

Drakesbrook Despatch

*A volunteer monthly newsletter for the residents of
Waroona, Preston Beach, Lake Clifton, Hamel, Coolup & Yarloop.*

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COMING UP IN WAROONA

Wednesday January 8th

Bendigo Bank Community Bowls
Waroona Bowling Club
From 6.30pm

Wednesday January 15th

Harvey Medical Group start at the
Community Centre. Phone:
9729 1600 for appointments

Sunday January 26th

Australia Day Celebrations
Breakfast from 7.30am
Street parade 9.15am followed by
Ceremony

Sunday April 13th

All Aussie Car Day
Presented by Just Cruizin

Next issue

Friday Jan 31st

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Friday 24th January 2014

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AUSTRALIA DAY 2014

SUNDAY JANUARY 26th

7.30-11am

DRAKESBROOK PLACE & MEMORIAL HALL

**7.30 - 9.30am Lions Club Breakfast
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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Regular Meetings

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Mondays 4pm Scout Guide Hall, Fouracre Street
(Excluding public holidays.)

Agricultural Society

3rd Thursday—Alison Birch 9733 1092

Central Districts Axemen's Assoc.

Linda Miller 9733 2098

Clifton Cwilters

Fortnightly 10am Tuesdays 9739 1484

Community Car

Waroona Resource Centre - 9733 2545

Coolup CWA

2nd Monday

Coolup Craft Group

Wednesdays CWA Room, Coolup 9530 3258

Coolup LCDC (Landcare)

1st Monday of the month Kim Wilson 9733 2628

Coolup Progress Association

1st Thursday of each month 10 am Coolup Hall

Bev Alexander 0407 381 281

Dam Spinners

Fortnightly CWA Rooms, Yarloop

Joy Jackson 9733 1810

FRAGYLE (Preston Beach Hall)

3rd Saturday Monthly Hilary Wheeler 9733 1219

Lake Clifton/Herron Progress & Sporting Association

1st Tuesday—Tracey Timmins 0427 442 781

Lake Clifton Landcare

1st Tuesday - 7:30pm Fiona O'Connor 9739 1727

Nulsen Haven

2nd Wednesday – Jan Wood 9733 3701

Preston Beach Progress Assoc.

1st Saturday 10:00am

Really Really Free Markets

Every 3rd Saturday Memorial Hall

Senior Citizens Welfare

Last Wednesday - Jan Wood 9733 3701.

Hall Hire: Shire Office 9733 7800

South Mandurah Al-Anon Group

Every Monday at 10am

Uniting Church, 2 Rees Place, Wannanup

St John Ambulance

3rd Monday 7:30pm - Carol Racco 9733 2122

Tai Chi—Pisconeri Hts Park

Thursday, 10 am – Del Leahy 9733 1201

Wagerup Community Consultative Network

For information contact Tom Busher

at Alcoa on 9733 8768

Waroona Arts and Crafts Centre

Bi monthly, 1st Monday 11:30am - 9733 3086

Waroona Historical Society

3rd Thurs 4:00pm

Debra Tyler 041 7 70 5 966

Waroona Lions

2nd & 4th Monday—Grant Hewett 9733 2903

Waroona Hamel R&SL

1st Mon in Feb(AGM), May, Aug & Nov

Frank Wood 9733 1371

Waroona Pensioner's Social Club

1st Wednesday—Dot Hansen 9733 1892

Waroona State Emergency Service

Training every Wednesday. 9733 1477

ST MARK'S ANGLICAN CHURCH WAROONA

Normal Services are held on the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:00am and on the 4th Sun. at 10:30am.

Rev Julie Baker
Pinjarra 9531 1248

WAROONA CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP - AOG

Services 10am Sundays (except 3rd Sun each month then 5 pm) at the Senior Citizens Centre, Millar St.

We are a local church in our community. We have mid-week small groups, great worship, children's ministry, Bible based teaching and prayer for the sick. You are welcome to attend.

Info: Ps Stephen Griffiths 9593 6717

WAROONA CATHOLIC CHURCH Waroona/Yarloop Mass Times:

Waroona: Sundays at 8.30am

Yarloop: Second and Fourth

Saturday of the Month at 6pm.

Parish Priest: Father Jay Johnson

Ph: 9733 1225

Email: warcathpar@amnet.net.au

UNITING CHURCH

Thatcher Street, Waroona

Worship Services

& Sunday School

Each Sunday at 9:30am

A warm welcome is extended to all.

Elders: Rob & Charlotte Bruce

Phone: 9733 1018

Minister Robbie Jetta

0478 243 765

WELL OF LIVING WATER

Meetings at 7 Butler Retreat Waroona

7 pm every 2nd Friday

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Nation from 2 Chronicles 7v14

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THE SALVATION ARMY

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Meeting at Waroona Community

Resource Centre

10 Henning Street, Waroona

EVERYONE WELCOME

Contact: Shirley - 9733 1842

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

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|---------------------------|-----------|
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| ☎ Fire Brigade | 000 |
| ☎ Ambulance | 000 |
| ☎ State Emergency Service | 000 |
| ☎ Waroona Taxi | 9733 1481 |
| ☎ Water Corp (faults) | 13 13 75 |
| ☎ Western Power (faults) | 13 13 51 |

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SHIRE OF WAROONA **NOTICE OF MEETINGS 2014**

The Council of the Shire of Waroona will hold its Ordinary Council meetings on the following dates during 2014

18 February, 25 March, 22 April, 27 May, 24 June
22 July, 26 August, 23 September, 28 October, 25 November
December (To be advised)

Meetings will be held at the Waroona Shire Council Chambers, rear of 52 Hesse Street, Waroona commencing at 4.00pm.

Members of the public are welcome to attend.

IAN CURLEY
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



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Lions Farmers **Market**

The next Farmers Market will be on Sunday, February 2nd at the Memorial Hall from 8am till noon.

