



THE Torquay Froth & Babbler

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Notices and articles for publication are welcome by the 10th of each month

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BROWN MAGPIE WINES THEIR STORY

The planning of Brown Magpie Wines started in 1998.20 hectares on a gentle, north facing slope. Situated in Modewarre, which is just a stone's throw from Moriac. It is in the hinterland of the Great Ocean Road. Our name comes from the rare brown and white magpies that live on the site. At the moment, we have Three living on our property. Our grapes are handpicked, and our wine is hand plunged in small vats. They are then gently pressed and aged in French, Hungarian and American Oak arriques. Our white wines are made on site. Some of it is cold fermented in our stainless steel tanks, and some is barrel fermented with wild yeasts in both shaved and unshaved old barrels. <http://brownmagpiewines.com/>



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A High Tide parade float workshop is being held at TORQUAY MEN'S SHED On Sunday 14 November 10am – 2 pm. Situated in Grossmans Rd. From Torquay- left hand side, a little before the egg farm. All parade entrants are welcome to come along to work on their parade float and build and paint up a storm!!

The High Tide Festival and Surf Coast Arts are both on **Facebook**.

Free Philosophy Cafes at the RACV Torquay Golf Club on Tuesday evenings at 7pm and Wednesday mornings at 10am. Phone: Jean Bohuslav 52647484 for enquiries. *A person's bondage is caused by the mind, and liberation too is caused by that alone*

GET INVOLVED IN THE TORQUAY HIGH TIDE FESTIVAL DECEMBER 3/4/5/ WEB SITE <http://www.hightidefestival.com.au/>

The Travellers and the Saint Some background to our name "Froth and Bubble". Going back in time to the year 1857 we saw the coming together of Father Julian Tenison Woods and Poet Adam Lindsay Gordon. Then, we have the two men travelling the South East district of South Australia on horseback in their tasks as travelling priest and horse breaker, meeting up with each other at stations, or along the roads, sometimes by accident and at other times by arrangement, and happily conversing on the subject of literature, of which they were both fond, like finding an oasis in a desert.

Woods describes his meetings with Gordon over a period of 5 years saying that he was Gordon's only close friend. Woods describes Gordon at the time of their first meeting. "I met him on a cattle station near Robe where he was breaking in some horses for Mr Stockdale. He was at work in a stockyard on a colt that was trying hard to throw him. At last the girths broke and Gordon landed on his feet. After supper he found me on the verandah, and talked for an hour, not on usual topics at such places, but about poetry and poets. The next morning as I resumed my journey, he overtook me. He was going to a station forty miles away, and the same road that I was following. He wore the usual bush costume – a slouched hat, a blue jumper, with a pair of riding cords tucked into common Wellington boots. He was always neatly dressed and carried the air of a gentleman."

Father Woods later joined with Mary MacKillop to found the Sisters of Saint Joseph and Adam Lindsay Gordon went on to lay the foundations for literature in Australia. His famous line being "Life is mostly froth and bubble."

Scribes Writers meets every Monday from 10 am to 12 Noon at the South Barwon Community Centre, 33 Mt Pleasant Road, Belmont, Geelong. Cost is \$2.00

Our Motto is 'If you can write a letter – you can write a story - If you can write a story – you can write a book'.

Our member Vivienne Worthington had the pleasure of being one of the Living Authors at the 3rd Annual Froth and Bubble Literary Festival held on the weekend of June 19 – 20 in Torquay. What a great experience. Over the year we have been fortunate in reaping the rewards of two of our past members. Firstly, Elvia Garwood took an exercise with

us on Short Story Writing. One of her stories was published in the Victorian Writers' Centre monthly magazine. Marie Dallman another past member is now specialising in Irish Family History and presents talks on how to research and obtain records in this field. We had the pleasure of another local author Maree Smith dropping in and running a Creative Writing morning with us. Last year our group wrote and published a Summer stories Anthology and plan as our next major project to compile one on Winter Tales.

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Andy Griffiths is coming to our June 2011 Festival Andy is best known as the author of the much-loved Just! series and The Day My Bum Went Psycho. In 2007 Andy became the first Australian author to win 6 children's choice awards in one year for Just Shocking!, smashing his previous record of 4 awards for The Bad Book in 2005. A new book is coming out next April. More later.

<http://twitter.com/AndyGBooks>



Create a Kids' Book: Picture book workshop on 27th November at Ormond, Jo Thompson's The Glasshouse has just been published and receiving a lot of publicity. We are privileged to have Jo as our Illustrator - Tutor, with Virginia for the words. Come along and learn about the 32 page rule, creating and using the storyboard, how the pictures and text work together, and locating and submitting to publishers – and anything else you want to discuss on the topic! There is also time to have some feedback on the stories or pictures you bring with you. Free monthly bulletin on writing for kids, courses and manuscript assessments. See the webpage. Bookings, Virginia on 9578 5689 or through www.createakidsbook.com.au.

ARTS PRECINCT FOR TORQUAY

We met with the Mayor of the Surf Coast Shire this week.



Still early days, but encouraging signs. The shire are asking for input to their 2040 Forum which also entails street meetings and workshops.

Our needs for an arts precinct are immediate.

<http://haveyoursaysurfcoast.com.au/>