

## Quarterly Newsletter September 2022

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### President's Report

Hello Everyone,

Well, it's that time of year again for our newsletter and updates on what our hard-working committee have been up to.

I hope you all survived our cold, wet winter.

While some will say they have enjoyed it, some like me can't wait for some warmer weather.

It has been quieter in Guilderton than usual I think a lot of people fled the country as soon as restrictions were lifted on travel - whilst the grey nomads went North, others stayed home.

The recent rain brought localised flooding on the banks of Neergabby and some paddocks still have lots of water lying around. The amount of water made our beautiful river flow constantly for quite a few days.

The river under the bridge on Indian Ocean Drive was bubbling and burbling along and was quite beautiful to see. Although the force of nature is quite wonderful it can also be destructive. The groyne wall came under huge attack from the high tides and storms, and will never look the same. Hopefully the Shire and Marines and Water will perform some sort of repairs on it.



That's all from me this quarter. Hope Spring finds you all well.

Kerry Enright  
GCA President

### Shire Council Liaison

#### Foreshore Redevelopment

We are pleased to report that the Shire Council has increased the size of the Guilderton Foreshore Working Party to include another two community representatives to a total of five.

#### Foreshore ablution block

Council has responded that wall and plaster dampness have delayed the facelift to the Women's disabled toilet until it has sufficiently dried. Council reports that the shower external to the dampness has been moved to facilitate this process.

**The Stephens Crescent** access to the river walk remains closed although the GCA and

locals consider it an important walk attraction at Guilderton. The Council is unable to state when this will again be safely re-opened citing an engineer's report that the boardwalk needs to be rebuilt. The Council will call for tenders to properly ascertain an accurate cost which has been roughly estimated at \$250,000 at this stage.

Sadly, Council notes the precariousness of this project due to the prohibitive costs and difficulty progressing the walkway reconstruction. Council is committed to holding a meeting with GCA when more is known.

### **Anti-fracking action a local issue**

On July 30th both Redfield Park and Sovereign Hill communities declared themselves Frack Free after polling their residents. They join Woodridge in having made this declaration so that everyone can see their awareness of the dangers of 'hydraulic fracturing' and don't want a bar of it anywhere near them. The use of vast quantities of water and poisons to 'frack' deep wells so that they release gas which can be collected and sold, is dangerous and toxic. It should also be unnecessary as renewable energy sources replace gas and stop adding to ever increasing climate change disasters.

If you would like to know more about this, or have an interest in polling Guilderton residents with a view to future action, please contact me.

Linda Johnson 0414 631 273



### **Moore Arts Report**

Moore Arts is hosting a series of art and craft markets over summer to showcase some of the many talented people in our region.

If you are into a specific art or craft, it is often difficult to find a retail avenue to sell your product locally. Family and friends can only take so much!

The Annual Easter art exhibition is a very successful event and we thought that markets through the warmer months would be a welcome addition to our calendar of events. Local markets are the best environment for selling handmade items as you get to talk to the person who created them.

Guilderton in the summer tourist season has no similar retail venues, so the Market should provide the best opportunity for local artists and crafts people to sell their wares.

Our first Market will be on **Sunday 18th December from 9am to 1pm in Gabbadah Park**. Stall holders will be charged \$15 and the only requirement is that items for sale are handmade.

We hope to have a coffee van on site and a fundraising opportunity for local community associations to run a sausage sizzle.

Please tell all your family and friends and display the following advertisement in your beach house rental so we can make this a huge success for the town.

Proposed dates at this stage are on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> of December, Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> of January, Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> of March (Long Weekend) & Monday 10<sup>th</sup> of April (Easter Monday). Please contact Kerry Jones 0437903138 or Julie Polette 0410582817 for more information or to have an entry form emailed out to you.

For others save the dates in your calendar and come on down! See the full poster in this newsletter.

