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FROM THE MAYOR

Local issues

2004 HAS SEEN council amalgamations and property rates again in the news. At Prospect Council, we have embarked on a continuous improvement culture believing that together with our community and other stakeholders, we can reflect upon and improve what we are doing. Clearly we cannot continue down the path to sustainability if we continue to rely on the current outmoded and unequitable property rating system for our income.

However, residents, ratepayers, the media and politicians should perhaps not be jumping too quickly on the popular bandwagon and only looking at how councils can meet these changes. State and the Federal Governments have their role in all of this, too. As Associate Professor Graham Sansom points out:

Local government nationally is becoming chronically underfunded. In short, local government needs an agenda to survive and prosper... Constitutionally local government is at the mercy of the States, with which it often competes for scarce resources and federal support... Its share of total government revenues and expenditures is small and declining.¹

The essential findings of a major bipartisan Federal Parliamentary report into local government responsibilities and funding (report of the inquiry into cost shifting and local government – *Rates, Taxes: A Fair Share for Responsible Local Government*) are that local government across Australia has large, complex and expanding roles, is limited to one tax (Council rates), has been short-changed by other governments and suffers from unfair distribution of untied Commonwealth Financial Assistance.

Let's look at some facts²:

- In 1968/69 the equivalent of every man, woman and child in Australia (total tax per capita) contributed \$4,501 in tax (\$3,756 to Federal, \$505 to States and \$240 to Local governments).
- In 2002/03 total tax per capita was \$11,945 (\$9,774 to Federal, \$1,827 to States and \$362 to Local government).
- The percentage tax growth per capita in real terms over the 35 years has been:
 - Local Government: 50.7%
 - Federal Government: 160.2%
 - State Governments: 261.6%
- Over the past five years the SA Government has



overtaken Local Government as the lead property taxing government in SA. In 1989/90, the State raised \$359m from property taxes & stamp duty on conveyancing compared to SA Local Government's \$482m from Council rates. By 2002/03 the State take has grown to \$669m compared to Local Government's \$629m.

As your Mayor and a member of Local Government Association SA Executive Committee, I make it my business to read widely about and discuss issues affecting local government and Prospect.

I believe that reform of financial relationships between Federal, State and local Government is urgently needed with an appropriate and adequate funding from a share of the taxation system, including GST.

Local government role and structure should reflect diversity of geography and community instead of expecting the simplistic and unsustainable 'one size fits all approach' often touted in the media and echoed by parliamentarians as populist mantra.

According to Professor Dollery³ the efficiencies assumed to come with larger council areas are not necessarily delivered. Research overseas has shown that bigger is not necessarily better when it comes to council amalgamations and questions such as local identity, community scrutiny and access to the local council are all positive aspects of smaller autonomous councils. Dollery suggests that where changes could be made are in areas such as voluntary resource sharing, outsourcing and interaction through Regional Organisations of Councils.

Creating specialist centres within ROCs for

all members to access can lead to efficiencies without the necessity for amalgamations.

This is the path that Prospect has undertaken the last few years, for example, in waste management, library and information, health services, crime prevention, home and community care and some volunteer activities. Prospect Council is looking at further economies of scale with other councils and regional partnerships, such as MERO (Metropolitan Eastern Region of Councils with a combined population of over 200,000). This is without all the pain of amalgamation with some parts of communities feeling they have 'lost' something.

Many existing council boundaries such as Prospect come from a hotchpotch of historical accident, and small sensible changes can happen with consensus of those affected. However, resource sharing at most levels of council activity can be cost effective, has been happening, and is probably the most practical way to meet current and future changes.

- Congratulations to Broadview Football Club A grade premiership, and to 1st Gilberton Scouts Group, which meets at Collinswood, on its 90th birthday.
- With summer approaching, I urge Prospect residents to become a city of water recyclers. Visit your local plant nursery and ask about plants that will suit our soil and climate here in Prospect. I am researching how to change my garden!
- For your Christmas gifts, try local shops and support local businesses.
- I'm keen to hear from more people interested in forming a Prospect History Group for 2005. You can contact me on home phone/ fax: 8342 9401; Prospect Council – phone 8269 5315 or email Mayor@prospect.sa.gov.au.

See you in 2005 at Council's Australia Day Citizenship and Breakfast (8am St Helen's Park); Concerts in the Park (Memorial Gardens, Friday evenings in February) and Prospect Fair (St Helen's Park, Saturday 12 March 2005).

Kristina Barnett
MAYOR

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FROM THE CEO

Future prospects

WE ARE NOW in full swing with our new programs for this year. The footpath upgrading is under way with seventeen footpaths to be upgraded during the year and part of Balfour Street is being reconstructed. We are also looking at some new initiatives including a new playground at the Broadview Oval with a focus on users with a disability. In addition we are looking at a bylaw prohibiting smoking in playgrounds, a move supported by the Cancer Council of South Australia and QuitSA.

Another new initiative is to upgrade driveways in streets with concrete footpaths. Recently we held our hazardous waste disposal day which was very successful, with over 220 residents taking the opportunity to dispose of 6.9 tonnes of unwanted chemicals and other products. We are also looking at a number of environmental processes, including the way Council deals with its own waste.

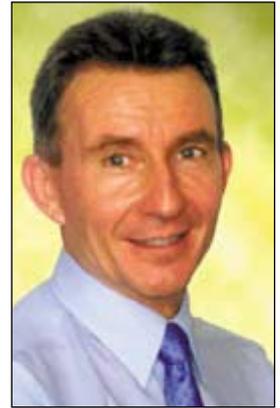
We have continued our strong focus on community events and by the time you read this we will have held our Upmarket Street Fair.

This is a great opportunity for our commercial traders to meet with our residential community in a festive atmosphere. It gives everybody a chance to look at what is on offer on Prospect Road and to have an enjoyable day. We hope you enjoyed the day and would appreciate your feedback either positive or negative.

We also look forward to the Concerts in the Park in February and our Community Fair in St Helens Park in March next year. The Council finds these events extremely valuable as we get to interact with people from our community and get good feedback on their views on Council. The functions also give people the chance to enjoy themselves in good surroundings with their friends and neighbours. It is an important part of the makeup of Prospect.

For many years Prospect has been well known for its focus on community art. The Prospect Gallery has regular art exhibitions and there are many fine examples of public art in our City. You may have seen the recent publicity on the new mural in St Helens Park, painted by one of our artists in residence, Kylie Weir. This is

another fine example of the use of public art on our buildings and parks. We plan to build a new bus shelter on Prospect Road which will combine public art with functionality. This will be installed in the near future.



Ray Pincombe

There is no doubt that public art has a significant contribution to make to the life and vitality of our City. We are also looking at a range of other public art initiatives this year which we believe will add to this vitality.

Another strong focus this year is to look at the way we consult with the community, and to give you more opportunities to have your say on what we do for you and what you might want us to do in the future. This follows on some good consultation processes last year on traffic management and rates and council services. It was good to get your feedback and we have continued this year with our recent consultation on traffic management in the eastern sector of Prospect. While these consultations identify many issues, it is often easier to find a solution if you better understand people's views.

As this is our final edition of *The Creative Community* for the year, I would like to wish each and every one of you a very happy and merry Christmas and New Year and hope you enjoy the festive season.

