

Cockburn Soundings

APRIL 2009

Cockburn welcomes Mayor Logan K Howlett

The City of Cockburn has a new Mayor following the election of Logan Howlett to the position at an extraordinary election on 5 March. Almost 19,000 votes, representing 37% of the electors were returned.

The position is for an interim term expiring in October 2009, where the Mayoral position, along with five Ward Councillors will become vacant.

While more information in relation to those elections will be forthcoming in future editions, should you wish to contact the Mayor or any Councillor, call the City of Cockburn on 9411 3444, or visit; www.cockburn.wa.gov.au

Pictured L-R: CEO Stephen Cain and Mayor Logan Howlett



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New Youth Mayor elected in Cockburn

The City of Cockburn congratulates 16-year-old Elyce Lines, from Atwell, on being elected the 2009 Cockburn Youth Mayor.

Elyce, who has been a member of the City's Youth Advisory Council for three years, will be supported by Deputy Youth Mayor Luke Bowman.

The Cockburn Youth Advisory Council was established in 1993 to provide advice on youth issues to Cockburn City Council. The YAC aims to represent the aspirations, views and needs of young people and to participate in issues and projects for the benefit of young people living in Cockburn.

In her election statement Elyce said she is committed to changing the image of youth in Cockburn and make more areas of Cockburn "youth-friendly".

In his election statement 18-year-old Mr Bowman, of Yangebup, said he has been an active part of the YAC for two years and said he is committed to establishing a youth magazine in Cockburn.

The positions were voted on by members of the YAC at a meeting on January 14 at the Cockburn Youth Centre in Success.



Lee-Anne Smith new East Ward Councillor



The City of Cockburn welcomes Councillor Lee-Anne Smith to the position of East Ward Councillor.

Councillor Smith was elected to the role at the Extraordinary Election held on Thursday,

5 March at Council. She will fill the position left vacant with the resignation of former Councillor Richard Graham and will remain in her role until the Council's Ordinary election in October.

Councillor Smith can be contacted on 0416 753 305 or by email to lsmith@cockburn.wa.gov.au.



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Message from the Mayor



This is the first opportunity to convey to you the great sense of pride I feel in being elected as mayor of your City. I look forward to serving all residents in a fair and impartial manner ensuring an open, transparent and accountable local government that reflects best practice and prides itself on going forward in partnership with the community and other stakeholders who choose to invest in Cockburn's future.

My wife Pat and I have lived in Cockburn for over 35 years. We have volunteered in the community for most of that time in a variety of capacities and where time permits we will continue our involvement. We are passionate about Cockburn, its people, its history, cultural diversity and its future as a place where dreams can be realised.

Over the next few months, I plan to attend meetings and activities of various community organisations, clubs and the small business/industry sectors to hear first hand your visions for the future and how Council may assist in realising them.

I look forward to working with your Elected Members, the Chief Executive Officer, City of Cockburn Directors, other members of staff and the wider community to ensure Cockburn is promoted as a leader in local government in Western Australia.

We welcome your feedback. I can be contacted via email at lkhewlett@cockburn.wa.gov.au or by phoning 0407 337 650.

Mayor
Logan K Howlett

Council conducts its ordinary Council Meeting on the second Thursday of each month at 7pm Council Chambers located within the Administration Building, 9 Coleville Crescent, Spearwood.

In addition, Council's Audit Committee holds meetings at 6pm on the third Thursday of March, July and November each year.

Members of the public are invited to attend these meetings, the Agendas for which are available from the Council office, Spearwood, Success or Coolbellup Public Libraries or on line at Council's website.

Next Council meeting - Thursday, April 9 at 7pm or Thursday, May 14 at 7pm.



City staff raise thousands for bushfire cause

Staff at the City of Cockburn have raised \$6185.50 for the victims of the Victorian bushfires, which will be matched by the City, bringing the total to more than \$12,000.

The figure will be donated to the Red Cross Bushfire Relief Fund.

The sum will be added to a \$30,000 donation pledged by the Council at its February Council meeting, which will be taken from the City's donations funding.

City of Cockburn Deputy Mayor Kevin Allen said the impact of the devastating Victorian bushfires can be felt by each and every Australian.

"The thoughts of the people of Cockburn extend to those that have lost loved ones, homes and possessions in this terrible tragedy."

