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Deadline for the next **Crestwood News** is **4 February 2011**. Please send reports, announcements, notices, ads, articles and photos to Malcolm as early as possible before this date: 24 Coronet Court crestwoodnews@iinet.net.au

A Safe, Happy and Enjoyable Festive Season to All

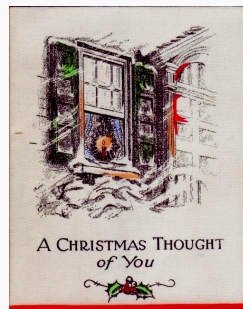
Where does the time go? It does seem to pass quicker as one gets older. Christmas and New Year are upon us again and I would like to wish every one of you a happy and enjoyable festive season. Please enjoy yourselves and your families, but be safe and drive safe.

Hopefully the long range weather forecasts are true and we will have a cooler, wetter summer than usual. It will be beneficial to our gardens and parks.

In recent times there have been a number of motorcycles ridden through the parks. If you know or recognise any of the riders, please ring the City of Gosnells rangers or ring the Police Assistance Centre, 13 14 44, and report it.

Whilst there has not been as much graffiti damage as in previous times, there was a recent attack in Crestwood. Should you notice any new graffiti anywhere in the parks please ring Grant (our gardener). He will contact the City of Gosnells and they will arrange for its removal.

Trevor Davis, President, Crestwood Home Owners Association



A Unique Way of Life

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

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Graffiti Removal		All Hours	T: 9391 3222
Goodbye Graffiti Hotline			T: 1800 442 255
Thornlie High School			T: 9376 2100
Canning Vale Police Station			T: 9456 9555
Life Threatening Emergencies			T: 000
Police Non-emergency			T: 131 444
Neighbourhood Watch			T: 9493 3311
Crimestoppers			T: 1800 333 000
Join e-WATCH	ewatch@gosnells.wa.gov.au		

Christmas at Crestwood**Carols in the Park****19 December 2010**

Sunday 7:00 – 9:00

The Thornlie Church of Christ choir will entertain us. Meet at the main park in front of the pool.

**Santa in the Park Sausage Sizzle****Sunday 19 December 2010**

4:45 – 5:15	Look out for Santa driving through the parks.	
5:15 – 6:00	Santa arrives at the main park in front of the pool to hand out gifts.	
6:00 – 7:00	Sausage Sizzle and/or BYO picnic	Children's' craft activities tent open

Santa has been asked to keep the value of gifts below \$20.00. These should be delivered to 21 Princeton Court by 18 December with the name of the child clearly marked.

**Christmas Eve at the Pool**

Friday 24 December from 4:00 pm

Bring the whole family for some lively fun with a pool inflatable. Barbeques will be available.

Help would be appreciated from 3.30pm to set up and supervise the use of the inflatable.

Recent correspondence from the Committee of the Crestwood Homeowners Association.

Aesthetics

1. [A residence on Regency Drive] Thank you for your Building Approval Application form to erect a new patio. With your application you have included, plans, builder's details and the City of Gosnells building licence. This being all the documentation the Crestwood Committee requires, I am able to approve your application. We hope all goes well with your project.

2. [A residence on Regency Drive] Thank you for your letter of 3rd November 2010 and application to erect a tubular steel fence to increase the height of your boundary fence from 0.4 to 1.6 metres. Your proposal conforms to Crestwood's guidelines and is approved. We hope that the new fence will give the security you require.

John Rushton, Committee Member for Aesthetics

Building work at underpass D has been finished. The reticulation is now in place and working and the gardens have been planted with native shrubs. Unfortunately, some miserable soul has added light green graffiti to the new retaining walls. Gosnells City Council has been informed and it hopefully will be removed in the near future.

Parks & Reticulation

Glyphosate spot spraying has been completed in all the parks, garden beds and on footpaths and the reticulation is working normally. Since we have had a very dry winter there are some places which seem not to be getting enough water. Because of this the parks will get 45 minutes of water per cycle instead of the usual 30 minutes.

Lots of bark has been collected from the parks. Luckily most bark-shedding trees are getting to end of the shedding season. The path between parks 21 and 22 has been repaired.

Mike Bernoulli, Committee member for Parks and Reticulation

For personal reasons, Barry has been unable to continue as the committee person responsible for the pool. We thank Barry for the work he has done for us in the last few months. We are now in need of someone who is willing to take on the pool committee position. Please talk to any current committee member if you are interested.