Ray Pincombe
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Here Is The News

Balfour Street reconstruction project

BY THE TIME you read this article, the eastern section of Balfour Street, from Howard Street to Bourke Street, will have been reconstructed.

This section of road was identified as being in very poor condition and the pavement had deteriorated to an extent that reconstruction was the only effective option.

New kerbs and gutters were installed as part of the project and the road narrowed slightly to avoid damage to the street trees and existing services along the street. New brick paved driveways were also provided at each property.

During the excavation, the underlying

ground was found to be a soft clay material and was very wet. Extra work was required to provide a strong new pavement. A long-lasting hotmix surface was provided to complete the project.

Council will now maintain this new road to ensure it provides good service to the residents for many years to come.

Safe routes to school

WATCH OUT for new signs around our schools which indicate the safest points where children can cross the streets. These signs have been installed with the assistance of Transport SA. They are part of the *Safe Routes To School* programme which includes road safety in the classroom curriculum as well as engineering changes on the streets.

This programme has also identified the need for a crossing on Gladstone Road and on Braund Road, and these works should be completed early in 2005.

White cedar trees

LAST financial year, Council commenced its programme for the management of the white cedar trees which are a feature of many streets in the City.

Some of these trees are reaching the end of their life and have the potential to drop limbs or to fall and Council has adopted a proactive approach of identifying those in poorest condition, and removing twenty white cedars across the City each year. Unless there are exceptional circumstances, no more

than two trees in each street will be replaced in any one year. This programme will be undertaken again this year and affected residents will be consulted well before any removals. The replacement trees will depend upon the nominated species for each street.

Council does recognise that these white cedar trees and the impact they have on the streets is valued by many residents. However, it is most important to take action necessary to ensure the streets remain safe for pedestrians, residents and parked cars.

Churchill Road trees

DURING 2003, it was found that leaks in the existing gas mains were affecting the health of the plane trees along Churchill Road.

As a result of Council's investigations, the gas main is being repaired and, during this financial year, a number of new plane trees will be planted. You will shortly notice that the ground at the site of the new trees will be ripped to allow any gas to escape. The new trees will be protected by bollards and, once established, will make an attractive feature for Churchill Road.

Prospect Road changes

ABICYCLE LANE has now been installed on the section of Prospect Road between Daphne Street and Staples Court. The clearway has been removed as have a number of the protruberances, the median has been narrowed near the bus stops and the separate painted parking boxes have been

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removed. The objective is to make this road safer for cyclists during peak hours and easier for shoppers to park during the day.

Please don't forget that you cannot park in the bicycle lane during the peak periods. Take note of the signs and avoid a fine.

Council has asked Transport SA to consider the speed limit on this section of Prospect Road, and a response is expected soon. Transport SA are also preparing a plan to provide one lane in each direction on Prospect Road between Fitzroy Terrace and Regency Road. This will allow a painted median with sheltered right-turn lanes along Prospect Road. It will make the road safer for drivers turning off Prospect Road and for pedestrians who wish to cross the road.

Footpaths – not an easy task

AS YOU MAY have noticed, Council's footpath upgrade programme for 2004/05 is well under way. Council is upgrading footpaths on a 'worst first' basis and we are ensuring that similar amounts of money are spent across the five wards of our City.

Replacing the footpaths is not a simple task. It requires excavation of the old bitumen and making sure that damage to underground services does not occur. Some services are quite close to the surface and this causes problems for our contractors.

Once the area is excavated, we need to design the levels for the new paths to make sure that cars don't scrape. We need to make

sure that the slope across the path meets disability standards. We need to build ramps at the intersections also to meet the correct standards.

The existing Telstra service pits are quite a problem and many need to be relocated or adjusted. Many of these pits are old and contain asbestos, so strict compliance with safe work procedures is required. To finish the job, we then backfill with soil or dolomite to meet each resident's requirements.

All this work is funded by Council for the benefit of the community. Council is most aware of the need to finish all the paths as quickly as possible as well as to keep all the paths in a safe condition.

DID YOU NOTICE?

Council has recently restored one of the last remaining poles used when the trams ran on Prospect Road.

The pole is located on the western side of Prospect Road between Staples Court and Gladstone Road.

Have a look next time you pass by.

Carols in the park

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Councillors' Views

HIGHBURY WARD

Councillor Damian Amamoo

The ingredients of community success

“I’ll have a skinny cappuccino please.”



The voice echoes clearly under the low ceilings as the excited throng buzzes around the impressive portable coffee machine donated by a local business.

The Ovingham Sports and Social Club are blowing the froth off another great football year at their presentation night held at the City of Prospect’s Community Hall. Grand final champions undefeated all year and having both the leading goal kicker and winner of the league medal playing in their team, Ovingham have struck an enviable winning streak offering the rest of us important insights into the ingredients of community success.

Ingredients, according to Heather Sandford, the club’s enigmatic manager, that began when the late Charles Cane, who formerly ran a dairy on the Churchill Road site, bequeathed the land back to the community in his will.

“In the early days I remember us using firecrackers at our club barbeques to burn the box thorns off the ground,” she says.

Steadfastly committed to the club’s success Mrs Sandford and other organisers took out a loan against their properties to raise the money to build the clubrooms.

“We had difficulty in raising the funds. Eventually we had to accept a loan at 19% interest. Our houses were on the line.”

Now with those early struggles behind her, Mrs Sandford has made the clubrooms available to an intellectually disabled group of keen footballers from the South Australian Sport and Recreation Association for People with Integration Difficulties .

“I think they had some difficulty finding a venue because many clubs are so profit-focused,” said Mrs Sandford.

Back at presentation night at City of Prospect’s Community Hall, the bubbly is flowing as the chiselled-looking club chairman and playing captain, Dan Nagle, hands out the last few trophies. But surprisingly these awards are not for players or their attractive partners. There was an award for a lady timekeeper who kept on top of the clock for every home game and another for a plucky young man who picked up rubbish on the oval before each game. And still another for a loyal player who convinced ex-players to return to the club. Less visible ingredients, yes, but no less important to overall success.

Prospect has thousands of people who work behind the scenes for the benefit of the community. Some run sporting clubs, some develop community programs at their local church, some provide respite for exhausted carers, some work at the library, some help refugees adapt to new circumstances and others for example donate their coffee machine.

Very few of our community achievers receive recognition for their work and yet, they continue with unvanquished determination to make Prospect a better place.

Contact me on 8344 2268 or email damian@amamood.com

Councillor Brian Wellby



Dear Residents,

CHRISTMAS and the accompanying holiday period will soon be upon us again. I wish you all the compliments of the season and safe travelling wherever you may go.

I believe we have some surplus funds from the previous year. The position I will take on this matter is that all surplus money should be set aside so as to help offset any budget increase for next year and not spent on extra items over and above what has been budgeted for, as was the case last year when Council spent several hundred thousand dollars on extra, unbudgeted items. I feel this action is necessary in order to keep future rate increases to a minimum.