We have had a few recent markets where the weather has been unfavourable, so lets hope February will get us off to a good start for 2014. Don't forget that it can be a 'Catch 22' situation :- Stall holders turn up in droves, but the weather is a bit windy, so people stay at home. Stall holders think it is not worth coming to Waroona. The following month is fine, so people go to the markets, only to find there are not many stalls.

If you want the Markets to continue, you **HAVE TO GIVE IT YOUR SUPPORT** as a Community.



We hope you enjoyed the Ashes Test series being held in Perth

recently. You may have read an article in the West Australian on Tuesday 10th December regarding the source of clay for cricket wicket pitches in WA and around the world. But if you didn't, the article headline read "Harvey Clay puts fear into English batsmen." For those of you who don't know, the clay is sourced from our own Shire – the Waroona Shire and is gathered from farming land or Vacant Crown Land along the Harvey River. We always roll our eyes that Waroona is never mentioned in these articles – it's always Harvey Soil, Harvey Loam, Harvey Clay etc.

Well here's the proof – from our photographic archives, we have well known locals Cam Stacey and his son Peter and wife Jenny Stacey, crushing, sifting, bagging in the 1970's and 1980's. Also employed in the crew were Shane and Jenny Birch. Peter said "It was heavy, hot work, with the average bag weight was about 100kg - this equalled about 10 bags to the tonne. Between 600 and 700 tonnes were bagged each January. In the 1960's and 1970's Murray Maff had the general contract to supply soil to the WACA. Neil and Gary Birch would

HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS



Cam Stacey sifting clay

truck these bags all over the state. Most deliveries to the Perth grounds and Waroona rail station. The bagging crew would often be working through heatwaves of 40 plus standing on black dusty soil. I would drink up to 7 litres of water on these hot days. Graham Styles and his crew bagged the soil for many years before we started. Though I do think demand peaked during our time at over 700 tonnes or 7000 bags. We worked a 10 hour day with no days off and tried to bag 500 bags a day, our best day was round 600 bags. In the 1980's Jim Hull's Waroona Contracting took over the general contract and bulk carting of soil started in the late 80's and 90's. About his time Chris Brett took over bagging,

with Waroona Contracting doing bulk soil deliveries."

For a period, the soil for the WACA pitch was sourced elsewhere and after time lost the mineral and physical properties required to keep a good wicket and produce the famous "bounce" that the WACA is renowned for.

WACA curator at the time, Cameron Sutherland turned back the clock when he was introduced to Waroona wicket soil by Rodney Davis around the year 2000 and recommenced sourcing clay from the Waroona area. The surface expands when wet, allowing the couch to survive, and contracts when compacted and dry forming a rock hard surface that cracks and keeps the visiting teams on their toes. The rest, they say, is history - Our History!

The museum will be open most Sunday mornings between 10am and 12noon after New Year. If you can't make it to the museum on a Sunday, please contact Glenece Walmsley or Debra Tyler and we can arrange to open at another time.

Finally we wish all members of our community a happy and joyous festive season and look forward to what the year ahead will bring.



Clay being loaded into the sifter, bagged in the foreground.

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HOME OF THE MONTH-

**14 Hair Street
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\$499,000

Office Opening Hours

**In the December Despatch the office hours were incorrect
for the Christmas Period.**

Office will be re-opening at 8.30am on Monday 30th December 2013

**Office will be closed for New Years Day and re-opening at 8.30am
on Thursday 2nd January 2014**

**Annee, Deb, Kelly, Nina & Haylee would like to wish
everyone a healthy, wealthy and wise 2014**



Annee Smith
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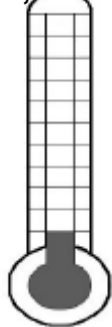
Nina Scott
Administration Officer



Haylee Yeomans
Receptionist

WDHS CHAPLAINCY BAROMETER

\$12,000



We are starting another new year and we also have a new target which is \$12,000.00. A little more than last year but we are confident that we will be able to achieve this target once again this year with the generous support of the school

community, local churches, local community members, local businesses and the very hardworking fundraising committee members. Many thanks to the people who continue to support us with collecting old mobile phones and recycling them in the collection boxes which are located at the Waroona Post Office and the Waroona District High School's front office. We have nearly reached our target but still need to continue to collect your old mobiles to achieve the highest possible payment and to keep them from going to the tip. Our Term Deposit has increased to \$46,129.49 after interest was added.

CONGRATULATIONS



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on your
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Birthday Wishes For January 2014

Happy Birthday to these people who celebrate their birthday this month:

Beppi Magro
Daphne Abbott
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New Pastor Arrives in Waroona



My name is Phill Brewster and I am a semi-retired Minister of Religion, having spent the past 42 years in ministry across North Australia. The last 28 years in the Kimberley, based in Derby (20 years) and in Broome (8 years).

A recent move has been made to

Waroona (14 Eastcott St) following the sad passing of my wife, with severe liver cancer, 11 months ago. It is good to be able to continue in ministry from North Dandalup to Busselton to encourage small local churches and also to continue Christian involvement in the Kimberley. Five trips have been made in the past six months back to the Kimberley; to Broome, Derby, Fitzroy Crossing and Halls Creek, to conduct funerals, a wedding, involvement in conventions and special meetings.

I trust everyone has had a good and blessed Christmas and that Christ was the centre of all celebrations. Truly it was a day to remember Him, for without Christ there would be no Christmas. The three wonderful names given to Him at His birth were; "Christ – the chosen one," "Jesus – the Saviour," and "Immanuel – God with us."

May God be with you today and throughout the New Year.
Pastor Phill Brewster.



Waroona Creative Arts Centre

Ladies in our Arts and Crafts groups ended the year on a high note with our Christmas lunch held at the centre. Thanks go to the ladies of the Social Committee for their decorations and games. There were handmade prizes for the lucky ones who could make the most words with letters pulled out of a box. Believe me, x, p, h, z came up before other letters which we would have preferred! After a delicious lunch we joined in carol singing in fine voice!

We resume on Monday 6th January and would be very happy to welcome new members to start our 2014.

Nola Turner

NULSEN.

WELL DONE WAROONA.

