

YARLOOP VOLUNTEER BUSH FIRE BRIGADE – SUPPORT GROUP.

(By **BEVAN DELANEY**) The YVBFBSG meets alternate Fridays (Pension week, when I set it up, I set it up to fit my pay days), in the evenings, starting approximately 5.30 pm, at the Fire Brigade premises. We meet for friendship and fund-raising. There is no law that I know of that says you are not allowed to enjoy fund-raising.

The Support Group has been going for nearly twenty years, I think(?), and has raised more than \$20,000 in that time for the Fire Brigade. I have to admit, though, that with the loss of so many of our original members, things are quite slow now. The outings are fewer for various reasons; the health of our members and the health of our funds has something to do with it.

I was selected Social Director at the last AGM, and have been planning a progressive bus-trip lunch for Sunday the 17th August. It is proposed to assemble at the Cabin Restaurant at 10.30, (tea and coffee available for purchase), Embus at 10.45 and travel to Stirling's Cottage for Hors D'Oeuvre (\$7.50), embus at 11.30 and travel to the Parade Hotel in Bunbury for a 3-course Sunday lunch (\$25.00) Soup, Mains, Dessert. 13.00 embus and travel to the John Boyne O'Reilly Memorial Park to walk it off, approximately 20 minutes. 13.45 embus and travel to the Old Coast Road Brewery for sippers (4 types of brew at \$1.50 a sipper) and muffins, cakes, Capel ice-cream for various amounts. 14.30 embus and travel to Wokalup Cheese factory for a tasting and possible purchase of product. 15.30 embus and travel to Wentworth Wines for a tasting and possible purchase of product. 16.50 embus and return to Yarloop Cabin Restaurant at approximately 16.30.

This is the proposal, and there are a few seats available for non-members at approximately \$60.00 per head. Sounds expensive, I know, but read the itinerary

again, and then tell me it is not worth it. If you might be interested in coming along, or joining our group, why not come to our next meeting on 1st August, and try and negotiate, though I must warn you, I spent three years in Asia.

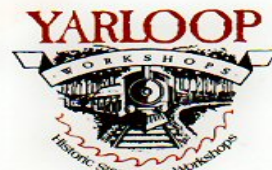
There is a small hiccup though. The Harvey Fire Brigade bus is out of service, and I have to try for another. Also on the Battle-board is a grand-final steam-boat and a Melbourne Cup race, both events to be advised. In the meantime, why not come along and meet some long-time Yarloop people and help raise funds for a good cause – and have fun doing it. I absolutely promise you that you will not be saddled with a job, well not yet anyway.

I WONDER IF HE'S RIGHT

In James Bradbury's 'The Seventh Sacrament', (a mystery novel), he writes of symmetry and he is actually an award – winning architect living in Pennsylvania, and he states, 'The parts of the body are proportionately related to one another. For example the face, as designed by nature is one-tenth the measurement of a man's height. Also the length of the foot is one-sixth the height of a man. If a man stretches his arms straight out horizontally from his body, and if a circle is drawn with its centre of origin at the man's navel, then the circle will inscribe the man's body perfectly, from the bottom of his feet to the top of his head, including the outstretched arms.'

I like chocolate and I think a balanced diet is a 500 gram block of chocolate in each hand.

A Russian couple were discussing the weather. Anna said it was raining and Rudolph, her husband said it was snowing and kept insisting this. Why do you contradict me asked Anna? Her husband replied, "Rudolph, the red, knows rain, dear."



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YARLOOP POLICE NEWS

Greetings to all from the Yarloop Police Station

It has been a hectic few months and I apologise for not meeting recent deadlines for publication.

Firstly, I would like to thank GEOFF BUTCHER for his contribution to policing in our community over the last two years. His contribution cannot be underestimated.

Secondly, I would like to announce and introduce Sergeant LAURIE MORLEY as the new Officer in Charge. Sgt MORLEY has well over 30 years policing experience and many associations throughout the district. He formally commenced on Monday the 28th of July. I won't steal his thunder and will allow him to introduce himself in the next issue.

ISSUES AROUND TOWN

Traffic – New legislation has recently passed for Novice Drivers (previously Learners and Probationary drivers). If anyone is in doubt as to their obligations please contact the Police Station or the department of Planning & Infrastructure. (DPI – 13 11 56).

People continue to ride bicycles around town without helmets. The law is very specific, and no more warnings will be issued, as clearly our efforts are falling on deaf ears. Persons 16y.o and over will receive \$50 infringements and children under 16y.o. will have their bicycles confiscated to prevent commission of a further offence and their parents required to attend the station to recover the bike.