The potential redevelopment of the old TNT depot at 250 Churchill Road is still causing me

some concern as I continue to hear comments like “affordable housing” and commercial sites, should be part of the mix. We have had commercial interests there already and have seen what a mess they have left it in. As for affordable housing; in our ward we copped the last substantial influx of this type of dwelling between Gurr Street and Kingdom Place (opposite the shops on Churchill Road) and they happen to be some of the plainest developments in our City and have done nothing to upgrade our area. The 250 Churchill Road site forms part of an important gateway into our City and is the last large broad-acre section left for subdivision, so I believe it is imperative we do something really worthwhile with it. Quality housing, accompanied by a substantial open space area (preferably a park) would add considerable value to the whole of the City. We may soon be having a public meeting regarding this redevelopment. If so, please come and help support me in my endeavours to get a result which substantially upgrades this area. What is wrong with aiming for quality standards?

I look forward to any comments you wish to make and can be contacted on 8344 2832.

KINGSTON WARD

Councillor David Blaikie



ALTHOUGH all organisations have their own buzz words, anyone who has read Don Watson’s *Death Sentence* will be familiar with his contention that public language has been debased by managerialism. According to Watson:

Our political leaders employ this new language and its store of cliches, jargon, platitudes and weasel words to hide or twist the truth.

He is particularly scathing of the widespread use of ‘commitment’ and ‘enhance’:

Commitment is the worst kind of politician’s word. To say they are committed to something does not mean they believe it (if they did, why not say so?); or that they will do it (if they will, why not do so?)

Enhance can mean anything, which is why it’s so popular with people who have lost the ability to say what they mean.

I have cast a critical eye over some Council

documents and, sadly, we have our share of 'pollie' waffle. One of my favourites comes from our *Strategic Directions 2004-2007* which advises that Council is:

... committed to investigating business hubs and business incubators to increase the capacity for start up enterprises to succeed.

The same document informs us that Council is "working towards an innovative and connected community". Connected to what?

Our excellent pamphlet, *Your Rates Your City*, lets you know that we are going to borrow for the PLEC Underground – Prospect Stage 1. What the heck is PLEC?

A recent assessment of the City Manager's performance used such phrases as "360 degree review", "Balanced Scoreboard" and "EMT plan to a page". If I had the power, I would offer a rate reduction to anyone who can explain what all this means.

But that's enough for the moment and I take this opportunity to let you know that I am committed to ensuring that you have a Happy Christmas and that your New Year is enhanced by Council's decision to adopt a "community engagement framework".

FITZROY WARD

Councillor Sheron Karahalios



TO ALL RESIDENTS and business owners of Prospect and Fitzroy ward: I know 2005 will be as eventful and exciting as 2004 was.

2004 was a great year for Prospect. The beautiful restoration of the heritage-listed Terrace Houses, on the corner of Prospect Road and Staples Court, is just one of the many new Projects and Developments approved for our City.

In saying this, I would like to thank our Directors, as without their expertise we would not have such a great balance of upgrades for our parks, gardens, footpaths and roads. The knowledge, the love, the care, the understanding, the juggling of finance and the many hours they spend trying to keep Prospect running smoothly.

To all staff that are part of our Prospect Council, from administration to parks and gardens: these people are the backbone of our

council and without them we would not have such a great council.

Finally to the Mayor, CEO, and elected Members I wish to thank you all for the wonderful learning curve you have sent me on. Let us hope 2005 is just as good if not better. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all.

ST JOHN'S WOOD WARD

Councillor David O'Loughlin



THREE MONTHS is a long time in our fair city. Our kids reach the end of another school year, spring gives way to summer, football is almost a distant memory (go the Power) and Christmas carols are upon us. A snapshot of the happenings in our area recently is included below.

Good prospects

- The new improved Muratti's Cake Shop – you can't have too much of a good thing.
- The new trees and shrubs in leaf on Percy Street.
- The old service station on Regency and Lettie – now history.
- Paving to all sides of Blair Athol Primary School – top job.
- New Prospect Kiwanis raising money for a new BAPS playground – please help.
- Our Economic Development Working Party – ideas and energy abound.
- Northpark – the next stage unveiled.
- Our new carparking fund – allowing our small shops to develop.
- New footpaths on Prospect and Regency Roads.
- Christmas cheer and New Year celebrations.

Poor prospects

- Speeding through the Northpark Carpark – humps please.
- Smoking in playgrounds – time to butt out
- Rubbish in the park behind KFC.
- Our roads, kerbs and stormwater – can we afford to fix them?
- That list of things that need to be fixed around the house – before Christmas rellies arrive!

A creative community

- Arty bus shelters – plans to be revealed soon.
- Our Community Arts Show – what an event!
- Brush Up – local artists and businesses working together for brighter shop fronts.
- Your council's art collection on display in the new council complex.
- The Town Hall Markets – almost an institution.
- The new mural in St Helen's Park – check it out.
- Music in the park – coming soon.

What have you noticed happening in your area? Have a great Christmas and a happy New Year. Contact number 0408 598 863.

Councillor Tim Newall



CHRISTMAS is coming up and

I would like to wish everyone a happy time and a successful New

Year. I am a strong supporter of *Neighbourhood Watch (Watch SA, officially)* and invite everyone to participate by keeping an eye out for their neighbours and community properties.

If you are suspicious about any activities ring the police on 131 444 or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

It is also the time when lots of us are taking holidays, so please be extra careful on the roads. The schools will be closed for holiday breaks and the usual congestion on the streets in the morning and afternoon will be in recess.

Please take care when driving around the streets and watch out for the youngsters who will be out and about.

On the subject of our children, I am actively pursuing the banning of smoking in playgrounds around Prospect.

Secondary cigarette smoke is one of the greatest causes of childhood asthma and to see adults, especially parents, smoking sets children up to be smokers later on in life.

Of all the members of our community, children are the most vulnerable and least able to say no to smoking.

When one looks at the great advances in medical science it is the humble works of our city engineers that have saved the most lives.

I am talking about such things as drains, gutters, sewers and rubbish collection.

The City of Prospect is a very healthy place to live. Please support me in making it more so by banning cigarette smoking in children's playgrounds.

APOLOGY

The Creative Community apologises to Councillor Brian Wellby for the mistaken use of a photograph accompanying his column in the Spring 2004 edition and thanks him for understanding that while all care is taken in the preparation of the artwork for the *Creative Community*, unfortunately small glitches sometimes occur.



Examples of pollution: brick cutting wastewater in street gutter. Inset - concrete residue leaving a stormwater pipe and entering the North Arm East Drain.

Protecting our environment

SUMMER is traditionally a time when home owners undertake renovations around the house including landscaping, painting, paving, extensions etc. Preventing pollution from these activities entering our waterways is vitally important to protect our environment and to ensure that we are not breaking the law.

When you are building or involved in renovation projects at home, you must take all reasonable care to stop any

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pollution ending up in our stormwater system. It is illegal to allow pollution such as soil, cement slurry, paint, brick cutting wastewater, rubbish or other building materials to enter the stormwater system. A \$300 on-the-spot fine may apply to people and businesses who pollute the environment (under the EPA's Environment Protection (Water Quality) Policy 2003).

The City of Prospect recognises that pollution entering the stormwater system (including street gutters and drains) within our Council boundaries can have devastating wider-reaching effects on environmentally sensitive waterways like the River Torrens, the Barker Inlet wetlands and the Port River, as well as local beaches and the marine environment.

The following tips are offered to builders, contractors and do-it-yourself renovators to prevent pollution and ensure that you are not breaking the law.

