



## *Wandi Progress Association News*

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The WPA started the year with a bang. At the Australia Day celebrations outside the Council Chambers, the Wandai Progress Association was presented with the “**City of Kwinana Premier’s Australia Day Active Citizenship Award for 2012 Community Group or Event of the Year**”. After 25 years of hard work, it was great to be finally recognised. Six members of the 2012 committee were on hand to receive the Award.

Top photo: left-right Wayne Tentori, Debbie & Rod Cocks



Bottom photo left-right Rod Pattinson, Janet Carr & Les Whiddett

### **WPA MEETING DATES 2013**

20 Mar / 17 Apr / 15 May / 19 June / 17 July / 21 Aug / 18 Sept / 16 Oct / 20 Nov / Dec (tbc)

## **WPA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2013**

### **The new committee elected for 2013:**

**President:** Rod Pattinson  
**Vice Presidents:** Les Whiddett, Rod Cocks  
**Treasurer:** Peter Hegarty  
**Secretary:** Janet Carr  
**Committee Members:** Chris Barnes, Robyn Carter, Debbie Cocks, Rod Cocks, Debbie Tentori, Wayne Tentori and Ken Workman

The AGM was held on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2013 and, as we were under the impression that residents were concerned about law and order, we arranged for a representative from WA Police to address our meeting. so we were a little disappointed in the number of people attending.

A/Snr Sgt Matt Cole from Mundijong Police Station reported that the suburbs east of the Freeway, previously in the Kwinana policing district now came under Mundijong. Residents were concerned that this may result in longer waiting times for police attendance; however Sgt Cole re-assured us that this was not the case. The main points of his talk were

Increase in permanent staffing at Mundijong from 7 to 14. Kwinana and Peel are getting more staff too.

In 2014 a new purpose built police station is scheduled to open in Mundijong.

On board computers and mobile phone technology mean that police cars are like mobile offices. He noted that whilst the public prefer 24 hour police stations, this means that three officers are not out on the road during the busy night shift.

Police officers are supported by mounted police, the canine division, a helicopter and a fixed wing plane.

Crime figures over the last three months indicated 5 burglaries in Wandi (this figure was disputed by a resident).

Routine patrols in our area occur every couple of days.

Honeywood houses are visible from Freeway which may attract more burglars however the current restricted access to the estate may deter them. Thefts have been reported from building sites.

Hoon driving is an issue in most suburbs as is speeding/racing on roads. Five vehicles had been seized from hoons in Mundijong area recently following reports from residents. He noted that 80% of V8 and turbo charged vehicle drivers are given yellow stickers. An average cost of \$2500 to the owner is estimated to bring the vehicle up to the lawful standard.

Police check social media sites as hoons frequently boast of their activities.

People are encouraged to report these activities even if rego not seen. Ring 131 444, Mundijong police station or Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000 or on line at <https://wa.crimestoppers.com.au/>

Information can lead to more traffic calming devices being installed and the use of covert cameras on known “hoon” intersections. Hooning seems to be worse after the Motorplex closes and he advised that there are new policing initiatives being taken at the Motorplex in an effort to reduce this

Residents are encouraged to report the rego number and description of suspicious vehicles seen in the area, these details are kept on the computer and may later be linked with other incidents in the area.

Clandestine drug labs are of great concern and residents are asked to report suspicious activities including strong chemical odours and many vehicles visiting premises for short periods.

Neighbourhood Watch is being replaced by e-Watch. In S-J Shire crime statistics and alerts are available to local residents and successful prosecutions have arisen from information received from the public.

## **RETIREMENT OF OUR EDITOR**

At the AGM Jim Russell resigned from the committee and retired as editor of the Wandi Warbler. Over the last five years Jim has put a lot of effort into improving the quality and quantity of the content of the newsletter. His shoes will be very hard to fill and we are hoping someone will offer to take over the role. Jim was presented with a Certificate of Appreciation at our AGM.



Rod Pattinson (left) presenting the Certificate of Appreciation to Jim Russell.

## **STOP PRESS – MILLIPEDES ARE ON THE MARCH – AGAIN!**

For those looking for a biological solution now is the right time of year to introduce nematodes. For more information try [http://www.bugcentral.com.au/products/millipede\\_control.php](http://www.bugcentral.com.au/products/millipede_control.php)

A few of us are about to try them and will let you know how we go!

## **You're never too old to help on Clean Up Australia Day – 3 March 2013**

From Ned aged 7 to Julius aged 84, residents helped Wandi Progress Association committee members remove rubbish from local roadsides on Clean Up Australia Day. A record thirty four people turned out to help in response to a letter box drop advertising the event. Such a large number of helpers meant we could cover a bigger area. Seventy four bags of cans, bottles, cigarette packets, fast food wrappers etc were picked up. Disappointingly there was a large increase in dumped vehicle tyres and household items such as TVs, microwaves and vacuum cleaners. Many thanks to Satterleys who printed the flyers and provided morning tea and also to the City of Kwinana who so promptly picked up all the rubbish we had collected.



### **Mayor's Corner:**

As always, it is with great pleasure that I provide Wandi residents with an update on City of Kwinana related projects, events and developments.

The year is certainly into full swing now and Kwinana continues to expand at an incredible rate.

We are very close to the grand opening of the City's biggest ever infrastructure project, the \$22m Darius Wells Library and Resource Centre. This new facility will offer patrons a plethora of modern services including a public library, crèche, wireless connectivity, an historical area, function room and a Dome Café. The top floor will house a range of local service providers, utilising the practical office space purpose built for their needs.

The Darius Wells building is the focal point of the City's larger \$340m City Centre Revitalisation program, a plan which is breathing new life into Kwinana and helping attract investment from across the nation.