Anti-Social Behaviour – There have been a spate of damage offences and disturbances of late, all by poorly behaved and unsupervised children. This bad behaviour by a handful of children is becoming quite toxic and we have noticed the negative influences on children we have never had problems with before. As parents you cannot abrogate your responsibilities. **KNOW WHERE YOUR KIDS ARE AT ALL TIMES AND BE AWARE OF WHOSE COMPANY THEY ARE KEEPING.**

There are many organisations that can assist those having difficulty with parenting.

To contact us please call on 9733 5001. If we are unavailable leave a message and we will return it, or if it is serious, please call Bunbury Police on 9722 2111 or '000' for emergencies only. Richard Cornelius, Yarloop Police.

YARLOOP HISTORIC WORKSHOPS

STEAM DAYS ARE HELD EVERY SECOND SUNDAY IN EACH MONTH FROM MARCH TO NOVEMBER

Try a traditional roast dinner from the Cabin Restaurant. Phone Yarloop Workshops to book a Group Tour on Ph. 97335215

WORKSHOP MANAGER'S REPORT (By Ron Sackville)

Yarloop P & C have a new president in Trish Yates. Trish is the one who does Homecare on Ph. 97334808 and 0401258522.

For those who are wondering about the BIG AUCTION, it will be held in October. If you have donated goods you will be contacted as soon as possible. For those new in town, we would love to have you join us.

Garry Aitkinson has 5 tons of newspaper he needs help with to tie in bundles. The P & C will benefit by \$95 per ton. Gary has organised many items for our Auction, so he needs help, and we thank you Gary.

Fairbridge Boys have done a great job on our Stage One of lining and insulating the restaurant, which will become our new interpretation centre and the starting point of Professor Dolan's Interpretation and Design Plan. A very large grant has been applied for to carry out this work.

Thanks to Harvey Shire who has generously offered to donate the cost of our building applications and DA fees.

Sadly we have lost our secretary Jeanette Puzey, and Bevan Delaney has resigned from the committee. Thanks to these two people for all the effort they have expended. We encourage local people to nominate for the committee. To nominate you must be a member. The concession rate is \$15 and full rate \$20 pa. This allows you unlimited entry. It is a great way to show our town treasure to family and friends! Forms are available from the Gift Shop.

The long awaited Yarloop DVD is almost here! The cover slick is at the printers. Price is \$20, and can be ordered from the Gift Shop. These will be a great promotion for Yarloop for many years.

A few months ago we advertised some paying jobs around the Yarloop Workshops. Sadly we have had no takers. One of the jobs has since been done by the Fairbridge team.

The Workshops were saved by people almost 30 years ago this year. No other town

has a heritage jewel like we have. Our visitor numbers grow. The Workshops will have a heritage display at the Royal Show this year. We have also had discussion about taking Colin's Steam Tram there in 2009. If you would like to help man our stand (and get free entry) please contact Ron on 97335215. We will be promoting Yarloop to visiting groups. It is pleasing to see our efforts from the Caravan and Camping Show bringing more and more visitors who spend money in our town!

For those interested, the scooter Ron rides is a 125cc, four-stroke that achieves 75 mpg.

The Yarloop Workshops are working with the Festival of Wheels team. A second Steam Day in March 2009, is being planned and will occur subject to available volunteers. A space has been allotted on our website to this event. Our website www.yarloopworkshops.com.au now comes up in the first 10 list on Google!

Enquiries are coming in for the Caretakers' job, however we have delayed finalising the job description until our total needs become clear. There is a short video on our website under 'employment'.

Innovation is coming to Yarloop. One of our new volunteers from Perth who is a retired electronics engineer is working with me to develop a unique handheld multimedia player for self-guided tours when we do not have guides available. Minature solar-powered TV transmitters will transmit our story in key areas throughout the site and the system will also improve our security.

The next Steam Day is Sunday August the 10th. Tell all your friends. We'll see you there. Ron Sackville.

**ON THAT DAY TRY A
TRADITIONAL BAKED DINNER AT
THE CABIN RESTAURANT**

PLEA FROM A PET

If it should be that I grow frail and weak
And pain should keep me from my sleep
Then you must do what must be done
For this last battle can't be won.

You will be sad... I understand
Don't let your grief stay your hand
For this day, more than all the rest
Your love and friendship stand the test

We've had so many happy years
What is to come can have no fears
You'd not want me to suffer so
When the time comes, please let me go.

Take me where my needs they'll tend
Only stay with me until the end
And hold me firm and speak to me
Until my eyes no longer see.

Finally in time you too will see
It is a kindness you do to me

Although my tail its last has waved
From pain and suffering I've been saved.

