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Genevieve Hebart, MP Farmer's Market Manager addressing the meeting.



Did you have your say?

Did you have your say on Thursday June 4th 2015? A Public meeting was called to discuss the proposed changes to the Soldiers Memorial Hall and Main Street Committee and the Talunga Park Committee, both currently Section 41 (S41) Committees of Barossa Council, but soon to come under the umbrella of a 'Town Committee' for Mount Pleasant. A well attended meeting, there were many pertinent questions directed to Barossa Council staff members,

who were in attendance to clarify the position of Council. The S41 Committees have become difficult for both the Committee members and Council staff, due to stringent legal obligations, which had previously not been recognised, and so Barossa Council have decided to change the format, whilst still supporting the Committees with a budget.

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Questions pertained to the following...

- The surplus in the budget is added to the Reserve amount. Currently there are Reserve Funds and these are available for use by the Committee.
- Fire safety and Asbestos remain a Council responsibility.
- The new Committee will need to develop a Strategic Plan. Possible need to be flexible with communication due to business people being tied up during daytime hours.
- Possible trigger points for involvement – minimal to start (Advisory), but with important decisions, become more involved.
- Assets register to be developed as part of agreement.
- Costs of Incorporation and associated expenses to be met by Council.
- Possible sale of assets to remain as is currently; there is a need to involve the community.
- Need for an Incorporated Committee to take-over in 12 months.
- For any capital expenditure there needs to be an application to Council.
- Council currently leases land on which Assets are built; negotiation with Council re the building ownership if/when that is required.
- Council's need for use of land to be negotiated with Incorporated body.
- Any future changes with the Incorporated Committee would be covered by the Constitution.

Those expenses which involve Statutory obligations, such as Fire Compliance, Tag Testing and Public Liability Insurance, will be

met by Council, but ultimately the budget will be managed by the new Incorporated Committee, or its representative in the form of a Sub-Committee.

In August 2014, at a Public meeting, it was agreed that the Mount Pleasant community should form an Incorporated 'Town Committee', and this recent meeting clarified that position, and explained in more detail how that could happen and what assistance was available from Council.

It was recognised that Talunga Park, in particular, was in need of urgent maintenance, and this led to a query regarding the state of the venue on handover, and how that maintenance would be funded. The Caretaker position for both Talunga Park and the Hall may remain as they are, or the position may be amalgamated; a decision for the new Incorporated Committee.

After many questions and answers the meeting ended with a request for those interested in becoming involved in the new Incorporated Committee to leave their details, and a further meeting will be called in August 2015. Enquiries regarding the new Committee structure can be directed to Chris Hebart, phone 8568 2461 (Chairperson, Talunga Park) and Diane Anderson, phone 8568 2428 (Chairperson, Soldiers Memorial Hall and Main Street)



History Month:

‘To Honour those who served’

Poppies were draped on the front façade of the Soldiers Memorial hall for the month of May, attracting visitors and comments in support of the Exhibition hosted by the Mount Pleasant District History Room. ‘To Honour Those Who Served’ was held as part of the *About Time Festival* during May 2015. This thought provoking exhibition was well received, not least due to the life-size trench constructed by Michael Williams of Cromer or the History Trust of SA/SA Veteran travelling exhibition *Gallantry* which told the stories of those Victoria Cross and George Cross recipients of World War 2 and Vietnam.

Thought provoking schoolwork was provided by Mount Pleasant, Springton and Birdwood Schools with lots of letters, poppies and anzac biscuits.

One gentleman was amazed to see his Aunt’s husband pictured, whilst other visitors were delighted to see their family member’s service story on a storyboard, or within a booklet, now part of the local collection.

Thank you to all those who were involved and assisted in keeping open the doors for 23 days of the month.



Please see page 5 for information on Violet Day, and how you can help commemorate it. Also check the calendar for information on our commemoration.

Community Dinners a success!



