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Eren Reid, Darren Graham, Aaron Lindsay and Fru Parsons play with their bowls at the 2010 AGM



Kelly Carter and new GEMG President Karen de Roer watch the boys play with their bowls at the 2010 AGM

2010 AGM

The 2010 Annual General Meeting was held on a sunny day on the 22 October at the Kalgoorlie Bowling Club and as usual was a huge success. See the "stay tuned" section with more on what became the topic of the day – recycling!

We also said goodbye to some long standing committee members

and once again thank them and wish them luck on their new adventures.

We also welcomed the new General and Executive Committee Members:

Alice Hurlbatt, Bronwen Smith, Darren Graham, Jess Shemeld, Jim Williams and Lilia Tysoe.

PRESIDENT	-	Karen de Roer
VICE PRESIDENT	-	Catherine Wharton
TREASURER	-	Andrea Kirchner
SECRETARY	-	Emily Cooper

CITIZENS, COUNTRYMEN, LEND US YOUR EARS

The White – striped Bat (*Tadarida australis*) (pictured) is one of the largest insectivorous (microbats) in Australia and is being groomed as a climate change indicator species for the EarthWatch Initiative; ClimateWatch and the Conservation Council of Western Australia's Citizen Science Program. If you would like to find out how you can help and listen out for bats in your area, contact the GEMG committee for more information.



President's Address

Thanks to the previous committee for all the hard work especially during a conference year.

A special thanks must go to Claire Mcquire, Andrea Williams and Nick Galton Fenzi who all have decided to take a break from the committee after many years .

Welcome to the new committee. Looking forward to an exciting year with a few new faces.

Hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and a Happy New year.

Safe travels to those going away over the holiday period and look forward to seeing everyone at the GEMG events in 2011.

2012 GEMG WORKSHOP

It's never too early to plan a workshop! Please send your suggestions for a guest speaker for the workshop dinner to secretary@gemg.org.au



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GREAT WESTERN WOODLANDS

In November the Honourable Donna Faragher, who recently stepped down as Environmental Minister, travelled to Kalgoorlie to announce the new strategy for the Great Western Woodlands. The strategy included a budget of \$3.8 million across the next three years to the Department of Environment and Conservation for the development and initial implementation. For a copy of the strategy check out the link http://www.dec.wa.gov.au/component/option,com_docman/task,doc_download/gid,4786/Itemid,/

THE FIRST GEMG COMMITTEE MEETING

The new committee met for the first time on Tuesday 23 November. Topics discussed included creating a database of mine site resources, recycling, a web based discussion forum and general banter about what exactly your committee will be doing this year.

If you have an idea or a topic you wish your committee to discuss send us an email.

STAY TUNED

- Recycling questionnaire – The what, when, where, why of recycling across sites in the Goldfields. We are hoping to get this out soon.
- Glamping – Do it in style or pack a swag, the GEMG camp out. Send in your expressions of interest and let us know if this is something you might like to attend. Dates, activities and location TBA.

PHOTO COMPETITION



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REMINDER: JOIN US ON FACEBOOK

You can join the GEMG on Facebook. Search for GEMG under facebook groups. Feel free to add photos and participate in online discussions.

Submit your winning caption to secretary@gemg.org.au

Please quote the issue and photo number

Competition closes Dec 31st



The GEMG Committee wishes everyone a very Merry Christmas and a safe and happy New Year!!