

## The Old Kero Tin

There was a tin we used to have in the days of long ago And it contained Home Kerosene to keep our lights aglow. But when that tin was empty, it wasn't thrown away. We cut the square top out of it and used it every day. With a wire handle on it (and lots of muscle too) we'd carry water from the well, the weekly wash to do. Our humble home was kept supplied with water day by day with two of these resourceful tins we had no other way .Dad kept a couple in the shed to hold his tools and gear and some in the stables too, to carry stock feed there. With chopped up cane to feed the stock, we carried them alone, Molasses in another one to feed the milling throng. Then Mum would keep one on the stove, with water hot and steaming. To bath us in the old tin tub and keep us clean and gleaming. At times she'd boil Dad's dirty clothes, there on the kitchen stove.

We kids had one to hold our gear – a regular treasure trove! We cooked our yearly leg of ham in that old kero tin. We had one on our gatepost to serve as our mail bin. There was another use we had (and quite essential too) – that tin became a dunny can in our old outback loo . Then finally, all full of holes, when it had its day it landed on the rubbish heap and rusted clean away. And so the humble kero tin was never once abused. You could say we recycled it ... through that word we never used.

This was supplied by a member who never gave her name.

## Music Workshop Report.....

Hi Folks

Well another year has gone , and we have seen much improvement from everyone who has been attending each month. I am glad the number have not dropped although we have seen many drop out over the years but new faces come along and fill the gap.

I will be organizing the workshop weekend away very soon, and it was decided that a change of venue was a

Good idea and Point Turton on the York Peninsula would be the venue for the away weekend workshop. I shall need to know the amount of people who will be going so I can make an accurate booking and costing.

If you do attend the workshop and feel it is not working for you, please come and let us know as we might be able to work something out that will be of a greater benefit to you. We are looking to improve the workshop all the time so everyone's input is important to us and if your ideas are for the betterment of what we are trying to achieve we will put those ideas into practice. Hope you all have a Happy New Year and we will see you all in 2011.

Gawler Country Music Club Workshop

Head Co-ordinator

**Fred Payne**



Keith & Helen Presented with Life Membership

Les Parris Presented with A Club Merit award for his work done with our Newsletter

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