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Advancing Whyalla

SEPTEMBER 2005

AGM 2005

The Advancing Whyalla AGM was held Thursday 8th September at Flossy's Coffee Baa. It was very well attended with a few new faces present. The meeting was opened by President, Russell Bambridge. The general formalities from 2004 were dealt with. Keith Sichler was returning officer for proceedings involving election of the new committee. All positions were vacated and the new committee was nominated and accepted. The new committee members are -

President: Russell Bambridge, Vice President: Kaye Bujnowski, Secretary: Jo-Anne McGrath, Treasurer: Keith Sichler. The Committee Members are: Clint and Marg Garret, Trevor Toomer, Debbie Smith, Michael Hillier, Brian and Peg Brereton, Andy Martin, Denise Sharp and David Poyner., WEDB rep Amelia Cooper and Council rep Natasha Coombe.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank the past committee and any retiring members for their hard work and wish them the very best of luck for their future endeavors. Welcome to our new committee. We look forward to working with you.

Russell invited Len Pullen, Dean of Uni SA, Whyalla Campus, to speak at the AGM about his involvement with the Gippsland (Victoria) Community Leadership Program, helping to build capacity across a range of levels. Len would like to see something similar set up in Whyalla and our neighboring towns, possibly using Advancing Whyalla as the organisation to drive the program. Ron Wilson from WEDB was also present and put forward some ideas on how WEDB could assist with this program.

After the meeting closed we enjoyed dinner and relaxed, with an informal chat amongst the members. We would like to thank Flossy's Coffee Baa for their assistance in making the night a success.



Membership Fee's are now due

Wellness Guide: Have you received yours yet?

Delivery of the Wellness Guide to all homes in Whyalla is now complete. It took the Lions Club three weeks to deliver to nearly 10,000 homes. A job well done.

The guide has received much comment, mostly favourable, about how useful it will be to Whyalla residents.

Advancing Whyalla Coordinator, Jo-Anne McGrath got a chance to present the Hon John Howard PM a copy when he was in Whyalla on 3rd August.

Minister for Families and Communities, Jay Weatherill was also presented with a copy at a luncheon on 17th August. Both politicians were suitably impressed with the publication, saying that the same should be done in all communities.

If you did not receive your copy of the Wellness Guide, please call into the Advancing Whyalla office located inside WERIC House, 88 Hincks Ave between 10 am and 1 pm Monday to Thursday to collect a copy.

The Spencer Gulf Rural Health School (SGRHS) has assisted us in preparing a survey as a post evaluation tool and will be extending invitations to Health Professionals, community service groups and relevant persons to participate in an evaluation at a focus group meeting to be held in October 2005.

A large number of surveys were



completed by participants at the Whyalla Show. Uni SA students and Advancing Whyalla members also conducted some surveys at Westlands Shopping Centre and sporting venues. Thank you to those people who helped out with this.

The United Trades and Labour Council

Invites Whyalla to the

Labour Day Picnic

On Monday October 3rd. 10 am til 3pm

At Ada Ryan Gardens



FREE for the kids

Lollies Drinks
Ice creams Face painting
Pony rides Amusements

Displays & stalls

Tanderra Craft Stalls
State Emergency Services
Surf Life Saving Club

Games, prizes & trophies

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Three legged race
Sandcastle competition
Tug-o-war



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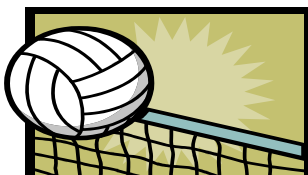
Whyalla supports Active After-school communities program

Nine Whyalla local sporting personalities have been trained as Community Coaches through the Australian Sports Commission's Active After-school Communities Program (AASC) to deliver physical activity sessions to the Nicolson Avenue Primary School Oshcs which began in term 2 and will be running until the end of term 4 2007.

The program is a federally funded with \$116 million to be spent across the nation aiming to increase physical activity levels in primary school aged children. The program is to promote healthy living and improve motor skill development.

The physical activity sessions run by the Community Coaches are designed to create an atmosphere where these students participate in a safe and non-threatening environment.

Jason McInerney, Regional Coordinator for the program in the Spencer Gulf and Far North, conducted the training for the five community coaches. The training was held on March 6th and ran for the whole day with topics covered being the role of the AASC Community Coach, behavioural management, safe environments, nutrition and well-being, Playing for Life and planning, preparing and reviewing.



The commitment shown by the people who took part in the training was fantastic. They see this program as being very important to Whyalla and the students involved. If all the schools in the country have these types of people delivering the program then it is in good hands,' Mr McInerney said.

A large component of the training is practical based to assist in planning of these physical activity sessions.

The community members who undertook the training were Mick Travers, Karen Travers, Ben Hall and Alyce Wood from Hummock Hill Hockey Club, Marlene Kenny, Michael Marsh, Tom Moore and Ron Wallis from the Whyalla Softball Association and David Sharp from Steel United Soccer Club.

In term 2 the activities run were soccer and hockey with the focus on setting challenges for the student.