Pool

The pool season is up and running with good numbers using it. Unfortunately, there was a breakdown in communication between the Committee and Belgravia Leisure, our pool managers. This resulted in the pool not opening as indicated in the schedule provided to residents. This has now been resolved and from all reports everything is going well.

The toddlers pool opening was delayed initially because the tilers did not lay the correct size dolphin on the floor. As a consequence the pool water could not be tested when the City of Gosnells health inspector checked the main pool before it opened. Belgravia (and, therefore, Crestwood) has been waiting for them to return and check the toddlers pool.

Once we are given the all clear from a health perspective it will be opened. On Monday, 29 November, it was brought to my attention that a couple of tiles at the edge of the pool had fallen off. Belgravia are attending to the repairs as quickly as possible but I would ask that you and your children be careful and report to the lifeguard on duty any tiles that move or seem loose.

Remember that on Christmas Eve, 24 December, there will be an inflatable in the pool for everyone's enjoyment.

Trevor Davis, President, Crestwood Homeowners Association

INCIDENT REPORT

Incidents reported on the Crestwood Estate



There have been a number of incidents on the Crestwood Estate and residents are reminded to be alert and aware that crimes of opportunity, often carried out by teenagers transiting the parks, can occur at any time. If you are in the garden or garage make sure your front and back doors are locked. It only takes a moment for a thief to enter a house and steal a handbag or wallet. Entry can also easily be made through low, unsecured windows. It pays to be careful.

Burglaries were reported in Crestwood on Regency Drive and Princeton Court.

PERSONAL SAFETY

The general and specific tips outlined below are more related to the security of women, although many of the commonsense security items relate to both men and women.

General safety tips to avoid being attacked

- ... Stay alert and aware of your surroundings at all times. If you feel unsafe, remove yourself from that location.
- ... Practise or visualise what you would do in a real life-threatening situation and consider taking self-defence lessons.
- ... Tell your family, friends or colleagues where you are going and the time you expect to be returning. If you change your plans, let them know.

You have the right to defend yourself

If you are attacked, you have the right to defend yourself. However, the law does not allow you to carry a weapon. Consider carrying a personal alarm or whistle in your hand for immediate use or program your mobile phone with a speed dial to someone who could help you in an emergency. Program the police 000 number or the number of a close friend or relative.

Reporting assaults

If you have been assaulted, call the police as soon as possible. If you have been physically or sexually assaulted, be aware that washing, showering, changing clothes or cleaning up in any way can destroy vital evidence that could lead to the apprehension and conviction of the person who violated you.

Police will ask you to give a clear account of exactly what happened. If you have taken painkillers, sedatives or drunk alcohol this could affect your memory. Try to avoid alcohol or medication until after you have reported the offence.

By taking action you are helping yourself and protecting others.

Safety in public places

Here are some general safety tips to protect yourself in public places:

- ... Walk in well-lit and busy areas. This provides more opportunity for natural surveillance.
- ... Avoid walking close to overgrown bushes or trees where a potential offender could hide.
- ... Walk against the flow of traffic to prevent vehicles driving slowly alongside you.
- ... Walk with a friend or group wherever possible.
- ... If you regularly walk by yourself, consider varying your route so your routine is not easily identified.
- ... Plan ahead – How are you going to get home?
- ... Walk at a steady pace. Body language is an effective means of promoting confidence.
- ... Remain alert and be aware of your surroundings.
- ... Turn down the volume on your iPod or earphones so you can

POLICE WATCH - Thornlie

from the *Comment News*

Break-ins Ovens Rd, Partridge Way, Clancy Way (5 October)

Break-ins Ailsworth Cr, Bentwood Cr, Constantine Cr, Lakesend Rd, Malone Cr, Meuller Way, Nyandi Cr, Parkside Dr, Towncentre Dr (26 October)

Break-ins Sanderling Dr (2), Bamshill Pl, Cranwell St, Fairset St, Forest Lakes Dr, Greenway Ave, Kelton Way, Kestrel Way, Kurrajong

Dr, Lachlan Rd, Spencer Rd (2), Cossford St, Huggins Rd, Malone Way, Ningaloo Way (2), Pembury Rd, Penhurst Cr, Sloan Cr, Southdown Pl, Thornlie Ave; motor vehicle theft Merino Cr, Wynyard Way (2 November)

