

# CBERS NETWORK

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## New redress scheme for WA

A new redress scheme introduced by the WA Government has been met with enthusiasm by many members of the CBERS network.

*Redress WA* was announced in December last year, and was set up to provide an apology, financial payment, and other support to those who as children were harmed in WA State care.

Many ex-residents of Christian Brothers, Sisters of Mercy, and Sisters of Nazareth institutions were 'Wards of the State' until the age of 21, and were therefore officially *in State care* for a long period of time.

CBERS Consultancy has been appointed to the panel of support service providers for *Redress WA*, and will operate as 'CBERS Redress Service' for the duration of the scheme. The service will also provide counselling and support to non-CBERS clients while the redress scheme is in progress.

The range of support services available from CBERS includes practical help with application forms, assistance to write personal histories, receipt of applications, information, referral, and counselling.

Several other independent, non-government agencies selected for the

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## All aboard for a three-day cruise

Mary Mason and good friends Maureen Holland and Eileen Evert took to the seas for the 2008 Australia Day weekend, courtesy of the 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration door prize.

On their return, Mary and Maureen joined event organiser Laurie Humphreys for morning tea at CBERS, where Laurie presented them with photos of the *MV Funchal* departing from Fremantle wharf and a commemorative photo album.

Mary and Maureen said highlights of the cruise included gourmet food, cocktails, concerts and a great library. They said the atmosphere at the Australia Day presentation was 'magical', especially the procession of national flags by the 27 different nationalities of staff

aboard the ship.

Mary, Maureen and Eileen, all ex-Nazareth ladies, each excelled in different ways during the cruise. Maureen won the 'quick thinking' prize for deck coits, by simply walking up to the peg and placing the rings on it; Mary was a whiz at Bingo and quizzes, and Eileen did well in the bottle and pencil game. Unfortunately we can't go into any more detail, as we're told some things that happened on board are not for publication!

Mary said the whole trip was great fun, and she would particularly like to thank Laurie Humphreys, Carol at Bicton Travel, and Hughie McConnell who generously donated his door prize to be re-drawn.



Maureen, Eileen & Mary

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Redress panel will also provide support services to applicants. Information about the full range of services is available from the *Redress WA* helpline (Freecall 1800-617-233).

While *Redress WA* is a very welcome initiative it also brings potential challenges, and for people who experienced childhood abuse, it can be deeply upsetting to revisit painful memories. If you feel distressed by the thought of telling your story or lodging an application, please reach out for help – either from those close to you, from CBERS, or from another support service.

Confidentiality is another important issue raised by the redress scheme and, quite understandably, people want to know who will have access to their personal information. The privacy protocols of CBERS Redress Service are the same as those of CBERS Consultancy: no identifying information is given to any other agency or person without the express consent of the individual. The statistical reports we provide to funding agencies do not include personally identifying information. *Redress WA* has advised that any information provided to them will be treated with the strictest confidence.

A number of people have asked what records and documents they should send in with their redress applications. *Redress WA* staff have offered to access records held by the Department or by non-government

organisations (including Church institutions) on behalf of applicants. Applicants are advised to provide any available documents that may strengthen their application, including medical and mental health records.

If you received services like counselling, literacy support, or help with a ‘Towards Healing’ mediation from the former CBERS Services in Subiaco or CBERS Consultancy in Fremantle, we may have some relevant documents on file. Other useful information could include records of externally-funded counselling, and files held by the former WAIRT (for Slater & Gordon).

