

Singleton Community BBQ



Thank you to everyone who came along to the BBQ on the 30th April, it was a great success with many families enjoying the free food and getting to know about important community programs like Neighbourhood Watch and Safety Houses.

A special thank you to those who helped out with the BBQ - you did a terrific job.



Singleton Coastcare Planting Day

9am • Sunday 10th July

Join us for a fun day of planting at the main Singleton Beach and be rewarded with a sausage sizzle afterwards. Everyone is welcome, meet us at 9am at the toilet block at the main Singleton Beach, intersection of Singleton Beach Road and Foreshore Drive.

Parents feel free to bring your kids along even for an hour or two to help them become involved in looking after their environment.

Weed control will be undertaken in the next month and then on the day in July we will be planting native plants to replace the weeds. Native plants

provide habitat for animals and are more effective at stabilizing the dune system than weeds.

The other main focus of this project is to engage the Singleton Community in looking after our beautiful coast. There will be Environmental Officers from Southern Metropolitan Coastcare and the City of Rockingham there on the day who will be able to talk to you about the coast, native plants and any other questions you may have.

This Coastcare planting project was made possible through a CoastWest grant, thank you Coastwest. The support of the Singleton Residents Association, City of Rockingham and

Southern Metropolitan Coastcare is also very much appreciated.

Looking forward to seeing many Singleton locals down there on the day!

Please RSVP to Natalie by the 4th July for catering purposes on Natalie. lees@gmail.com or 0421 697 783.

Next Community Meeting

Monday 9th May
7.00pm at the
Community Centre

President's Pen

Hello again Singleton,

Another month down and heading into the cold stuff – time to go North !

April ended with a beautiful BBQ Saturday in Harmony Park - and I am sure that all those who turned up enjoyed the day, the food and the company of other Singletonians. It was good to see people enjoying themselves in a good old fashioned community way and it is something the SRA would like to see grow to an annual event that all look forward to.

Our thanks go to the City of Rockingham for both its financial assistance and for its Neighbour Watch team who took time out on a weekend to provide us with helpful information and worthwhile messages of how communities can and should watch out for each other. The local Singleton Primary School Safety House Committee also attended and provided some localised information about it's Safety House programme and of the benefits of people offering their homes as identified safe zones in case the need for help should arise.

If any of our readers would like more information on either programme please contact any of the SRA committee listed on this page.

Our thanks must also go to Clifton Reynolds at Smithfield Fine Foods and Brumby's Bakery of Secret Harbour who helped to stretch our dollars out and provided us with excellent meat and rolls that made up into the best burger.

I must also thank our team of SRA volunteers, organiser Roger Jefferson, master chefs Ken Bird and Karl Roots, salad supremos Brenda Jefferson, Dolores Watson, Jack and Edna Mather and the Warners. Harry and I watched and young Josh Nolan did the good job he always does.

Please help us create a BBQ day that other communities will envy – all we need is your support, your help and, of course your donation. \$5 or \$10 from every household will ensure a great Xmas Fair and great BBQ days every year. Any committee member will gladly collect your donation.

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If you would like to contact anyone regarding the SRA, please use the emails above or call 0434 854 400

Our Editor is due to become new Mum in the next couple of weeks and we are not sure yet whether or not a June edition of the Newsletter will go to print, we will try.

Take care.
Morris Kinley

Safety House Program

The Safety House Program offers a place of safety for children when they are away from the security and comfort of their home and school environment.

The Safety House sign on a house letterbox or shop window means that the premises have been thoroughly checked and designated as a safe place. Children can go to that house or shop if they feel unsafe on their way to and from school.

Singleton Primary School Safety House Program covers Golden Bay and Singleton. We currently have 12 houses and would like to increase the number of Safety Houses available within our communities for the children. All members of a Safety Houses have police clearances that are automatically rechecked weekly! Safety Houses display the safety house logo on their letter box.