"I encourage all Cockburn residents to donate money to the Victorian Bushfire Appeal, to help those less fortunate than yourself during this devastating time."

To make a donation to the appeal visit www.redcross.org.au/vic/services_emergencyservices_victorian-bushfires-appeal-2009 or phone 1800 811 700.

Payment of rates

The fourth instalment payment for land rates was due on the 3rd March, 2009.

If your account is still outstanding and you are unable to make payment in full, you need to contact Rates Services to discuss a suitable payment arrangement as penalty interest is accruing.

Failure to do so could result in further costs being added due to legal proceedings which could affect your credit record for a period of five years.

For those experiencing extreme financial difficulties, the following services are available.

Atwell Financial Counselling	9414 6302
Cockburn Financial Counselling	9331 1174

For more information please contact the City on 94113444.



Mell Rd. Spearwood

Youth Centre Program 2009

Young people looking for a hobby or interested in trying something new are urged to come down to the Cockburn Youth Centre and check out this year's activity program. All classes are available either free or at a small cost, or less for members.

To find out more about what's on offer at the Cockburn Youth Centre or to book your place in the courses below phone 9411 3888 or email youth@cockburn.wa.gov.au or visit the Centre on Wentworth Parade, Success.



Monday

- Freaky Pics
- Jewellery Making
- Jazz Dancing
- Acro Dancing
- Hip Hop Dancing
- Aged 16+ Cheerleading

Tuesday

- Fit Chicks
- Fit Fellas
- Guitar Classes
- Meditation



Wednesday

- Art Workshop
- Singing Workshop

Thursday

- Cooking (sponsored by Coolbellup IGA)
- Streetball
- Live Music

Friday

- Cheerleading
- Aged 16+ Jazz/ Hip Hop Dancing
- Self defence Classes

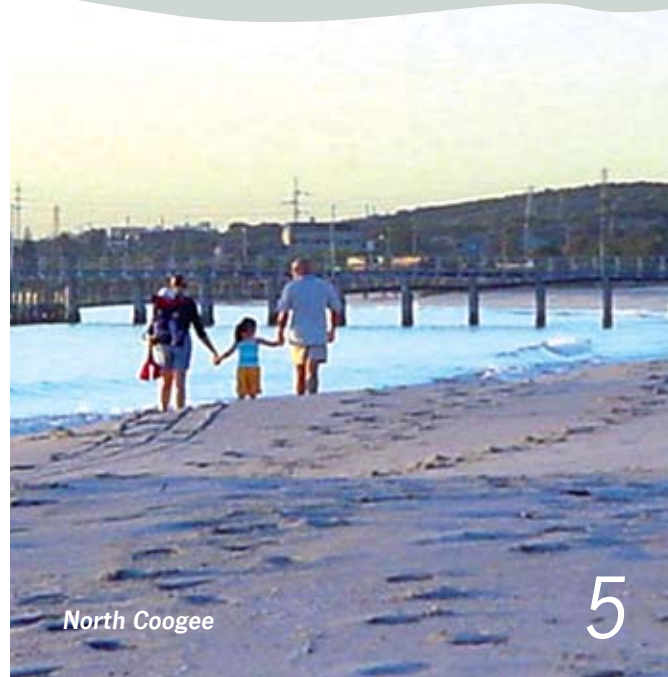
Reparation for abuse in State care

The Department of Communities is calling on all victims of abuse in State care to come forward to claim a one-off reparation payment.

The Redress WA Scheme is a compassionate scheme that includes an ex-gratia payment of up to \$80,000 for people who were abused or neglected as children in WA State care.

The scheme also delivers an apology, acknowledgement of pain and suffering and an opportunity for victims to add to their personal record.

The Scheme closes on April 30, 2009. For more information phone Redress WA on 1800 617 233 or visit www.redress.wa.gov.au.





What's on in Cockburn

International Family Day

City of Cockburn Support Services are holding a **free** annual International Family Day event on Sunday the 17th of May 2009 from 12pm to 2:30pm at the Atwell Community Centre (1 Lombe Gardens, Atwell).

There will be a variety of international style foods for people to try and activities including cultural music, balloon art and face painting, petting zoo and craft.

For more information call City of Cockburn Support Services on 9414 6302.

All residents welcome.

Swimming classes

The South Lake Leisure Centre is hosting Adult Swimming Lessons during the second school term (May- July 2009).