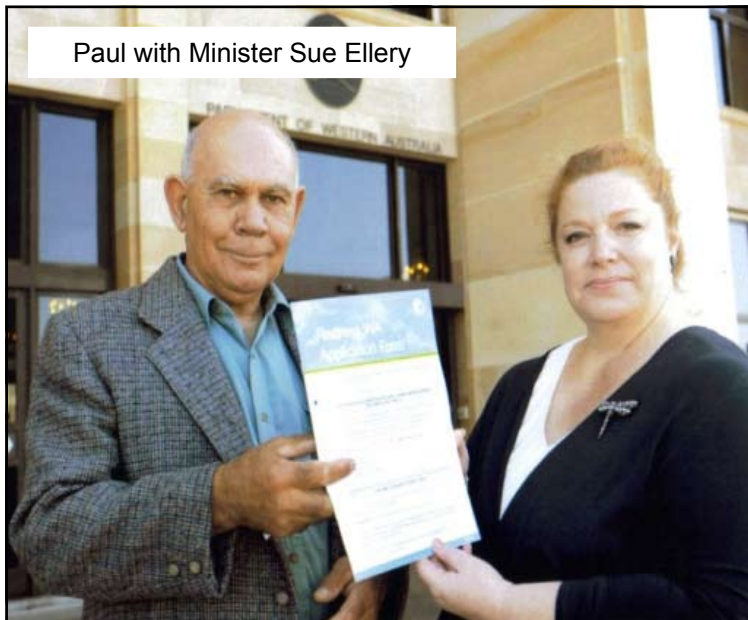
The application forms for *Redress WA*, which were released last month, will be accepted up until 30<sup>th</sup> April next year. Assessment of applications will not begin until after 1<sup>st</sup> May 2009, except if an applicant has evidence of a life-threatening illness, in which case *Redress WA* may fast-track access to an Option One payment (up to \$10,000). Option Two payments (up to \$80,000) will not be available through this fast-track application process.

And finally, we would like to ensure that as many people as possible are aware of the redress scheme and have an opportunity to apply. If you know of any ex-residents who may be interested in *Redress WA* and are not currently on the CBERS mailing list, or may have difficulty reading, please let them know about the scheme.

## *A message from Paul Irvine*

I was one of a small group of people who negotiated for several years with the Department for Community Development to implement a Redress Scheme in WA, as one of the recommendations of the 2004 “Forgotten Australians” Senate Inquiry.

I commend the WA government for initiating Redress WA and give special thanks to The Minister for Children & Community Development — Sue Ellery.



Paul with Minister Sue Ellery

I sincerely hope that my example will encourage all who are eligible to register with Redress WA.

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**W**elcome to Issue #5 of *CBERS Network*.

Big changes have taken place since the last newsletter, largely due to *Redress WA*, which has prompted CBERS' two-day a week service to move into full-time operation for the duration of the scheme. Many thanks to Steve Bowman and ERC Mirrabooka for making this possible.

I would like to welcome my colleague Gail Green, who will be co-managing *CBERS Redress Service*. Gail is an experienced professional counsellor and is very familiar with the issues faced by care leavers.

Gail and I have already noticed a real sense of urgency amongst people applying for the redress scheme, many of whom want to 'get it over and done with'. While this is understandable, it is also worth remembering that the assessment process won't begin until after May 1<sup>st</sup> next year, and there is plenty of time to lodge applications.

If you are phoning CBERS, please be patient as we are experiencing a large volume of calls, and also we cannot answer the phone during client consultations. If you leave a message on the answering machine Gail or I will return your call as soon as we can.

In the midst of all the attention focused on *Redress WA*, I am also very aware of those members of the CBERS network who are not eligible to apply for the scheme, including non-resident former students, ex-wives and husbands, and the families of deceased ex-residents. Many amongst this group have experienced extreme hardship, and continue to do so.

Another seemingly 'forgotten group' is those ex-residents who were not abused in State care and who do not intend to lodge a *Redress WA* claim. As mentioned in our letter to ex-residents in early May, the decision whether or not to claim is an entirely personal one and should be respected as such.

We wish you well, whichever path you choose.

*Pip*

Dr Philippa White  
Coordinator, CBERS Consultancy

was clear to me that the children did not get to keep the toys after that day.

I decided on a career as a social worker because I had had both good and bad (or at least, indifferent) contact with social workers in my high school years. I have always tried to avoid treating people with the "blanket" answers so many other people like to provide. My career has taken me into prisons for 10 years, into family reunification programs run by Mofflyn in the 1990s, to counselling in child sexual abuse, and with sex offenders as well as with people with anxiety and depression.

