

## BESTSELLING AUTHOR TO VISIT MORAWA

Sara Foster is a West Australian author who has written four novels: *Come Back To Me*, *Beneath The Shadows*, *Shallow Breath* and *All that is Lost Between Us*. Sara will be visiting the Shire Library on Wednesday 6th April between 6pm and 8.30pm to deliver a talk on her work and answer any questions the community has on being an author or her books. Sara's books will also be on sale on the night and she will be signing copies. Sara's visit is free and open to all of the community and is part of an initiative of the State Library WA and WritingWA. Learn more about Sara Foster at [www.sarafoster.com.au](http://www.sarafoster.com.au).

## CLUB ROAD UPGRADE COMPLETED

The Shire of Morawa is pleased to announce that the improvements to Club Road are now complete with the road open to traffic. Club Road was originally constructed on the rail reserve and as such Brookfield Rail and the Public Transport Authority requested its relocation. The total cost of the project was \$198,000 and was funded through savings made on the Morawa SuperTown town revitalisation projects. The savings were intentionally made by the Shire of Morawa in order to fund the Club Road project without sacrificing the quality of the revitalisation project.



# Shire Snippets

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From the CEO's Desk...



You may have noticed my absence from the town in the week leading up to Easter. I was fortunate to be able to volunteer on a school building project in Cambodia. My work included: carrying bricks, mixing mortar, digging holes, making shelves and cupboards

and general manual work, all in 40c temperatures!

Treak village is 4 kms south of Siem Reap. It is home to around 2,000 people in 300 families, 20% of which live in poverty earning less than 50 cents per day. As the cost of education is beyond the means of most of the families the Treak school provides free places for 320 children. The school is funded solely by donations and fundraising.

My visit certainly made me feel privileged for the lifestyle and facilities we enjoy here in Morawa! For more information visit Treak Community Centre on Facebook.

**John Roberts, CEO Shire of Morawa**

**DEVELOPEING TOURISM IN OUR SHIRE** Alan Briggs from Murdoch University visited Morawa last week to engage with the community about the potential of initiating Geo-trails and Geo-parks in and around our community. The session provided valuable information on Geo-tourism and the benefits to the community. Is also provided community members the chance to have their say and deliver discussions on potential sites around Morawa and how it might benefit our community. Thank you to all that participated and supported the consultation. Your time and input is greatly appreciated.

**SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN** The Shire is hosting a 'Bike dismantle week' between 18th and 22nd April for children aged 12 to 17. Come along and learn how to dismantle a bike and put it back together again. For more information visit [www.dismantle.org.au](http://www.dismantle.org.au) or contact Marie on (08) 9971 1651.

The Shire of Morawa, in partnership with the Local Drug Action Group, is holding a huge Skate Event on Saturday 16th April. Open to all ages, participants will learn some epic tricks and skills from a Pro-Skater. There will be prizes, giveaways and music as well as a free BBQ. From 2pm to 6pm at the Morawa Skate Park. Contact Marie for further information on the number above or via email at [youthsupport@morawa.wa.gov.au](mailto:youthsupport@morawa.wa.gov.au).

**MORAWA ART EXHIBITION—CALLING ALL ARTISTS** The 2016 Morawa Art Exhibition is underway and we are open for registrations. The Morawa Art Show and Exhibition is a biennial event that brings together a large section of our regional community in support of local arts and culture. It encourages and fosters artistic merit amongst rural communities and supports talents amongst the Indigenous and youth of our region. The exhibition is scheduled from the 12th – 19th August, 2016. There are many categories available for entry, for more information or to register your artwork contact Jo on 9971 1204 or visit the website [www.morawa.wa.gov.au/art-exhibition](http://www.morawa.wa.gov.au/art-exhibition)

**OUT AND ABOUT IN MORAWA** Around 200 attended to check out the stalls and attend the workshops at the inaugural Morawa Health & Wellness Expo held on Saturday 19th March at the Sportsground. The Food was amazing! As delivered by the 'Geraldton Foodie' and 'Catering by the Kels' and the kids had ample entertainment with jumping castle, waterslides, Mr Whippy, face painting, the Kids Corner and a bike ride. Yoga, Laughing Yoga, the Cooking workshop, Wellness mind management and Shakti Flow Ayurveda were all very popular.