Pollution prevention

Tips for builders and DIY renovators
Prevent pollution from occurring in the first place by doing the following:

- **Soil or sand stockpiles** – should be placed away from gutters and roads and covered at the end of each day if rain or wind is likely.
- **Concrete mixing** – should be carried out in an area that can contain all excess water, residues and waste to prevent it entering the stormwater system. Create an area or dig a hole where the water can pond and evaporate.
- **Brickwork or paving** – Always mix mortar away from gutters or any other location that may drain into the stormwater system. All wastewater generated from brick cutting must also be prevented from entering the stormwater system. Create an area or dig a hole where the wastewater can pond and evaporate.
- **Painting** – Water-based paint washwater should be disposed of to the sewer or diverted into a contained area lined with newspaper. When it's dry, place the newspaper and residue in a bin. Oil-based paint clean up material such as turps should be filtered for reuse or taken to a licensed waste depot. Oil paint residue should be allowed to dry and placed in a solid waste bin. Unused paint should be kept in the tin and disposed of to a licensed waste depot.
- **Plastering** – residues and wastes should be allowed to dry within a contained area on site. All waste should then be disposed of to a bin or a licensed waste depot.
- **Litter and waste** – most building and construction materials can be recycled. All litter and waste should be put in a bin to prevent it blowing into the stormwater system.
- **Contractors** – all contractors undertaking work for you should be aware of environmental laws, however where possible ensure that they clean up any soil or mud that is deposited on the roadway when delivering materials and also that they do not allow any pollution to enter the stormwater system. Perhaps ask them how they prevent pollution and protect the environment before deciding whether to accept their quote.
- **Accidental spills** – ensure that any pollution including soil or mud is immediately cleaned up from gutters and roads and disposed of appropriately.
- **Cleaning up** – never hose down an area so that washdown water can flow to the stormwater system, use a broom or shovel instead and dispose of waste appropriately. Remember that all pollution or wastes must not be discharged into the stormwater system.

For more information on the Water Quality Policy or preventing pollution visit the EPA web site at <http://www.epa.sa.gov.au> or contact Council's Stormwater Compliance Officer on 8269 5355.

Clean sites are best

A CLEAN SITE environmental education, awareness and enforcement program funded by the Torrens Catchment Water Management Board and supported by the EPA, Prospect, Charles Sturt and Port Adelaide Enfield Councils is currently being delivered throughout the north-western region in partnership with KESAB environmental solutions.

The *Clean Site* program provides free information, training and practical demonstrations of environmentally responsible building site practices such as onsite litter and waste management, resource recovery and recycling, and sediment and erosion control, to the building and construction industry.

It targets large developers, commercial builders and contractors, home builders/renovators, building material suppliers, hiring contractors and local government officers, and it is hoped that this will



Example of Clean Site practices, showing containment of excess water, residue and waste.

improve environmental performance and bring about the required change in industry practices.

A very well attended *Clean Site* demonstration day was held in the north-west region in September. Further demonstration

days are planned for the region, with the next one to be held at the Northgate Development in January 2005.

For further information about this event please contact KESAB on 8234 7255 or Council's Stormwater Compliance Officer.



Hazardous household chemical disposal day

COUNCIL HELD its second chemical disposal day at the depot on Johns Road on 16 October. Again, it was a great success with over 200 residents disposing of hazardous chemicals. Some 6.9 tonnes was collected over the five hour period.

Many residents also took the opportunity to get rid of lots of cardboard and this will be recycled. The day was undertaken with the



assistance of Zero Waste SA and Cleanaway with strict safety procedures in place all day.

Let's hope that we are getting on top of the nasties in the sheds.

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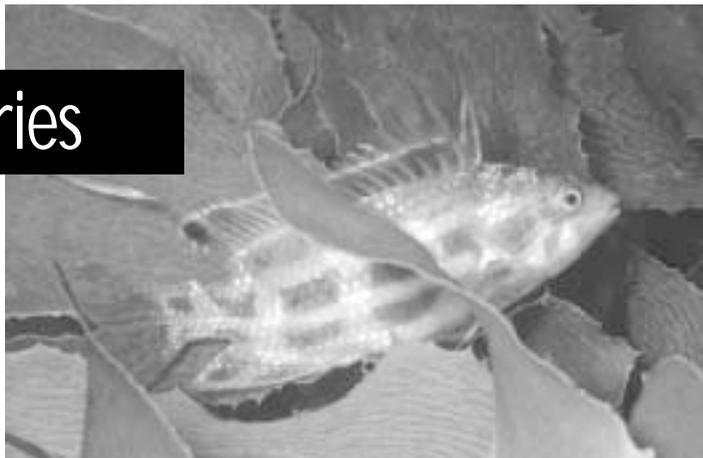
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THE CITY OF PROSPECT'S

Environmental seminar series

COUNCIL invites you to participate in our free **Environmental Seminar Series** for 2004/2005. Seminars are held at a variety of locations throughout the Council area and are open to all of the community. This is the first time seminars such as these have been organised for our community.

Bookings are essential as some seminars have limited places. Reserve your place by contacting the Council's Environmental Projects team on 8296 5355 or by email [environment@prospect.sa.gov.au].



School holiday fun



Tuesday 18 January 2005,
two sessions
10am-12pm and 12-2pm

Ern Sconce Park (*interpretive native plant trail*), Alexandra Street Prospect (bus route 182, stop 14)
Bring refreshments, hats and sunscreen. This day is most suited for children aged 7 and above.

Get out and about at Ern Sconce Park during the summer school holiday and participate in a range of interactive environmental workshops. Come along and find out about a bug's life, explore the greenhouse effect, solar in action and your energy use, and zooming in on the actions affecting our environment. Then have a sing-along and dance about recycling with Peter and Precious Possum.

Sunset walk at the Barker



Wednesday 19 January 2005,
6-8pm (weather permitting)

Meet at the Barker Inlet Wetlands viewing platform carpark which is located on South Road/Salisbury Highway, Wingfield (there are signs to direct you). Bring refreshments, hats, insect repellent and sun cream. The walk is about 2km and there are no toilets.

The Barker Inlet Wetlands are a

combination of freshwater and tidal environments, fed by four storm-water systems (including most of the rainfall runoff from Prospect). They improve the quality of water discharging into the mangrove estuary of North Arm Creek, which flows into the Barker Inlet Aquatic Reserve.

Join **Andrew Cowley**, Wetland tour guide, on a sunset walking tour of the wetland.

Know your local native plants and composting ABCs



Tuesday 22 March 2005
6.30-8.30pm

Nailsworth Primary School Hall
2 Balfour Street, Nailsworth
(bus route 222, stop 14 on Main North Road – check bus routes for south bound buses)

Wednesday 27 April 2005,
10am-12pm

City of Prospect Community Hall
128 Prospect Road
Prospect (bus route 182, stop 11)

Be inspired by **Harry Chambers** from Trees for Life as he talks about local native plants and using them to create a garden and landscape that uses less water.

Thinking about having a compost bin or a worm farm? Come and get your hands dirty whilst listening to **Peter Schultz** from Dynamic 3E talk through the ABCs of composting.

