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THE GLYDER - A NEWSLETTER

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Dear Member

Welcome the spring edition of The Glyder. We hope you enjoy it.

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[Enrolment Day](#)



Up until midday last Thursday (the day after enrolment day), we had taken \$23,500 in course fees and memberships. 270 people have enrolled in 802 activities. These numbers are slightly down on the same time last year; it seems many members are travelling about now.

Health related topics are always popular, with "Getting the Most out of Your Gut" topping the list, followed by "How Drugs Work" and "The Many Faces of Remembering and Forgetting". However our talk on Trump and Trade has a lot of takers too.

There are still several places left in "Fun With Colour", "3-D Needlefelting", "Ipad for Travellers" and Faster Typing (you'll see me at that one!).

To see the full programme [click here](#) and remember you can book on line.

Staff holidays



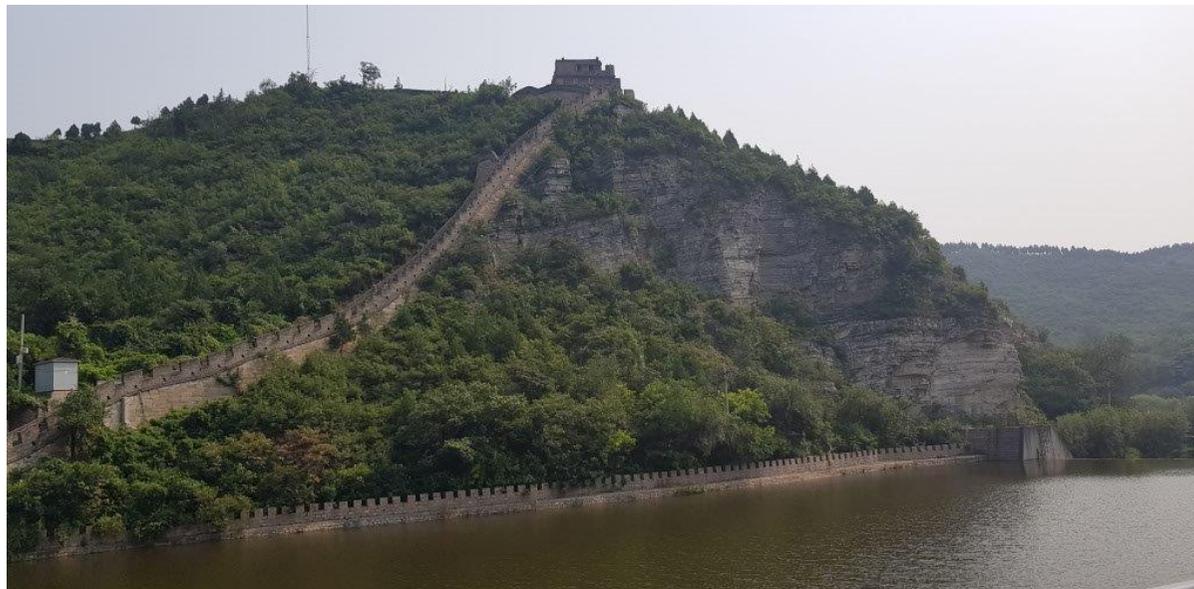
You may have noticed the absence of our dear leader Ann and colleague Sandra from the office during September. Ann was hiking up and down dale in France. Along with 2 friends she hiked 200km from Geneva towards Le Puy. Given the heat of the European summer this year, some days were challenging. Luckily the walkers were rewarded with a cold drink or a soak in a stream at the end of each day!

Fortunately we had the very capable Nikki MacDougall to hold the fort in the office.



Sandra was at the same time cruising around China and Japan, taking in the sights. See photographs below. The trip Sandra and her husband Garry went to help celebrate friend

Vivienne's 60th birthday. As a result, she has decided that cruising on a vessel with 4,500 people didn't quite suit her, and she returned gratefully to work. We're delighted to have her back too.



Thanks Nikki for doing such a great job and enabling our staff to have well deserved breaks.

AGM



The AGM on October 16th was well attended. Gordon MacNish gave an outstanding annual report, summarising the various highlights of 2018, including the construction of the Garden Room and associated garden repairs, the delivery of four programmes and the revamping of the computer room. He concluded with thanks to volunteers and staff.

Gordon's dedication to the Glyde in was recognised by awarding him a life membership.

Life membership was also awarded to Marnie Brooker who gave 18 years of service to our centre.

To read Gordon's full report [click here](#)

Gordon Whitmore presented the Treasurer's report which showed the Glyde to be in a very healthy financial position. A copy of the audited financial statements was presented and passed.



The retiring committee members - Robert Potts, Audrey Bolger and Pam Riordan - were thanked. Seven existing committee members were re-elected- Jono Farmer, Lucy Griffiths, Gordon MacNish, Tess May (vice-chair,) Terry Mercer (secretary), Gordon Whitmore (treasurer) and Mal Christison (chair). New members are Dale Chester, Diana Cullen, Kerry Donovan and Judith Ingle.