Many thanks to all the very generous people that supported our Xmas Raffle, we did very well, this money goes to a very good cause and it is greatly appreciated.

The Raffle Winners were:

1st prize Red Ticket C28 - M Butterly,
2nd Orange Ticket D78 - Julie Wilson,
3rd Blue Ticket C92 - Jan Lepper,
4th C86 - Terry.

Congratulations to all the winners. We had our Xmas Dinner at the Country Cafe[^]. This was wonderful, we all enjoyed it very much, Thank you Chad and his helpers who made this a truly enjoyable day. Happy New Year, everyone and thanks for your support.

(Secretary) Jan Wood.

Letter -Re: -THE CHRISTMAS HOUSE

Thank you, Hazel, Keith and Darren for yet another beautiful Christmas display. Each year we look forward to experiencing the warm welcome and to see the ever-changing Christmas scenes. What must it be like for the young children? They must think they are in Wonderland – and they are! Thank you also to Jean, Christine and Michelle and all the workers who serve the meals. Thank you to Rod and the other entertainers – you complete a wonderful evening. In all – THANK YOU! - Nola Turner

SENIOR CITIZENS

Well, here we are again, the end of another busy year, where does it all go? Many thanks to Drakesbrook Hotel/Motel for our Xmas Lunch, it was very nice. Hope everyone had a great Xmas and are looking forward to a safe and healthy New Year. Our next meeting will be held on the last Wednesday of January at Senior Citizens Hall in Millar St. If you are new to town and you are a Senior, come along and join us, you are most welcome, the meeting starts at 1.30pm. and afternoon tea is provided. HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL
(Secretary) Jan Wood

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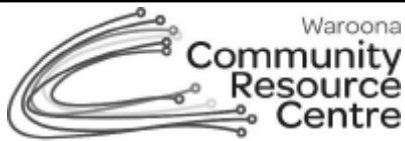
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Kelly Norris - Manager

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Waroona Community Resource Centre are happy to announce that Mandurah Podiatry are now visiting the Centre once a month. They have been on board since November servicing the Waroona Community. To make an appointment with the Podiatrist please call their office on 95359143.



Family Support Service

Our Service is to support families and individuals within the community. We work to empower families and individuals to enhance their own abilities, so they can acquire the skills, knowledge and self-confidence to manage their own day to day lives. We are committed to providing a quality service to those living in the areas of Waroona, Harvey and Yarloop and operates out of the Resource Centres. Call 9733 2902 to make an appointment or email: waroonaafss@zoho.com We are a confidential, free service.

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ALCOA WAROONA SUSTAINABILITY FUND

A new committee has been formed to oversee the management of the Alcoa Waroona Sustainability Fund (AWSF). Members include – Shire: Cr Christine Germain and Mr Ian Curley (Chairperson), Alcoa: Mrs Beth Butler and Mr Tom Busher, community: Mr Mike Walmsley and Mrs Maree Ellis.

The committee oversee 2 funds which currently total \$1.276m. A corner stone of the AWSF is to achieve long-term sustainable outcomes for the region surrounding the Wagerup Refinery with a focus on the towns between, and including, Waroona, Lake Clifton, Preston Beach, Nanga Brook, Wagerup and Hamel.

As part of the function of the committee it aims to identify important activities or projects that are being considered by local groups and organisation in the above areas.

Local groups and organisations are invited to make a submission to the AWSF Committee outlining their potential projects or programs over the next 5 years. This will form a basis for the Committee to understand the needs of the community and consider funding rounds from the AWSF. Submissions are to be categorised into:

- a) projects in the \$5,000- \$100,000 range, and;
- b) projects larger than \$100,001.

Projects may be infrastructure based (eg new buildings or extensions, plant and equipment) or program based (eg ongoing commitment to deliver a specific service to a target group).

For further information on what level of detail is required a guideline form is available on the Shire of Waroona website www.waroona.wa.gov.au or from the Shire Office, Hesse Street, Waroona phone 9733 7800.

Information is required to be lodged at the Shire office by no later than Monday 3 February 2014.

Please lodge your submission to:Alcoa Waroona Sustainability Fund
PO Box 20, Waroona 6215, or
warshire@waroona.wa.gov.au



CORAL'S CHARITY KNITTERS

Thank you ladies for another busy and rewarding year. We had our Christmas morning tea on

12 December. Everyone brought a plate of goodies to share. Fay and Nola have been busy crocheting rugs for Wheel Chair for Kids.

Guest speakers were welcomed this year and they didn't go away empty handed: House of Hope – 17 Beanies and 5 rugs. St Joseph's School – rug to raffle. St Vincent de Paul – 25 scarfs and 7 rugs. Salvation Army – 11 rugs, 3 scarfs and 36 beanies. Strong Angels – toiletries, clothes and bed linen donated by our members and people of Waroona.

Other recipients of our industrious members were:

Men's shed coming soon - Calling all Men

The Waroona Community Men's Shed steering committee was formed 6 months ago and has been very busy with the planning of its opening. The shed, at the Marchetti pavilion on the Waroona Showgrounds, will be for men of all ages and the committee are endeavouring to have it up and running come March 2014. The objective of the Men's shed will be to provide an outlet for men to meet, socialise, share and utilise their skills to further enhance their journey in life. The committee still have lots to organise but recently ran a competition with the Waroona District high School Yr8-10 students to design a logo for the shed. The committee chose two great logos, congratulations to Sophie Brown and Monica Oriol, your designs will be incorporated into one to form the logo that will define the Waroona Community Men's Shed. As the committee moves into the New Year they will be calling for prospective members to join the shed. The committee are also looking for anyone who has unwanted carpentry or metal work tools and machines that they would like to donate to the new Waroona Community Men's Shed. For membership enquires or to make a donation of tools or machines please contact the committee via email: waroona@mensshed.net or post, PO Box 37 Waroona 6215.

