



LETS TALK

Bi-monthly Newsletter of Warranwood LETS



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Regular Events:

Admin Group:

1st Monday (each month)

Gardening Group

4th Sunday (each month)

MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

It's come around to that time when we remember to tell our friends and family how much sweeter our lives are for their presence. Whether you're heading off as I am to join extended family to celebrate the season and the summer, or having a quiet time at home remember that in someone's life your presence makes a difference. Send your cards and good wishes and have a happy time this Christmas. Thanks for your contribution to the LETS community and we all hope you continue to allow joy into your life through the sharing that is LETS. Best wishes to you all.



NETWORKING AFTERNOON TEAS

On 6th September we had our first Networking Afternoon Tea. About 20 members attended Gayle Hook's home in Ringwood and talked, traded and treated themselves to a tantalising afternoon tea. A highlight of the afternoon was matching people's wants and offers. Gayle wanted her gutters cleaned. David could do the lower ones but not the second story ones. Melanie is a rock climber who has no trouble with heights and put up her hand to do the second story. Melanie has a baby and Gayle said she would love to baby-sit!



- Rosemary

LETS National Conference 2009



I attended the National LETS Conference in Sydney on 24th and 25th of October. I had a ball .It was fantastic meeting up with old friends from previous conferences and I made new friends from as far afield as WA. We had some inspirational speakers with subjects ranging from Urban WOOFERS to Transition Towns and Permaculture.

A wonderful model of communication called World Cafe allowed issues to be discussed by all in a short timeframe. Some ideas I have brought back with me are Skill sharing workshops, brokers, LETS T shirts, linking Permaculture Groups to LETS and encouraging members to list wants on the CES site.

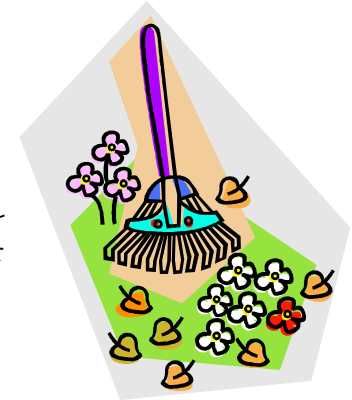
Rosemary Johnson



Gardening Group (GG)

On 8th November I had 10 lovely LETS members prepare and help plant my new vegie garden. I was delighted with the level of knowledge on vegies (especially as I know so little about them). Annette and Margaret provided really yummy cakes and we had a most enjoyable afternoon tea. I am pleased to say that my vegie garden is absolutely thriving. Thank you to those wonderful willing workers.

Any Warranwood LETS member is welcome to join the GG. All that is necessary is a commitment to attend about 3 groups a year. For further details ring Rosemary on 9872 4895.



HAVING YOUR NEEDS MET

In LETS we seem to be very focused on what we can offer. We also need to allow others to help us. For this reason I am encouraging members to put their wants on the CES site as well as their offers.

It is only in sharing both ways that LETS works and Please put your wants out there as well as your gifts.

LETS WELCOMES OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

Name: Michelle Simpson-Dwyer

Phone: 9728 4033

Offers: Gardening; Invitations, certificates and newsletters designed and published; Word processing; Baking cookies, cakes and casseroles; Tutoring for early years, primary and students with special needs (Qualified Special); House painting; Baby sitting

Wants: House painting; Gardening; Construction of chook enclosures; Small home maintenance jobs

Name: Brad Curtis

Phone: 9754 5640

Offers: Weed control; Indigenous vegetation management; Dog walking; Driving; Working bees

Wants: House painting; Web design; Working bees; Plants - herbs



Modelling the Platonic Solids: A Metamorphosis in Clay

Workshops by Katherine Rudolph

The Platonic forms have been called the building blocks of creation.

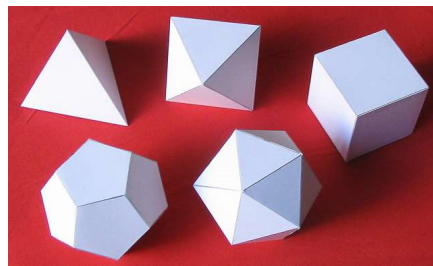
Katherine Rudolph has conducted clay-modelling workshops in Spain, Switzerland and Australia.

A series of three-hour workshops is required to complete this interesting clay work. To begin there will be a single session, working with paper models. This is easy and suitable for ages 12 to 92!! (The paper models make wonderful Christmas decorations).

Anyone interested in making times (initially for one session, then perhaps more) please contact Katherine Rudolph on 03-9729 8819 or email info@exploringtheword.com.au

The cost will be 60 tokens per hour plus \$5 for materials.

Private and group sessions are available.



THE ART OF COLOUR: COLOUR AS A HEALING AND FORMATIVE FORCE

An Exhibition of Paintings by *Gerard Wagner (1906-1999)* And *Katherine Rudolph*

At The Christian Community, 319 Auburn Road Hawthorn,

From 29 November, 2009 To 7 January, 2010 12:15 – 3:00 Sundays & 4:00 – 7:00 Fridays

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SO LONG AND THANKS FOR ALL THE FISH!

I have been editing this newsletter since the May-June edition in 2007. This is my eleventh edition! You must be ready for a change. Fortunately for you the time has come to pass the baton and I will be ably succeeded by new member Michelle Simpson-Dwyer. No doubt Michelle will do things in her own way.

Thank you for indulging me over the past few years. Thanks for your kind emails and words. And most importantly thanks for being a part of the LETS community and sharing your lives with me.

No doubt I will see more of you at various LETS activities. Hopefully I may even get to use your services to use some of the points I have accrued during the past few years. Its been fun.

Best wishes,
Wendy McMahon

LETSAHOLIC TWIST

This is a book you might like to check out. You can read about it online at this address <http://www.jamestaris.com/ebook-TheLETSaholicTwist.htm> It is about LETS and ...

Some things you'll learn are ...



- Ch.1 – How I became hooked on LETS
- Ch.2 – The LETS philosophy that makes helping others more enjoyable
- Ch.3 – What you should offer; world's largest list of Offers; the matter of cash; how to conquer the fear of rejection; how businesses can benefit through LETS
- Ch.4 – Five avenues for getting your needs met (including online trading)
- Ch.5 – Four types of LETS events to introduce members to each other
- Ch.6 – Four benefits for members who help run the LETS office
- Ch.7 – How to revitalise an ailing LETS group
- Ch.8 – Three ways to find new members and how to get them trading immediately
- Ch.9 – Improving your LETS image with seven LETS literature items; sample artwork you can copy
- Ch.10 – Ten committee roles that will make running your LETS group a breeze

It is available in hard or soft back online from this address or you can download an e-book for a very reasonable price. If members would like a FREE copy of this ebook they can send a request to Keith (c/- warranwoodlets@hotmail.com) and a copy will be emailed to them. Alternatively copies can be photocopied and posted for \$11 (103 pages + postage)..