Don't grieve that it should be you
Who has to decide this thing to do
We've been so close, we two, these years
Don't let your heart hold any tears
*(From the Animal Welfare League
magazine Sept 2005)*

Yoghurt is one of the great healing foods. It has been used successfully for treating yeast infections, easing lactose intolerance, and boosting immunity, and it is stated that there is reason to believe it can prevent ulcers as well. There is live healthy bacteria in every cupful. This healthy bacteria is *Lactobacillus* and *Acidophilus*. There is also the natural sugar of lactose in yoghurt., which turns to lactic acid, and this helps to build healthy environment in the intestines. When buying Yoghurt ensure it includes the cultures named above.

(Con/d from page 14) A Missionary family working in Mozambique had an emergency to contend with. As we know boys will be boys and their 10-year-old son, crashed his bike, smashing his teeth. So? You may ask. Just take him to the dentist. For this young lad it meant travelling across 2 countries, a journey of 5½ hours to a dentist in Malawi. When they arrived the power was off, the pain relieving drugs supplied to the dentist had been stolen and the dentist was a locum.

The lad's parents were hesitant and rushed around to get money to catch a plane to South Africa. (The Baptist Church in Australia provides adequate finances for such a crisis). The plane broke down causing further delays, but when they finally reached a dentist the lad received excellent treatment.

It would have been a different story if the accident had involved a Mozambiquan boy, living in a house down the street. He wouldn't have a bike anyway. But if he had borrowed one, fallen off with a similar result treatment would not have been available.

The contrast between desperate poverty and sufficient resources has painful and practical implications.

OBIT TO AN OLD YARLOOPIAN

This editor bids a final farewell to James 'Dasher' Dearle, an old Yarloopian and a great sportsman who earned his name from his speed and prowess on the football field. Jim was a cleaner and fireman on the locos, and also worked at the timber mill. He was a fine gentleman who would do anything for anyone. Jim was also a resident of Happy Valley for many years and was so good at gardening that people drove around Happy Valley just to look at the lovely gardens that Jim tended with much care. I met 'Dasher' the first day he arrived in town. I was introduced to him by Ted O'Callaghan, who was stationmaster at Yarloop. Ted is Dasher's brother-in-law, and today lives in Perth. So long, Jim, there aren't many of that era left! We who were lucky enough to have lived in Yarloop in those days were privileged indeed.

HAPPENINGS AT THE YARLOOP WORKSHOPS. By Dawn Pitts.

Bunbury Camera Club Tour.

About 20 men and women visited on the 12th July and had booked the day so that they could have morning tea when they arrived at 10.00 am and have a guided tour before lunch at about 12.45 pm, after which they took photos and more photos of the Yarloop Historic Workshops. Many told us that they must return another day as there is so much to see, and photograph. They had afternoon tea and some rushed back in to the museum for a few more shots! It was a great day.

STEAM DAY 13th July 2008

We drove down earlier than usual in preparation for the busy day ahead of us that was combined with opening at 9.30 am. This is to be the normal time for a steam day so that the tours can start at 10.00 am. A couple of motorbike clubs visited with one from Busselton and the other from Bunbury. All told about 200 people went through our museum doors and goodness knows how many ate at the restaurant next door. Between us Geoff and I did 4 tours. As these last about 1½ hours, with us talking most of the time, (I know, I'm good at it) we felt that we had served the public well.

Once again the Steam Men did a great job on informing the tourists on the intricacies of the operating stationary engines. The first engines you see on entering the Steam Shed are totally different. The one on the right-hand-side is a single cylinder stationary boiler. A Tangye Birmingham engine with a 10" bore and 18" stroke and develops 10 HP at 175 RPM.

The one on the left-hand-side is a Bellis and Morcom; this is a 2 stage, double acting air compressor. The first cylinder is 19" and has an 11" bore and a 10" stroke while the 2nd cylinder has a 12" bore and an 8" stroke. The maximum exhaust steam pressure is 40 PSI.

Each stationary steam engine is run by and operated by the steam men of which we have two teams. They have been lovingly restored by the owner Mr Colin Puzey. The steam tram in the running shed was built by Mr Colin Puzey

to a late 1880's NSW steam tram.

On Steam Days, we allow 'the experts' to tell of the stationary engines and ask the groups to wander into the truck shop and learn about the jarrah coffins that were made disassembled and sent in kit form to the eastern states. No doubt the original Ikea. And some folk think its a modern idea.

Another attraction on this special day each month is the availability of John Lerner to show and explain the workings of the pipe organ and on view are the decorated pipes from the organ in St Mary's Cathedral in Perth that came out to WA in about 1886. The Cabin Restaurant provided a variety of food as well as Carmel's famous Roast Dinner.