Kerry Jones  
Moore Arts Coordinator

### **Community Art Installation**

The sculpture has now been fully purchased thanks to a grant from the Commonwealth Stronger Communities programme which has

contributed to the cost of the poled piscine piece.



The installation of the sculpture is gradually happening. We have seen the sculpture in its almost finished state, and it will be revealed at a future date. The position at the foreshore has changed. It will now be on the grassed area to the south of the pelicans, and definitely will be more elegant than the model in the photo! The Shire has the pole ready to go, and has been incredibly supportive in all the sculpture erection costs and also the funding of the Guilderton Art Trail brochure. We are very excited that it won't be long before we unveil the newest addition to Guilderton's art trail.

Anne Gilkes, Project Coordinator

## Guilderton Visitor's Centre

Guilderton Visitor Centre has had the quietest winter in our history!

Locals and visitors are loving the new shop but the unreliable opening and offerings of the cafe remain a problem.

The caravan park has also been pretty quiet but with less complaints lately, although the paid parking no doubt still contributes to our urban malaise. We look forward to some progress with the Shire Foreshore Working Group which has been announced.

We are well stocked for Spring and would welcome more volunteers for our weekend and holiday morning opening of 9.30-12.30.

Here is a weed bingo to help with the identification of some of the pretty plants that shouldn't be encouraged in our area!

Dumping any garden waste in the bush leads to terrible weed invasion, as can be seen in several spots around town. What you do with your waste does matter. The bin is the place for weeds unless you can compost them yourself!



Linda Johnson

Visitor's Centre Coordinator

## Friends of Moore River Estuary Inc.

The GCA and Moore Catchment Council dune planting day took place on June 12th, despite the weather!

A wonderful job was done by local and visiting volunteers on the day and by Rachel and her team at a later time. We planted 1200 seedlings that had been grown from seeds we had collected on the dunes a couple of years ago. We're happily surprised at how well many of them are doing, despite our hot dry summer and cold winter. Thanks to all involved.



Friends of Moore River Estuary are doing the next water testing on Thursday September 8th, from 9am, for about 3 hours.

Please ring Linda (0414 631 273) if you would like to join us and see what we do.

The river bar has been open for all of August as the heavy rains inland drain out through Moore River, Gingin Brook and eventually the estuary. It will be very interesting to see how this higher-than-normal flow has affected the water quality and how far in the sea water has come on the high tides.

The pelicans, cormorants and osprey have been very obviously fishing on the bounty they must be finding.



This ghost crab found itself on the boardwalk much to its surprise!



Linda Johnson  
FOMRE Chairperson

## Community Library Report

It's been busy even though the cold weather is here. Makes sense, nothing is better than

curling up in front of the fire with a great book.

This month there have been lots of new novels appear on the shelves. Lucinda Riley's "Sister Series" are proving really popular as are the Richard Osman Murder Series.



We are very grateful to Bunnings for the kind donation of two benches for our outdoor area. This area is proving very popular in summer and we hope to see increased utilisation of this lovely sheltered area.



You will be made most welcome to call in and visit our exceptional volunteers and check out the new range of books. We are open every Saturday from 9.30 till 11.30.

Madeleine Henshaw  
Community Library Coordinator

## Secret Chef



### Spicy Asian Chicken Meatballs

*Yields: 18 meatballs/ 6 servings*

#### Ingredients

500g chicken mince  
1 egg  
½ cup bread crumbs  
1 tablespoon chili powder or flakes  
½ cup spring onions, finely diced  
2 teaspoons fresh or powdered garlic  
2 teaspoons fresh or powdered ginger  
¾ teaspoon salt  
3 tablespoons honey  
3 tablespoons rice wine vinegar  
3 tablespoons low-sodium soy sauce  
1 tablespoon sesame seeds  
2 tablespoons fresh coriander leaves, chopped

