

*Marion Historic Village  
Display Group Inc.*

**Members Newsletter  
February 2016**

I trust you all had a wonderful holiday and are well into the new year.

- **First and foremost in the news department! {Drum roll please!}**  
*Our own Peter Stretton was named Citizen of the Year at the Marion Australia Day ceremonies on Sat. Jan 23 at the Cultural Centre*

We all join in congratulating Peter on a job well done and an honour most deserved.

- Since our last newsletter the Group has applied for another grant. This one is through UniSA and, if successful, will provide the Display Centre with its own website, designed and uploaded by Media students at UniSA. They will also provide training for maintenance of the website to the designated person from the group. A dedicated website has been on the wish list for a little while now so we are really keeping our fingers crossed on this one.  
As yet, no word has been received on our success or failure on our other grant applications.
- Our application to History Month SA in May has been submitted although we have yet to finalise our programme for the event. We hope to increase our exposure this year and are planning a "Memories of Marion" theme.
- We have been successful in having an item published in the premier genealogy magazine for Australia - Australian Family Tree Connections - in their January 2016 issue! The Display Group was given a full page promotion with a photograph. Best of all, it was at no cost to the Display Group. Good exposure which may (hopefully) lead to more visitors, former residents of Marion and memorabilia for our collection. If you would like a copy of the item please email me and I will happily send it to you.
- We would like to welcome our newest team member! Ihab Asaad will be working with us for the next six months as part of his Work for the Dole commitment. Ihab and his family have immigrated from Egypt and are keen to become part of our community. I am sure this experience will be a rewarding one for all.
- **The Display Group has a big and busy year planned for 2016 and we need willing hands to help achieve our goals. If you can spare just an hour or two on a Tuesday morning or on a Sunday from 2pm until 4pm we would love to hear from you! Just contact any of the committee members.**



Until Next Time

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