OUR HEALTH SYSTEM COMPARED TO OTHERS

We hear about the lack of staff in our hospitals and the hours of waiting to receive treatment. Those without Private Health Cover can wait months or years for treatment, suffering much pain and frustration while they wait. Complaining that we live in a Third-World country.

In Malawi, the Third-world standard is vastly different. In one hospital there is one doctor and 4 Clinical Officers, who are like mini doctors. These Clinical Officers perform operations and give anaesthetics.

They have 140 to 180 maternity patients with usually only one qualified nurse on duty at a time. One nurse, on night duty from 5pm to 8am delivered 10 babies.

In this country patients must provide their own food and firewood. In a ward of 60 children, who suffer from AIDS, diarrhoea, malaris and meningitis, there is often no soap or adequate equipment sick newborn baby and there is only 2 nurses to care for them.

TIDY TOWNS 2008 (By Jan Delaney)

Once again Yarloop has entered the tidy towns competition that is held each year, and after our success in 2007 we are hoping to make our mark once again. On behalf of our community, I am asking all local residents, especially those living along Johnston Road, which is the main entry into town, to make an effort to 'spruce up' their front yards and give visitors a pleasant vista as they enter our town.

Despite asking for ideas regarding various categories we could have entered, no one has come forward except for the Yarloop Steam Workshops, which, I must admit, are the main attraction to the district. I am only too happy to forward the DVD that has been voluntarily produced to spread the 'Yarloop message' far and wide, to the Judging Panel.

I must say 'thank you' to Howard Page and his helpers from YARAR, who continued with their around town clean-ups and again to Howie for assisting me with placing the 2008 stickers on the Tidy Towns signs.

There have been some changes around town since August/September last year, including the placement of four picnic tables and benches along the grassed area in Station Street and in the reserve near the 'rotunda', which is now much improved with the panels depicting Yarloop history finally in place. There are three new benches along the pathway in Johnston/Barrington-Knight Roads and large signs, which should assist any visitors find their way around town more easily, erected on the S/West Highway intersection, corner of Barrington-Knight Road and at the northern end of Station Street.

The historic 'Doctor's House' has been given a coat of paint following the restoration work carried out last year and the interior is also having a face-lift. This is wonderful to see. The extension to the Steam House was officially opened recently as was the new playground at the Primary School. All these projects will be mentioned in the submission soon to be forwarded to Tidy Towns-Sustainable Communities for their assessment.

I would have been happier including more in the Yarloop portfolio, but once again time has beaten us. Maybe next year we can create a garden section with residents in the centre of town taking part. Currently my vote would go to the residence on the Station Street/Johnston Road corner where Sonny Wilson once maintained his great garden and where Barbara Fairhall continued the tradition after Cattach's house was moved on site.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO
YOU TED KING**

**MANY HAPPY RE-
TURNS OF THE DAY,
TED, FROM ALL WHO
WORK AT THE WORK-
SHOPS!**

**Your effort in the Steam
House is truly appreciated
And for an old fellow of
21 years you seem to get
around very well**

It is said that when ulcer pain is bad, instead of having a dose of that white chalky medicine, go to the honey jar instead and take a dessertspoon full. Honey goes down a lot easier, is far nicer, and will probably do a lot more good from the health point of view! Honey has always been said to be a healer, even from Biblical times, and especially by the ancient Egyptians. Honey, 3000 years old has been found in Egyptian tombs as good as the day it was stored there.



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Little Johnny was sitting eating chocolate bar after chocolate bar.

A man passing by said, "Son that chocolate will rot your teeth, give you acne and make you fat."

Johnny said to the man. "My grandfather lived to be 104 years old."

The man said. "Oh, did he eat chocolate bars one after the other, too?"

The boy stopped for a second and said, "No, he minded his own damn business."

IS FISH SAFE TO EAT?

By ALLEN R. HANDYSIDES and PETER N. LANDLESS. (Ed's Note: The following article by the two well-known Adventist doctors is in answer to a question posed to them by a correspondent.)

I read recently that pregnant women have been advised to eat more fish! I thought the mercury content of fish made it dangerous to eat. Do you think fish should now be part of a health-conscious person's diet?

Your question is one that is very topical and of great interest to vegetarians. As you no doubt know, many 'vegetarians' include fish as part of their diet. Fish was eaten by an early founder of the Adventist church instead of 'flesh meat', and she considered it a better food than flesh of animals. She cautioned about fish from polluted rivers and that is very much the situation today where fish from the inland and coastal waters of many countries are polluted with many contaminants such as mercury, pesticides and dioxins. The mercury content of fish was what prompted the withdrawal of fish from the diet of pregnant women. The reversal of this recommendation was based on factors other than the mercury content, which has not changed.

