annual fee of \$15. We would love to see as many of our current members renew their membership and continue to be involved in community activities and keep up-to-date with

what is going on as well as welcoming new members to join.

Several activities will be held in the next few months, including the Clean-Up-Australia annual event on Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> March followed by the Easter Art Show on Saturday, 15<sup>th</sup> April. Rachel Walmsley from Moore Catchment Council (MCC) is organizing a Bush Medicine Workshop for Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> March and also another Re-vegetation of the North Dunes planting day in June.



The floating pontoon has been deployed to the middle of the estuary and it is apparent that it is being well utilised. We also expect to find out what is happening with the decision about parking meters at the riverside parking area in the very near future.



Prior to the very unseasonal and unusual heavy rain in February, the river was very low and it was quite amazing to see so many sandbanks along the river's edge. The new boat ramp and jetty were virtually out of water for many days which was interesting to see.

And lastly, we wish all our members a very happy and safe Easter.

Cathy Naussedat (committee member)

## **Guilderton Visitor Centre**

We welcome 3 new volunteers and lots more Moro works of art!

We are an Information Centre as well as a Visitor Centre so come and see us for maps and brochures and with any queries. Our notice boards carry information when we are closed.

Our local olive oil, jams, honey and souvenirs make great gifts too.

We are open weekends, public and school holidays 9am to 12 noon and would welcome a couple more volunteers to the team.

Linda Johnson 0414 631 273

## Magic of Bush Medicine

### workshop

Join Moore Catchment Council and Viv Hansen of Binyaarns Bush Medicine for a hands-on and info packed day

- Make ointments, moisturisers and potpourri using local native plants including Banksias, soap bush, Eucalyptus and Wattles.
- Get ideas of which native plants you can use from your property for food and medicine, and what you can have a go at growing.
  - Take away recipes to try at home.

*Vivienne Hansen, a former Brookton resident runs Binyaarns Bush Medicines from Kelmscott, a family business with a focus on collecting bush herbs for health remedies. She has just released a book called 'Noongar Bush Medicine' with John Horsfall published through UWA (will have some copies for purchase).*

**When:** Friday 10th March 2017  
**Where:** Guilderton Community Hall, Wedge st, Guilderton  
**Time:** 9:30am until 3pm. Morning tea & lunch provided  
**RSVP:** Rachel 9653 1355 / 0409 296 264 or [mcc.nrmo@bigpond.com](mailto:mcc.nrmo@bigpond.com)

If you have any plants on your property you'd like identified, or would like to use/share in the potpourri section, then please bring samples along.

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**\$10 per person**  
 (contribution towards catering and materials)

## **GCA Report**

Welcome to the first edition of our GCA newsletter for 2017.

This year is looking to be quiet where community events are concerned. Our AGM on 28th January saw the election of Les Buxton as Treasurer and a committee of Linda Buxton, Linda Johnson, Anne Gilkes, Cathy Naussedat and Jim Laffer. With no President or Secretary, we will share the duties to see that the GCA is administered properly.

Membership has changed this year, to \$15 per person. Every member has the right to vote and take part in all GCA events, so please renew if you haven't already. Our sincere thanks to Gillian Lamont for all the work she has done over the past 5 years and especially for seeing the GCA Constitution brought up to the standards now required. This is being lodged with DOCEP and when finalised will be available on our website at [guildertonwa.com.au](http://guildertonwa.com.au).

A huge amount of work has gone into the creation of the GCA website, which we share with the Guilderton Library, Guilderton Visitor Centre and Friends of Moore River Estuary. Our aim is to have everything you might ever need to know about Guilderton in one place. Upcoming news and events, local services and things to do, as well as reports of previous activities, are all available for everyone to read. Please spend some time navigating around the site and support our local advertisers, which are mainly in the GVC.

We also recommend that our members take out a free subscription to Moore River News, which is now the only local newspaper. Published monthly, it will be sent to your inbox if you send an email to [mrnews@iinet.net.au](mailto:mrnews@iinet.net.au) asking to be added to their list.

Save the dates of GCA events

- Sunday 5th March is Clean Up Guilderton day.
- Friday 10th March is the Bush Medicine Workshop.
- Saturday 15th April is the Easter Art Show.
- Sunday 11th June is the planting day on the north dunes.