Children identify with the Safety House Logo and know that this is a safe place to go to ask for help when they are away from their home or school environment, should they ever need it.

Safety House people are there to offer assistance to children in distress and follow procedures for emergency and non emergency situations when and if they occur.

The Safety House program is also a positive preventative and acts as a deterrent to those people seeking to harm children in any way.

- Do you care about the safety and well being of children?
- Are you happy to assist a child in need who might come to your door for help?
- Is your front door easily visible from the street with easy access for a child?
- Do you have easy access to a telephone in your house?
- Are you happy to telephone the parents of a child seeking help in a difficult situation?
- Are you happy to contact WA Police if an offence has been, or could be committed?
- If you have a dog at your house is it behind a fence or gate in the backyard?
- Are you happy to display the Safety

House Logo on your letter box?

- Is an adult usually present in the house at times children are going to and from school?
- Do you agree all persons residing at Safety House should have police clearance?
- Would you mind receiving a phone call or visit once a year from your local Safety House Representative?

If you answered yes to all of the above the Singleton Primary School Safety House would love to hear from you!

Please contact Sara Cavallaro **0451 234 065 or 9537 2819** or pick up an application from the Singleton Primary School Office. (All completed applications should be returned to the office and I will contact you when they have been processed.)

Further information is available on the Safety House Website
www.safetyhousewa.org.au



Singleton Update from Cr. Brian Warner



Mosquitoes Further to the information last month regarding the efforts that have been made to combat the mosquito infestation, unfortunately thirteen cases of Ross River Virus were reported in Rockingham up to the end of March. This compared to no cases for the same period last year. I have had it (several years ago whilst living in Golden Bay) and it's not very pleasant.

Rubbish Recently the Council had to clear rubbish from the end of Jade Court. It involved a truck, bobcat and associated labour. I don't know the exact cost but it was not cheap. If you see any one dumping rubbish please contact the Council. If the block near you is being cleared and the contractor is making very short trips please contact the Council. It may be a genuine short trip however it may be some one dumping rubbish and its costing you (via the Council) to remove.

Verge/Street Trees Due to the difficulty of undertaking wholesale street tree planting in residential streets because of a reluctance or aversion to having a tree at all, the City prefers that an application is made to the City to have a selected variety installed at no cost during the winter street tree program. If you would like a verge tree outside your home please, either let me know, or contact the Council on **9528 0311** for an application form.

Transport Program In conjunction with Transperth the Council are conducting a workshop for local senior residents who are not confident in using public transport. Called "Get on Board" the workshop will be start from the Coastal Community Centre on Tuesday May 17th at 1pm.

Program Timetable & Info:

- Meet at the Golden Bay Coastal Community Centre, Tangadee Road at 1pm for an Information session/ workshop.
- Catch a bus from Golden Bay to Warnbro Train Station
- Station Tour on safety, facilities, how to use cards etc.
- Train ride to Cockburn Central and return

Attendees can bring their smart rider card if they have one (on reverse side of Pension card). It may be an opportunity to meet with Transperth officers and discuss any transport issues in this area.

Cost: TBA (hopefully free, there may be a small one way train fee of \$1 if trip goes later than 3:30 as that is the cut off time for free transport for seniors.)

Details: RSVP by Wednesday 11 May 2011. Numbers strictly limited. Contact Narelle Hughes, Community Development Officer **9528 0483**

Warnbro Sound Ave Footpath Just to keep you "in the picture" the footpath along Warnbro Sound Ave has been

removed so that the sewer pipes can be installed for the Golden Bay development. As you are aware this path was constructed when Comet Bay College was built in order to give safety to the students attending the college when walking or cycling from Golden Bay and Singleton. To a lesser extent it also gave residents from the two suburbs a safe link to the Secret Harbour Shopping Centre, activities on Secret Harbour Oval and to the Surf Club. The footpath will be replaced by the developers, at their cost. As I was instrumental in getting that path installed, and at that time we did not know when the Golden Bay development was going to start, I will be watching the progress so that the path is reinstated as soon as possible.

