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LOCAL HISTORY AWARDS 2023

WINNERS

WRITTEN AWARD: LIFE IN VINCENT

ABOUT A PERSON, FAMILY OR GROUP

Prizes are awarded for well written and researched written entries which can be in the form of a memoir, biography, diary, essay or original research on people, places or events in the Vincent area.

FIRST PRIZE



View across Perth Oval to the grandstand in the 1960s. COV PH01329

Rick Vredenburg

The Fred Book Grandstand – Contrasting Events of Celebration and Tragedy

The Judges commented that this work is a well-presented story about a significant Perth personality, Fred Brook and the building of the Perth Oval (now HBF Park) grandstand.

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SECOND PRIZE



Jude Comfort

Perth Pride Choir – Singing Proudly for Thirty Years

A significant three-decade history of a community choir that rehearses in Vincent. A choir that has created a safe place to be nurtured and is effective at making its members visible and giving them a place in their community. This history reflects the changes in attitudes towards the gay community; from the AIDS era onwards. The gay choir movement is now global.

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THIRD PRIZE



North Perth Community Garden, 2021. COV PH06508

Colin Scott and Emma Vosnacos

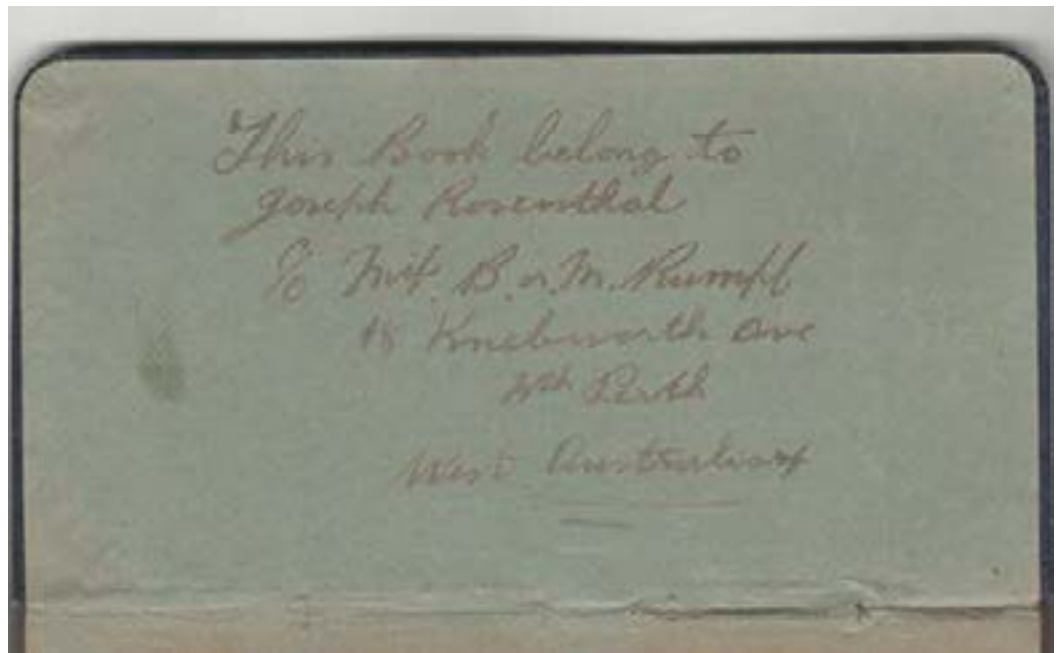
The Story of North Perth Community Garden An extract: How a local idea became a local reality (2013 – 2023)

A valuable resource that reflects Vincent's recent life and community initiatives. The story of contemporary gardening, now that block sizes are reduced, more people live alone and water restrictions are in place. Over the last ten years, the work of successfully growing food has been shared on a block of land in North Perth.

"The story behind the North Perth Community Garden is one of realised vision, teamwork and the building of community spirit."

Read here: librarycatalogue.vincent.wa.gov.au/client/en_GB/search/asset/4669/0

SPECIAL MENTION



Roger Elmitt

WW1 Diary, Joseph Rosenthal (1892 – 1964)

A description of the process and results of transcribing a diary of World War One experiences written between 1916 and 1919 by City of Vincent resident Joseph Rosenthal of 18 Knebworth Avenue, North Perth.