A person's cell walls require Omega-3 fatty acids for their proper function, and two very important types are the eicosapentaenoic acid (EPA) and the docosahexaenoic acid (DHA). Fish oil is rich in these two important fatty acids, and concerns for the development of the unborn baby's brain led to the reversal of the advice to pregnant mothers. Underlying this recommendation is a belief that Omega-3 fatty acids derived from plant sources are not easily metabolized to the EPA and DHA varieties of Omega-3 fatty acids.

At the Fifth International Congress on Vegetarian Nutrition, Dr Alexander Leaf, Jackson Professor of Clinical Medicine,

Emeritus, at Harvard University, espoused this belief. His position was assailed by Dr Iqwal Mangat of the University of Toronto and, perhaps most tellingly, by information from the recent Adventist Health study. This study showed that in fat biopsies taken from vegetarians, the content of DHA was very adequate. This means whatever theories of fat metabolism may be raised, the reality is that vegetarians are able to obtain sufficient DHA. This means we do not see a need at this time to recommend fish be added to the vegetarian diet.

In the same vein, we also feel a well-balanced and ample vegetarian diet is quite adequate for the pregnant mother.

Lest we fail to be fair to vegetarians who do consume fish, it is appropriate to recognise there are benefits to fish eating. These include a decreased risk of heart attack mortality, probably related to the anti-arrhythmic effect of fish oils, and apart from the contaminants, fish does not have health concerns. Fish taken from unpolluted waters, such as deep oceans, do not have the same level of problems we see with fish that are farmed from coastal waters.

In several nations and island populations, fish is a very important part of the diet. Our basis for vegetarianism is the quest for optimal health. Because of geographic differences in availability of foodstuffs we are loath to recommend a rigid diet, and would caution a careful and well-planned transition from one's usual diet to a vegetarian diet. The Biblical record of Jesus eating and serving fish in His glorified state surely allays any questions as to the morality of eating fish. Any problem with fish relates to its contamination. For those with ample choice and quantities of foods available to them, particularly nuts and seeds, we see no reason for them to include fish in their diet. Conversely, we know of no health hazard for the eating of unpolluted fish.

A HEALTHY RECIPE

RYE, SWEET POTATO AND RICOTTA TOASTED SANDWICHES.

- 1 small sweet potato, washed and sliced.
- 200 g low-fat ricotta cheese
- 1 small Spanish onion, finely diced.
- 8 slices of rye bread
- 1 cup baby spinach leaves
- 2 large tomatoes, sliced.

(1) steam sliced sweet potato in the microwave on high for 5 minutes or until tender.

(2) in a small bowl, combine ricotta cheese and Spanish onion. Spread the ricotta mixture over four slices of bread.

(3) top with baby spinach leaves, warm sweet potato and tomato. Place another slice of bread on top.

(4) toast sandwich in a sandwich press* for 5 minutes or until golden and warmed through. (*If you don't have a sandwich press, this sandwich also works well grilled or served on toasted rye bread..)

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It is the wettest winter for 6 years... The 115 year old wooden box drain from Happy Valley through the Workshops is running water as it did 70 years ago, when I went to school, and when it continually rained through winters that lasted 3 months.

In United States, and I suppose there is a parallel here in Australia, it is stated it costs 237,680 dollars to raise a child from the years of 0 to 17.

Makes one wonder then, how in the years from 1900 to around 1950 how parents in Yarloop and other places managed on £2.17.6 (\$5.75), even taking equivalent monetary values into consideration!

PARDON MY IGNORANCE, BUT I AM CERTAIN IT HAS BEEN STATED MANY TIMES THAT WESTERN AUSTRALIA IS EXPERIENCING BOOM TIMES. ONE WOULD WONDER HOW THIS COULD BE WITH THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE NOW ON THE POVERTY LINE, AND ALL THOSE THOUSANDS WHO ARE SEEKING HELP FROM CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS, WHO HAVE NEVER HAD TO SEEK FINANCIAL HELP BEFORE. WOULDN'T IT BE A GOOD TIME TO TURN SOME OF THESE SUPPOSED RICHES BACK TOWARDS THOSE PEOPLE SUFFERING THIS TERRIBLE SITUATION !

Blessed are the cracked for they shall let in the light!

What happened to the cat that swallowed a ball of wool? It had a litter of mittens!

A crippled 93 year old lady in a wheelchair was asked, "how good is your eyesight?" and she replied, "Every day I see the sun and it's 150,000 million klms away."

A notice appearing on the gate of a property... 'Is there life after death? Trespass here and find out!'