Golden Bay Development

Please keep a watch on the advertising period for submissions that will be published in the local paper and Council website. Council is still working with the developers to sort a couple of issues out prior to advertising.

'til next time, take care

Brian Warner

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Roadwise News



Enjoy the Ride!

Enjoy the Ride is a Road Safety Council of Western Australia initiative, brought to you by the Office of Road Safety. Their aim is to show Western Australian drivers that there is an alternative to speeding – on the road and in life. And it's a better way.

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If you'd like to learn a bit more about using local buses and trains instead of your car, come along to a free tour on Tuesday 17th May in the afternoon leaving from Golden Bay. For more information call Narelle on **9528 0483**.

Street Garage Sale Horizon Crescent

Sunday 15 May
8am 'til Midday

The residents of Horizon Crescent will be selling their used goods.

Come down and have a look - there will be plenty to choose from with so many households participating.

Verge/Street Trees

The City of Rockingham offers two free street trees to residents. If you wish to have a street tree planted on your verge please contact the City on (08) 9528 0333. You can choose the species of tree (from a list) and it will be planted during winter. Make sure you apply soon so you don't miss out.

Plant Vouchers

To encourage tree planting and to aid in the landscaping of your newly built dwelling, the City has arranged for two trees or shrubs to be made available for each property. Please note these trees are not available from October to February.

To enable the collection of these plants, a voucher can be issued to you at the City of Rockingham's Administration Building.

You are required to present the voucher to the City's Nursery (Morgan Street, Rockingham) on Thursdays from 8:00am - 12:00 Noon and 1:00pm to 2:30pm. This will allow you to receive two plants from a wide variety of stocks from the nursery, including trees and shrubs. Vouchers are valid March - September only.

Friends of Paganoni Swamp

A bird walk is planned for Monday 16th May 2011. We will meet at 8:00am at the Railway Gate on Paganoni Road and the walk should take around 3 hours. It will be led by Mary Vaughn from Birds Australia. All are welcome to join us. For any information on our group's activities, please call Leonie on 9356 8195.



Phone Scammers Target Computer Owners

Adapted from a story by Vivienne Nunis for ABC News online

Computer owners are being warned not to fall for phone scammers who pretend to be from the software giant Microsoft. Singleton Website Editor Ken Bird has had three cases of Singleton Residents being called by these scammers reported to him.

The scammers are cold calling homes and asking people to run a program on their computer to protect them from a fake virus.

Canberra resident Karri Barrett is one of thousands of people who have been targeted.

"At first they sounded very credible. He addressed himself that he was from Microsoft Windows support and that they'd received that we had a virus on our computer," she said.

The man asked her to enter a code on her computer and run a program to kill the virus, while he was still on the phone.

"He asked me if I was running what he's asked me to put in the computer," Ms Barrett said.

"Then another voice in the background asked 'is she running it?'"

"Then I thought perhaps there might be something not quite right."

But the scammers have managed to dupe other people.

Authorities say the number of complaints about phone scams has jumped over the past two months from

200 per month to 2,000.

"People are getting taken for a ride. They are having their personal information taken and they're paying money for things they shouldn't be," said Jane Cole from the Australian Communications and Media Authority.

IT consultant Tony Millar says the scammers are trying to run a program through home computers that tracks and records what people enter into their keyboards.

"So if you go to your bank and you type in your user name and password that's recorded and that file is then relayed back to the scammers," he said.

Microsoft has issued a statement warning Australians not to be fooled.

The company says Microsoft is not cold calling consumers about computer viruses or for any other reason.

Ms Cole says people should just hang up immediately.

"Even if they say they are calling from a reputable company like a software company, these calls are a scam," she said.

Mr Millar says people who have been targeted should have their computer cleaned and contact their bank immediately.

"Take your computer to your local computer shop and have it thoroughly scanned and cleaned," he said.



