



Cruising Down the River ★

Ross Daly recently organised an event aboard the luxury cruise ship the **Dolphin Explorer**.

OK... there were no tuxedos and ball dresses required for this cruise along our local Port River, but by all accounts the down to earth Country Music experience was one to be remembered for its music, dancing and dining in a venue with a difference.

The music and entertainment was provided by well known celebrities **Bernie, Chooka and Guido**, sometimes referred to as **the Martin, Barton & Fart'n Band** plus the talented **Amber Joy Poulton**. The dance floor was full and the wonderful **Amber** had the audience shouting for more.

Thanks to **Ross** and the entertainers the event raised **\$550.00** for **Angel Flight** who provide free air transportation to patients in need of medical treatment at distant hospitals. **Well done Ross!** Perhaps this could become a **Daly Event!**

A Special Campfire Story ★

By Mahalia Fox

In January I was on a family camping trip and Bo stood up in front of our family and friends and started to tell a "Campfire Story".

The story was about **how Bo and I met**, what we've been through and where we are now.

Bo asked me up as a 'volunteer' to end the story, and... Hethen got down on one knee and said...

"**This is how the story ends**"....

He was holding an open jewellery box displaying an engagement ring.

I gave my answer (yes, of course) and everyone cheered for us and gave us lots of hugs. It was very overwhelming.

We became engaged on the 8th January 2011 and have set our wedding date for the 10th December 2011.

I can't wait to marry him.

We're going to have a nice garden wedding 30km from our hometown.

Congratulations Mahalia and Bo. Best wishes for the future.

Gawler Country Music Workshop ★

Hi Folks

As head **Coordinator** of the **Gawler Country Music Workshop** I wouldn't be able to run the workshop without the help of my colleagues **Raelz, Brian and James the tealadies** and of course the people who turn up each month.

The Workshop is now almost into its sixth year. When it first started I wasn't sure that it was going to be as successful as it has turned out to be.

With no age barriers we encourage more youngsters to come along. **Chord chart books** are available for a cost of fifteen dollars; a fair price to cover printing and folder costs.

If you are reading this and would like to learn to play, sing or just want to listen; then why not come along on the **first Saturday of each month**. You will find a very friendly atmosphere and you will progress in your development at your own pace, and not pushed into anything you don't want to do. If you show potential you will be kindly encouraged to show off your hidden talents. See you there!
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2011 Mother's Day 8th May

Just A Mum?



A Gawler woman recently applying for her driver's license, in Elizabeth City Centre was asked by the clerk at Registry to state her occupation.

The Gawler woman hesitated, uncertain on how to classify

herself.

"What I need is "Do you have a job, or are you just a....?"

"Of course I have a job!" snapped the Gawler woman. "I'm a Mum."

"We don't list "Mum" as an occupation ...House wife covers it" said the clerk.

I forgot all about her story until one day I found myself in the same situation.

The clerk was obviously a career woman, poised, efficient, and possessed a high-falooting title: Official Interrogator" or "City Registrar."

"What is your occupation?" she probed.

What made me say it? I do not know. The words simply popped out.

"I'm a Research Associate in the field of Child Development and Human Relations!"

The clerk paused, ball point pen frozen in mid-air and looked up as though she hadn't heard right.

I repeated the title slowly emphasizing the most significant words. Then I stared with wonder as my pronouncement was written, in bold black ink, on the official questionnaire.

"May I ask," said the clerk, "Just what do you do in your field?"

Coolly, without any trace of fluster in my voice, "I have a continuing program of research,(what Mother doesn't) in the Laboratory and in the Field, (normally I would have said indoors and out).

"I am working for my "Masters" (first the Lord and then my family). "and I already have 4 "Credits" (all daughters)" Of course, the job is one of the most demanding in the "Humanities" (any Mother care to disagree?)

"I often work 14 hours a day."(24 more like it)
"But the job is more challenging than most run-of-the-mill careers and the rewards are more of a satisfaction, rather than the money."

There was an increasing note of respect in the clerk's voice as she completed the form, stood up and personally accompanied me politely to the door.

As I drove into our driveway, uplifted by me glamorous new career; I was greeted by my "Lab Assistants" ...ages 13, 7 and 3.

Upstairs I could hear our new "Experimental Model" (a 6 month old baby) in the "Child Development Program" testing out a new vocal pattern.

I felt I had scored a beat on Bureaucracy!!!

I had gone on the official records as someone more "Distinguished and Indispensible" than "**Just Another Mum.**"

"Motherhood!!! What a glorious career!!! Especially when there is a title on the door!!!"

Grandmothers are
"Senior Research Associates in the Field of Child Development and Human Relations"

Great Grandmothers are "Executive Senior Research Associates"

It makes **Aunts**
"Associate Research Assistants"

Wishing all you "Distinguished Ladies" a very "Happy Mothers Day"

Brenton's Number 1's

This year we're going to experience four unusual dates - 1/1/11, 1/11/11, 11/1/11, 11/11/11 and that's not all.

Take the last two digits of your year of birth - now add the age you will be this year, and the result will be 111 for everyone!

This is the year of Money!

This year October will have 5 Sundays, 5 Mondays and 5 Saturdays. This happens only every 823 years.