Improve your confidence in the water and swimming technique in these classes that suit all swimmers from beginner to advanced.

The lessons cost \$140 for ten weeks and are being held on Monday or Wednesday evenings (beginning April 29 or May 4).

There's also swimming lessons available for infants, pre-schoolers and school aged children.

For more information or to register phone the South Lake Leisure Centre on 9417 3003.



Coogee Beach

Show Off 5

It's on again. The popular Show Off 5 exhibition will be held during May.

This invitation exhibition showcases local artists in a variety of mediums from paintings to sculpture.

The exhibition will run from May 16 to May 24 at Memorial Hall and be open daily to the public from 10am to 3pm.

Annual Pioneers Luncheon 2009

Have you lived within the City of Cockburn continuously for 59 years or more?

If so, you may be eligible to attend the City's Annual Pioneers Luncheon on Friday 29th May, 2009.

If you believe you meet the criteria for an invitation to the luncheon, write to Council stating:-

- Your name;
- Current Address;
- Phone Number;
- Residential History (ie. Lived in Hamilton Hill for 37 years from 1950 - 1985, then lived in Bibra Lake for 24 years from 1985 - 2009 etc)
- The names and phone numbers of at least two referees who are willing to support your residential history.

Please write to:-

Mrs Vanda Bacich
PA to the Elected Members
City of Cockburn
PO Box 1215
BIBRA LAKE WA 6965

Or **Fax:** 9411 3333

Or **Email:** vbacich@cockburn.wa.gov.au

All submissions must be received by **Friday, 17th April, 2009.**



Cockburn Foundation Day Award 2009

Nominate a Cockburn pioneer for this year's Cockburn Foundation Day Award. The award recognises the contribution made by an individual to the Cockburn community over an extended period of time.

The winner of the award will receive a cash prize and a certificate, which will be presented at the 2009 Annual Pioneer's Luncheon.

All nominees must be aged over 59 years and live in Cockburn. A nomination form is on the next page. For more information phone 9411 3444 or email vabcich@cockburn.wa.gov.au.



Nomination form – Cockburn Foundation Day Award

Title (Mr, Mrs, Ms, Miss, Dr) _____

Given Names _____

Surname _____

Address _____

Suburb/Town _____

State _____ Postcode _____

Telephone(H) _____ (W) _____

Reasons for nomination

How has the nominee demonstrated active citizenship and enhancement of community life?

Please attach additional information if required

How has the nominee's contribution been recognised elsewhere?

Nominator

Name _____

Address _____

Suburb/Town _____

State _____ Postcode _____

Telephone(H) _____ (W) _____

Email _____

Others willing to support your nomination

Name _____

Address _____

Suburb/Town _____

State _____ Postcode _____

Telephone(H) _____ (W) _____

Email _____

Name _____

Address _____

Suburb/Town _____

State _____ Postcode _____

Telephone(H) _____ (W) _____

Email _____

Return by Friday 1st May 2009, to:
Cockburn Foundation Day Award
Reply Paid No. 2
City of Cockburn
PO Box 1215
BIBRA LAKE DC 6965



PHOENIX CENTRAL REVITALISATION

City of
Cockburn



The City is reviewing community feedback on the proposed change in residential density from proposed R30 to R25 for the area within 400m to 800m walking distance of the Phoenix Central commercial and retail area.

The Phoenix Central Revitalisation Strategy was considered by Council at its December meeting. Council deferred any decision to adopt the strategy to allow for further community feedback to be sought regarding the proposed zoning change. The reduction in residential density was recommended not as a result of community opposition to higher densities, but rather as a result of community concerns regarding increased traffic on residential roads.

Community input on this issue has been gathered through a landowner survey, and a Community Forum on 21 February 2009.

The next stages of the plan are:

- The outcomes of the survey and the Community Forum will be analysed and a new report will be presented to Council in coming months.
- Council will make a decision regarding final adoption of the Phoenix Central Revitalisation Strategy;
- Amendments to City of Cockburn Town Planning Scheme No. 3 will commence, to bring into fruition the zoning changes recommended by the Phoenix Central Revitalisation Strategy.

For more information about the project please see the City's website at www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/phoenixcentral

Shannon Noll rocks Cockburn

More than 12,000 people enjoyed a free concert by Shannon Noll on March 7 as part of the City's Summer of Fun concert series. Check out more pics at www.summeroffun.com.au.