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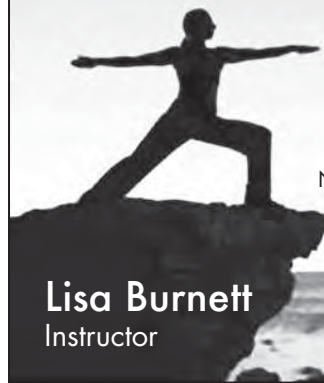
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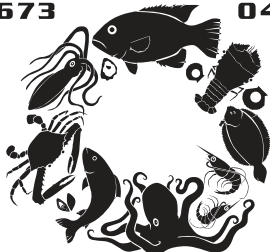
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Anglican Op Shop

Reported by Marjorie Trott

The Anglican Op Shop at Singleton is popular. People speak freely to each other about it being a place where most people can buy the things they need at a price they can afford. Books, videos and DVDs are popular - three for a dollar or 50 cents each. Clothing during the week is \$2 an item except on Friday which is \$1 dollar day for clothes.

Buyers also have an opportunity to fill a bag from the trolleys for \$1 and this is a very popular offer. Linen, doonas, pillow cases, sheets and cushions sell quickly. Old bedspreads and blankets go to a dog refuge.

Several people come into the shop for what they call retail therapy and say they always go away feeling better. Men come in regularly to buy work clothes and old sheets for painting.

The Op Shop is in need of staff that can do one full day a week regularly. The shop opens at 9.00am and closes at 3.00 pm Monday to Friday. Also needed are men who will do the run to the tip with their own trailers. The dumping of non saleable rubbish has always been a problem. Donation of tip passes would be appreciated and can be taken to the shop or given to Marge or Averil.

Those who work at the Op Shop enjoy serving the community. The free Christian book stand is appreciated especially by mothers looking for bible stories for their children. The Op Shop is very much a Christian outreach to the local community and also people have heard from word of mouth and come from all over Perth. It is not unusual to have visitors from interstate and overseas.

Co-ordinator Averil Roberts is loved by all the customers - she has discernment for those with genuine need, she does a wonderful job and she works very hard, always with a cheery positive approach.

The Op Shop contributes to Mission in a variety of ways. New children's clothes that have been donated are put aside for the Samaritan purse shoe boxes. Some of the surplus has gone to orphanages in Bali and the Philippines.

Large quantities of not so good clothing are bagged for regular pick-up for the Good Samaritans. A number of saleable items are given as donations for prizes at the Cancer foundations biggest morning tea which is hosted in Singleton by the Comet Bay Anglican Church.

Anglican Op Shop - Well worth browsing!

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Letter to the Editor

Do you know a moron?

Monday morning 18th April at 10.15, I took 2 dogs for a walk around Lawrie Stanford Reserve, as always I took with me some yellow bags to clear up anything they may leave behind, and I also (along with many other walkers) pick up the odd cigarette packet, chip or lolly wrapper.

I couldn't believe the mess that greeted me at the skateboard park, I picked up 4 broken beer bottles, 7 large coke cartons, 3 Jim Beam cans, various other drink cartons and numerous discarded food wrappings.

It is not only unsightly but with the broken bottles extremely dangerous to the many youngsters who have loads of fun playing there.

Do you know the morons that leave this mess?

Please, please have a word with the morons because I doubt that they will even read or be able to comprehend this article.

So they won't be able to understand that having the right to live in a nice community also carries some responsibility and not just thinking of themselves.

If you do know the morons please have a word.