The Redress program brings together many strands of my previous work and also my major interest in trauma and its effects on people over their lifespan. I hope my experience in this area will assist people in pulling together the many ways in which their childhood has impacted on their life, in ways which will maximise the likelihood of people being successful in obtaining a Redress payment.

Once again, I look forward to meeting many of you over the coming months.

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## **Introducing Gail Green**

Hi All,

I hope I have an opportunity to meet many of you in the coming months as I work with Pip at CBERS Redress Service. I am already beginning to hear many of your stories with sadness but also with wonder at your courage and determination over many years of hardship.

I am keen to assist people with their Redress applications but agree with Pip when she indicates that people should carefully think about the information they want to put forward before doing so.

Let me tell you a little about myself. I grew up in Parkerville – the village, not the Home, but I walked to school every day with the several hundred children from that Home. I recall visiting on Open Days and seeing each iron bedstead with one doll for a girl or one car for a boy placed neatly on it. Even as a child, it

*Gail*

# TOBA News



## **TOBA Reunion**

TOBA's next reunion will be held at Tuppin House, Moore River, Guilderton over the weekend of 25-27 July 2008.

## **AGM**

The 2008 Annual General Meeting was held on Saturday 9 February at Tuppin House with the following office bearers being elected –John Vella (Pres), Frank Marshall (Vice), David Plowman (Tres), Judith Marshall (Sec).

Committee: Debi Gilroy, Keith Spencer, Joy Spencer, Joe McKay, Gabe Morrow, Jil Morrow, Jan Vella, Jim Gilroy, Joe Saliba.



## **Congratulations**

The 2008 Tri-Nation Bocce Competition shield donated by Jim Plowman was won by 'England'.

The 'mens' singles was won by Joe McKay and Sonia Bellamy won the Don McPherson trophy for the 'ladies' singles. Thanks to Peter Scott for donating these trophies.

## **Vale**

### **John Donnelly**

Sincere sympathy is extended to the Donnelly family in the tragic passing of Tardun old boy John in December 2007. John was sent from Northern Ireland in 1956 to Castledare and transferred to Tardun in 1960 where he stayed until 1965. John was a founding member of the Tardun Old Boys' Association in 1982 and remained a true and active member. He attended all our family reunions and was a talented participant in our concerts, entertaining us with his beautiful singing. John will be sadly missed by all Tardun old boys' and their families.

### **Don McPherson**

Sincere condolences are extended to Morag and family. Don Mac was elected to the position of inaugural vice president of TOBA in 1982 and continued as a loyal and dedicated member of the Association during his life. He will be sadly missed by TOBA members.



## *Child Migrant Memorial Dedicated in Malta*

On March 2, 2008 the Prime Minister of Malta dedicated a memorial to the Maltese child migrants who journeyed to Australia between 1950 and 1967. There were 310 such migrants, including 51 girls. Their ages ranged between four years and 16 years. Nearly 300 people attended the ceremony, including four former child migrants – Anna Germani (St Joseph’s Subiaco), Tony Mizzi (Clontarf), Alfred Zammit (Bindoon), and David Plowman (Tardun).

This monument brings to a conclusion the efforts of the Child Migrants of Malta (C-MOM), an organisation which over the last six years has lobbied the Maltese Government and Church to ensure that all relevant records are preserved, and to erect a monument that would remind the nation of its child migration experience.

In his dedication speech, the Prime Minister, Mr Gonzo, reflected on the need for Malta to come to

terms with its mass migration, and the issue of child migration in particular. “This monument” he noted, “watches over our collective memory, lest we forget an important chapter of our history.” The Archbishop of Malta, Monsignor Cremona, expressed regret for any unintended consequences of child migration. The monument’s inscription reads:

*This monument commemorates the 310 Maltese child migrants who came to Australia between 1950 and 1965.*

*We respect their achievements.*

*We rejoice in their successes.*

*We regret any unintended consequences of child migration*

The monument is located at reconstructed Pinto Wharf in Grand Harbour, within a few metres of where the child migrants boarded ships for their life changing journeys. The monument is in the shape of a paper boat, encompassing the qualities of childhood, excitement and fragility – all features of the child migration saga.