Break-ins Warton Ed, Berehaven Ave, Greenway Ave, Lyrebird Way, Partridge Way, Spring Rd, Sutherland Dr, Timbercrest d, Yale Rd; motor vehicle theft Anderson Way, Partridge Way (9 November)

Break-ins Aster Cr, Princeton Cr, Regency Dr, Anderson Way, Grundy Way, Probert Rd, Southdown Pl; motor vehicle theft Levine Cr (16 November)

Break-ins Discovery Dr, Grainger Way, Greenway Ave, Kurrajong Dr, Lyrebird Way, Parkside Dr, Ross Pl, Stonecreek Cl, Spring Rd (2); motor vehicle theft Lakesend Rd, Liata Cr, Ross Pl, Spring Rd (23 November)

Break-ins Corriedale Pl, Griffiths way, Hughenden Dr, Hunt St (2), Leone St, Malone Cr, Mueller Way, Peppermint Dr, Sutherland Dr, Tonbridge Way, Gagence Way, Huggins Rd, Lyrebird Way, Regency Dr; motor vehicle theft Tonbridge Way, Lyrebird Way (30 November)

hear what is happening around you.

Your vehicle and personal security

Here are some tips when using your motor vehicle.

- ... Check the surrounding area before going to your car and check your back seat before getting in. Being aware of your surroundings allows you more time to react if there is an incident. Have someone accompany you to your car. This can stop people getting into your car without permission.
- ... Lock your doors after entering or leaving your car and drive with the doors locked.
- ... Have your keys ready before you get to the car.
- ... Consider storing your handbag or valuables in your car boot rather than on the passenger seat while driving.
- ... Be careful when stopping for broken-down cars, at accidents or in dark and isolated areas. Only stop if you feel safe to do so.
- ... Turn off your ignition if you are leaving your car unattended.
- ... If your car breaks down, try to turn off the road and put on your hazard lights. If someone stops, remain locked in your car and if you do not have a mobile phone and have not already called for help, speak to them through a small opening in the window. Ask them to call the police, an auto club or some assistance specified by you. Try to get the vehicle registration number and description of the driver and look for distinguishing features if possible. This can assist with investigations if an offence occurs.

Taxi safety

- ... Book a taxi from inside the venue before you leave.
- ... Use a secure taxi rank where available.
- ... If you have to wait outside, choose a well-lit area with other people present.
- ... Ask friends, the building security or management to escort you to the taxi.
- ... Remain at the taxi rank until the taxi arrives.
- ... For future reference, make a note of the car registration number or the driver's identification number.
- ... Let a friend or family member know your destination and where you are leaving from.
- ... Drivers have the right to ask for payment in advance, and if you pay with a credit card or e-ticket, make sure to ask for a receipt.
- ... Drivers may refuse to transport you if you exhibit antisocial behaviour.

From *Office of Crime Prevention*, Perth

Committee Business:

Parks and Reticulation: Rob Wilson has noted that the parks are looking untidy. Grant is to be approached regarding weeds throughout the parks. Mention is to be made in the President's report for the next newsletter about the area at the rear of fences being the responsibility of homeowners.



The reticulation timetable is to be printed and distributed before October 4. Some house valves have stuck open during recent testing. A complaint was made to the Department of Water by a resident outside the estate, Fertilising of lawns is to be completed with the testing of sprinklers. Bore 3 has been tripping out and needs to be checked.

Underpass D work is not completely to plan with a problem of digging for foundations close to the side property. Changes were made to the concreting and rockwork finish.

Damyn has been offered part-time work at \$15 per hour during a three month probation period, and then \$16.00 after this period is over. He has dislocated his shoulder and is not able to cover all his duties until this has healed.

Pool: Barry tendered his resignation due to health and personal reasons.

Trevor Davis is to follow-up on the signing and lodgement of the agreement with Belgravia Leisure. A certificate of currency is still required from Belgravia. A letter of introduction from the new pool managers is to go out with the next Crestwood News. The lifeguards are undergoing training with reference to the particular issues found at Crestwood.

Refurbishment of the toddler pool is currently underway and water testing for the pools has been arranged prior to opening day. Pool passes are to be printed by Snap Maddington. VacSwim forms will be available from the pool office after opening day.