The Latest in the Quilts



Our regular Community Quilting group recently received a request from the Cancer Council group CANTEEN for a donation of single bed quilts.

CANTEEN supports teenage cancer patients. The donated quilts will be used for respite camps. Each has a colourful bandana as its feature. The Glyde-In quilters are in the process of making these quilts- choosing various designs and a variety of contrasting and complementary fabrics that will appeal to teenagers.

The completed quilts will be displayed in the Garden Room before sending onto WAQA Community Group for distribution,

If you are interested in joining the group, let the office know. Everyone is welcome including novice quilters. The groups meets monthly, Thursday afternoons.

Summer School



We had to skip Summer School this year due to the construction of our wonderful Garden Room. However it is back bigger than ever in 2019!! For two weeks in January you can be entertained, educated, inspired and energised.

As always there is a scintillating array of talks. Bob Mead returns to take us deeper into the science of forensics- and how it can lead us to the right and wrong conclusions! Two guides from the WA Art gallery explore aspects of art, and two bird specialists take us on the journey of our migratory birds and explain some clever bird adaptations. A talk on human behaviour as related to primates promises to be interesting. The evolution of the Arab-Israeli conflict is another thought provoking talk.

For the artist in you, there are classes in drawing, painting, acrylics, Japanese and Chinese brush painting and hand stitching. You can learn to make Beatrix Potter characters and colourful painted pots.

For mind and body, we have meditation, love poetry, qi-gong, movement to music and sudoku. For those wanting to hone their IT skills, you can learn to edit your digital photos or improve your smartphone skills. And have you visited the new Optus stadium yet?

Finally a couple of thought-provoking films, one the astonishing story of how Australia contained the AIDS epidemic and another on the story of the Tampa and how the wider questions around it still resonate. Both are directed by Fremantle's Victoria Midwinter Pitt and produced by Penny Chapman. Stay for Q & A with Victoria and a glass of wine afterwards

For a full programme [click here](#). Enrolments can be made now on line, in person or by post.

[Glyde-In Culture Club](#)



Glyde-In volunteer Gloria Lorenz organizes various outings to the theatre and music performances as part of our "Culture Club". Here's what Jan had to say about her recent experiences:

The Glyde-In Culture club is an opportunity to painlessly get to Perth Concert Hall performances. The morning Rachmaninov concert in August with French pianist Cedric Ribergien was magnificent, the choir stalls were relatively comfortable and at \$34 the price was just right. It was a very civilised way to spend a morning. And earlier this month the Harbour Theatre gave an excellent professional production of a thought-provoking play, "Charitable Intent", by David Williamson. About 30 Glyde-Inners went along and it was wonderful to be able to support such a talented local theatre group.

This term you can see a WASO performance of Dvorak and the production of "Hotel Sorrento" by the Harbour Theatre.

[More Outings](#)



If you want to get Out and About, here are some ideas:

Friday 9th November: Historic Toodyay: This visit to historic and scenic Toodyay includes a visit to Cooringa Wines and lunch.

Tuesday 4th December: Behind the Scenes at His Maj: This excursion will take you to parts of this 1904 theatre that few people see. You'll hear some hilarious and intriguing stories too.

Wednesday 12th December: Enjoy the Christmas lights: See the Christmas lights of Perth and enjoy fish and chips.

Phone 93393964 for bookings.

[Vale Maureen McCavanagh](#)



Maureen McCavanagh was an active member of Glyde-In for more than 20 years. Sadly, Maureen died in August. Much-loved, lively, fun, always with a smile and an outrageous story, she belonged to the Thursday walking group and the Monday cycling group, and she also led the Tuesday walking group. She was a long time committee member, and chair of Glyde-In in 2000. Maureen was a talented mosaic artist and taught classes with Sandra Bantoft. She was part of the team that created the mosaics on our erstwhile art shed front wall, and with Sandra created our mosaic bird bath in 2006 to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Glyde-In. Maureen will be fondly remembered by many long-term members of Glyde-In.

OTHER NEWS

***George Street Festival
25th November 2018***

11am-6pm



Glyde-In has decided to participate in this year's George Street Festival. We will have a stall (our new tablecloth is seen in the photos above) and we will be promoting our summer programme and the activities of Glyde-In throughout the year. Please come along and support this festival which is billed as "food, art & fashion plus free family fun".

Contributors wanted! Win a \$30 credit!!

Our newsletter can only be as newsy as you make it! The editor can only write so much! Please let us hear about your talk, activity or outing with the Glyde. You don't need to be a novelist, and

*we promise to tidy it up if it is in note form.
Use the email feedback button below*

Stolen Basket!



Our gorgeous big hanging basket that cascaded with colourful plants near the front door disappeared over the weekend. The magnificent planter had been put together with great skill and care by our Garden Gnome Lynn Christison, and many members commented on its beauty. We are sad to think that someone made off with it, as heavy and awkward as it must have been. Perhaps it was sold in the Great Garage Sale Trail held the same weekend. What a loss.

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