Princess Margaret Hospital- 5 Jumpers, Peel Hospital- 106 baby beanies, Royal Flying Doctors- 7 scarfs, 14 jumpers, 29 beanies, 2 teddies, Pam Corker House Fete- 10 rugs, Pat Thomas House- 18 teddies, 18 rugs, Community Car- 5 rugs, Palliative Care Peel Hospital- Single bed crochet rug.

As you can see from the information above we have been very busy during 2013. Lois has been busy sewing up squares. I have come home with another 230 squares knitted by a 90 year old lady who lives in St James. I will also be kept busy sewing up squares. These will be made into another rug for Palliative care. A big thank you to 3 ladies of Waroona who have been knitting the baby beanies. This is an ongoing project. Thanks to everyone who donated wool. We will be glad to receive more. We will recommence at the Library 9th January 2014. Thank you, Coral Culling

ST VINCENT de PAUL

The winners of our Christmas Hamper Raffle held on 13th December were:

1. Keith Landwehr (Christmas Hamper)
2. Peter Fry. (Set of Carving Knives)
Mrs D Russell drew the raffle for us on her way into IGA for which we thank her. Also our thanks to all of our supporters who stopped and bought tickets although it was a very hot The Shop will be open over the holidays except for a few days over the Christmas/New Year period. A big thank you goes to our willing volunteers who work in the shop; they are an enthusiastic group and would love to welcome any one who would like to join them. Welfare is in recess until the first week in February. If you are encountering problems visit the Community Resource Centre and see the Family Support Officers. We hope that you have all enjoyed a Happy Christmas and that the New Year will bring joy and prosperity.

Community Car

Lucky Number Winners:

Chart 1 winner, Alan
Second, Jill
Chart 2 winner, George
Second, Rob
Chart 3 winner, Cynthia
Second, Sue

Thanks to Russell for washing the car and finishing the firewood.
Betty Derrick.



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**Warren Turner
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WAROONA PENSIONERS SOCIAL CLUB

Here we are into a new year. Where did the last one go? Our last get together for 2013 was our Christmas dinner, held at the Waroona Country Café. It was an excellent meal, lots of raffle prizes and much to everyone's surprise Santa made an appearance. It was a very happy occasion and enjoyed by all. One or two of our members were unable to attend due to illness and we hope by now they have fully recovered. As we look forward to the year ahead we will be planning outings and the Committee would very much appreciate any ideas you might have as to where we could go. Bear in mind though, the cost of the bus hire limits the distance we can travel. I think the trip the Seniors organised to Harvey showed us you don't have to travel miles to have a good day out, so put your thinking caps on. The next monthly Bingo is on Friday 31st January. Having had no bingo for nearly 2 months bingo addicts will no doubt be suffering withdrawal symptoms so do come along. Our next Club meeting is on Wednesday 5th February 1.30. p.m. at the Senior Citizens Hall. New members are always welcome.

TAI CHI IN THE PARK

Tai Chi in Pisoneri Park (top of Iseppi St) will resume on Thursday, January 9th. Please note that the starting time is earlier during these hot months – 9.00am. Everyone is welcome to come along and join in this gentle exercise. Please bring a mug for a cuppa afterwards, and \$2 donation to charity. Last year we were thrilled to donate over \$1000. See you at Tai Chi, 9.00am Thursdays. Del Leahy.

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part of our recruitment drive, we held a Recruitment Information Session and Open Night held on Tuesday 19 November. I am extremely happy to say that we had 15 people at the session. They heard from three of our Ambulance Officers on what it is like to be a Volunteer and Ken Hart our Community Paramedic regarding training. Out of those 15, three put in their application forms the next day and two of those Tom and Mike as well as an existing Trainee, Julie, completed the Introductory Ambulance Care Course on Saturday 30th November and Sunday 1st December. This intrepid trio will be completing the last three weekends between now and the end of January to gain their Primary Ambulance Care qualification

and will become important members in our dedicated team. However, whether Ken, Andy and I survive getting them through the PAC course is another matter! Questions! So many questions!!

We also have three or four that are extremely interested and we are waiting for them to submit their applications (hint hint).

I would just like to say a very big thank you to those members of the community that came along and listened to what we had to say. An even bigger thank you to those that have applied or will be applying to become a Volunteer Ambulance Officer at Waroona. I would also like to thank the Waroona Police for coming along and supporting us in our endeavour to recruit more people and for providing the light entertainment. Our Sub Centre still requires more Volunteers and we will be continuing to get the message out there. **YOUR LOCAL ST JOHN AMBULANCE NEEDS YOU!** Don't get complacent and think that needing an ambulance

will never happen to you. Help us to keep this vital service up and running by becoming a Volunteer Ambulance Officer. Speaking of the Waroona Police... If you had seen the local boys in blue during November you may have noticed the faces full of hair that they are growing as part of "Movember". With their "Mo's" the guys helped to raise vital funds and awareness for prostate and testicular cancer and male mental health. I have to say that some of those moes were quite scary and I'm glad to see that they have been shaved off. By the time you read this the festive season will be well and truly over and here's hoping that it has been uneventful for our Volunteer Ambulance Officers and other emergency services personnel. On behalf of St John Ambulance Waroona I would like to wish you all a wonderful and happy New Year and we hope that the coming year brings you all good health and happiness.

Judy Chalmers
AAC Officer

GIVE WAY TO EMERGENCY VEHICLES



Information You Should Know.

Did you know that every **4 minutes** an emergency vehicle uses lights and sirens on Western Australian roads to assist someone in a life threatening situation?

As a Volunteer Ambulance Officer, one of the most frustrating things I have come across is vehicles not giving way to the ambulance when we are using lights and sirens. As it says above, we only use lights and sirens when we are going out to a patient that may be in a **LIFE THREATENING** situation or we may already have the patient on-board in a critical condition. Regardless of where you are driving, please keep checking your mirrors, keep your music turned down to a suitable level so that you can hear sirens and don't try to outrun us. It only causes more problems for us as we try to give our critical patient a smooth but quick trip to hospital.

How do you recognize an emergency vehicle? Any vehicle with flashing blue or red lights can be an emergency vehicle. The most common emergency vehicles you may come across are – Ambulance, Police or Fire Service.