It takes 3,000 to 6,000 seeds of the giant Californian Redwood to weigh one ounce!

The lowest number divisible by all the numbers from 1 to 10 is 2520.

Cabbage, which is a plentiful vegetable, is said to help in the healing of ulcers. In 1950, researchers US Stanford University School of Medicine, gave 13 people with ulcers one litre of raw cabbage juice every day and they healed six times faster than people whose only treatment was the standard bland diet. Cabbage contains 'glutamine', an amino acid that increases blood flow to the stomach and helps strengthen its protective lining. The healing usually takes place in less than a week. In any case, cabbage can only do you more good than harm.

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YARLOOP BITS AND PIECES (By Jenny Cross)

(Ed's Note. We apologise for missing out on Jenny's column last month but the Journal was already formatted when we received the copy.)

Happy birthday Brodie from your mum, that was a lovely evening at the Wokalup! Holly, who is celebrating with friends, my dear friend, Ken Mitchell (catch up with you at the opening of IGA).

Jackie Gilzan celebrated her birthday with her family and all the other people celebrating this month out there, or who like me, are hoping to forget the number we have reached this year.

Looks as though the big 'Cup of Tea' will become a yearly event in Yarloop, this is a great idea. Eventually hoping that more of the residents will find themselves in a position to attend. Perhaps a different venue each year.

Once again we have the case of unwanted animals. The new landlord doesn't want animals; this sickens me. The Animal Protection Society in Gosnells will take in these poor creatures, and despite no government funding, do not practice euthanasia. Their telephone number is 93986616, please pass on to someone whom you may meet who is in this predicament. There is no charge and no questions asked!

You haven't missed out on the Kid's Disco,

the work at the town hall has taken a little longer, but YARAR will certainly advise you with plenty of advertising and posters.

It was with great pleasure that I attended the opening of the New Playground for the children at the Yarloop School. What wonderful adventures lay ahead for the kids when they are out of doors.

The P & C provided a lovely Devonshire tea. Once again these mums are always spending much of their own time supporting the school where their children attend. 'Good on yer mum'.

Tracy and David Hooper have added another delightful little one to their family, with the birth of Hunter, brother for Timothy, Heidi and Thomas; congratulations.

Special thanks to the Tidy Towns Committee. I was a recipient of an award, thank you very much to the Committee. This was so totally unexpected, but very much appreciated and couldn't have been done without help from a number of friends. Until next month, Jennifer.

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JAMES (DASHER) DEARLE: By Kathryn(Kate) Camisa, PO Box 50, Yarloop 6218.

Born 1928-Died 2008 at Harvey WA Aged 79 years. Dasher was the youngest of 11 children, and attended school at Balingup till the age of 12.

His first job was at Willow Springs, then the Cookernup Flax Mill, then the Waroona Railway Station, then the Waroona Mill. In Feb 1945 he began work for Millars T & T at Yarloop 'firing' the locos, which he said was a big job for a 16-year-old. He was awarded many certificates for running and was Sth West Junior Champion at 11 years of age, but WW2 'got in his way'. These achievements earned him the name of 'Dasher'. Dasher loved playing football, and played from 16 years of age to 30 years. He also played tennis but his favourite pastime was snooker, which he played in Mrs Gillards billiard room in mid-Station Street. Dasher lived at 'Happy Valley' from 1961 to 2005/06. When I knew him he always walked to work at the Bunnings Mill, rain, hail or shine, dressed in shorts, and he was a fit and energetic man. During his time at Happy Valley he created and maintained a magnificent garden, mostly by hand. I was fortunate enough to spend many happy hours in 'his' garden sharing gardening information and stories about the good old days in Yarloop. Dasher only left his beloved garden after the loss of his legs to Diabetes. He spent his last few years happily, at Hocart Lodge in Harvey, where he could still be seen pottering in the garden and taking his wheelchair for a workout down the street.

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KID'S PAGE (By Val Fortune)

**LAST MONTH'S
CROSSWORD ANSWERS:**

ACROSS

- (1) Time
- (4) Abut
- (6) All
- (9) Brisk
- (12) Neon
- (13) Ash
- (15) Inn
- (16) Adult
- (20) Mire
- (22) Ena
- (24) Boot
- (25) Desk

DOWN

- (2) In
- (3) Earn
- (4) Also
- (5) Us
- (7) Lie
- (8) Again
- (10) Knit
- (11) Annoy
- (14) Ham
- (17) Diet
- (18) Urn
- (19) Lead
- (21) To
- (23) Is

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**ANSWER TO LAST MONTH'S
LETTER SQUARE.**

The winning word was 'Telescope'. If you got the winning word last month you all are a genius because I forgot to put the P in, instead of the E, sorry about that. My apologies. No mistake this month!