Aesthetics: Further follow-up is required regarding the cyclone fence at the rear of a property on Spencer Road.

Finance: There has still been no follow-up on the cost of rates for the parks owned by Crestwood.

Trevor Veen has suggested looking again at the possibility of installing solar panels to offset power costs. A letter has been sent to a homeowner regarding a shortfall in payment of fees.

Social: A coordinator to organise social activities is still required. A new resident has shown some interest in the position. George Putland is to be approached about organising Christmas Carols in the Park.

October 2010

Committee Business:

Parks and Reticulation: Mike Bernoulli was welcomed onto the committee as the new member for Parks and Reticulation. He has been provided with electronic copies of the gardeners' agreements and has been given the keys.

Damyn has accepted the offer of part-time work. He has been provided with a copy of the agreement and will be on three months probation.

The Department of Water has requested further changes be made to our ground water licence to include information relating to all properties serviced by Crestwood bores. Trevor has now visited the Department with the requested information. A new copy of the licence is expected when the changes have been completed.

Pool: The busy bee went smoothly and there were good numbers at the pool on opening day. The lifeguards have been instructed to "act like a parent" when dealing with issues relating to pool users. Crestwood is waiting for a reply from Belgravia regarding the original agreement that needs to be signed and formalised.

There is a problem with the size of the dolphin motif in the toddler pool. Belgravia has been asked that the pool be retiled to meet the design of the original quote. The heating system for the toddler pool is also leaking. A quote has been requested for repair or replacement. Further delays in the opening of this pool are expected.

Aesthetics: An application form has been provided for the erection of a carport in Grenadier Drive. Discussions were also held with the homeowner on Lachlan Road interested in converting a carport to a garage and making some further additions.

Other topics discussed were the leaning rear fence on Grenadier Drive and anticipated removal of a temporary fence on Spencer Road.

Social: George Putland is willing to coordinate with the Thornlie Church of Christ regarding Carols in Park scheduled for 19 December. Sandra will coordinate the visit of Santa Claus on the same afternoon.

Trevor Davis will check with Trevor Veen and Belgravia about the use of the pool inflatables. A flyer is to go out to residents before the next newsletter with information about Christmas and pre-Christmas activities.

General Business: A complaint was received regarding cats wandering about an harassing caged birds. Kym Murray will follow up on possibilities for exercise equipment in parks. Marjan will be approached again regarding names on boards in the hall.

2010-2011 Crestwood Home Owners Fees

Under **Option B**, the **3rd instalment** of \$399.00 is payable by **31st December 2010**.

You can pay your fees to our Treasurer, Roy Malone, 116 Regency Drive. If you have any queries, contact Roy at his home on 9459 4364 after 7pm.

REPORTING VANDALISM A Somali school boy damaged the 40 km/h school sign on the Lachlan Road side of our house, so much so that the council had to remove it the following day. He grabbed and rocked it so violently that it lost its footing. My husband tried to stop him, but he just gave him a mouthful and continued on with his vandalism. My husband phoned the police and also visited the school and spoke with the Deputy Head who said that this particular student was a known troublemaker.

In another incident, a neighbour's garden bench was removed from the garden and carted off. Another neighbour managed to stop the offenders by threatening to call the police. This was a group of Aboriginal boys.

Rowena Fanali

IT'S TIME TO STOP FEEDING OUR RAVENS

The black Australian raven, also known as the black crow, is normally found in rural areas where their presence is beneficial. In this, their natural environment, carrion is one of their main sources of food and their population density is approximately one breeding pair per square kilometre.

With the expansion of Perth this situation has dramatically changed. These birds have adapted to coexisting with humans and their distribution in the metropolitan area can be as high as 20 breeding pairs per square kilometre. This is especially true in the vicinity of schools where they find ample food supplies by scavenging in rubbish bins.

Within Crestwood the number of ravens has dramatically increased in the last two decades due to three nearby schools and the existence of a number of suitable nesting trees. Along with this increase there has been a decrease in the number of smaller native birds. Ravens have been observed during the Spring waiting for the eggs of these smaller native birds to hatch. Once hatched, they promptly swoop down and empty the nest in seconds. Adding to this problem is that several Crestwood residents are known to regularly feed these ravens, thereby adding to the increase in their numbers and a consequent reduction in the number of smaller native birds.