What do I do when I encounter and emergency vehicle while I am driving? **DON'T PANIC! DON'T SLAM ON THE BRAKES!** Check where the emergency vehicle is coming from and give way to it if safe to do so. Move to the left if you can. **If you cannot move left, slow down or stop and let the emergency vehicle drive around you.**

Can I break the law to give way to emergency vehicles, for example, driving through a red light? No you cannot break the law to give way to an emergency vehicle.

Can I be penalized for not giving way to emergency vehicles? **YES!** It is an offence not to give way to an emergency vehicle.

"FAILURE TO GIVE WAY TO AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE"

The fine is **\$150** and **four demerit points** however the incident can be dealt with by infringement or by summons to court. Depending on the circumstances, the vehicle may be **impounded**. Waroona Police have stated that they will support any reports received by your local Volunteer Ambulance Officers or Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade members and **WILL** prosecute if required. Is dangerous driving worth the consequences? Please remember:

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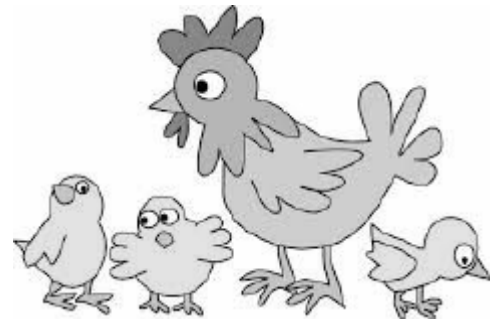
Today is Friday 27th and despite a special time of the year it makes no difference to the lifestyle and activities for chooks of the Chookyard Farmer. They are still laying, on average, seven eggs per day and my daughter Caitlin took back to Perth four dozen eggs for herself and workmates, after coming home for a special Christmas Lunch. This time last year we were enjoying 10 days in Vietnam being overseas for Christmas celebrations for the first time and from now on we will need help from a friend or neighbour if we are away on leave to look after the chooks. We lost an old bird due to natural attrition and travelled to Stratham near Capel for two young pullets since the last edition. We also have three watering points in chookyard and we are lucky so far this summer we have only had one really hot spell. It impacted on the chooks dropping back to four eggs per day. The only treat the Eccles have received is fresh meadow hay



from this season which is soft bedding and ideal as a nest for eggs. Naturally I received chook magazines and a book from my sister, Gay "Keeping Pet Chickens". It states bring your garden to life and enjoy the bounty of fresh eggs from your own flock of happy hens. Another different source of bedding is Mini-Hemp which is made from the woody core of environmentally grown fibre hemp. It makes an excellent compost and when added to the garden makes brilliant mulch according to the "Garden Guru" article. The chooks continue to enjoy free range for one to two hours late afternoon and have made a mess of woodchip pathways and have destroyed a couple of attempts at growing sweet corn were also devoured by the chooks. Will need to worm them in the near future to ensure all nine remain healthy. My wife Mary Ann and I enjoy sharing housekeeping duties and another different sight was pink galahs and ibis sharing the grains or green grass shoots in one big happy bird environment. Even the neighbours' young steers have been fascinated by the activity in and around the chook yard. Significantly a Rooster Tin/Metal Sculpture at the front of our property demonstrates where the home of the Chook yard Farmer is located.

Love the different choices of Bacon and Eggs, Boiled Eggs and my daughter Caitlin cooks a mean fluffy scrambled eggs version. Fortunately we have not had a visit by either a dog or foxes since the last edition and conduct nightly checks to fully secure chooks in the mobile pen. They have become well trained and just before dark quite often wander back to the chookyard and also put themselves to bed in the mobile pen. The only part of the project is for Robert to build a Chook House with re-cycled material when he has a spare moment in 2014. "Keeping Pet Chickens" states chickens make great pets and collecting the freshest of eggs every day courtesy of your own hens. A lot of local people do have chooks but depending on location foxes can be a problem and may be off putting. Best wishes for 2014 and hope you receive lots of protein from your chooks.

Chook yard Farmer Ken



WAROONA LIBRARY BOOK CLUB

Since early December we have been in recess and indulging in free reading. Our first meeting for 2014 will be on 22nd January at 12 noon

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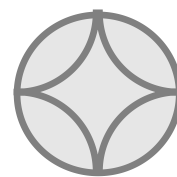
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Backyard Buddies

Your monthly guide to animal and plant pests, diseases and weeds

On the road

With many people going long distances by car over Christmas it is worth remembering pests and diseases can hitch a ride with travellers and subsequently introduce new threats to agriculture and the environment in previously clean areas. By following a few simple rules, everybody can assist in minimising the risk.

When driving

Weed seeds, tiny insects and fungus spores easily lodge in clothing, footwear and vehicles. By this means they may be carried from state to state. Before re-entering Western Australia from interstate it is important to wash down the car, brush any plant debris from the interior, shake the mats and check the grill. Ensure shoes are free of soil, and check socks because grass seeds and burrs in particular tend to catch in them. Felt hats also are attractive to bristly seeds, so cotton or leather headgear is preferable. Examine vehicles inside and out for insects. If all this diligence seems like overkill, consider the worst case scenario if new pests and diseases were accidentally brought into a region such as Margaret River. Pierce's disease, spread by sap-sucking insects, takes from one to four years to kill a grapevine. Phylloxera, a small aphid which may travel with the unwitting help of human beings, can devastate a vineyard. If either pest became established in the south-west there would be huge losses to the wine industry, the tourism market and the lifestyle of residents and local visitors.



Farm stay

Whether someone books farm accommodation or arranges to visit family or friends who own a rural property, it is vital to appreciate the importance of farm biosecurity. Before moving from one property to another make sure to clean vehicles, footwear and clothing as described above. Most farms have a wash-down facility. However, specific biosecurity issues



may exist within different parts of just one farm. Upon arrival ask the owners whether any paddocks are out of bounds. In the south-west, three-horned bedstraw (*Galium*



tricornutum), a serious weed of grain crops, is the target for eradication on just two farms. As the infestations are confined, eradication is feasible. But a visitor wandering through an isolated paddock could undo all the good work achieved so far.