Held the last Sunday in each month, with the first being held at the end of April, they have proved very popular with locals. (esp. from Cromer!)



✚ It's a great way to get to know your neighbours and have a great meal at a reasonable cost. There are also raffles and competitions. The dinners are currently catered for by the CWA evening group, and it's hoped we'll raise enough money to refurbish the Talunga Park kitchen. If you are interested in helping and or nominating a future project, please contact us via the details on the back page.

The Mount Pleasant District Pony Club

The Mount Pleasant District Pony Club aims to encourage young people to ride and learn to enjoy all kinds of sports connected with horses and riding. The club provides instruction in riding and horsemanship and instils in its member's the proper care of their animals, whilst promoting the highest ideals of sportsmanship, citizenship and loyalty, therefore cultivating strength of character and self-discipline. The club welcomes both junior and adult members, and is located at Talunga Park, Mount Pleasant. Rallies are generally held on the first Sunday of the month, unless the date clashes with another event or the Mount Barker forecast temperature exceeds 35 degrees Celsius. Rallies generally involve a gear check at 9:30am, followed by 2 ridden sessions, then a shared lunch break, followed by another ridden or theory session after lunch.

The Pony Club membership year runs from 1st July to 30th June. (See our calendar below for the rest of 2015).

If you are not sure about becoming a Pony Club Member and would like to try first, we offer a "Come and Try" fee of \$30 which provides insurance cover for 3 months from payment date or 3 pony club rallies (which ever happens first). We also charge a nominal \$10 rally fee in excess of the \$30 insurance charge to help cover the cost of instruction per "Come and Try" rally attendance. Should you then decide to join as a full member, any of the above payments are deducted from your membership fee.

14 th June	MPPC Rally & AGM
5 th July	MPPC Orientation/ Trail Ride
2 nd August	MPPC Rally
13 th September	MPPC Rally
4 th October	MPPC Rally
11 th October	MPPC Cross Country Training Day
1 st november	MPPC Rally
6 th December	MPPC Christmas Rally



For more information about the club, please contact our President Rachel Van Dissel on 0467 581 063 or mppc@hotmail.com.au. You can also visit our website at: <http://mountpleasantponyclub.webs.com/> or our Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/Mount.Pleasant.PC?fref=ts>

Violet Day



Picture from Violet Day Facebook page

The project tells the story of the women and volunteers who established the Cheer Up Society and other volunteer organisations. They not only provided support to men on the front, but also provided ongoing support to wounded and shellshocked men, and to bereaved mothers and families. The Cheer Up Society raised funds to build a soldiers' clubhouse by selling violets around South Australia on the 2nd August 1915, including one bunch that sold at auction in Burra for 384 Pounds.

Check the calendar for information on our celebration.



Local craftspeople are creating violets to 'Vale the Hall' in July. The first Violet Day, created by Alexandrine Seager, was held on 2 July 1915, and we wish to commemorate that. If you wish to become involved please contact Paula Bartsch on 8568 2126.

Links for information on the commemoration:

<http://www.weekendnotes.com/violet-day-commemorations/>

<http://sahistoryhub.com.au/events/violet-day>

July events and meetings

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 1.30pm: CWA Day 6.30pm: CWA Night	8 9.30am: Men's Shed (Bakery)	9	10	11	12
13	14 7.00pm: RSL social gathering	15	16	17	18	19 2.00pm: Violet Day High Tea
20	21	22 9.30am: Men's Shed (Bakery)	23	24	25	26 5.00pm: RSL Meeting 5.00pm: Community Dinner
27	28	29	30	31		



If you would like your community event or meeting added to the calendar (to be published at the end of the month for the next month), or you would like to make a contribution in any way, please contact us. Details below.



Fan of instagram or facebook?

Check out:

Mount Pleasant Shines

#mountpleasantshines

#mountpleasantmarket

#mountpleasantshines3daysinapril



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If you would like to receive this newsletter, and / or notifications of other special community events, please contact us via-

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