Ravens have enough to eat without supplementing their food supply and encouraging excessive breeding. You can help restore a natural balance by **not feeding** these birds.

Frank Keays

Get Well The Crestwood community joins in wishing Chris Wynen of Regency Drive a speedy recovery from her recent fall, and Jill Williamson, also of Regency Drive, a full recovery from her recent illness.

Vale The Crestwood community offers its deepest condolences to Coral-Ann and Xavier Bot, parents of Isaiah who died at only 10 days of age earlier this year.



Christmas Festivities Can You Help?

A lot of help is needed to make the Christmas festivities scheduled for 19 December successful. If you are free and able to offer some of your time, here are some of the tasks you can help with:

- Buy and pack lolly bags for Santa to hand out.
- Order and pick up sausages, buns and sauces.
- Cook for the sausage sizzle.
- Help set up before the event and pull down after.

Help is also needed at the pool on 24 December from 3:30 onwards to set up and supervise use of the inflatable.

Please ring Sandra on 9452 1830.

Junior Pool Passes

Junior pool passes are provided to homeowner's children aged 10-17 years. No child under the age of 10 years will be admitted to the pool without a responsible adult to supervise. **No exceptions will be made.**

Daphne has been very generous in preparing pool passes for children who celebrate their tenth birthday during the Summer when the pool is open. These passes will be provided after the child's parents have completed an appropriate application form available at the pool office.

Junior pool passes will **not** be available to any resident before their tenth birthday.

For Sale Chef 4 burner electric cooktop, 870x406. Purchased October 2008, Looks new. \$250.00.
Contact Malcolm 9459 2902.

Congratulations Congratulations to Sonja and Simon of Regency Drive on the birth of their daughter Erin, sister to Marina, Alana, Hannah and Sean.

Crestwood Hall Hire

NOTICES

SOCIAL

The Crestwood Hall is available for use by residents. It is ideal for large or small functions: birthday parties, morning teas, playgroups, meetings. It can be hired on a one-off or regular basis. Charges are as follows.

Daytime (to 5pm) — \$11.00/hour to a maximum of \$55.00
Night-time (to midnight) — \$22.00/hour to a maximum of \$110.00.

Up to 50 people are allowed in the Hall. Full use of the kitchen is included for both day and night functions.

Commercial (for-profit events or those charging an entry fee) — \$25.00 per hour to a maximum of \$100.00 – 8am - 5pm
A \$300 bond applies to all bookings made by homeowners and \$500 to those bookings made by tenants. A minimum cleaning charge of \$150 will be taken from the bond if the hall is not cleaned to a satisfactory standard.

Hall hire does not include access to the pool area. For children's parties there is a minimum adult supervision requirement.

To book or obtain further information call Marjan: 9459 8776

Committee meetings of the Crestwood Homeowners Association for 2010 have been set on the following dates. Also included are dates for the Special General and Annual General meetings. Check the contents page of the latest issue of the *Crestwood News* for any changes. Crestwood residents are welcome to attend all or part of these meetings held at the Crestwood Hall. Visitors' business is always attended to first, so residents may leave whenever they wish.

21 December 2009

18 January 2010

17 February (Special General Meeting)

22 February

29 March

19 April

26 May (AGM)

31 May

28 June

26 July

30 August

29 September

25 October

29 November

20 December

CRESTWOOD PATCHWORK & QUILTING GROUP

Meeting on a Tuesday night in
the Crestwood Hall

6:30 pm - 9:00 pm

**New members welcome. Come and
meet us or ring Jan on 9493 0045.**



CRESTWOOD

MOTHER'S GROUP / PLAYGROUP

New members and their friends are always welcome. —
We would love to hear from you.

We meet on Friday mornings at the Crestwood Hall

10.00 am—12.00 noon

0 years to 6 years old / \$10.00 per term

Runs during School terms

Call Ros on 9493 2597

Social Card Mornings

Join me for a creative morning of card making, a great way to meet people and develop friendships.

Where: 24 Princeton Court

When: Friday mornings, 10:00 - 11:30
am during school terms

Cost: \$6.00 to cover materials for 2 pre-prepared projects, morning coffee or tea and biscuits.

Contact: Joanne Brand for further information —
Phone 9459 6114 / 0403 474 075 or email —
brand_family@iprimus.com.au



Belly Dance

Ladies, come and try something different. Have fun and learn how to belly dance. Our friendly group welcomes beginners or experienced dancers.