A well-presented story of a work in progress and the diary of someone who lived in Vincent.

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WRITTEN AWARD: HISTORY OF A PLACE

ABOUT A HOUSE, BUILDING, PARK, OR PLACE

Prizes are awarded for well written and researched written entries which can be in the form of a memoir, biography, diary, essay or original research on a house, building, park, or place in the Vincent area.

FIRST PRIZE



Gates at Perth Oval, 1960s. COV PH01328

Peter Gall

Perth Oval Sunday 1st April 1928. The story of Wing Commander Bert Hinkler's landing at Perth Oval on Sunday 1st April 1928

An account of what was a significant event in the Perth calendar, Wing Commander Bert Hinkler's landing at Perth Oval on Sunday 1st April in 1928. It was the introduction of new technology to the people of Perth. A technology that would shape the future development of WA and the nation.

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SECOND PRIZE



Cars driving on Guildford Road under the Mount Lawley Subway, travelling south towards the city, 1954.
COV PH04226

Phillip Matson

The Mount Lawley Subway – enabling people to move safely and efficiently between the suburbs

A well-researched and referenced piece of work that documents the history of the railway bridge at the intersection of the Guildford Road/East Parade and the subway and road built below. It is a well-laid-out, informative and coherent account of a landmark that is still in use today, with good photographs throughout.

