

The Guildford Association Inc is your local resident and ratepayer association.  
The Association's objectives as stated in the Constitution are to:

- Preserve and promote the historic and rural nature of Guildford and its environs;
- Enhance and protect the quality of life of residents and ratepayers in the area.

The Association is constituted under the *Associations Incorporations Act 1987* and operates under the requirements of that Act.

Meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 7.30 pm at the Mechanics Institute Hall in Meadow St. (next to Guildford Post Office).

Membership is **\$15** per person, per year and entitles you to full voting rights at the meetings.

**New members are welcome**

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#### Application for Membership

I hereby apply for membership of the Guildford Association Inc. I support the goals of the Association as stated in the Constitution.

Title(s): Dr/ Mr / Mrs/ Ms \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

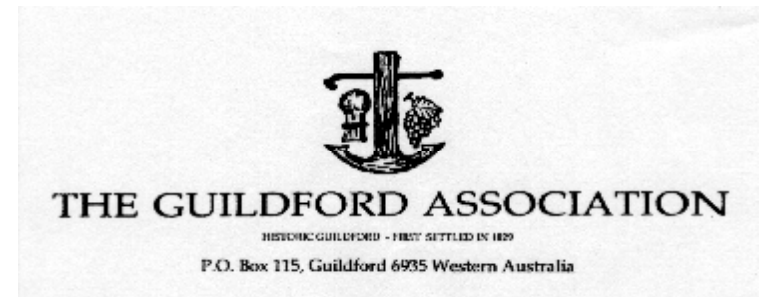
Renewing Member •

New Member •

Please forward **\$15 per person** to: Guildford Association Inc PO Box 115

**Guildford WA 6935. All information on this form is confidential and will**

**only be used for Association purposes.**



## **GUILDFORD MATTERS**

Newsletter #10, September 2009

### **Guildford Association AGM**

The Association's AGM will be held at 7.00pm on September 15<sup>th</sup>. If you are interested in your town, then please come along to the meeting. Membership Fees have been increased for the first time in 20 years to \$15.00/annum/person. Tea, coffee and snacks are provided for members. A membership form is on the back.

### **2009 - Year of the Sugar Gums**

The highly successful Poetry and Art competition, held in collaboration with The National Trust of Australia, concluded with a Presentation Ceremony at Woodbridge House recently. From the standard and content of entries, we can be confident that we are handing the baton of awareness and conservation to a very ready and able group of junior citizens. Following a display of the work at Woodbridge House and the Guildford Library, we will also be publishing winning entries in coming newsletters. We hope you enjoy them as much as we have. Grateful thanks to every young person who participated – and to the parents who helped make that possible.

### **Commemorative Bench – gifted by the City of Swan**

The City of Swan has gifted a commemorative bench to Guildford to mark “2009 - Year of the Sugar Gums”. We are delighted that design and commissioning of this project is now well advanced. The Bench, to be located in Stirling Square, will incorporate a stylised impression of the Gums in silhouette form combining burnished iron finish with contemporary craftsman techniques. Historical text from Municipal records of the 1930's and the original Town of Guildford Crest will be cut into the finish as part of the telling of the story of these Guildford icons. Additional information plaques will provide visitors to the park with an insight into the special recognition these trees generated in the 1880s, 1930s, 1950s and the 1990s as successive generations of the local community fought for their preservation. We are planning a community event to unveil this work later this year.

Meetings held at Mechanics Institute Hall, Meadow Street, Guildford

Next meeting is AGM, 7.00 pm, 15<sup>th</sup> September 2009

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## **Sugar Gums Memorabilia on Sale**

Commemorative postcards, fridge magnets, bookmarks and contemporary photos are available from the Association by telephoning 9279 7057. When you need something for that person who has everything – can we just say that our quality etched “Year of the Sugar Gums” wine glasses have been most popular and are a great gift or acquisition at \$20 a boxed pair. With the final order of these glasses low in stock, we have only 40 boxed sets left. Orders can be texted to 0413 770 654, or messaged to 9274 6687 and collected from Curio Warehouse, James Street Guildford on Saturday September 19<sup>th</sup> between 10 and 11.30 am. Alternative collection arrangements can be arranged if necessary.