Come join us. Non-Crestwood residents welcome.
Cost \$10.00 per class — includes drumming class.

Phone Gillian 9459 9904 or Heather 9452 2427
for time and location of the class.



Twenty-five residents took time off from their usual Sunday chores to join together in setting up the pool for the new season. The pictures here show only a small part of the activities that took place and the people who were present.

There was the bucket and hose brigade in charge of cleaning the lounges and ridding them of the webs and spiders that had accumulated over the winter. There was the sweeping and scrubbing brigade tasked with eliminating all traces of the winter ducks that had this year not only managed to breed successfully, but to

also protect their young from the depredations of the crows and other predators. The sail masters again succeeded in getting all the sails hung in the right places and in the correct order. And the fetchers and carriers had somehow managed to keep their sense of humour as the lounges went from place to place to be washed, dried and finally positioned for the season.

A big thank you to all who gave their time and helped.

Text by the Editor

Fruit Mince Cream Cheese Pie

Serves 8

Preparation This pie has three layers – one of fruit mince, another resembling a smooth cheesecake, and a topping of sour cream.

Ingredients

- 375 g cream cheese
- 2 eggs
- ½ cup sugar
- Grated peel of 1 lemon
- 1 tbs lemon juice
- 2 cups fruit mince
- Baked 22 cm pastry shell
- 1 cup sour cream
- 2 tbs sugar



- ½ tps vanilla
- Lemon slices

Method

1. Beat together cream cheese, eggs, ½ cup sugar, lemon peel and lemon juice with an electric mixer until very smooth.
2. Spoon fruit mince into the baked pastry shell. Pour the cream cheese mixture evenly over the fruit mince.
3. Bake in a 180 degree oven for 20 minutes. Mix together the sour cream, sugar and vanilla.
4. When pie has baked for 20 minutes remove and spread sour cream mixture evenly over the top. Return to oven for 10 minutes.
5. Chill pie before cutting and serving. Garnish with twisted lemon slices and lemon leaves just before serving.

From the Sunset Cook Book for Entertaining

Nine Words Women Use

1. **FINE:** This is the word women use to end an argument when they are right and you need to shut up.
2. **FIVE MINUTES:** If she is getting dressed, this means half an hour. Five minutes is only five minutes if you have been given five minutes more to watch the game before helping around the house.
3. **NOTHING:** This is the calm before the storm. This means something and you should be on your toes. Arguments that begin with nothing usually end in "fine".
4. **GO AHEAD:** This is a dare, not permission. Don't do it!
5. **LOUD SIGH:** This is a non-verbal statement often misunderstood by men. A loud sigh means she thinks you are an idiot and is wondering why she is standing there arguing with you about "nothing". (Refer back to No. 3 for the meaning of "nothing".)
6. **THAT'S OKAY:** This is one of the most dangerous statements a woman can make to a man. "That's okay" means she wants to think long and hard before deciding how and when she will make you pay for your mistake.
7. **THANKS:** A woman is thanking you. Do not question or faint. Just say, "You're welcome". It is different if she says, "Thanks a lot". This is pure sarcasm and she is not thanking you at all. Do not say, "You're welcome," since that will bring on a "whatever".
8. **WHATEVER:** This is a woman's way of saying, "*&^\$ you!".
9. **DON'T WORRY ABOUT IT. I'VE GOT IT:** This is another dangerous statement. It means that a woman has told a man to do something several times without success and is now doing it herself. This will result in a man later asking, "What's wrong?". For the woman's response refer to No. 3.

Passed on to the *Crestwood News* by Sue Galpin

Definitions

1. **BEAUTY PARLOUR:** A place where women curl up and dye.
2. **CANNIBAL:** Someone who is fed up with people.
3. **CHICKENS:** The only animals you eat before they are born and after they are dead.
4. **COMMITTEE:** A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.
5. **EGOTIST:** Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.
6. **HANDKERCHIEF:** Cold storage.
7. **INFLATION:** Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.
8. **MOSQUITO:** An insect that makes flies look better.
9. **SECRET:** Something you tell to one person at a time.
10. **TOOTHACHE:** The pain that drives you to extraction.
11. **TOMMORROW:** One of the greatest labour-saving devices of today.
12. **YAWN:** An honest opinion honestly expressed.