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THIRD PRIZE



Exterior of North Folk Studios, 1985. COV PH06624

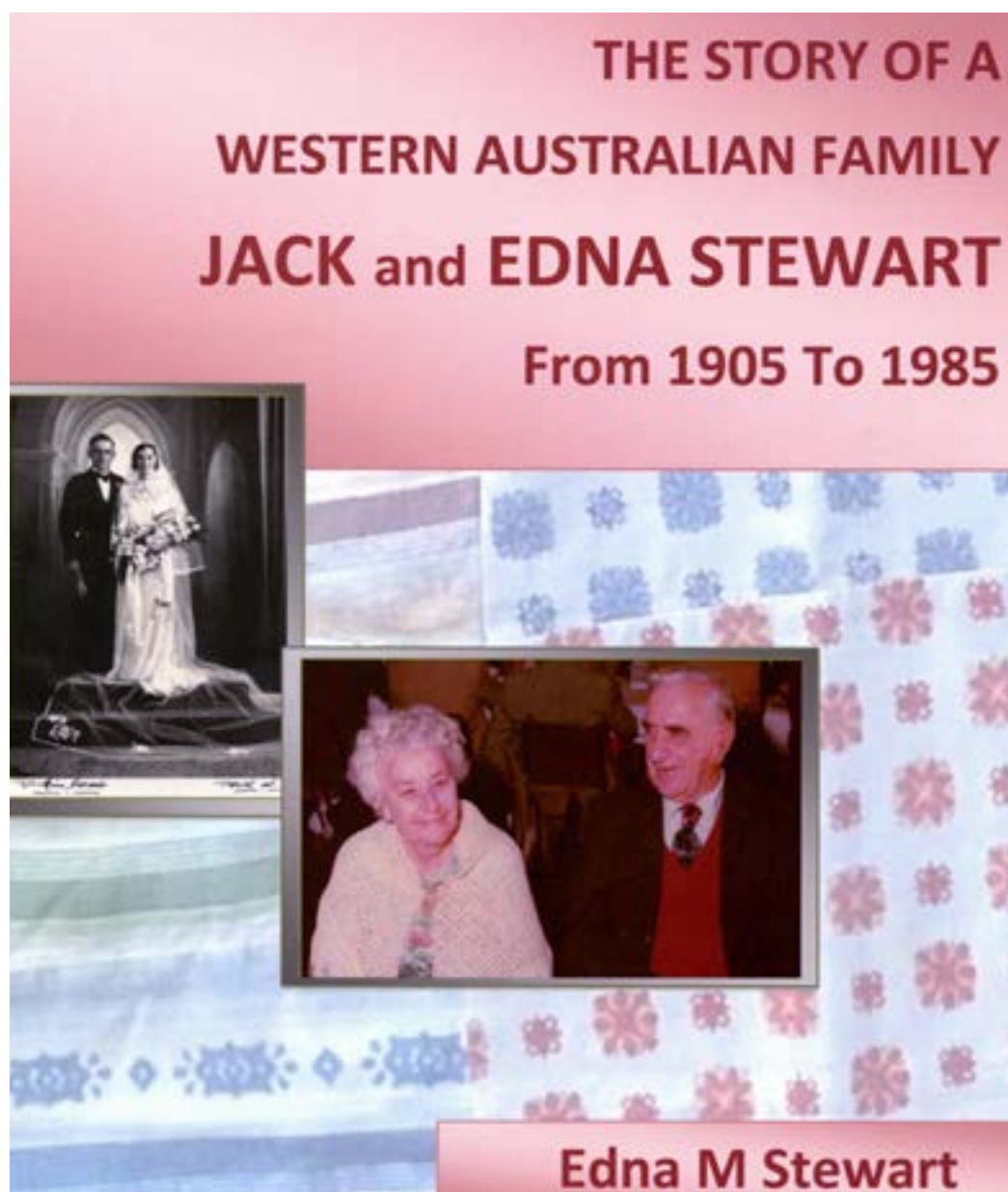
Marion Lynch and co-author Louise Wells

Effervescence – Cool Drink Factory to a Space for Emerging Artists

Reminiscences and photographs from a group of artists that came together in the early 1980s to make and sell their art in an obsolete building which was the Silver Cascade aerated water manufacturers at 34 Norfolk Street, North Perth. The building and contents of North Folk Studios had to be destroyed in 1988 because of Heptachlor contamination. It is now three residential units.

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SPECIAL MENTION



Bronwyn Julie Patterson

*A Memoir of the North Perth Church of Christ by
Edna Maud Stewart (1905 – 1990)*

A well-presented piece of writing based on a diary, illustrated with photographs and newspaper articles. It is an extract from a self-published family history of Jack and Edna Stewart and recounts Edna's memories of the North Perth Church of Christ in Woodville Street. The church is now a private home and the building is still intact. A good example of a family history connected to a former church community.

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PHOTOGRAPHIC AWARD CATEGORY: HISTORIC IMAGES (PRE 2000)

FIRST PRIZE



Norwood Hotel at 282 Lord Street, East Perth, 1922. COV PH06571

Leigh Cathcart

Norwood Hotel

The judges agreed unanimously that this photograph of a former hotel in East Perth was the winner because it records a past streetscape in Vincent. The photo shows a large crowd of men milling around the Norwood Hotel at 282 Lord Street in 1922. In the 1920s, the Norwood Hotel (Lord-street tram terminus) was the finish line for the Northam to Perth Cycle Race. The 75-mile road race finished at 3pm at the Norwood Hotel and was organised by the Perth Amateur Cycle Club.

SECOND PRIZE



Azzurri women's soccer team at Dorrien Gardens, 1959. COV PH06574

Luciana Birighitti (nee Alfieri)

Azzurri women's soccer team

The judges awarded this historic photograph of the Azzurri women's soccer team playing at Dorrien Gardens in 1959, second place. They commented that: it is a dynamic picture of women playing sports and is informative because it shows the crowd of spectators, the parked cars and the buildings around the soccer pitch. They considered the picture topical because the FIFA Women's World Cup was played in Australia and New Zealand this year and the Olympic qualifiers matches played in Perth, last month. This is one of seven photographs of the Azzurri women's soccer team donated to the collection.

THIRD PRIZE



Year 1 Class at North Perth Primary School, 1957. COV PH06664

Sonja Christensen

Year 1 Class at North Perth Primary School

A picture of a Year 1 classroom at North Perth Primary School, taken in 1957. The judges chose this picture because it shows what a classroom in the 1950s looked like. The faces of the children are turned towards the camera, they are sitting at wooden desks and using pencils and paper. Maria Christensen (nee Pelech) is pictured bottom left. The teacher of the class was Miss Dunn.

SPECIAL MENTION



Goonderup Day celebrations at North Perth Primary School, 1940s. COV PH06669-PH06673

North Perth Primary School

The judges awarded a special mention to North Perth Primary School (NPPS), for photos from an album belonging to former headmaster, James Moore, 1941 – 1954. The photo album was donated to NPPS by Elsa Anderson, daughter of James Moore and depicts the Goonderup Day celebrations in the 1940s. Andrew Streeton is the current principal of North Perth Primary School and this collection of photos is significant because North Perth Primary celebrates its 145th anniversary in 2024.