Picnic waste

All Australian states and territories have quarantine regulations restricting fruit and vegetables from crossing their borders. There are minor variations from state to state, but

generally it is wise to assume that no fresh produce should be carried. Driving within WA, however, there is something else to bear in mind. Avoid throwing unused fruit or the remains of half-eaten pieces into the bush or on the roadside. This food may decompose without harming the environment but during the process it could attract fruit flies, enabling them to migrate into previously free areas.

Place all food waste into plastic bags, then into rubbish bins.

Be alert

For decades children caged in the back seat have played "I spy with my little eye" to alleviate the boredom of long journeys. Now there is a more serious game of visual observation that everyone can indulge in while on the road or relaxing at camp sites. Look out for unfamiliar birds, because they could be invasive species which it may be possible to eradicate if detected early.

European starling (*Sturnus vulgaris*) and sparrows (*Passer domesticus* and *P. montana*) are high on the list of unwelcome avian guests. Report sightings by ringing the Pest and Disease Information Service on Freecall 1800 084 881. Children who spot and report a new bird, animal or insect pest to PaDIS during the holiday break will be rewarded with a Pest Detective kit, which includes a sample jar, hat band and magnifying glass. Take a photograph of the suspicious beast and note the exact location.

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**Letter -Re: - Community
Breakfast**

Thank you to the Waroona Shire for a great breakfast for the Community Volunteers. Scrambled eggs – yum what a great idea

I spoke with several of our Councilors and asked them to think about putting in each month a profile of themselves and what their hopes and plans were for the town of Waroona and a little about their areas of special interest. For newcomers to the town it would be good if they could learn something about our shire councilors.

Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year to all.

Coral Culling.

Letter Re : -SHARKS

Sharks were in the ocean when dinosaurs ruled the earth. On land and in the sea nature has predators and prey. This is nature's way of keeping a balanced system on the planet. On the land human beings have destroyed the natural balance. Many animals have been made extinct by the billions of human beings who want everything and have no respect for nature. Now human beings are turning their attention to the seas. Whales have nearly become extinct. Now sharks are our focus. In Asian waters and in what are effectively Australian waters tens of thousands of sharks have their fins cut off and are thrown back into the sea to die.



Chinese people have to have shark fin soup. Australia has a good policy of protecting endangered species of sharks. Colin Barnett has now decided to cull sharks to protect surfers and surf board makers. Colin stated the silent majority backed him. The chance of a person being killed by a shark is probably about one in a million. The chance of a person being killed in a car accident is two or three in a hundred. Sharks have been in the ocean for an estimated one hundred million years. Surfers have been in the ocean, excluding Hawaii for about seventy years. They now believe the ocean belongs to them. Up until recent times we went into the ocean in things called boats. Sharks did not kill people in boats. Now swimmers and surfers who want to into the deep sea believe sharks are ruining their lifestyle. I am one of the silent majority who does not back culling of sharks.

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QUAMBIE PARK NEWS

A very Happy 2014 to everyone from all the Residents, Clients and staff at Quambie Park Waroona Inc. 2013 has been another year of wonderful memories and special friendships.

Lions Club donation improves the comfort of Pam Corker House residents.

We would like to thank the Lions Club of Waroona in conjunction with the Australian Lions Foundation for a recent generous donation of \$5,400 to enable the purchase of 3 Special Purpose Chairs. The chairs as shown in the photo are specifically designed to support residents in a safe and comfortable manner enabling individual's mobility to stay connected and involved in day to day activities and social events. As a community not for profit organisation, we are extremely grateful and appreciative of the Lions Club ongoing support to improve the lives of Waroona Older residents.



Photo. Janet Fiorenza- Pam Corker House Facility Manager along with staff, Waroona Lions Club representatives and residents utilising the donated chairs

Pilot Work Inspiration Program

Quambie Park Waroona in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce and Industry WA and Waroona High School have developed a Pilot Work Inspiration Program, this program is designed to

showcase what Quambie Park can offer students as work experience. The program will allow students to gain exposure to a career in healthcare. Interested students would have the option of staying on to complete a longer job-shadowing placement or internship which could lead to a traineeship. The organisation kick started the program on 5 December 2013 when 4 year 9 students spent the day with staff to gain an understanding on what we do. This Pilot- Work Inspiration Program as an ideal starting point for local students to experience a real work environment and what it is like to work in a "service team driven industry" and build relationship with customers. The interaction that students gain from Quambie Park staff and residents/clients is a wonderful platform for any future workforce job role within or out of the aged care / healthcare industries.

Safety in the Workplace

Maintaining a safe environment and promoting and maintaining a safe work culture are key strategies for Quambie Park residents/clients, staff and management and extends from Pam Corker House through to staff working in clients' individual homes providing home-care. To assist the promotion, monitoring and improvement in our work environments the organisation employs a part-time Health and Safety Officer. This is a dynamic and challenging position with everyday offering variety in problem solving, relationship management and decision making. So who is the person behind this role?. **Sharon Cools**, after having successfully completing her Certificate IV in Mental Health during 2012, was eager to take on the Health and Safety Officer position as it offered her ongoing

learning and a the opportunity to shape and promote a safe working environment. Sharon is also undertaking a Certificate IV in Occupation Health and Safety. To date Sharon is supporting the organisation to move towards a "Smoke free environment" by December 2014. December is always a busy time for Quambie Park hosting and engaging in many Christmas Festivities and Events, all of these events could not take place without the continued good will and generous support of our staff, volunteers, families and friends within the Waroona Community. Residents and Clients have seen the Christmas lights, enjoyed Carolling and had many fine dinners and treats. With the Festive Season closing we welcome in the New Year of 2014, and wish everyone a Very Happy and Safe New Year and look forward to working with the Community to continue to promote Positive Ageing for the older people living in and round the Waroona Shire. We would also like to take this opportunity to thanks our numerous donors, all of the donations we receive go towards enriching the lives of the Residents and Clients that we serve, on behalf of them and our Board and Staff: thank you
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Waroona Veterinary News

Skin cancer in animals: Squamous Cell Carcinoma

Yes, animals can get skin cancer too. There are many types of cancer of the skin that pets can get but in this article we will focus on one of the types that are affected by sun exposure: Squamous Cell Carcinoma.