L-R: Tayah Morgan, Kaine Davidson, Ahleigha Davidson, Rylee Morgan





Happening Seniors Bulletin Board – rsvp on 9411 3444

Free events for Cockburn residents 50 years and over

Bowling Clinic: Friday 17/04/09

Come along for a fun social morning learning the skill of lawn bowls followed by a sausage sizzle.

Where: Cockburn Bowling club. (Next to council Admin Building)

Time: 9:30 – 11:30am Sausage sizzle 12:00pm

Dress: Flat soled shoes or bare feet.

Scrapbooking: Wednesday 22/04/09

This will be a demonstration of the art of dressing up your photo album and how to display your photos in different categories e.g. family, baby, heritage, etc.

Where: Cockburn Admin Building.

Time: 10:00 – 11:30am.

Bring: Four photos, album or scrap book. Or we can do displays on A4 sheets.

Army Museum Tour: Thursday 23/04/09.

As Anzac Day is on Saturday the 25th of April this tour will demonstrate the hardship and terrible conditions our soldiers had to cope with.

Where: Cnr. Burt and Quarry Sts Fremantle.

Time: 10:00 – 12:00pm

Transport: Own.

Genealogy: 6 April, 20 April, 27 April

Mike Murray and Lesley Silvester of TimeTrackers will build on the success of their recent introductory sessions to run a series of free Workshops to develop Genealogy skills

Where: Cockburn Admin Building.

Time: 10:00 – 11:30am.

Seniors' Clubs Calendar

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
10am to 12 noon St Jerome's Seniors Phone Lucy on 9418 1630	9am to 3pm Cockburn Senior Citizens Phone Mavis on 9337 3772	9am to 3pm Cockburn Senior Citizens Phone Mavis on 9337 3772	9am to 3pm Cockburn Senior Citizens Phone Mavis on 9337 3772	11:45am to 2:30pm Atwell Over 50's Phone Lorna on 9418 4296
1pm to 3pm South Lake Seniors Phone Doris on 9414 5772	Tuesday 9.30 am to 12 noon Cockburn Prime Timers Phone Val on 9337 1680		9:30 am to 12 noon Coolbellup Leisure Club Phone Val on on 9337 3236	
9:30 am (monthly) Probus Club of Cockburn Phone Peter on 9417 1669			12 noon to 2:30 pm (fortnightly) Southwell Friendship Club Phone Bev on 9434 3626	

Me and My Dad Playgroup

The City of Cockburn Support services offers play mornings, exclusively for fathers and their children, once per month at the Atwell Community Centre.

The sessions are run by a man and encourage fathers to develop a better understanding of their child/children's needs in a fun, supportive environment.

Fathers are encouraged to come along, meet other local Dads and speak with qualified caregivers about your parenting experience,

Play days are held at Atwell Community Centre usually on the 3rd Saturday morning of each month, from 10am to 12 noon. Bookings are essential. To book your place phone the City on 9411 3444.



Cuppa and Company at the Beelihar Hub

Parents are invited to join the City of Cockburn and Yangebup Child Health for a cuppa and some company each Wednesday at the Beelihar Hub, 33 Lakefront Avenue, Beelihar.

The play session runs from 9.30am to 11.30am during school terms and are a great chance to meet other parents, share morning tea, weigh your baby and watch your child play with others.

There's also information on support services including Family Support Counselling services and a Child Health Nurse available.

Parents are asked to bring a piece of fruit for their child. For more information phone Atwell Family Support on 9414 6011 or Yangebup child Health on 9417 5022.



Playground Shade audit for Cockburn



Pictured: John Graham Reserve, Woodman Point. Harrison Lang, Nicholas Lang, Mia O'Sullivan, Louisa Lang and Isabella O'Sullivan

Parks and playgrounds in the City of Cockburn are being audited in a bid to determine adequate shade is provided.

The audit commences the implementation stage of a policy Council adopted in November 2008. This policy was developed to address the need to reduce exposure to harmful ultra violet (UV) sun rays that cause skin cancers.

It focuses on ways to provide shade to playgrounds and other recreational facilities during the peak UV times of 10am and 3pm, using cost effective structures and tree plantings to achieve more sustainable long term outcomes. Recommended treatments are then costed and listed for Council to consider for funding in the capital works programs.