LETTER SQUARE AT LEFT:

Find the word beginning with 'C', then see how many words of five or more letters using the middle letter 'E' in each word you can find. No plurals. 20 is good, 28 is excellent and 36 or more you are a genius.

**ANSWER TO LAST MONTH'S
WORD SQUARE:**

The word not in the square in last month's Word Square was 'Betty'.

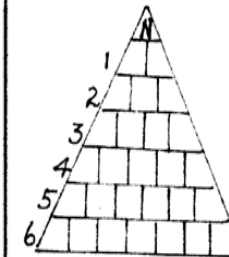
**FIND THE BOY'S NAME NOT IN
THE WORD SQUARE BELOW:**

Adam. Anthony. Alan. Charles. David. Don. Errol. Frank. Henry. James. John. Mark. Neil. Raymond. Ronald. Stan. Steven. Walter.

TRIANGLE:

Can you find the answers from the clues below? Each answer has the same letters plus an extra letter. 'N' is the first letter.

- (1) Into
- (2) Light metal
- (3) One of a pair
- (4) Strong string
- (5) Cold season
- (6) Metal-ware



CLUES ACROSS

- (3) Locator
- (7) Oral, voiced
- (8) Employ, apply
- (9) Short for often
- (11) Behold, see
- (13) Dined, nibbled
- (14) Short for editor
- (15) Put on
- (16) Shady tree
- (17) Him
- (18) Ant
- (20) We
- (22) Night bird
- (24) Bar, pole
- (26) Canvas holder
- (27) Give, bequeath

CLUES DOWN

- (1) Bad, wicked
- (2) Frozen water
- (3) Opening
- (4) Cashew ...
- (5) Like, since
- (6) Peruse, scan
- (10) End of your legs
- (12) Poem
- (13) Afresh, fresh
- (14) Flightless bird
- (17) Now, present
- (19) Run away
- (21) Alone
- (22) Peculiar, funny
- (23) Inquire
- (25) Upon

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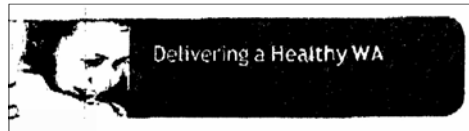
ANSWERS TO LAST MONTH'S TRIANGLE:

- (1) Do (2) Doe (3) Done (4) Noted (5) Rodent (6) Snorted.

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EDITORIAL

It is quite understandable that every truckdriver in Australia is willing to go out on strike and refuse to deliver goods over all parts of Australia. I accept that it is their right and their need in the light of the present economic situation in Australia and the world, to protest about the cost of fuel, their licence fees and other associated running costs of their trucks. One driver on TV stated a general problem when he said it costs him \$3,500 dollars to fill his truck with fuel., and I quite believe this even from running Val's and Dawn's truly economical cars, or my own economical car from Mandurah to Yarloop 7 days a week.

However, there is a flip side to every coin, and another side to every argument. What happens if the Federal Government takes any notice of their appeal! Who is going to pay for their satisfaction? Why, the long-suffering public of course, and in that public there are literally MILLIONS of Australian who have already been forced

onto the bread-line by a failing economy.

On the other hand say the Federal Government ignores their appeal! Who is going to pay for their dissatisfaction? Why, the long-suffering public of course, in **HIGHER FREIGHT CHARGES.** In this nation where every item of consumer goods is carted from East to West and North to South and vice versa, it is an obscenity that governments, both Liberal and Labour have DESTROYED a nation-wide rail system that should be transporting goods all over this nation at far cheaper rates than road transport can ever deliver. We now see a sign that the tip of the iceberg has only just appeared, what is yet to come? Banks are failing from wrong investments, the housing industry has slowed, there is a fuel-price crisis throughout the western world, costs are rising daily. These are only a few of the problems that first attack the economy, then the health of the people of a nation, and finally the destruction of a society that is already at crisis point. Don't believe this? Then go to your library and study the World's Great Depression years of the 30's; its causes and effect!

WHAT ARE THEY DOING NOW?

(Ed's Note: We are trying to track down old Yarloop Identities of the years beginning 1927 or earlier. These folk and their parents helped make Yarloop one of, if not the greatest country town of all time. Yarloop was once accepted as being the largest timber centre in the world, and for it to be so was only through the efforts of the men of the timber industry of that time. This little trip down memory lane is dedicated to the Yarloop folk now deceased and their family members who are still in the land of the living. This week we thank John Currie, who lives in North Nowra, NSW, for his contribution.)