Squamous Cell Carcinoma is the most frequently diagnosed carcinoma affecting the skin in pets. It is most commonly seen in pets that have non pigmented (pink) and hairless skin in areas that are often exposed to the sun. Most often these areas are the tips and edges of the ears, the nose, around the eyes and on the abdomen, prepuce and inguinal (groin) area (commonly in dogs that like to sun bathe). Pets that are short haired, white or have pink skin are most at risk (for example bull terriers). White and grey horses or horses with pink skin on areas such as the nose are also at risk.

Skin changes you need to look out for:

- Areas of colour change
- Scaly & crusty lesions
- New growths or a change in colour or size of an existing growth
- Sores that bleed easily or areas that do not to heal
- An area that your pet is continually licking or scratching. If you notice any of these signs, early intervention is best and often is cheapest. Quite often if detected early, most skin cancers can be easily removed. Most small Squamous Cell Carcinomas can easily be frozen using a histofreezer during a consult or cauterised in the operating theatre (sometimes with only sedation and local anaesthetic). In more extensive cases your pet will require a general anaesthetic. Some animals require large areas of skin to be removed

(commonly on the abdomen). Cats that have been left untreated can lose ears and noses if they are severely affected. So we much prefer to treat these skin cancers when they are little and can be dealt with easily. Quite often if a cat has a severe cancer on their nose it is too late to remove without destroying the cat's quality of life (as the nose may have to be quite drastically resected to remove the cancerous tissue). The best prevention is to limit sun exposure. If your pet is a sunbather you can use pet sunscreen but it best to avoid sun exposure during 10am and 4pm whenever possible. If you notice any changes in your pet's skin get your vet to check it out as soon as possible.

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Waroona Football Club News the the Back Pocket



Waroona Football Club conducted its Annual General Meeting in December and was rewarded by a good roll up. Club stalwart Deb Clancy was elected as President for a third straight term and Joe

Dwyer for his second consecutive term as Vice President.

Clint Dwyer as Treasurer was also re-elected and showed a true commitment to the Demons cause as well as caring for three young children. Other Nominees were Kurt Brown, Rocky Caruso, Colin Clark, Steele Court, Rod Davis, Jasan Hysen, Ken Landwehr, Rhys Newman, Leah O'Connor, Glen Wilson, Ben Wright and Craig Wright. Anthony Snell

First meeting of the year will be conducted on Wednesday 8th January 2014 at 7.00pm and first item on the Agenda will be to select committee members for either portfolio allocation or specific tasks to ensure the club operations run smoothly and to fill the

Secretaries position from either within or outside the current committee. Waroona Show ensured the Football Club will start season 2014 on an even keel financially after completing the Community Night Light Project which required considerable resources. The first night fixture was a local derby against Pinjarra Tigers eventual Premiers which saw a record gate and bar takings for the season so the new season will see several night fixtures programmed to attract more local patrons and supporters. Waroona League Squad completed its in fifth consecutive Grand Final appearance and went down in a gritty performance after leading in the third term by 17 points.

The Club will be considering Strategically several ideas of upgrades for the club and to continue to make the club more family friendly. On a sad note former club President Alan Shepherd (Waroona Pharmacy) from the 1960's passed away in the past fortnight.

Waroona Football Club is proud of its community record and this weekend is the 10th Anniversary of the Tenterden Bush Fires and it is worth noting a small group led by Captain Coach Greg Turner and club legend Jasan Hysen spent three days in the great Southern assisting in fencing

and whatever farm repairs were required. It also included club officials and several colts players.

A small bus was the mode of transport and that trip for a great cause was the start of a decade of Demon spirit and showcased in the past ten years.

Dean Taylor has been re-appointed League playing Coach for season 2014 and Glen Wilson and Rhys Newman joint coaches for the Colts team.

Notable retirements from the Committee was Kevin O'Brien who won best committee person in 2013 and has seconded to the fundraising committee. Dr Margaret Durnan will concentrate on training duties, getting married overseas and running her local chiropractic business.

Sheree Hillier who won best clubman in 2013 is taking a break after managing all three teams last year and taking the minutes at the AGM. Shane Della who is not formally on the Committee will again stock and manage the bar again which is greatly appreciated.

A special thankyou to all valued and loyal local sponsors and best wishes to all for 2014 from Waroona Football Club and we look forward to your continued support.

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Waroona Warriors News from the Twelfth Man



Hello everyone and thank you for reading the article from Waroona Warriors Cricket Club. We hope the Xmas break and the New Year break has

been an enjoyable time for everyone involved.

We would like to thank our sponsors for their support during the season
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We are in the process of establishing a group of ground sponsors at the club where the local businesses can purchase a sign to be hung on the picket fence around the ground to advertise their business and at the same time support Waroona Cricket Club. If anyone is interested please contact Mark Butler on 0419962293 Alternatively Mark will be getting around to all the local businesses in the next couple of weeks in person to have a chat.

Well, the club is going along nicely at this stage with the B Grade sitting in second spot and the E Grade in fifth spot,
We have had a change of captaincy in

the B Grade with Jamie Jovanavich stepping down and 18 yr old Nic Rep taking over. The club wishes thank Jamie and Pam for all the hard work they have done for the club over the years and wish them success in the future. All the best to Nic for taking on the captaincy.

To Karl Rep (father of Nic) thank you for becoming an umpire to help out the Peel Cricket Association and Waroona Cricket Club. If you feel like being an umpire and making some money for a Saturday afternoon then contact the Peel Cricket Association or Waroona Cricket Club.

If you want to check the stats of all the boys at the club or who we beat or where we play next please GOOGLE "mycricket" and type in "Waroona" and it will all be there to see.