Tank talks – every drop means a lot



Tuesday 13 April 2005, 7-9pm

City of Prospect Town Hall
126 Prospect Road

Prospect (bus route 182, stop 11)

In an average year, 45% of Adelaide's water is pumped from the River Murray and during drought years this rises to 90%. With the declining health of the Murray River, why not consider reducing your dependence on mains water by the collection and reuse of rainwater at home?

Join **Jake Bugden** from Sustainable Focus for this seminar, which is aimed at people who are looking at buying a rainwater tank or making better use of their existing tank, but don't know where to start.

Sponsored by the Torrens Catchment Water Management Board.

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Tuesday 10 May 2005, 6.30-8pm

Nailsworth Primary School Hall
2 Balfour Street, Nailsworth
(bus route 222, stop 14 on Main North Road – check bus routes for south bound buses)

Want to know how energy is used around the home, and how to save resources and money by reducing your energy bill? **Richard Day** from Energy SA will show you how you can create a comfortable energy-efficient home as well as how to conduct your own energy audit.

Get water-smart in the home



Tuesday 7 June 2005, 7-8pm

City of Prospect Town Hall
126 Prospect Road

Prospect (bus route 182, stop 11)

Interested in reducing your water use at home and protecting local creeks, rivers and beaches from pollution?

Then come along and get the latest tips and advice on how you can become a better water manager around your home.

Carol Hannaford from the Torrens Catchment Water Management Board will also show you how to undertake your own easy water smart home audit to set you on the path to reducing your water usage by as much as 50%.

Council's vision is based upon the view that our City will be a green community with a healthy and pleasant environment, conserving resources and encouraging awareness of environmental responsibility.



Christmas/New Year customer service hours

COUNCIL OFFICE

The Council Office will close at 1pm on **Friday 24 December** and will re-open on **Tuesday 4 January** at 8.45am.

COUNCIL DEPOT

The Council Depot and its operations will be closed to the public between 1pm on **Friday 24 December** and 7am on **Tuesday 4 January** (other than a small crew who will maintain watering systems).

THOMAS STREET CENTRE

Thomas Street Centre will close at 1pm on **Friday 24 December** and will re-open at 10.15am on **Tuesday 4 January**. During this time library items can be returned in the after hours chute which is located in Thomas Street next to the bike rack.

WASTE COLLECTION DAYS

There will be no collections on Christmas Day or New Year's Day 2004/2005.

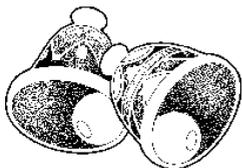


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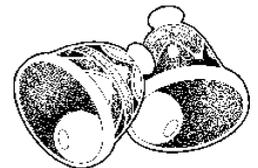
For any queries, telephone Solo Resource Recovery on 8295 5077.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Council Staff can be contacted during the festive season in relation to emergency situations by calling **8269 5355**.



The City of Prospect wishes you and your families a happy, healthy and safe festive season.



Street trees in Prospect

Trees give an extra dimension to the overall streetscape offering shade and colour or, in the case of deciduous trees, a pleasing framework of branches in winter.

They add character to a street as they become part of the architecture having a complementary relationship to buildings and other structures.

During the process of species selection, a number of arboricultural factors are considered, one of which

is to ensure that the species complies with current regulations set by SA Water, ETSA Utilities and Origin to ensure that both underground and above ground services are not damaged.

Each street in Prospect has a nominated tree species and this guides replacement of trees across the City. Council provides nearly 200 new street trees across the City each year.

White Cedars

These trees are the predominant species in over thirty streets in our City. They provide excellent shade and they can create a most spectacular avenue effect. They are characterised by the berries which fall during October and November each year, and create a task for Council. Some of the white cedar trees across the City are reaching the end of their life and Council has a plan in place to replace twenty trees each year.



American Hackberry

A fast growing street tree that provides excellent shade with a dense canopy and vibrant foliage which changes to golden yellow in autumn.



Box Elder

A fast growing adaptable tree with an upright habit.



Gleditsia Ruby Lace

A street tree chosen for its beautiful colours. However, they do require a little more maintenance than other species to provide the desired shape.



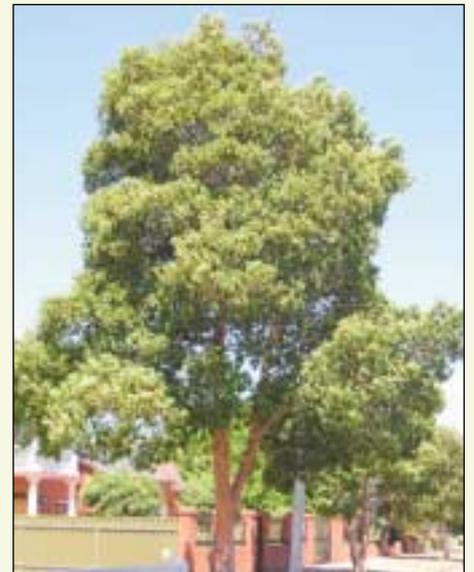
Judas

Another stunning street tree specimen with contrasting colourful seed pods and masses of pink flowers in spring.



Queensland box

Another great native street tree species providing deep shade. However, they do drop nuts and create a maintenance task. They are looking spectacular at present with vivid green leaves and upright trunks.





Around the Community

Prospect and Enfield Kindergym

THE Prospect and Enfield Kindergym is situated within the Kilburn Community Centre at 59 Gladstone Avenue, Kilburn. The continuation of our baby programme is due to a need for very young children and their carers to be involved at an early age in a structured format. We have maintained our programme for Term 4, 2004 and will continue with our very popular sessions on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday mornings, with our talented and experienced

Kindergym Leader **Caroline Rudkin**.

Kindergym is a fun, parent/child activity designed for pre-schoolers (0-6 years) and is conducted in a safe, indoor 'mini gym'. Through using a wide range of equipment including air gym, tunnels, climbing frames, balls, trampolines, slides and mats, children are stimulated to roll, climb, balance and jump. Through Kindergym, children have the opportunity to begin to develop their physical potential before starting school.

The two Baby Sessions are for 45 minutes and the cost is \$5.50 per session or \$40 for a ten-week term. All other sessions are 60 minutes in length and cost \$7.70 per session or \$60 for a ten-week term. These sessions give new parents contact with other children and other parents and is an excellent opportunity to become involved in their pre-school children's physical development while having fun at the same time.

All sessions that are available are:

Tuesday	9.15am-10am	(Babies)
Tuesday	10am-11am	(Toddlers)
Tuesday	11am-12 noon	(Juniors)
Thursday	9.15am-10am	(Babies)
Thursday	10am-11am	(Toddlers)
Thursday	11am-12 noon	(Juniors)
Saturday	9.30am-10.30am	(Toddlers)
Saturday	10.30am-11.30am	(Advanced)

Visit us at our website www.communitywebs.org/prospectkindergym

City of Prospect Neighbourhood Watch

GROUP 119 meets the second Wednesday, once every two months, in the new Community Room of the Prospect Civic Centre at 7.30pm.

New members welcome.

This year's Christmas meeting is to be a BBQ social event held at St Helens Park on Monday 13 December from 6.30pm. BYO everything.

PROSPECT BUSINESSES

In this issue, we have included profiles of some successful businesses along Prospect Road. In future issues we will highlight other Prospect streets

Bohdan Dorniak
Bohdan Dorniak & Co Pty Ltd
47 Prospect Road



Tell us about your business and the area.