In his talk at the ceremony, David Plowman paid special tribute to those who had helped in bringing C-MOM’s aims to a conclusion. These included Senator David Murray, the Maltese Professional and Business Association, the Maltese Association of WA, and CBERS.



## **CASTLEDARE CHAPEL GOLDEN JUBILEE**

The Golden Jubilee of the Castledare Chapel was celebrated on 9<sup>th</sup> December 2007. A number of Castledare boys attended, and much gratitude is due to Tony Dalton and Peter Bent, and also Margaret Graham, Maria Wimbridge and Christina Garnett for their contributions.

From its construction in December 1957 (top picture) to the building that stands today (lower picture), Castledare Chapel retains a significant place in WA history.

*Thanks to Yvonne for this item*



# THE CLONTARF NETWORK

April 12th  
Get Together



**Pictured from Left to Right:**

**Standing - Graham Galea, Dennis McNerney, Michael Hogan, Catherine, Anthony Brennan, Peter Bent, Hugh McConnell, Mary Mason, Brendan McCloat, Victor & Christine Moore.**

**Sitting - Jack Amata, Paddy Monaghan, Paul Bradshaw, Arthur & Carol O'Hare.**

Once again, many thanks to Peter Bent for hosting the barbecue at his place. In the sunshine, with friends sharing memories, laughter and good food, the afternoon was a great success. It was wonderful to catch up with some old friends who have, in the past, been unable to attend.

## RODGER PRITCHARD 1944 - 2008

*Rodger Pritchard arrived in Australia as a child migrant in 1952 aboard the Ormonde. Also aboard was Chris Binks, who was to become Rodger's lifelong friend, and both boys were sent to Castledare and then to Clontarf.*

*Sadly, Rodger died suddenly in February this year. Chris tells us that Rodger's funeral was attended by around 150 people, including a number of fellow Clontarf ex-residents.*

*Rodger's daughter Natalie sent us the following tribute to her beloved dad.*

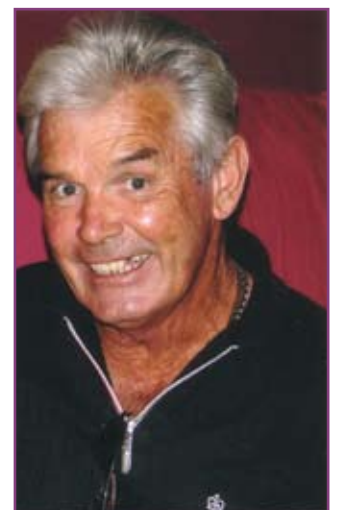
### *A daughter's tribute....*

My dad is, was, and will always be a wonderful man. His name is Rodger Pritchard and as I've been told in Clontarf was known as "Prickles".

I am one of five children and can honestly say I couldn't have been luckier or prouder to have had a dad like mine. Dad was a hard working, genuine, caring and loving man. He had all the time in the world for anybody, if they needed help he would be there. Dad was a very proud man, he took pride in what he accomplished and built on his own like his business which he operated by himself that became successful glazing company, which he had so much pride in and enjoyed working and running right up 'till the day he passed away.

More than anything though he was proud of his children, it wouldn't matter if any of us mucked up if we learnt from our mistakes dad would always be by our side supporting us. There are so many traits our dad possessed that if we get

half of would make us more than decent people. It's hard to express in words the person dad was, but for those who met dad and were lucky enough to have him in their lives they were the ones truly blessed.



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# BINDOON CORNER

## *A word from our 'foreign correspondent'*

It has been just over three months since I left Australia. Whilst writing this I am visiting friends and relatives in a very sunny England.

The two highlights of my trip have been an Irish wedding where I met a half brother and a niece for the first time and the other was the opportunity to be a 'Guest Lecturer' on the QE2.