Brian Preston

Reside the Sea

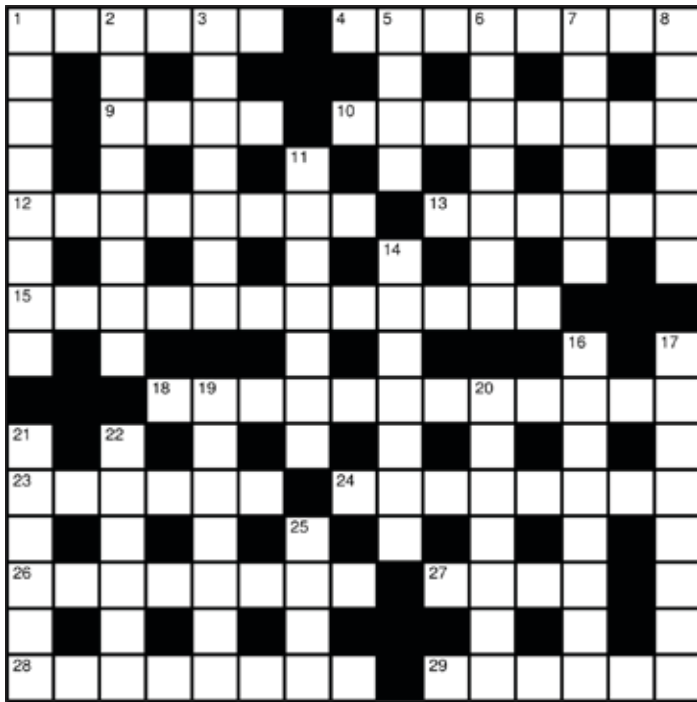
As you sit around and ponder,
Do you never cease to wonder
At the treasures and the beauty we have here?
There's a school to teach our young
And the beach for everyone -
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The Bowling Greens are there
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And the playing fields are really quite supreme.
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Our Number Plates are great,
All our roads are quite first-rate ...
Yes, life's good right here beside the sea!

by local resident
Edna Mather

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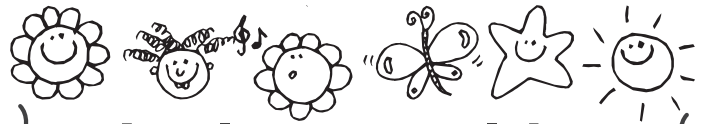
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3. Milder (7)
5. Rossini work, *William*
____ *Overture* (1829) (4)
6. Review (7)
7. Pass (time) (6)
8. Earns (6)
11. Anonymous (7)
14. Purpose (7)
16. Long distance running
race (8)
17. Glue (8)
19. Copy (7)
20. English city (7)
21. Prestige car (6)
22. Coast (6)
25. Matted woollen cloth (4)

Across

1. South African river (6)
4. Plan (8)
9. Skating venue. (4)
10. Obstruction (8)
12. Whispering (8)
13. Nurtured (6)
15. Settings (12)
18. Try again, go back to the
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23. Blunt (6)
24. Foresee (8)
26. Makes practical use of (8)
27. Engrave (4)
28. Portrays (8)
29. Fall (6)



Singleton Golden Bay Playgroup

We always welcome new families to playgroup. We meet on Mondays from 930 til 1130 in the Singleton Hall, all you need to bring is a piece of fruit to share with the other children.

Of course remember a hat and sunscreen. You are more the welcome to just turn up and see what it is all about. The first visit for new families is free.

Each week there is usually a craft activity for the children as well as lots of free play with both indoor and outdoor toys. For the parents there is a coffee and morning tea provided.

Term fees are \$25 and new families will also have to join Playgroup WA which is \$28. This allows you to join any playgroup session in WA and also has lots of other benefits such as discounts at various places.

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AGM

This will be held on Saturday 7th May at 9am, so members please put this date in your diaries. Come along to support your club, and give some thought to taking a position- clubs cannot function without a committee.

CBBC and Warnbro Trophy Day

Our Easter event has been changed to a new event to be held on Sunday 22nd May, and will be sponsored by Paul Papalia and Mark McGowan. They will be jointly donating a trophy and sponsoring the event. It will be a social all day event of Mixed Fours, with the trophy to go to the winning four, a combination of members of both clubs. This will be a great day and we hope all members will be able to attend.

Men's Open Triples

The last of these events for the season will be played on Wednesday 18th May, sponsored by Sport First Mandurah. We are looking for a good number of entries.