In 1980, I returned to Adelaide from Darwin where I had been working on the rebuilding of the city after cyclone Tracey hit. My work covered residential, commercial and government construction. I set up my own practice, and seventeen years ago moved to this location in Prospect Road after previously working elsewhere in Prospect.

I specialise in low energy architecture within private and public sectors. Using ESD principles (Environmentally Sustainable Design) I have designed over fifty houses in South Australia and Victoria in the last five years. The designs include straw bale construction and reverse brick veneer in which the brick acts as a thermal mass in the heating of walls.

What changes have you seen over the years?

There has been a shift from a relatively intimate village atmosphere, with neighbourhood corner shops, to a longer shopping strip with more changes and transient businesses. Prospect has lost its arty focus, which can still be seen in the street on stobie poles and murals.

There is a great synergy amongst businesses who

belong to Prospect Road Main Street Association.

How would you improve business in your area?

Further develop the street's creative community character. Draw on artistic strength that currently is focused at the Library and Art Gallery to refocus some of this activity on to Prospect Road.

Where do you see business in 2010?

A very vibrant community with businesses working closer together. As the wider community becomes more knowledgeable about environmentally sustainable principles, there will be changes to businesses operating in more sustainable ways.

More professional businesses will be attracted to locate in Prospect as it becomes home to an increasing number of highly skilled business people and services are sought outside of the city CBD.

What are your favourite places and things to do in the area?

Café Cena has good food and is a great place for coffee and meetings.

Walking along the street and knowing and talking to other traders in the area, such as calling into The Small Kitchen Shop or browsing and shopping at Thousand Words Gallery.

What's the best kept secret in this area?

Being an aspiring fisherman, Horne's retail store for my fishing gear such as waders and wet weather gear; Steve and Jo's art exhibition space at Thousand Words; Thomas Street Art Gallery; Challenge HiFi; the very trendy hairdresser Dominic Marifiotti from Dominic and Alexander's, and Muratti Gateaux, of course!

Justices of the Peace in Prospect

Justices of the Peace are now available to assist you with the witnessing of a variety of documents at the convenient location of the City of Prospect Civic Centre, 128 Prospect Road, Prospect.

Call the City of Prospect on 8269 5355 to organise a time to see a JP.

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Dog microchipping day

THE City of Prospect's Community Safety staff together with Prospect Road Veterinary Hospital staff conducted a dog microchipping clinic at the Memorial Gardens on Saturday morning 30 October 2004.

The Prospect Road Veterinary Hospital kindly volunteered their time to implant the microchips in dogs while Council arranged and promoted the clinic and staff assisted on the day with setting up, clerical and cashing activities and packing up afterwards.

Dog owners took advantage of the nice sunny morning to present at the clinic and have their dogs microchipped at a heavily subsidised cost of \$22. Fifty-three dogs were microchipped.

The microchip, which is slightly larger than a grain of rice, is injected under the skin on the back of the neck of the dog. In the event that the dog is lost and impounded, scanners in the possession of Council Dog Management Officers will display the microchip number when the back of the dog's neck is scanned. The Australian Animal Registry holds lifetime details of the dog and the dog's owner, which facilitates the return of the dog to its owner. Microchips are particularly



useful if a dog has lost its registration disc or has been lost a long way from home, e.g. in the country or interstate.

Council currently provides a \$3 registration fee rebate for microchipped dogs so the owner will recover the cost of microchipping a dog at the clinic in about seven years.

Dog owners should be aware however that microchipping is only an additional means of identifying lost dogs and that dogs must still be registered with the Council of the area in

which the dog is kept. The registration disc is also required identification for the dog, and the law states that dogs in public must wear their registration disc at all times.

For those dog owners who missed this year's clinic a further clinic will be held next year. Details will be included with dog registration reminder notices in addition to other promotion of the clinic.

Special thanks to staff from the Prospect Road Veterinary Hospital for their time, enthusiasm and support for the clinic.

Monthly immunisation clinics to begin

COMMENCING Wednesday 5 January 2005, Council immunisation clinics will be conducted monthly in the Community Hall, Prospect Civic Centre, 128 Prospect Road, Prospect. The clinics will be held on the first Wednesday in each month from 2.30-4.30pm.

Access to the Community Hall is from the car park at the rear of the Civic Centre.

All Australian Standard Vaccination Schedule vaccines are available at the clinics for babies, adolescents and adults.

The clinics will be conducted by immunisation nurses from the Eastern Health Authority.

Telephone the Eastern Health Authority on 8362 7655 for further information or email eha@eha.sa.gov.au

Vaccinations urged against measles

THE Department of Health is urging people to ensure that they and their children have been vaccinated against measles. Measles is an extremely infectious viral infection characterised by severe flu-like illness with a high fever and a florid rash.

One in 25 children with measles develop pneumonia and 1 in 2,000 develop encephalitis.

Last year 22 people were infected during an epidemic of measles in Adelaide. Three

were hospitalised. Most of the cases were in adults born after 1966.

Free measles vaccinations are recommended for all children at age one and again at age four. A second dose of vaccine is also recommended for children above four years who have only received one dose of vaccine.

Adults who have never had confirmed measles and who were born during or after 1966 should have two doses of vaccine unless they have a record of previous measles immunisation.

For further information on measles vaccinations telephone the Eastern Health Authority on 8362 7655 or email eha@eha.sa.gov.au

Postponement of rates

Are you having trouble making ends meet?

Do you find it difficult to provide food, accommodation, clothing, health and/or education for yourself or your family on an ongoing basis?

If you answered 'yes' to one of these questions, please consider a **postponement of rates**.

A postponement enables ratepayers to defer payment of part of their rates bill until their property is sold or their circumstances change. Monthly interest (currently 6.25% per annum) is charged on the postponed council rates.

Postponed rates can be paid (in full or in part) at any time as the ratepayer wishes.

All enquiries relating to financial hardship are treated confidentially by the council and conditions do apply.

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Prospect Junction station at Railway Park

WHAT DO YOU MEAN, Prospect does not have a railway station?

Not only does it have a station, lots of people get on and off the many trains that call there, when the railway operates for public running.

Keeping adults and children safe whilst they sit patiently on the platform is of course a major concern.

Even more so, now we have been declared a Registered Amusement Structure under Government legislation, which requires us to comply with all sorts of things such as keeping many

kiddies safe and sound.

The old fencing just did not meet requirements, so Prospect Council came to our aid with a grant for \$2,000. This was put to good use in the purchase of two new tubular, powder-coated fence sections and also safety cones.

Together with the station being given a new coat of paint by members, the overall effect is quite pleasing.

Come and see for yourselves. We run in Regency Road, between Prospect and Churchill Roads, on the fourth Sunday of each month.

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Plate safe day

ON 29 SEPTEMBER, a 'plate safe' day was held at the Prospect council depot in Johns Road.

This initiative was coordinated with the South Australian Police Department and Neighbourhood Watch and it was a most successful day.

Many residents took advantage of the opportunity to have their number plate screws replaced with theftproof fittings. Volunteers worked with the police



during the day and it was a great example of the value that Neighbourhood Watch can offer our City.



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Arts, Crafts & Imagination

An art and craft market for the Prospect community on Saturdays from 9am-1pm at the Town Hall Vine Street Plaza.