I spoke to approximately 250 passengers for an hour explaining the "Child Migration Scheme". It turned out to be a truly amazing hour with tears, laughter and clapping and the follow-up reaction was totally unexpected. The majority of people had heard about what happened when we got to



Laurie and Frankie in Osaka, Japan

Australia but had never heard of how or why we were selected and were amazed at how documents were, in some cases, falsified to get us there.

The motto of this is not to be afraid to tell your story. There are a lot of people interested to listen to it.

*Laurie Humphreys*

**The Principal of CAC Bindoon, Mr Damian Wallis, has plans to establish a monument and heritage trail at Bindoon to honour the role of former residents in constructing the College buildings. Damian writes:**

*"Planning is currently underway to establish a reconciliation monument in the Old Quarry on the College site. This place will seek to acknowledge the valuable contribution that the Old Boys have made to the site of the many years of the College's existence. It will also help us to tell the College's story to our current students".*

Ideas and feedback will be sought from

ex-residents and other interested parties during the planning process, so watch this space!

Damian adds: *"Old boys who may wish to visit the school are most welcome. If you intend to visit please call beforehand on (08) 9576-1040 and talk to Rene Van Eden. She will be only too happy to welcome you and make your visit a pleasant one".*

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There are so many things to be said about dad - he had the biggest heart I've ever known and always felt he could do more to help someone. He was also so young at heart and enjoyed nothing more than taking his jet ski out and hitting the waves, he loved being on the water it always put a smile on his face and brought him so much joy. Another of his favourite past times was catching up with some of his much loved friends who became an extended family and of course us kids. Dad was a wonderful parent and grandparent that showed an unlimited amount of affection to all of those close to him.

We will always be forever grateful for the time we had with such an amazing man and there isn't a day that goes by where he isn't greatly missed. The only thing I wish the most is to know our dad is as proud of us as we are of him and that he knows how loved he is.

*Natalie Pritchard*



Rodger at Clontarf

# Life's work honoured

Thanks to Tony Ryan for sending in this story about Joe McKeagney and Nazareth House in Ditton. Tony writes:

*Hi, I thought this article would be great for your readers who came from Nazareth house in Ditton, Liverpool. I came out to Clontarf from Ditton in 1952. The orphanage at Ditton is now gone and homes for the elderly have been built on the site.*

*It was great to have met Joe McKeagney when we went back to Ditton in 2001. Joe was a very likeable fella – we had a great chat and he told me that a lot of the lads had gone back there over the years. This story about Joe appeared in the British press last year:*

## Life's work honoured

A lifetime of charitable contribution will be forever remembered thanks to the official naming of a new road in Widnes after a kind gardener.

Joe McKeagney, 66, is being honoured for dedicating more than 50 years to the upkeep of the grounds of Nazareth House Orphanage in Ditton, which is now being transformed into the Chapel Gate development.

Joe came to the orphanage as a two-year-old in 1941, where he lived until he was 15. Having moved out of the orphanage he went on to work as a gardener for the then Widnes Borough Council, where he learned the skills from which so many benefited.

Joe was subsequently employed as a rigger, but continued to work voluntarily on the gardens at Nazareth House and, when he took early retirement in 1992, he returned to working full-time as a gardener.

Joe's wife Mary says: "Having grown up



in the orphanage with over 100 other children, Joe knew no other home. There was a lot of camaraderie between them all and I think that Joe saw the work he was doing as simply looking after the 'family home'. I know my husband is immensely proud and honoured to have McKeagney Gardens named after him and he is always delighted when people approach him with congratulations for having his good work recognised."

The decision to name one of the roads at Chapel Gate after Joe McKeagney was made following a request from local parishioners to have the road named in Joe's honour.

Ian Wilkins, managing director of Redrow Homes, commented: "When we learned of Joe McKeagney's long involvement with tending this area we were honoured to name the road after him. It is a fitting tribute and I am sure that our residents will be proud to call McKeagney Gardens their home."

## NAZARETH NEWS

By Bernadette Bowey Hills

My husband Les and I attended the Tardun Old Boys Reunion at Moore River from the 8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> February this year. On the 14<sup>th</sup> February, Les, Eileen Evert and I drove down to the Boyup Brook Country Music Festival until the 17<sup>th</sup> February, which was a great Festival and we all enjoyed it very much.