The ovals are looking tremendous at the moment thanks to Steve Barnes and his team from the Waroona Shire. Remember if you are looking for somewhere to host a party or function then contact Mark Butler at the club on 0419962293 and rent the clubrooms . The cost is &150.00 a night and \$150.00 bond paid back if there is no damage.

Many thanks to the Dodds family for their continued support of Waroona Cricket Club from running the bar to preparing the pitch to playing on Saturdays.

Also many thanks to our secretary Peter Reynolds for his support and wonderful afternoon tea that is

renown around the Peel Cricket Association.

To the players thank you for your support and keep getting behind each other and continue the push for a second B Grade flag in a row and if that does happen then Waroona Cricket Club will almost definitely be promoted back to the A Grade where we belong and what has been our aim to achieve for the past 3-4 years.

In Febuary we plan to hold an adults only Quiz night, as a fund raiser for the club. We will let you know more details as soon as we work them out. Thank you for reading this article and for supporting The Drakesbrook Despatch and lots and lots of thanks to the editor Mike Whitney and his band of helpers.

Twelfth Man
Mark Butler



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A successful 2013 was had at Waroona Playgroup with many new families joining our group. Lots of familiar faces continued to support and enjoy the many play activities on offer. We hosted several special events over the year, including a visit from Scitech. We were awarded a grant and have purchased many new toys of a scientific/sensory nature for the kids to enjoy in the new year. Our AGM was held in November and we've had a change of committee. Kayla Gallop is now the president

replacing Melissa Butler. Kayla and other committee members can be contacted at our new playgroup email address:

waroonaplaygroup@gmail.com

Other committee members for 2014 are Jeanette Stampone, Catherine Stone, Megan LeRoy, Jen Stokes and Kara Mitchell. We are still looking for people to fill some other positions on our committee. Please drop us an email if you are interested or would like more information.

This year we will be trialling new opening hours from 9-11am. Days will still remain the same – Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Playgroup



will reopen when the school term starts. Prices are \$3 per family per casual visit, or \$20 per family for the Term. Insurance/membership to Playgroup WA is \$30 for the year per family and needs to be paid by your second visit. Playgroup is for all children from 0-5 years. It is a great opportunity for you to spend some fun time with your child/ren and to meet other Mums/Dads from the community.

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Waroona Bowling Club News



Hoping that everyone had a very merry and safe Christmas, we look back at a few highlights from December

bowls. The Tuesday Men's Pennants had a very close game in their last encounter before Christmas. They played at Port Bouvard and as always it was difficult conditions. PB was in second place, two and half points behind Waroona. One rink won by 4 points, but the other lost by 5 points, so Waroona lost the aggregate by only one point. They are still holding the top spot by half a point, but with only one away game from the last six games, things are looking good for the Men. The Ladies also lost their final game of the year at Port Bouvard and slipped back to second position. I am sure, however, this loss will make them more determined. The topsy turvy run of the Men's Saturday Pennants continued with a loss at Meadow Springs, but they are still in the top four and hopefully will improve that position. Three young players have returned to the fold - AJ Threlfo, Chris Waide and Vinnie Waide. All three moved to Perth about 6 years ago, but their return has certainly enhanced the Men's Bowls.

Welcome back guys!

The first round of the Bendigo Bank Community Bowls was completed in December. There were many very close games, but the final winner of that competition was 'The Paint Pots'. Lorraine Bawden, Ken Bawden and Jan Grandison were the regular players with a variety of players completing the four. The next competition starts on January 8th and once again will be sponsored by the Bendigo Bank.



Three new ladies have been welcomed to the game of bowls over the last few weeks - Jan Grandison, Lyn Robinson and Helen Oliver. These three played off in the Novices Singles Championship with Helen the eventual winner. Congratulations to all three. Jan Grandison also played in the Championship Triples with her sister Terry Clark and Sandra

Twaddle. After a well contested competition they were the eventual winners. A luncheon was held on the 28th November to celebrate the 80th Birthday of one of our Life Members, June Maughan. Congratulations June from all your friends and the members of the Club.

There is not much respite in January, before it all starts again. Sunday January 5th is the Captains Cup Mixed Open event. Nominations are due now so if you wish to play please head to the Club and nominate. The

Bendigo Bank Community Bowls starts back on Wednesday January 8th and we thank the Bendigo Community Bank for the continued sponsorship.

The Men have the Club Championship Pairs, sponsored by Terry Clark, starting on Sunday, January 12th. Again the nomination form is on the notice board. The Ladies Championship Pairs, sponsored by R P Clark starts on Thursday January 9th. The Ladies

Pennants and the Tuesday Men's Pennants starts up again on January 21st, both with home games. Also the Men's Saturday Pennants start that week on 25th with a home game against Yarloop. That will be worth coming to watch.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Happy New Year and good bowling.



The annual Christmas Light Cruise this year was sensational and provided much joy and Christmas cheer for all involved. The Just Cruizin Street Machiners and other community members invited 20 residents from the Quambie Park complex into their cars to Cruise around the Lights of Waroona. There were 18 cars in the procession full of happy smiling faces, a few Christmas Carols could be heard along with the tooting horns, and gasps of joy and wonder at the beauty

Just Cruizin Christmas Lights Cruise another Great Success

of the lights. We toured through the streets of Waroona and Hamel and were amazed with the effort that residents of the houses went to, to provide such a spectacular display. There were over 25 houses on the route planned around the townships. The judging was performed by the participants in the procession and the winning houses will be awarded their prizes at the Australia Day Celebrations following on from the Premier's Australia Day Award and Waroona Meritorious Awards. We would like to thank Pam Corker Social Club, Home Hardware, the Shire of Waroona and Alcoa for their sponsorship in this event. Mostly we

would like to thank those people for lighting up our town with Christmas cheer and providing nights of joy and wonder for many families and the residents in the Quambie Park complex.

If you are interested in joining the Just Cruizin Street Machiners or wish to be involved in the Australia Day Breakfast and Drive Celebration please ring 0418 936 952, we welcome new members.



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