This market is supported by the Prospect Road Main Street Association and the Prospect Council.

For stallholders registration please contact Janet Turner on

8269 1657

St Phillip's Church

THE PERIOD BEFORE Christmas is a very busy time when most people get caught in all sorts of preparations for the coming season.

For Christians, it is also an extra special time when we think once again of Jesus' birth in Bethlehem around 2000 years ago. We call this season *Advent*, the time when we prepare to celebrate his birth.

At St Philip's Anglican Church in Broadview, we decorate our church with symbols and designs to help remind us to get ready for his coming.

As well as our usual services, we have a special service where we sing carols and set up our Christmas crib. This service will be held at our church in Galway Avenue on **Sunday 19 December at 7pm.**

Our Christmas services will be at **11pm** on Christmas Eve and at **9am** on Christmas Day. Why not join us as we celebrate once again Jesus Christ's coming into the world?

Broadview Baptist Church Inc.

Our Worship Services continue at 10am each Sunday morning. Creche is provided for young children.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES

24 December

Midnight Service 11.30pm

Coffee Shop open from 10pm onward

25 December

Christmas morning service 9am

New Year's Eve

See the New Year in from 8.30pm in the Coffee Shop. Please bring a plate to share.

Play Group

Open Door

Worship at One

House Churches

All close down for the December-January break and resume in February.

Should you require any further information, please ring the Church Office on 8344 7125.

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Anyone for lacrosse?

PROSPECT teenager Bonnie Wells has been chosen as *Rookie of the Year* in the Lacrosse SA women's league competition.

The sixteen-year-old St. Dominic's College student has been playing lacrosse for eight years, after being introduced to the game while a student at Rosary School.

Bonnie has represented South Australia at the U17 national level for the past three years and is eager to once again wear the State colours in April 2005 when SA will host the U17 nationals. She is keen to do well, as players from all states will be under the watchful eyes of the Australian selectors whose job it will be to earmark players for the Australian U19 team to travel to Canada for the World Championships in 2007.

Bonnie says, "Over the next two years the squad will be gradually cut until only sixteen players remain. It would be



Bonnie Wells

a dream come true if I make the team, and I know it will be a long and hard period of training and sacrifice, but to represent my country would be the ultimate reward.

"Not only will the training be hard, but also the fund-raising. Being a minority sport, there is very little financial help available and it is great to see Prospect Council's Youth Sport and Cultural Sponsorships are available and have assisted me when I have represented SA."

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Home library service and library bus visits

Did you know...

- that if you are unable to visit Prospect Library because you are housebound permanently or temporarily we can bring the library to you?
- and also that each month the City of Prospect offers a door to door visit to the Library on the Prospect Community Bus?

These services are free. For more information please telephone the Library on 8342 8170.



Chloe Aberley (16 years old) just made a hoop.

North Adelaide Croquet Club

THE North Adelaide Croquet Club has had a very busy and successful year.

We have recently hosted an Australian Women's Tournament with the winner Margaret Melville coming from Queensland and the runner up, a sixteen-year-old lass named Chloe Aberley, from New South Wales. Chloe has been playing croquet for seven years with her grandfather as mentor and coach.

We would like to extend an invitation to all residents of Prospect and surrounding areas to take part in this challenging sport. On Monday afternoons and Tuesday and Saturday mornings we have coaches available for instruction. Please ring Secretary Kay on 8344 6759 and make a date.

We wish all readers the compliments of the season and look forward to a happy and safe 2005.

Opportunities for young leaders

JCI AUSTRALIA is developing new Junior Chamber groups across Australia to offer young entrepreneurs the opportunity for personal and professional development. Our mission is to develop young leaders in local communities to allow them to take up leadership positions in their career, personal life and community organisations. A new group will be launched in the Prospect/Walkerville area of Adelaide during April 2005.

What Is Junior Chamber?

Junior Chamber International is a worldwide organisation which presents personal development skills for young people between 18 and 40 in 6,000 groups in 100 countries throughout the world.

The organisation offers networking opportunities at local, state, national and international level. It gives young people the opportunity to become involved in their local community and experience new skills via the 'learn by doing' method. Junior Chamber International allows young people to develop skills through the monthly focus events and the training provided at every level of the organisation. The organisation is a great vehicle to experience travel and meet new people right across the world in an atmosphere of trust and confidence. Junior Chamber International and The International Chamber of Commerce have a partnership agreement to work together for the development of our members.

How will junior chamber benefit you or your staff or one of your family members?

Junior Chamber is a vehicle that allows young people to improve their self-esteem and confidence and as a result, make a significant contribution to their business, their employer and their personal success. The organisation will allow you and your staff to gain new business contacts right through to international level and the community activities will inspire a higher level of commitment to the local area and to local business.

A testimonial from Karen Smythe, National Development Officer, JCI Australia:

I joined Junior Chamber at the age of 18 and left when I was 40. Junior Chamber has made me what I am today. I was a shy person when I joined and since then I have developed the skills to commence my own International training/speaking business. My clients are my contacts from Junior Chamber across the world.

How can you help?

We are interested in identifying young leaders within the community who would benefit from being involved in Junior Chamber.

You can make your recommendation or obtain more information by contacting **Karen Smythe** on karensmythe@bigpond.com or on 0407 622 129.

More information can be found on the JCI website www.jci.cc
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Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the Elected Members, Staff and Management of the City of Prospect.




Report faulty street lights

ETSA wants residents to report faulty street lights by phoning **13 13 66**. ETSA will repair these lights as quickly as possible. They will repair faulty lights in Prospect for which they are responsible within five working days from when the fault is reported. If the reported light is not repaired within this time, the first person to report the faulty light may be eligible to receive a \$20 cheque for their efforts. The \$20 payment will then reapply for every respective five period that the light remains faulty. So, phone **13 13 66** to report the faulty lights and do your bit to keep our streets as safe as possible.



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Oral and local history at the Library

PAT FINCH has been a volunteer of the local history collection for many years and we all thank her for her hard work and wish her well.

Library staff members **Andrew van Buuren** and **Lianne Gould** are now responsible for the local history and oral history collections.

Lianne had the opportunity to speak to visitors at Nailsworth Primary School Old Scholars reunion held recently and Nancy Thornton has made a contribution to the collection. An excerpt is featured.

My Early Schooldays

Nancy Thornton (nee Potter)
Nailsworth School 1938-1943

My first two years were spent at a small school at Kingscote, Kangaroo Island and then we came over to stay with Dad's parents in Gordon Street, Prospect and I started school at Nailsworth Infant School. My first writings were in longhand and of course we used ink and pen, we held the pen correctly and used the pen emphasising the down strokes with darker ink and had to keep the writing neat.

In grade 4 I used to walk home for lunch every day where my mother would always be home for me, we thought nothing of walking everywhere. On rare occasions, I would take my lunch which consisted of a fritz or vegemite sandwich and a piece of fruit.

I got my first bicycle in grade 7, and I rode

it everywhere. I had a basket on the front and carrier on the back, and eventually I got lights because sometimes in winter it was dark when you got home.

During the winter we often wore a piece of camphor in a small bag around our necks, we also had to carry a small bag with first aid equipment in case of raids. An sometimes the siren went and we had to practice running home as fast as we could and get under the table if we did not have a air raid shelter in your backyard.