The scale of our achievements as a community over the past few years was highlighted in January, when WA Premier Colin Barnett visited Kwinana to celebrate the work being undertaken in the City Centre and throughout our suburbs. Mr Barnett congratulated

the Kwinana community on the amazing transformation it had undergone in such a short time, commenting that Kwinana was becoming home to some of the State's most state-of-the-art facilities.

Community spirit continues to be a high priority for us as well, and to this effect we continue to focus on celebrating resident achievements via community awards and grants, and multiculturalism via our Live! Kwinana event series ([www.livekwinana.com.au](http://www.livekwinana.com.au)).

Late last year the City held an important community consultation about the issue of Local Government Reform. The response to this consultation survey was very impressive and clearly demonstrates how passionate our residents are about the governance of the Kwinana community. Of the 1798 respondents, 80% (1440 people) wanted Kwinana to retain the status quo with the remaining 20% (358 people) keen to see the City amalgamate with either Rockingham or Cockburn. When given the choice of 'which would you prefer if amalgamation was no longer avoidable' the community decided by a relatively small majority (56%) that Cockburn was the preferred option.

Following the re-election of the WA Liberal Government, the Local Government Reform process will continue to progress and as always, the City will keep residents informed every step of the way. Amalgamation, both voluntary and forced, is very much still a possibility now, however we will continue to advocate for the best outcomes for Kwinana residents and the south metropolitan region as a whole.

To stay updated on the latest Council news, be sure to visit our website regularly, 'like' us on Facebook, read the local paper and keep an eye on your letterbox for community wide deliveries such as the Spirit of Kwinana newsletter.

**Carol Adams**  
**Mayor of Kwinana**

*Do you have any useful community news such as crime in the area etc? Contact the WPA Secretary Janet Carr on 9410 0982 or [secretary@wandiprogess.org](mailto:secretary@wandiprogess.org)*

**Finally please consider supporting the Wandi Progress Association and Wandi Landcare Group by becoming members – cost of membership is only \$10 and \$5 respectively – Download an application form at [http://wandiprogess.org/resources/WPA2011\\_MEMBERSHIP\\_APPLICATION\\_FORM.pdf](http://wandiprogess.org/resources/WPA2011_MEMBERSHIP_APPLICATION_FORM.pdf)**

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## Happenings at the Hall and Resource Centre

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>Smithy's Boxing Gym - Boxing Training</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Mon – Thurs 5:30 to 7:15pm</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>\$7 per night</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Phone Elaine on 94391078 or Mob 0412404674 Email: <a href="mailto:elliejo@westnet.com.au">elliejo@westnet.com.au</a></p> 	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>WANDI HALL HIRE</b></p> <p>Phone Debbie Cocks on 9410 2009 for further information or bookings</p> 
<p><b>SAVE EQUUS</b></p>  <p style="text-align: right;"><b>Meet at the Magenup Equestrian Centre</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>1<sup>st</sup> Monday of each month, at 7.30pm.</b> <i>All horse lovers are welcome</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>WA SCROLLERS</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Members of the Australian ScrollSaw Network Inc.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Meet every Tuesday morning 9.00am – 12.00</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Where: Clubrooms, Wandi Hall</i> <i>Beginners welcome</i> <i>Contact: Kevin Treasure – 9529 3227</i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>WANDI PLAYGROUP</b></p>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Tuesdays at the Wandi Hall 9:00 – 11:00am</b></p> <p>A delightful group of mums and children meet every Tuesday For further information contact - <b>Christine (President) - 0404 188 438</b> <b>Lisa – 0416 361 262</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>WANDI BOOKCLUB</b></p>  <p style="text-align: center;"><b>2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm</b></p> <p><b>Contact: Marie Tully 9410 0245.</b></p>
<p style="text-align: center;"><b>MARQUETRY GROUP</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Meets: Wandi Community Centre Every Friday 9.00 – 12.00</p> <p><b>Contact: Jim van Brink Ph. 95278501</b> Email. <a href="mailto:Jim.vanbrink@gmail.com">Jim.vanbrink@gmail.com</a></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b>PYROGRAPHY GROUP</b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">Meets: Wandi Community Centre 1st Wednesday of each Month, from 7pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Contact: 0439 113 121</b> <a href="mailto:baggd@inet.net.au">baggd@inet.net.au</a></p>

## WOODTURNING CLUB



All meetings held in  
the Green Workshop  
First & third Thursday of  
the month at 7.00pm  
Wednesday  
Men - 8.00am to 12.00  
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Debbie Cocks - 9410 2009 or Ken Workman -  
93971060 between 9:00am and 5:00pm

## WANDI CRAFT GROUP



1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of  
the month

*A friendly group that meet for a chat  
and participate in a variety of crafts.  
Contact Debbie on 9410 2009*

## OLD TIME FAMILY DANCE



2<sup>ND</sup>  
Saturday  
of each  
month

7.30pm start  
Live Band - Supper supplied - No  
alcohol  
Contact Pat - 9439 2727

## WEST AUSTRALIAN GUILD OF WOODCARVERS INC. WANDI



This branch of the Guild  
meets in the green shed  
every Monday morning  
between 9.00am & 12.00. -  
Beginners or advanced  
welcome.  
Contact- Fred Brewer  
9419 3558

## SOUTHERN DISTRICTS TRITON CLUB

A general woodworking club.  
Beginners welcome.  
Meet every fourth Thursday of the  
month, except December.  
7.30pm at "The Shed" Wand  
Community Centre, DeHaer Road  
Wandi  
Contact - Gary Withers Ph 9593 2317  
Email:  
[SouthernDistrictsTriton@gmail.com](mailto:SouthernDistrictsTriton@gmail.com)

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