



The Harbour Reporter

Newsletter of
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About town . . .

EARLIER last month I attended the launch of the One Stop Shop for over-55s in the Fremantle Town Centre. The venue is a resource centre for older people, providing information about current events, community services and activities in a convenient single location. I was delighted to meet a number of the volunteers who will staff the shop. You can contact the One Stop Shop on 9432 9890.



With One Stop Shop volunteers Colleen McKenny and Geoff Langley.

I was also pleased to attend the popular Fremantle Men's Community Shed's open day and garage sale earlier this year. Over 500 community members sought out bargains and supported the event, which raised nearly \$2,000 towards the purchase



Brian Knox, Alex Marshall and Alan Gowland at the Men's Shed Open Day.

of tools and equipment for the Shed. As well as providing a well-equipped shed for woodworking and other projects this excellent community initiative aims to enhance the health and wellbeing of men through linking them to services and support structures.

I was delighted to welcome Melissa Parke as the new Federal Member for Fremantle and look forward to working with her to represent the people of Fremantle at both state and federal levels. This provides an exciting opportunity to improve conditions for all Australians, creating a fairer and more equitable society.

Finding help in a medical emergency

EMERGENCY departments are busy places. Perth's emergency departments had more than 430,000 people visit them last year. More than ten per cent of these patients had only minor illnesses or injuries that could have been treated by a GP.

Patients requiring urgent attention will always be seen first in an ED. By seeing your GP or contacting one of the following services if you have a non-urgent illness or injury, you can avoid delays and help ED staff care for people who need help with serious or life-threatening conditions.

HEALTHDIRECT

Free, 24-hour, 7-days-a-week health advice
Freecall 1800 022 222

FREMANTLE AFTER-HOURS GP CLINIC

9430 8912

MENTAL HEALTH EMERGENCY RESPONSE LINE

A confidential after-hours psychiatric emergency assessment & advisory service
1300 555 788