Once a week we had Assembly and saluted the flag, and during our recess and lunchtime we used to use the troughs and soap and makes lots of soapy water and play for hours. We played hopscotch, skipping and double dutch and different ball games.

One year the whole school was fumigated because of Scarlet Fever. I had a mild case and was kept home for some time and I listened to all the radio serials at the time, coloured in, and read.

Once, some of us were chosen for a special treat, we went to the Ozone Enfield Picture Theatre in school time for a concert where the orchestra played *Peter and the Wolf* and we thought it was wonderful as we had never seen anything like it before. We had yearly concerts, and two girls from our class did an impromptu act, just talking to each other about a lot of different things and I remember Headmaster Captain Cattle being very entertained by them and they had us in stitches.

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Every second Wednesday 12 to 4pm

Live band 60/40 • cost \$10 per person

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New home for the Stationmaster

WHEN YOU NEXT walk into the Civic Centre from the car park, have a look to your right just as you come through the glass doors.

The Stationmaster, who has featured in a couple of exhibitions at the Gallery and lived in the Reading Room at the Library for some years, has now found a new home.

He started life at Dudley Park railway station in 1990 when People for Public Transport and NORTAG (Northern Residents Transport Action Group) made that station the focus for their activities to retain inner suburban railway stations.

These groups gave Dudley Park station a major facelift with a garden and mosaic pavers, and collaborated with local artist Maggie Savage to make this full size figure to keep an eye on it all. Maggie ran the workshops and all the participants learned to do fibre glass body-casting and mosaic.

Well, some folks with nuthin' much to do knocked off the Stationmaster's head a few times so Maggie took him home to mend, and when he was fixed, offered him to Prospect's Art Collection where he could be safely located indoors. We brought him over here sitting on the tray of a depot ute... if only I'd had a camera!

All of us at Thomas Street Centre are sad to see him go, he's been a lot of fun. We hope he enjoys his new home (see cover picture).

Writers speak

IT WAS A full Reading Room at Prospect Library when well-known author Lydia Laube (pictured above) spoke on Sunday 31 October as part of the Friends of the Prospect Library *Writers Speak* program.

SMS notification of reservations

FROM LATE NOVEMBER, all members of the SWAP

Library Network will have the option to be notified via SMS when any reservations are ready to be collected.



The Friends of Prospect Library are extremely grateful to the following businesses for their generous donations towards this year's Christmas Raffle:

- Adelaide Fresh Fruiterers
- Adelaide Fresh Pasta
- AllCare Pharmacy
- Bakers Delight
- Birks Chemist North Park
- Brumby's Prospect
- Brights Laundry Eco Clean
- Cellarbrations
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- Classic Image
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- Creative Dolls & Lace
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- The Warehouse
- Tigerlily Florist
- Sefton Plaza Newsagency
- Windmill Hotel
- Zamels

Christmas at Prospect Library

Evening Christmas show

Puppet show with

Sue Harris

7pm Tuesday, 14 December

Decorate Christmas gift bags

Friday, 17 December

2.30-3.30pm

All materials supplied.

Bookings required



SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM 2005

Wednesday 12 January 2005
2.30-3.30pm

Personalised Placemats

Bring along a photo and make your own placemat – all other materials provided

All ages. Bookings required

Friday 14 January
2.30-3.30pm

Busy Bugs

Fuzzy flies and creepy crawlies... make something scary!

Ages 7 and up – bookings required

Wednesday 19 January
2.30-3.30pm

Textured Paper Art

Make a special textured paper picture

All materials provided

All ages. Bookings required

Friday 21 January
2.30-3.30pm

Face Painting

Come along and be transformed!

All materials provided

All ages

Prospect Library
1 Thomas St., Nailsworth
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Robert Stirling's *The Train*



Kaylie Weir's *The Message Wall*

Art in the Park

Prospect has murals, painted stobie poles and the Arts Path. Now... Prospect has *Art in the Park*.

Last year **Robert Stirling** painted his *trompe l'oeil* (trick of the eye) work *The Train* in St John's Wood Gardens on the corner of Main North Road and Alpha Road.

This year, **Kaylie Weir** has just completed *The Message Wall* in St Helens Park on Prospect Road.

Go and see these two fine art works.



Twilight Concerts

The City of Prospect invites you to the 2005 series of Twilight Concerts every Friday evening in February from 6.30 to 8.30pm in the Memorial Gardens (behind Prospect Oval in Flora Terrace)

- 4 February Party in the Park
- 11 February Greek World Music
- 18 February Classics
- 25 February Latin Nights

Bring your family and friends!

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PROSPECT GALLERY

Get to know your local gallery

- Prospect Gallery opened in 1988 and was the first community gallery in Adelaide.
- It's owned and run by Prospect Council.
- There is a new exhibition each month (except in January).
- The Gallery is open the same hours as Prospect Library (they are in the same building, the Thomas Street Centre).
- Entry is free.
- Exhibition openings are on the first Sunday of the month at 3pm (except January) and everyone is welcome.



Pam Walter curated the October exhibition by Basketry SA and associated ceramicists. Kay Lawrence, Head of the SA School of Art, opened the show.



November featured the work of Joanna Majchrowska and Jo Mignone, lecturers at the SA School of Art in their exhibition, *Double Take*.



Art teacher, Dave Smith, with his work 'Woodlot Dialogue' bought for the City of Prospect Art Collection. This piece was in the September exhibition, *Local Journey*, works by SA Visual Art Education Association members.



All exhibitions open on the first Sunday of the month at 3pm except October (date and time to be decided)

December 12-January 23
Background

13th Prospect Community Show. Closes Sunday 23 January at 3pm with a community arts forum for participants.

6-27 February
Over the Rainbow
Art by recent arrival refugees

6-27 March
Local and Contemporary
Contemporary SA furniture curated by John Hayward

3-24 April
Year 12 Art Show

1-22 May
Contemporary glass
B. Jane Cowie, SA glass artist

5-26 June
Ambivalent Mother
Sculpture installation, Sonia Donnellan

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Wed- Fri. 10.15am-6pm
Sat. 9am-4pm Sun 2-5pm

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We love Prospect! Why?....

“ ... We recently bought our family home in Prospect through Fenwicks.

We had previously spent time in the Prospect area stopping for the odd coffee and lunch at Café Cenna and just loved the feel of the surroundings and atmosphere.

We felt Prospect offered us the lifestyle and environment we wanted for our 3 children.



The more time we spent house hunting in the area the more we fell in love with it, with the people and the community feel. Since settling in Prospect we've established our new ladies boutique and accessories business **'Purple Lily Boutique'** on Prospect Road, our daughter works part time at Brumby's, and all this has happened because of our relationship with Fenwicks over the past 12 months.

Our dealings with Fenwicks were nothing short of fantastic, they took the time to listen to our needs, set us up with a local agent to sell our home at Semaphore and then searched for the style of home we were looking for in Prospect.

All of this happened with the minimum of fuss as Fenwicks kept in touch throughout and found us the property we were looking for without the worrying times of being involved in the Auction process.

We highly recommend the Fenwick's team to all that are thinking of selling or buying as they have the integrity and experience to make things happen easily with a great outcome for all!

Thanks Fenwicks

Adam and Kelley Durham ”