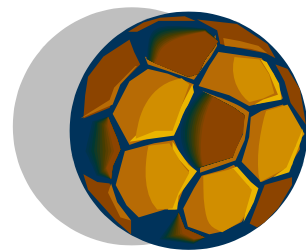
Katie Reichelt, Director of the Nicolson Avenue Oshcs, said the sessions were well run through term 2 and the numbers increased throughout the term and she looked forward to the upcoming terms.

Hockey will continue in term 3 along with softball.

Primary school students who are keen to be involved can contact Katie Reichelt at Nicolson Avenue Oshcs to reserve a place in the program.

Mr McInerney went on to add 'This is an opportunity for local clubs and associations to become deliverers of the program, get paid for it and hopefully recruit some new members. There will be more schools participating in Whyalla next year which is great for the students at these schools and the community.'

Anyone wanting to know more about the program can contact Jason McInerney on 8641 3200.



Member Profile: Deborah Smith

- ◇ Born in Melbourne 1956.
- ◇ Primary and secondary schooling completed in Melbourne .
- ◇ I have one brother, he is 10yrs older than me.
- ◇ I have 3 adult children and 3 grandchildren.
- ◇ Whyalla has been home for many years .
- ◇ I have recently completed a course in Business and worked at Advancing Whyalla on work experience and decided to stay on as a Volunteer.
- ◇ My interests include . Cycling , reading , music and swimming.
- ◇ I have gained experience and knowledge of Whyalla that I did not know existed during my few weeks of work experience here.
- ◇ I am confident that it will assist me during my involvement here.



Win Newby Kindergarten Needs Your Help: Win Newby Kindergarten, on the corner of Ring and Russell Streets is going to be celebrating “Centenary of Kindergartens’ and would like any memorabilia of Win Newby kindy that you may be able to lend them for a display. (all items can be returned). So if you went to Win Newby and have an old kindy photo, news clippings or anything else that could be useful in a display contact Raelene or Candice at Win Newby on 86457959.

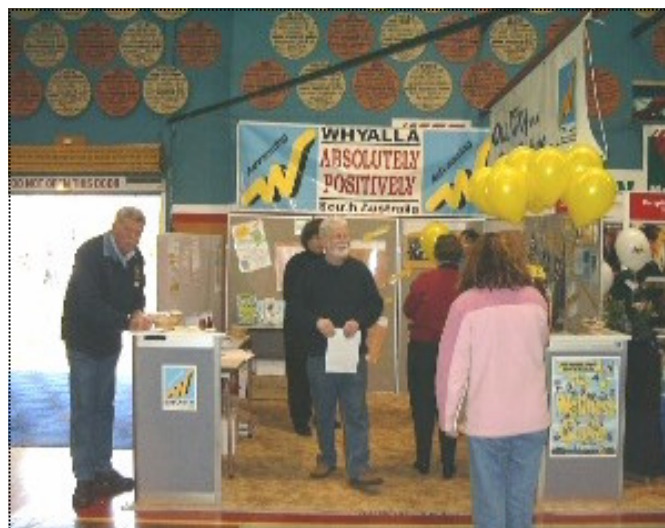
THE WHYALLA SHOW

The 2005 Whyalla Show was held on 20th and 21st of August and proved to be another successful event. The Advancing Whyalla stall was this year primarily focused on the evaluation of the Wellness Guide.

With the help of the Spencer Gulf Rural Health School, who made up an intercept survey, we successfully engaged over 220 people to fill in the survey. This data is currently being collated by the SGRHS We also gave away pens with Advancing Whyalla, Our City-Our Future written on them as well as balloons.

The Whyalla Writers group shared the stall with us this year, promoting their publication “Where the outback meets the sea”. This was also useful as it meant more hands on deck to assist in carrying out the surveys and giving away balloons.

Photo: Setting a good example, Mayor Jm Pollock was one of the first to fill in a survey on the Wellness Guide. Thank you to all those that completed a survey.



Scrap Booking: Are you a keen scrap booker looking for a new project? Advancing Whyalla would like to keep a record of all its involvements and accomplishments in a presentable format. From its conception in 1999 up until now and beyond and we need someone to take on this project for us. If this is for you call in to our office at 88 Hincks or give Jo-Anne a call 8645 5999 Mon—Thurs 10-1

WERIC & Whyalla
EcoLETS
Open Day

Saturday, 5 November 2005

10.00am–2.30pm

88 Hincks Ave Whyalla Norrie

Fun for the whole family;

EcoLETS market, kids activities, free BBQ & drinks, competitions, face painting, free raffle & hear about how you can beat the heat in your home & garden

For more information ph WERIC on 8644 1992

QUIZ NIGHT

The Whyalla Singers are holding a quiz night to raise funds for their

Trip to Carnegie Hall in May 2006

On Friday night September 30th

WEROONA BAY FOOTBALL CLUB

Commencing 8pm

\$5.00 per head, table of 8

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GREAT PRIZES

TICKETS CAN OBTAINED AT THE DOOR ON THE NIGHT OR BY CALLING

CATH STEVENSON ON 86441549