Scroungers

This seasons Scroungers wound up with the crowning of the King and Queen of Scroungers - Trevor Cook and Marg Elmore.

Winter Season Bowls

As usual Social Bowls will continue every Friday and Sunday (weather permitting) and Scroungers every Wednesday - all starting at 1pm - names in by 12.45.

For further information ring
President - Kevin Bowlay 9537 3542
Secretary - Wendy Kirkby 9537 2029

Tennis Deuce

Tennis numbers have been down of late, we are hoping this has been due to the hot weather and school holidays.

After the Easter Break tennis will start at 9.00am each Tuesday, so why not come for a social game and a cuppa . We look forward to seeing you there.

There is a free offer of a HP computer printer in good condition to anyone that wants it - see Jenn...



SINGLETON & GOLDEN BAY

TENNIS CLUB

Social Tennis Played every Tuesday

(Women & Men)

8.30am in Summer

9am in Winter

Morning Tea Provided

CASUAL PLAYERS WELCOME

Courts for Hire \$8 per hour

*Courts not for hire during
Social Tennis hours*

FOR ALL ENQUIRIES

& COURT HIRE

PHONE 0406 816 813

CAVENDAR STREET, SINGLETON

SINGLETON SOCIAL CLUB

SUNDOWNERS will hopefully be starting soon.

If you wish to hire the Community Centre for that special function then our prices are very competitive. Members can also hire crockery and cutlery.

For further information & hire rates, please contact the following committee members
 Booking Officer - Heather Venn 9537 1791
 President - Colum Venn 9357 1982
 Secretary - Shaaron Kent 9537 3408



SINGLETON NUMBER PLATES

The plates are available for sale and there are only 18 sets left. They are \$150 per set and only available as long as people continue to buy them.

If none are sold for six months, the series will be discontinued and no more will be available (except remakes for damaged plates).

If you would like a set contact Karl on 9537 3996



From the Editor

Just letting everyone know that there may not be an edition of the Singleton News in June- I will be having a month off to have my baby. However in the meantime if anyone is interested in helping out with editing please let me know so that the June edition can go ahead.

Over the last year there has been a terrific improvement in the support available to the editor with the graphic design now being done by

Louise, regular printers Natalie & Brian and help with sorting & folding that used to be done by the editor. This has meant a significantly reduced workload. A back up editor would be a terrific solution so that I could take a month off here and there when needed without having to stop production- so let me know if you are keen to help out on singleton.editor@gmail.com.

Thanks, Natalie

IMPORTANT NUMBERS

EMERGENCY 000
(Police, Fire, Ambulance)

POLICE ASSISTANCE 131 444

CRIME STOPPERS 1800 333 000

School Watch Security Patrol **1800 177 777**

Graffiti Hotline **1800 44 22 55**

City Safe Resource Centre **9592 4166**

Ranger Services **9528 0303**

Alinta Gas (Emergency) **13 13 52**

Synergy (Electricity) **13 13 51**

Water Corporation **13 13 75**

Justice Of The Peace
Lindsay Ginbey **9537 2160**
Ken Holman **9537 3432**

WildLife Assist
Rescue Hotline **0400 904 016**

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Emergency Number **9474 9055**

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CANCER COUNCIL

Australia's

BIGGEST MORNING TEA

COMMUNITY HALL
CAVENDER STREET
SINGLETON

THURSDAY
26th MAY 2011
9:30am to 11:30am

EVERY CUP OF TEA COUNTS
IN THE FIGHT
AGAINST CANCER

SPEAKER BEVAN RIPP
Headmaster Singleton Primary School

ITEMS Singleton School Choir
Main Raffle, Door Prize, Lucky Spot Prize
Produce Snralls, Cakes, Brika Brac, Plants

COST \$5.00 per person for morning tea

Hosted by The Anglican Church, Secret Harbour
Contact Co-ordinator: Marjorie Trott 95371027