More Church Bloopers

1. Don't let worry kill you off. Let the church help.
2. The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.
3. Ladies Bible Study will be held Thursday morning at 10am. All ladies are invited to lunch at the Fellowship Hall after the B.S. is done.
4. The associate minister unveiled the church's new campaign slogan last Thursday: "I upped my pledge – Up yours!".

Dear God Letters from Children

1. **Dear God:** Instead of letting people die and having to make new ones, why don't you just keep the ones you have now?
2. ...: I went to this wedding and they kissed right in church. Is that ok?
3. ...: I think the stapler is one of your greatest inventions.
4. ...: In bible times, did they really talk that fancy?
5. ...: I think about you sometimes, even when I'm not praying.
6. ...: I am Australian. What are you?
7. ...: Thank you for the baby brother, but what I prayed for was a puppy.
8. ...: I bet it is very hard for you to love all the people in the world. There are only four people in my family and I can never do it.
9. ...: If you watch in church on Sunday, I'll show you my new shoes.
10. ...: If you give me a Genie lamp like Aladdin, I'll give you anything you want except my money and my chess set.
11. ...: We read that Thomas Edison made light, but in Sunday school they said that you did it. So I bet he stole your idea.
12. ...: If you didn't make the dinosaurs go extinct we would not have a country. You did the right thing.
13. ...: Maybe Cain and Able would not kill each other so much if they had their own rooms. It works with my brother.

What is a Grandparent? From papers of a class of 8 year olds

1. They are funny when they bend over. You hear a little wind leak out and they blame their dog.
2. My grandma lives at the airport and when we want her we just go and get her. Then, when we're done having her visit, we just take her back to the airport.
3. Grandpa is the smartest man on earth. He teaches me lots of good things, but I don't get to see him enough to get as smart as him.
4. Everybody should have a grandparent, especially if you don't have a television set, because they are the only grownups who like to spend time with us.
5. Grandparents wear glasses and funny underwear. They can take their teeth and gums out.
6. Grandparents are a lady and a man who have no little children of their own. They like other people's.

At the last AGM, some residents complained about vehicles speeding along Crestwood streets, particularly on Regency Drive. This matter was raised with the City of Gosnells, and as a result of this initial correspondence a traffic survey was conducted on Grenadier and Regency Drives. Crestwood has received further correspondence from the City with the results of this survey. What follows is an abridged and edited form of this letter.

Dear Mr Davis,

A traffic survey has now been completed in Grenadier and Regency Drives which are both classified as Local Access Roads under the Council's adopted Road Network Hierarchy, and would be used by local traffic generated by residents and service vehicles.

The results of the traffic survey for Grenadier Drive show that the average weekday traffic volume is 129 vehicles, which is low considering the maximum desirable volume for this class of road is 3000 vehicles per day. The average operational speed recorded was 47.5 km/h which is lower than the posted speed limit of 50 km/h.

Results of the traffic survey for Regency Drive show that the average weekday traffic volume is 415 vehicles which is low considering the class of road. While the average operational speed was 51.5 km/h is marginally higher than the posted 50 km/h it is typically lower than similarly classified streets within the City of Gosnells.

With regard to the "hoon" behaviour in Grenadier and Regency Drives, anti-social behaviour such as this is difficult to stop through traffic calming measures. These dangerous driving practices should be reported to the local police, preferably with licence plate details, so that enforcement of the Road Traffic Code can be implemented. Our experience is that these issues are generally undertaken by one or two drivers, and can be stopped through police enforcement of the Road Traffic Code and/or discussing the issue directly with the offenders.

The City produces a *Dob in a Hoon* brochure (see box) which is a joint project between the City of Gosnells and the WA Police Service. This provides local residents with the opportunity to report anti-social driver behaviour and excessive vehicle speeds. This has proven extremely effective in reducing hoon behaviour in the City. This brochure is available at the Gosnells libraries, the City Council offices and the Police Department.

Crash statistics obtained from Main Roads WA show that in the five year period from January 2005 to December 2009, a total of four mid-block crashes were reported in the whole length of Grenadier and Regency Drives, not including inter-sections.

With respect to the above information, the City does not have any plans to install any traffic calming treatments on these streets at the present time. However, both streets will be monitored and appropriate action will be taken accordingly.

Yours sincerely,
Manager Technical Services.