PHOTOGRAPHIC AWARD CATEGORY: CONTEMPORARY IMAGES (POST 2000)

FIRST PRIZE



Danny Lenzarini, 2021. COV PH06665

Josh Wells

Danny Lenzarini

A 2021 photograph of Danny Lenzarini making fresh pasta in the kitchens of Golden Ravioli at 265 Fitzgerald Street in North Perth. The judges decided on this image as the winner because it is an action picture of a well-known local businessman and shows inside the kitchen and the pasta-making equipment. Golden Ravioli set up shop in Fitzgerald Street under Danny's management in 1988 and he has worked there making fresh pasta ever since, following recipes passed down from his father.

SECOND PRIZE



Terence Mathews

The Leederville Hotel Taxi Rank

Second prize is awarded to Terence Mathews, for his picture of the taxi rank at night time outside the Leederville Hotel, dated post-2000. The judges commented that this is an iconic hotel, which is difficult to photograph and that a photo taken at night time is unusual. The colours are warm and he has captured the light of the star above the hotel and the headlights of the taxis.

THIRD PRIZE



*Ralph Stewart at the site of the former new Rosemount Picture Gardens, 360 Fitzgerald Street, 2023.
COV PH06687*

Ralph Stewart

Ralph Stewart at the site of the former new Rosemount Picture Gardens

The judges awarded this prize because of the history represented in the picture. The building at 360 Fitzgerald Street was the former new Rosemount Picture Gardens, built in the late 1950s. Ralph was the projectionist at the Picture Gardens and the Rosemount Theatre from the age of 14 when he left school. The picture gardens closed in the early sixties because of competition from the introduction of television. More recently it has been a car mechanic and is now for sale as a multi-lot development site.

SPECIAL MENTION



Lloyd Broderick Oates standing on Janet Street, behind is the "Cash Store" at 173 Charles Street in West Perth, 1953. COV PH06631



Janet Street, West Perth, Looking Towards Charles Street, 2023. COV PH06635

Sharon Staude

Lloyd Broderick Oates standing on Janet Street

This is a pair of photographs, taken on Janet Street in West Perth seventy years apart. The first is of Lloyd Oates standing on Janet Street. The Cash Store, pictured behind on the corner of Janet and Charles Street was run by his father-in-law, Alfred Joseph for one year in 1953. The Oates family lived in numbers 11, 13 and 15 Janet Street, West Perth. The Joseph family lived in the rear accommodation.

The second photograph of Janet Street was taken in 2023 and shows the change in the street over seventy years. In 1953 there were no visible trees and no cars. The photo was taken by Sharon Staude, granddaughter of Lloyd Oates, who married Shirley Joseph.

SPECIAL MENTION



*After Dark Art Gallery. The Pickle District, Bicycle Subway Perth, September 2023.
COV PH06680*



*The Pickle District After Dark 4.0 Art Crawl Entering the Bicycle Subway Old Aberdeen Place, Perth, 2023.
COV PH06683*

Andrew Kailis

Two pictures donated by Andrew Kailis, of The Pickle District, After Dark 4.0 roaming art crawl in West Perth in September 2023. The judges chose these images for a special mention because they show an area of Vincent that is not well known and that extends along a bicycle and pedestrian path under the Graham Farmer Freeway towards Northbridge. The artwork was displayed under the freeway on the walls of the bicycle path and installed along Lakes Sutherland and Bunning. The photographs were taken by Emanuel Rudniki.

PEOPLE'S CHOICE AWARD



*The Opening of Castellorizian (Cazzie) House, 160 Anzac Road Mount Hawthorn, 10th December 1981.
COV PH06651*

Peter Kalaf on behalf of Cazzie House

The Opening of Castellorizian (Cazzie) House

The Castellorizian Association of Western Australia, purchased the reception centre, Mount Hawthorn Lodge on the 4th of November 1981 for \$109,000. Since then, it has been home to the members of the Castellorizian community, descendants of the migrants from the Greek island of Castellorizio. They have continued the proud tradition of the house as a place of community, gathering to celebrate a shared connection, purpose and goal.

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Congratulations to the winner and thank you to all contributors.

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