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Reflections Day WA 2026

by Mark Farmer

The annual Reflections Day W.A. was held at the Chatterbox in Perth, on Saturday 8th May. It was a wonderful morning for those that gathered to meet and reflect.

Whilst the survivors shared stories and experiences, a group of children walking past saw the Unfolding Lives Memorial at Perth (Boola Bardip) Museum and began to clamber all over the artwork in play. The children touched the hearts of those attending as smiles and laughter were had by all.

Comments from the survivors were, "It created a connection between them and the children".

Another survivor said, "How wonderful to see the laughter and play of these children that we wished we had as orphans."

Judith Forrest, the creator of the artwork commented "I am thrilled to see children playing on the art work, especially as the brief for the artwork was that it should be attractive to children. I have heard that children often see the artwork and then clamber all over the work having fun."

The purpose of Reflections Day WA is to ensure that Forgotten Australians are never forgotten. The morning is in recognition of all survivors and ensures that those who are no longer with us, cannot be with us or are progressing in their stories can join us with a place to meet and reflect. We welcome survivors from all orphanages and groups, not just in WA but from anywhere where a person has experienced time in state care.

It was noticed that the promised QR Code has not been installed, actions to correct this will be taken over the next year with the hope this will be in place by next year. A QR Code will provide access to the Forgotten Australians History for any person who is at the Unfolding Lives Memorial to understand why we have a memorial. They can use their phones to read and educate themselves on the reasons for the Unfolding Lives Memorial.

We hope that everyone can attend in 2027, as we connect with survivors, family, friends and supporters.

Save the Date

The next Reflections Day WA is Saturday. 8th May 2027 from 10am to 11am

DID YOU KNOW?



94% of cardiac arrests occur at home or in public spaces

There is a 15% higher survival rate when CPR is delivered quickly

You can learn first aid skills on-line for free with St John!

Simply go to

www.firstaidforme.stjohnwa.com.au

and choose your course.

Knowing first aid means you can help someone feel better, heal quicker, or care for them until help arrives. It could even save a life!



St John's First Aid Visit

11 May 2026

Our recent visit from St John's went down very well when Tuart Place held a course for clients. Aleisha put on a great down to earth presentation on Cardiovascular Resuscitation.

In attendance were Jenny and James both of whom had had to perform on friends and relatives.

Jenny saved her son's life after a health episode. Fortunately for her son Jenny had First Aid training and was able to administer CPR until an ambulance arrived. Jenny said the most important thing was to remain CALM. She said she basically had to become a First Aid Respondent first and mother second on this occasion. Her situation was particularly critical because her son had to be dragged off his bed onto solid floor before she could perform CPR. She also had the presence of mind to make sure the house entrance was clear of obstacles (so that the Ambos could bring in equipment) Jenny also "went the extra mile" and accompanied her son with Ambos and then Flying Doctor from Bunbury!

In James's case, he had to perform compressions on a stranger while also on the phone to St Johns who advised him step by step with the necessary procedures. What is important to note is that James had not had any formal training in this area at all but still had the presence of mind to call St Johns and successfully work with them.

As a result of the actions of Jenny and James two lives were saved.

Well done the both of you. And as you both said -if you get a chance to do a First Aid course Just do it! As the next life you are saving could be a loved one or even a stranger on the street.

SCENIC TOUR AND SEABIRD LUNCH

27th May 2026

On Wednesday May 27th, a group of intrepid Tuart Place travellers took a special tour to Moore river and Seabird. By all accounts it was a wonderful day, and the group arrived home tired, well fed and in great spirits!

All the attendees wanted to extend special thanks to the Tuart Place Social Club for sponsoring this outing, and to Tash for organising another great day!

We got this great email from Wendy...

"Hi 🙋"

Had a fantastic day trip today, thank you very much!

I bought a painted stone of a ladybug at Whiteman Park Craft store at morning tea. Gave the lunch at Seabird an 11 out of 10! (I had the Chicken Schnitzel)

We had Abba or Elvis playing on the way up and sang along.

Was a really happy fun day I just got home at ten to seven 😊 A really great bunch of people

This photo is hilarious 😂 Taken at lunch!

Thank you Tuart Place and the Club Bus Driver I would like to go up to the caravan park for a few days now, that place was really lovely 🥰

Much appreciated
Wendy x Yippee 🙌"

Tuart Place: Thanks for your email Wendy. It was a great community outing and that's what TP is all about.



John, Epe and Wendy
Seabird Tavern 2026



From the Tuart Place Photo Album...



Members of Tuart Place's Board visit Parliament House for lunch with Hon. Katrina Stratton and Hon. Dave Kelly on Friday 5th June



Mayor of Fremantle, Ben Lawver, accepts a gift of a windmill handmade by Tuart Place's very own Ian Donaldson on Monday 8th June

Our new Aged Care Finders...

We're excited to introduce the newest members of the Tuart Place family! Our Care Finder team has been busy getting ready to support older people across Perth North and South to connect with the aged care services they need. With a wealth of experience in community services, advocacy and aged care, they're already making a real difference. If you see them around Tuart Place, be sure to say hello and make them feel welcome!