Dob in a Hoon

Antisocial behaviour and speeding by some drivers on our roads, who cause damage, disturb the peace and can threaten the safety of our neighbourhoods, should not be tolerated in the City of Gosnells.

There is tough legislation available to police to deal with the hoons responsible and stop these incidents from happening. However, police often need public assistance to deal with these matters.

What are the penalties for hooning?

Under the Road Traffic Amendment (Hoons) Act 2009, for offences which include:

- ... Driving in a reckless manner
- ... Burnouts
- ... Driving at a speed equal to or greater than 45 km/h over the designated speed limit.

Police must:

- ... Impound a vehicle for 28 days for the first offence
- ... Impound a vehicle for three months for a second offence.
- ... Upon conviction for a third or subsequent offence, as well as the normal penalties for the offence, a court may also order the permanent confiscation of the vehicle or its impoundment for up to six months.

Don't put up with it!

Report antisocial driver behaviour or speeding to police immediately on 13 14 44 or drop into a police station and complete a Traffic Incident Report if the incidents are ongoing and you have information on the offenders. Hoon report forms can also be downloaded from the WA Police website.

What information do police need from you?

When you Dob in a Hoon the more information provided, the better. Things to note include:

- ... Description of driving, for example, burnouts, drag racing
- ... Description of driver
- ... Date and time of offence
- ... Precise location of offence
- ... Vehicle details include registration, make, model and colour

Provision of photographic or video evidence is a powerful tool that can assist police with enquiries into hooning complaints, however, if you intend taking these images, please consider your safety and **do not** put yourself in any danger when taking them.

For more details on what type of information police require, visit the WA Police website: www.police.wa.gov.au

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A Christmas Story

The Christmas story has been told in many different ways and styles down through the ages. Students at the Mudgee Public School were asked to write the story in their own words as if it happened today in Australia at Mudgee. One of the contributions was written by a ten year old student. It is this contribution which is printed here.

A Trip to Mudgee

Joseph and Mary Carpenter went to Mudgee to pay their tax. Mary had a dream that she would have a baby and to call it Jesus. When they got to Mudgee they parked in the car park at the Winning Post Motel. The motel had colour TV, air conditioning and many more things. Joseph and Mary went into the office and asked for a room.

"I'm sorry, Sir," the manager said, "but we haven't any room. However, there is a granny flat out the back."

"Thanks mate," said Joseph, and went to the granny flat with Mary. They found a cot and that night Mary had her baby. Three professors came with a TV, some lollies and a toy car. Three farmers came as well. Jesus ended up becoming a shire clerk.

The end.

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Tangmalangaloo

A Christmas Poem

The bishop sat in lordly state and purple cap sublime,
And galvanized the old bush church at Confirmation time.
And all the kids were mustered up from fifty miles around,
With Sunday clothes, and staring eyes, and ignorance profound.
Now was it fate, or was it grace, whereby they yarded too
An overgrown two-storey lad from Tangmalangaloo?

A hefty son of virgin soil, where nature has her fling,
And grows the trefoil three feet high and mats it in the spring;
Where mighty hills uplift their heads to pierce the welkin's rim,
And trees sprout up a hundred feet before they shoot a limb;
There everything is big and grand, and men are giants too -
But Christian Knowledge wilts, alas, at Tangmalangaloo.

The bishop summed the youngsters up, as bishops only can;
He cast a searching glance around, then fixed upon his man.
But glum and dumb and undismayed through every bout he sat;
He seemed to think that he was there, but wasn't sure of that.

The bishop gave a scornful look, as bishops sometimes do,
And glared right through the pagan in
from Tangmalangaloo.

"Come, tell me, boy," his lordship said in crushing tones severe,
"Come, tell me why is Christmas Day the greatest of the year?
"How is it that around the world we celebrate that day
"And send a name upon a card to those who're far away?
"Why is it wandering ones return with smiles and greetings, too?"
A squall of knowledge hit the lad from Tangmalangaloo.

He gave a lurch which set a-shake the vases on the shelf,
He knocked the benches all askew, up-ending of himself.
And so, how pleased his lordship was, and how he smiled to say,
"That's good, my boy. Come, tell me now; and what is Christmas Day?"
The ready answer bared a fact no bishop ever knew -
"It's the day before the races out at Tangmalangaloo."

John O'Brien 1878-1952