

## Redfead Village Newsletter September 2012

## Angie Bainbridge Carries On Redhead Olympic Tradition

Congratulations Angie Bainbridge on her Olympic silver medal in the $4 x 200 \mathrm{~m}$ freestyle relay. Redhead can now claim to have a dual Olympic medal winner in Angie who grew up in Redhead and went to Redhead School. Angie comes from an impressive family of athletes. Her sister Lindsay has also represented Australia in rowing and her brother Wes has represented Australia in surfing. As was the case four years ago in China, when she won gold, Angie did not get to accept her medal on the podium. It was presented in a special ceremony, in front of her teammates, by former Australian gold medallists Kieren Perkins and Chris Fydler. (photo)
She counts competing at the 2008 Beijing Olympics and winning gold as a 17-year-old heat swimmer in the $4 \times 200 \mathrm{~m}$ freestyle relay as her other career highlight.

Angie won her first individual medal at an international meet at the Barcelona Mare Nostrum Series in 2011, winning gold in the 200 m freestyle. She secured a spot on the Olympic Team for the second time after coming sixth in the 200 m freestyle at the 2012 National Championships in Adelaide.
Angie joins a select group of Olympic athletes who grew up in Redhead including lan Chapman who started our Olympic tradition and competed as a cyclist in the 1960 Rome Olympics, Michelle Andrews, now Michelle Mitchell who won gold at Atlanta in 1996 as a member of the Hockeyroos,


Angie Bainbridge, Kieren Perkins, Chris Fydler at medal presentation
our all conquering Australian womens' hockey team, and Peter Scott who competed in the kayaking events at Atlanta in 1996 and in Sydney in 2000.

## Redhead Community Forum Monday 10 September 2012 Re: Mine Buildings Re-use and Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Plan

The next Redhead Community Forum will be held on Monday 10 September 2012 at the Redhead Bowling Club Dunes Brasserie Restaurant, from $6: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ to $8: 00 \mathrm{pm}$. The purpose of the community forum is to report on progress of the Redhead Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Plan and to get community input to the adaptive re-use of the Lambton Colliery Heritage Buildings. All residents of Redhead are invited. Your feedback
and input would be most welcome. Light supper food will be available during the night. RSVP to the Secretary, Phone 49448110 or email mondyca@hunterlink.net.au

[^0]Community Forum Continued.. LMCC has completed restoration works on the Winder House and on Saturday 18 August, advertised for proposals for reuse of the buildings. Council will soon be assessing the reuse proposals and the forum is an opportunity for us to have some say about the types of uses we would prefer.

The last Redhead community forum was held at the Bowling Club in 2010 when a number of issues/needs were identified, and resulted in the

Redhead Sustainable Neighbourhood Action Plan - 10 local projects aimed at making Redhead more sustainable. They included a community garden, starting a men's shed, Webb Park improvements, bushland improvements, power and water saving and a newsletter to name a few. Redhead people have been working on these projects for over a year now and we need your feedback on how you think they are going.

## Redhead Community Garden News

Last newsletter included the news that the Redhead Community Garden was to be established within the grounds of Redhead School. We can now report that work on building the Community Garden is well underway! Working bees are held on the last Sunday of each month from 1 pm . The first four working bees held so far have been lots of fun, with people of all ages coming together to create this beautiful space. It's been wonderful to see the garden taking shape.


Lennox Hepple and Heidi Reichler at the last Community Garden Working Bee

The Community of Gardens Project hopes to inspire and support people in creating gardens on their property, transforming unused lawns or wasted space into beautiful, productive gardens.
Now, with thanks to Redhead Public School, the Community of Gardens Project has a 'home base'. It is being created for everyone to enjoy all ages and all backgrounds - and seeks to be a
source of inspiration, experience and seeds and food! from which our whole community can benefit.
Integral to the Community of Gardens Project is the educational component. We will be developing a program with guest speakers, dynamic displays, signage and workshops in the community garden. We anticipate that Redhead's Community of Gardens Project will be a model for other groups, schools and organisations to adopt and implement.
Next working bee: Sunday $30^{\text {th }}$ September 2012, 1pm. We'll be getting those Spring plantings in the ground. We'll have a break at 3 pm for some well-earned afternoon tea (bring a plate!) and a "mini-meeting" - a chance for the coordinators to answer questions and for a quick debrief! If you'd like more info, please email us: redheadcommunityofgardens@gmail.com
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## Are we throwing away food? Not in Redhead surely!

The average American dumps 10 times as much food as a consumer in SE Asia. In 2011 in the US, Canada, Australia and NZ, in total $52 \%$ of fruit and vegetables were lost compared to 48\% consumed.

Ref. Natural Resources Defence Council
Something to think about?

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## Redhead Community Library News

The library committee continues to provide excellent reading material for all age groups. They have once again had a book buying of the latest books and have just received a contribution of "Second Hand Large Print Books" from other LMCC libraries.
Donations of good quality second hand books are always welcome and we often have a few on hand to sell. The library is open Thursday/Friday 3.00-
5.00pm, and Saturday 10.00-12.00 noon.

Activities include "Sew Funky" creative sewing for primary school kids after school on Mon.Tues.Wed:
"University of the Third Age" classes for retired over 50 's most days: "Story Time" for 0-5year olds on $1^{\text {st }}$ Friday of each month 10.30am. The library will have a "Book Fair Open Day" on Saturday $8^{\text {th }}$ September where a large selection of books will be available for purchase.
The Library is available for group bookings. A JP is available on the first Saturday morning of each month. Phone 49447473
Location: cnr Hutchinson and Burns Streets


Awabakal Wildflower Walk
Sunday $9^{\text {th }}$ September 10:00 am to 12:00 noon
Meet in the car park end of Ocean St. Dudley.

## Mary Kathleen (Mollie) Haynes 1929-2012

From the time Mollie Haynes first visited Redhead in a horse and sulky for a picnic and determined to settle here, she was a force in the community. She died on 29 July 2012. Mollie, a long time resident and noted artist, was a member of the Redhead Progress Association, a member of the View Club, and President of the University of the Third Age (U3A). She was involved with campaigns for closure and cleanup of the Redhead landfill and against closure of the library, later becoming Chairperson of the Redhead Community Library. She was also a foundation member of the Friends of Lambton Colliery where restoration was completed just before she died. (article page 1) Redhead has lost a committed and active citizen and she will be long and fondly remembered.


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## Reôhead Sustainable Neighbourhood

Christmas at Redhead will be on $24^{\text {th }}$ November this year. Save this Date! If you want to have a market stall, the Christmas at Redhead Facebook page is ready for applications
Coastal Corridor plantings at the beach carpark. Thanks to the National Tree Day planting by Landcare volunteers on 29 July and to the St Mary's High School students planting on 22 August. To date there have been 3000 plants put in with high survival rates.
 into everybody's letterbox in Redhead, and to 200 houses by email. To be more sustainable, we would like to send more by email, and reduce the number of paper copies we put in letterboxes. If you would like to receive your newsletter by email and in colour, let us know by sending us an email and include your home address. Our email address is sustainableredhead@gmail.com.
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[^0]:    Helen Clare will act as the facilitator for the forum. Also attending will be representatives from Council.