Details about these events in this and future newsletters.

Linda Johnson



"Bubbles" by Delys Brady

**GCA Moore Arts presents the Easter  
Art Show on  
Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2017, 9am - 2pm  
in the Guilderton Community Hall**

Displays include artwork by local artists and art of  
the locality of Moore River

Craft by local artists, Photography of local  
interest, Sculpture, Ceramics and Jewellery  
Come and enjoy this popular annual event and  
take home a piece of local art as a lasting  
memory

Raffle with very good art prizes!

**GUILDERTON COMMUNITY LIBRARY**

This year's Trash'n'Treasure was held in memory of John Byrnes who passed away on 13 December 2016. John's support, by offering his property to house our annual Trash'n'Treasure, has been invaluable to the Library's fundraising for many years. His family expressed their wish for the event to be held again at the property as they had heard over the years of the success of this event.

We would like to thank everyone for their support and patronage on the day and in particular the volunteers who worked through some of the hottest days to sort and price all the items.

As in previous years, The Moore Men's Shed held a sausage sizzle and stall and also helped with our setup as well as taking the left over items to our new venue. Thanks boys!

Thanks also to Rod and Graeme for cleaning and tidying John's property and removing any of the rubbish. It's the little things behind the scenes that also help to make a great event.

As a short note there are still several larger items that we would like to clear:

- 1 dining room suite with 4 high back chairs in brown woven material in near new condition \$120
- 1 single mattress and base ensemble in clean condition \$25
- 1 single pine bed \$20

Please contact Madeline 9577 1528 if you are interested.

There have been lots of new novels purchased including David Baldacci, Lee Child, Di Morrissey and Rachael Johns to mention just a few. You are more than welcome to call in and have a browse.

*Madeline Henshaw*

### **FOMRE**

Hello friends,

You have not heard much from us this year because development plans at Moore River South seem to be 'on hold'. As we told you in August

2015, the whole 2,099 ha land parcel was put For Sale and as far as we know it still is. With no connecting roads, water, power, sewerage, employment or infrastructure, creating a suburb in this cul-de-sac of land remains most unwise, expensive and fraught with problems.

FOMRE needs to continue as a watch dog to any progress Plunkett may make with his plans.

In the meantime we are looking after MRE in other ways.

Water quality testing is into the second year and providing good information to Dept of Water.

We continue to work with Gingin Water Group, which you can read about at [ginginwater.org.au](http://ginginwater.org.au)

We also work with GCA, the Shire and DPaW in efforts to keep 4WDs from wrecking the foreshore of Moore River South and the beach.

**We need to have an AGM every year, so please save the date of Saturday 22nd April, in the community hall.**

**Your interest and \$20 annual membership are very welcome in this protracted battle please.**

The estuary has been amazing over the last few weeks with heavy rain and low tides. The bar breached after 100mm of rain in January, most of it on the 31st. I've never seen the estuary so empty, with sandbars I've never seen exposed before and then it filled up again with the 100mm we had the next week. The river is still flowing out to sea and there must be a lot more water to come down yet. Our March testing might be interesting!

*I hope you are well and maybe we'll see you here soon.*

*All the best,*

*Linda Johnson*



# Guilderton

## Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017

The Guilderton Community Association will once again be holding a Clean Up on the Labour Day Long Weekend and would love your help!

Clean Up Sites will be

- Guilderton Country Club – meet in the car park at 8am, bring a trailer if you have one or just come along to help Clean Up the road into town
- Boat Ramp – 8am, bring a boat if you have one or just come along to help Clean Up Moore River's banks
- Foreshore – meet at the Visitor Centre, between 8 and 11am, turn up when you can to help Clean Up the foreshore and beach
- Groyne, 8-11am, turn up when you can to help Clean Up the north beach and dune areas

FREE sausage sizzle at the Country Club at 12 noon for all helpers!

Phone Linda on 0414 631 273 should you have any queries



## GCA Membership Application / Renewal Form 2017

**\$15 per person with each paid up member over 18 years entitled to vote**

**Member Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

**Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please return this form to the GCA and remit \$15 per person 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: 633 000**

**Account: 145418018**

**Reference: your full name**

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