#### Method

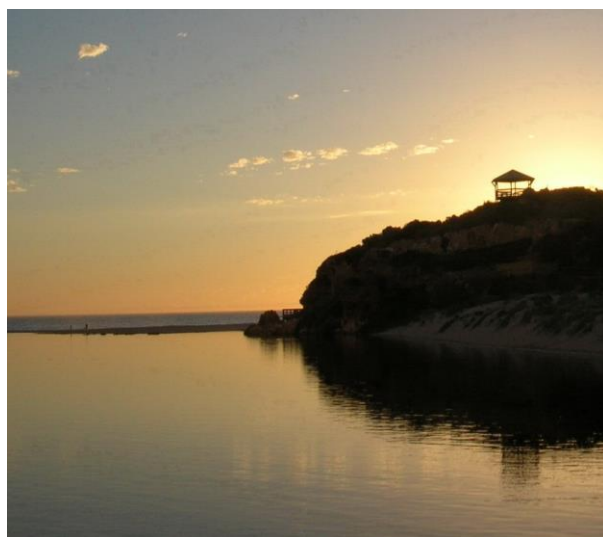
Preheat oven to 180 degrees C.  
In a large bowl, mix together chicken mince, egg, bread crumbs, red pepper flakes, green onions, garlic powder, ginger, and salt. Set aside for 15 minutes to allow the breadcrumbs to expand, then roll into small golf ball-sized balls. Place on a baking sheet-lined tray and bake for 18-22 minutes, or just until the centre

of each meatball is cooked. Transfer meatballs to a large skillet.

In a small bowl, whisk together honey, vinegar, and soy sauce. Drizzle over meatballs. Cover skillet and turn stove to medium heat, stirring every 2-3 minutes as needed to keep the meatballs from sticking to the bottom of the pan. Cook just until the mixture begins to steam. Remove from heat, sprinkle with sesame seeds and coriander.

Serve meatballs immediately and enjoy with a leafy salad, a bowl of noodles or some steamed rice.

## Guildie Gallery





## Moore Arts Council Arts & Craft Markets

### Local Market on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> December

To be held at Gabbadah Park  
From 9am—1 pm .

Stalls of locally made art and  
craft products for sale.

Stalls only \$15 each—to book  
email [guildymarkets@gmail.com](mailto:guildymarkets@gmail.com)

For more info call  
Kerry 0437903138

Fundraising food stall onsite  
for purchase.

Next market  
Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023

## Moore Friends needed

### OUR RIVER NEEDS MOORE FRIENDS

← Wilbinga Proposed Regional Park

**name**  
Wilbinga Proposed Regional Park

**description**  
We are proposing that a new regional conservation park be formed encompassing the area between the northern limits of Perth's urban development at Two Rocks and the south bank of the Moore River estuary, bounded to the west by the Indian Ocean and to the east by Indian Ocean Drive. The proposed park forms part of the traditional lands of the Yued people. The land in question is unique, containing threatened ecological subcommunities of the Swan Coastal Plain and including portions of the Gnangara, Gingin and Yanchep Groundwater Management areas. The creation of a conservation park here would have multiple benefits for protecting the remaining biodiversity and enhancing opportunities for nature-based cultural and recreational tourism. It could also create expanded employment opportunities through the Indigenous Ranger Program.

<https://guildertonwa.com.au/fomre/about/>  
<https://narvis.com.au/wp-content/uploads/Wilbinga-Regional-Park.pdf>

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## **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION AND RENEWAL FORM 2022**

**\$15 Single Membership \$30 Double Membership.**

- Member Name(s)\*

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- Postal Address\*

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- Street Address

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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

- Email\*

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- Phone\*

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- Please return this form to the GCA and remit by:
  - Cash to the Visitor Centre or Community Library OR
  - Cheque posted to GCA, PO Box 1101 Guilderton WA 6041 OR
  - Bank Deposit to GCA at the Bendigo Bank:  
BSB: 633000  
Account: 145418018  
Reference: Please use your surname as the reference
  - \* Indicates mandatory information required