Dear Editor, following receipt of your last Journal, I have decided to write rather than Phone. Lesley and I live a pretty quiet life, as our four children are scattered around the Eastern side of Australia. Our eldest daughter, Gaynor lives quite close to Nowra and works in Real Estate. Gabriell, our second daughter lives on the Central Coast and is married to a Real Estate proprietor. Peta our youngest daughter lives in Sydney and works in security for Foxtel. Stephen, our only son and the eldest has been in the RAAF for 32 years and getting close to retirement. He has just returned from Iraq after 6 months. In the past he has had some interesting postings; 3 years in Malaysia, 3 years in the USA. Fortunately we were able to visit him during both those postings. We at least are able to drive to see them occasionally, but will have to curtail some of the driving if fuel prices keep going up. Our interests have changed somewhat over recent years as we are not able to move as comfortably as we used to, but it is the penalty for growing older. My feet give me a lot of trouble and so do my knees. I regret jumping off that big stump that used to be in front of Maloney's place near the Yarloop timber mill. I have had one knee replacement and the other one gives me trouble but I will be putting any surgery off for as long as I can. It was the most painful experience I have ever been

through. I had open heart surgery 13 years ago and that was a breeze compared to the knee job.

I was involved with in the Navy Gliding Association for many years but had to give it away as I was suffering from a back problem and had difficulty getting out of the aircraft after landing. It was very embarrassing to have to ask for help. I eventually gave it away but at the weekends I still look at the weather conditions and wish that the club was still active.

Lesley has been having a few health problems lately — never a week goes by without having to visit some medical department, but we try to get out as often as we can. We are members of several social clubs and we visit them frequently, usually for a quick lunch. We spend a fair bit of time gardening and Lesley goes to sewing classes; she likes making quilts. Lesley apologises for not answering your lovely letter Val, but she did enjoy reading the books about Mornington etc. We often talk about our younger days and reflect on the experiences we had in the bush towns. If we get across to WA again we will certainly call on you. Lesley's sister, Valma is 86 and has not been in good health so you never know when that will be. Please pass on our regards to any old acquaintances. Lots of love, Lesley and John. *(Thanks John and Lesley for keeping in touch. Friends are the true gold in life. No Email, Fax 95813458. Have you a fax number? Lesley, you are an old Yarloop identity, a once nurse at the Yarloop Hospital, and women are included in this little series of 'What are they doing now!' See Photo of John and Leslie next page.)*

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Left: Lesley and John Currie. It is stated that ladies never change, but men become more distinguished. This is so with John in the 60 plus years since I saw him last. There was a war on then, John, and the world was in turmoil. Still not as big a mess as today, though.

Patrick was caught trying to smuggle a jar of whisky across the border from Eire into Northern Ireland. "What's in the jar?" asked the border guard. "Holy water," answered Patrick. The inspector opened it and sniffed. "Goodness me, man, this is whiskey," he exclaimed. "Saints be praised, it's a miracle," said Patrick!

Why is a train always late when you are on time, and on time when you are running late? Why do we say the plumber puts downpipes up?

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YARLOOP COMMUNITY LEARNING CENTRE

BY JAN DELANEY. On Monday 28th July a lunch was held at the Centre for various organisations and service providers meet informally to share information and ideas. Not a great number of community-minded people attended, but Family Services, Festival of Wheels Committee, Health Dept, Shire of Harvey, Volunteers WA, Steam Workshops, Yarloop Bowling Club, Yarloop/Hamel Sustainability Project, Yarloop Yarning and the Community Centre had representatives present.

General discussion arose and some important points mentioned were: the lack of public transport and availability of a good variety of foodstuffs in Yarloop: the intended removal of the current Australind train service: the loss of the old swimming hole and Logues Brook dam for summer recreation, and the proposed Desalination Plant at Binningup. We were advised that the refurbishment of the town hall is not yet completed and no date has been set for reopening that facility.

Everyone present agreed that some things need to change and one good suggestion was to provide a regular small bus service to Harvey

once or twice a week, especially after it was mentioned that empty buses are frequently seen driving around Bunbury! A bus service to Mandurah was available a while back, but unfortunately it was cancelled due to lack of patronage. However, this is something definitely worth working towards, but I fear it will take time and a lot of effort to have it come to fruition.

A delicious lunch of soup, sandwiches, salad platter and cake, which went down well with tea and coffee provided, was prepared by Carmel, who, as always, did a great job. It was certainly 'food for thought' as plenty of conversation occurred during the gathering, so surely some good things will eventuate from ideas shared.

One moment of patience may ward off a great disaster. One moment of impatience may ruin a whole life (An old piece of Chinese wisdom.)