## **Guildford Campfire Evening**

It was a dark and stormy night on Friday, 14<sup>th</sup> August when a small group of people met at the Fire Pit in Stirling Square to celebrate further the Year of the Sugar Gums 2009. They dined on soup, hamburgers & sticky date pudding from Alfred’s Kitchen with chipolatas and rolls donated by another generous individual. The fire was cheery and kept the small but hardy group warm despite the inclement weather that kept most sane Guildford people at home that night.

A special thanks to Patsy Molloy who organized it and all the others who helped with fire wood, food and especially their presence and their conversation that night.

## **Pamplona, RAS & James**

What might you ask is the connection? The Association understands that the Royal Agricultural Society intend to commemorate the 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Royal Show with some form of parade and commemorative act in Guildford. Exact details are uncertain at this stage but we may yet see the running of the bulls down James St in the next few weeks to mark the occasion’s historic connection with Guildford.

## **Anti-social Behaviour in Guildford**

The Association has been actively involved in trying to improve the recent escalating level of anti-social behaviour that seems to be occurring in our town recently. There have been a number of meetings held with the Police, the Liquor Licensing Board, the City of Swan and local businesses. We hope that residents have seen an improvement in the situation recently as our efforts bear fruit. A major point to come out of all of our discussions has been the importance of phoning the police and keeping a record of the situation, the actions taken and the outcomes. Resources are distributed on the basis of statistics for so many areas now. If Guildford residents want the Midland Police to be suitably resourced to deal with the situation then we have to be prepared to report incidents that require police attendance. Always ask for a report number and hopefully we will have more resources allocated to Midland.

## **Guildford and the Council Elections**

An ordinary postal election will be held in the City of Swan on Saturday 17 October 2009. The candidates for Guildford ward, as at the close of nominations and in order of their appearance on the ballot paper, are:

**Ted Williams** – “I have lived in Guildford since 2007. We chose to live here because of the history associated with the area and the fact that we had the opportunity to conserve and preserve this history. Our own home was built in the 1870’s and we have been working to restore and extend it in character. I am a graduate in engineering from the University of Melbourne and in commerce from UWA. I have five sons, the youngest living with us and attending school in Guildford. My wife and I strongly support the “village” concept for Guildford and wish to retain as far as possible all historical links. If elected I will bring to bear my project management skills developed over more than 40 years of major development. I believe rate payers funds should be spent wisely, capital projects carefully monitored, recurring expenses critically reviewed and rates minimised. Home 9378 3996, mobile 0402 080 704, 11 Turton St., Guildford.”

**Bernie Doyle** – “Arriving from England in 1968, I settled in the valley, moving to Guildford in 1980. I joined the Commonwealth Service in 1972 and took early retirement in 1993 to co-found a garden machinery business in Guildford. I performed for over 25 years in Olivers Music Hall. Now fully retired, I spend my time working for various community organisations notably the Swan-Guildford Historical Society. I am a life member of the Garrick Theatre Club and the Swan Bowling Club. I have served as a Justice of the Peace since 1992. I am independent of any political party and decisions I make, I believe will be in the best interests of my fellow citizens. I have expertise in public administration and finance which could be useful in these difficult times. My primary interest in becoming a councillor is to help preserve and hand on a place I love to future generations. Home 9279 9093, mobile 0430 221 720, 89 Swan St, Guildford.”

**Anjali Abbot** – “If elected I pledge to be an ethical and enthusiastic representative who will make a real difference for the rate payers of the Guildford Ward. I live with my husband and our two children in Guildford, previously in Rosehill. I am active with local schools, church and community groups and I am passionate about family and youth issues along with health and aged care matters. I want to encourage the ongoing conservation of our civic heritage in Guildford and I will also work hard to develop new amenities for Hazelmere and South Guildford. My 20 years experience in the public sector, many at senior management, as well as my successful small business operations have given me a wealth of knowledge and practical experience that I can use for the benefit of local ratepayers. I ask for your support and promise to be a strong voice for the Guildford Ward. Mobile 0405 569 576, [aabbot@bigpond.com](mailto:aabbot@bigpond.com).”

Please think about your options and make the effort to vote.