*News from Geraldton:* Shirley Moore had an operation on her arm and is feeling much better, and

can get about without pain.

Sister Myrtle from Scarborough was in Geraldton for a few days and spent a very enjoyable day with her old school friends, she also called in on the Nazareth House sisters for a chat

Les has been auditioned to take part in the Hollywood film 'Batavia's Temper Blood Fury' so watch this space!

# MICK'S JOURNEY

I left Nazareth House, Swansea, in Wales on 23.12.1950 about 8.00pm and got a bus about 100 yards from the Home. It was a bit cold. I was 11 years of age. I had a man with me to take me to South Hampton, where I met the other kids, all strangers. We sailed on the *Esperance Bay*. I used to sit at the meal table with some men because there wasn't enough room at the kids table. The men felt sorry for me and they would each put in *two bob* for me. After a few meals, when the other kids found out I had money, they soon gave up their seats!

We had fun times on the ship. I lost some of my money, when we pulled into port, buying from the locals in small boats alongside the ship. You put money in the basket they pulled it down and pretended there was no money. After a few times I gave it away! A month later we got to Perth and stayed a week at Clontarf and I got my first black eye!!! Then we went on to Brisbane where we stopped for a few days. News of our arrival was in the news papers as we were the first Child Migrants to Queensland. I had a nice time until one of the boys teased me about a photo of me with my black eye in the *Courier Mail* and so every copy of

the paper I could lay my hands on I tore up. I was so embarrassed. My! I had a 'nice shiner' (does any Clontarf kid remember?) One of the girls gave me a lot of attention and to my great embarrassment she was in the picture with ice to my eye!! . Then we sailed on to Neerkol Rockhampton Queensland, our destination.

I finished my school and worked at The Farm. I worked there for two years. We milked 50 cows a morning and again in the evening. I got up one morning, (I thought it was morning) got the cows to the gate to take them to milking, waiting for sunrise!! As a car came past I realised it was the workers from the yard! They were coming home from the pictures 11.30pm.!! . Then I noticed the full moon!!! ***Did I ever get into trouble?*** The boys tormented me next morning, "*why were the cows around the gate at night, Mick?*"

I worked on the drills at Mt Isa and in 1973 came to Western Australia and worked on drills at the Mines in Tom Price, Paraburdoo, Wittenoom and all over.

I have now made Western Australia my home, even though I still support the Broncos my heart is with the Dockers, but the heart won't last too long the way they're playing lately! My interest now is going down to the horse track in Ascot around 4.00am of a morning, watching the training and I don't always pick the winners and the trainers don't tell me much!

*Mick Shanahan May 9 2008*

***Thanks to Sister Flo O'Sullivan for sending in this story by Michael Shanahan. Flo is Co-ordinator of the Former Child Migrant Programme at the Centrecare Catholic Migrant Service. Her contact details are below.***

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Mick and his mum in Cardiff, Wales in 1989



Flo with Mick at CMS in 2008

# St Joseph's

For enquiries regarding the St Joseph's network please contact Barbara-Jean Costello (nee Lithgow). Barbara-Jean's phone number is listed with the other Group Representatives on page 3.

## Together again after 30 years

McCloskey sisters met together for the first time in 30 years. Although they had kept in close contact with each other over the years, there hadn't previously been an opportunity for all three sisters to be together at the same time. Debbie travelled from Sydney and Joan from England in January this year to meet up with their sister Mary in Perth. Joan had no idea that Debbie would be joining them, and according to Mary this carefully planned surprise had maximum impact!

After a great reunion filled with lots of reminiscing, laughter and celebration, Debbie returned to Sydney in February, while Joan and her husband Dalby stayed on a little longer in Perth to catch up with extended family and friends before returning to the UK.

There was plenty of cause for celebration when the three remaining



Mary, Joan and Debbie at the Child Migrant memorial in Fremantle



## Bowman Park



Plans are underway to rename the site of Michael's memorial at Serpentine, and we are hopeful that the local Shire Council will agree to the name "Bowman Park".

Further details will be available at this year's celebration of Michael's life, which will be a sausage sizzle held at 11am on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October.

All are welcome!  
To cover costs, a small fee of \$3.00 will be charged.

For enquiries please contact:  
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# NOTICE BOARD

## Reunion after 11 Years



Yvonne was delighted to welcome her sister Joan & friend Alec to her home in February of this year. Catching up with family matters was a priority but during her short stay Joan met all the neighbours, visited the Perth Zoo and after a ferry trip down the Swan had a lovely lunch with Pippa and friends at Cicerellos in Fremantle

Farewell to John Priestley of the Family Information Records Bureau, who is retiring from the Family Information Records Bureau. Many people remember John's kind assistance with Child Welfare records. Best wishes for the future John, and thanks for all your help over the years.

Congratulations to CLAN (Care Leavers Australia Network) on the launch of their new office in Bankstown, Sydney. At the launch on May 31<sup>st</sup>, CLAN also bid a formal farewell to Senator Andrew Murray, who retires from Parliament later this year.

We join CLAN in thanking Sen. Murray for his advocacy on behalf of care leavers, and particularly his assistance to former child migrants. Andrew and his staff not only championed the cause in the public arena, they also worked behind the scenes helping countless individuals, including many amongst the CBERS network.

Best wishes for the future to Senator Murray, and also to Leonie and Joanna as they embark on this next phase of the CLAN journey.

Sue Bailey in the UK is still searching for her brother Joe McDonald, who was at Castledare and Tardun in the 1950s and 60s. Please contact CBERS if you have any **first hand** information about Joe.

## Is there a Doctor in the House?

**Yes!**



Many Congratulations

**Pippa**

on gaining your

Doctorate

in Social Work & Social Policy

## **\*\*News Flash\*\***

CLAN have been appointed to the panel of *Redress WA* support services and will be providing in-person support to people living in the Eastern States. CLAN will employ a staff member during the redress scheme and will offer specialist assistance with applications.

## **Vale**

**Michael Clynych**  
1941 - 2008

Mick Clynych was a resident of Castledare and Bindoon in the late 1940s and early 1950s. He passed away in Queensland on 12th May 2008.

Mick is sadly missed by Heather, who was his carer and good friend.



# NOTICE BOARD

## *Historic Photograph Project*

The Historic Photo Project is alive and well! Further interest was expressed at a meeting of the Combined Social Committee in April this year, concerning a second DVD of historic photos incorporating more up-to-date images. CSC Secretary Yvonne Radzevicius has created a photo submission form that will streamline the process, and help to ensure that photos are correctly catalogued and returned to owners. Eddie Butler has once again agreed to contribute his expertise to the project. Photos can be submitted via your Group Representatives, the Catholic Migrant Service or CBERS.



Thanks to Mary Mason and Denise Trowsdale for sending in this photo of the Corpus Christi procession at Nazareth House in Cheltenham in June 1947. Mary and Denise were both seven years old when the photo was taken - Mary is third from the left in the second row, and Denise is on the far right in the first row.

*This year's commemoration for Michael Bowman will be held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October at 11.00am. All are welcome.*

### *Vale*

#### *Bob Hoare*

Bob passed away in Albany on 6th March 2008. A dear friend to Sheilagh Pearce.

Peace at Last.

### *Seeking contact*

Joan Tuff (formerly McCloskey) is hoping to locate Bernadette Martin, a friend from St Joseph's days. Please phone Joan's sister Mary on 9314-1053

### *Can you help?*

**James Patrick Kilduff** was amongst the group of child migrants who arrived in 1947 and were sent to Castledare and then Bindoon. James passed away in Bunbury in 1978, at the young age of 38. James' family in the UK are visiting Perth in December 2008 and would like to hear from anyone who knew James and might be able to tell them more about what he was like.

## **2008 Get-together**

### *A date for the diary...*

This year's annual get-together at Trinity Playing Fields will be held on Sunday 16th November between 10.00am and 4.00pm. A reminder notice will be posted out a few weeks before the event.