The City promotes the Cancer Council's message for personal protection from the sun's harmful rays, by covering up with a hat, shirt and sunscreen and staying out of the sun between 10am and 3pm when the UV index is highest. This is an especially important message for children; given most skin damage is done when we are young.

Cockburn playgrounds smoke free

Signage has been installed at Cockburn playgrounds, public buildings and events to remind residents that the City has gone smoke-free.

Since the introduction of the Smoke Free Cockburn policy in August, smoking in public areas in the City of Cockburn has been banned.

The ban covers:

- Within 10 metres of all children's playground equipment
- Within 10 metres of sporting facility building entrances

- Within 10 metres of any other persons on Council playing fields or sporting grounds
- Within 10 metres of any other persons on City of Cockburn beaches, dunes or jetties
- Within all covered bus stops
- Within 10 metres of the entrances of Council owned or managed buildings including balconies or covered areas of the buildings
- At all Council run or sponsored events on its beaches, reserves, parks, ovals and playing fields

For more information on the City's Fresh Start Quit courses phone 9411 3444.



Worldly Wise Women's Group

Moved to Perth?

Left your family and friends behind ?

Free!

Where: Beeliam Community Centre
33 Lakefront Drive, Beeliam.

When: Wednesdays during school term

Time: 11.30 - 2.00pm

For more details and to register please contact:

Sian Halsall, Atwell Family Support Services: 9414 6011



Come and join us!

Meet others in the same situation.

Space and facilities for children to play

Living Smart course

Want to learn to be healthier, save money and help our environment ?

Then Living Smart is for you. You will learn techniques to make a positive impact on your home and neighbourhood, while achieving a healthier, happier self.

The free course will be held at the Salvation Army Hall in Hamilton Hill on Wednesdays at 6:45pm to 9pm from 20 May to 24 June.

The course covers handy hints on saving water, gas and energy, transport and waste management, safe use of household chemicals, indoor air quality, biodiversity and healthier and happier lifestyles. These topics are what sustainability is about and learn the practical changes you can make in your home.

Places are strictly limited. Find out more at <http://www.livingsmart.org.au>. Register by emailing the City at customer@cockburn.wa.gov.au or by phoning 9411 3444.



Cr Helen Attrill

Meet the Councillor

Cr Helen Attrill

Why did you want to be a Councillor at the City of Cockburn?

I've always been interested in local issues and active in my profession and industry sector. When I had finished my studies I felt I had the time to put my 'hand up' and take a more active role on local issues having lived in the City for the last 15 years.

What has been the highlight of your time as one of Cockburn's Councillors?

There are the little things, like helping individual ratepayers' resolve an issue which has been frustrating or worrying them, and the bigger things like working with the other Councillors to ensure the Council's vision and leadership reflects the views and aspirations of the majority of the City's residents. On a personal level

it has been meeting the many groups and individuals who give of themselves to make their community and the City a better place – truly inspiring to see.

What future projects in Cockburn are you excited about?

I'm looking forward to the development of the Success Regional Recreation & Community Facility on Hammond Rd as I think this will add to the activities and options available to the community but will also demonstrate the leadership and contribution that Cockburn can play in the metropolitan community.

Describe yourself in three words.

Caring, industrious, even handed.

2009 Sustainability Awards OPEN

Get your nominations in for the City of Cockburn A Better Tomorrow - Sustainability Awards. Your applications should address economic, environmental and community wellbeing.

Two Prizes will be awarded in each of the following categories:

Community - school, community groups, not-for-profit organisation. (2 x \$1,000 prize)

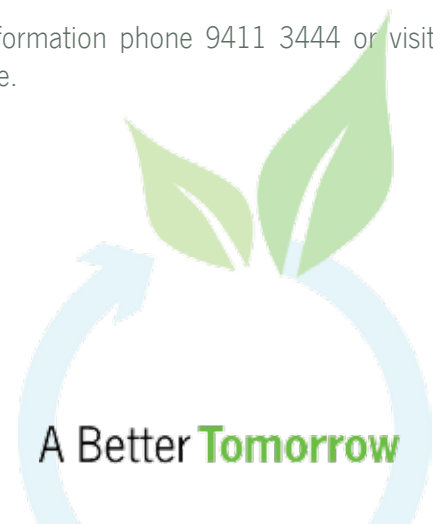
Small business - up to 20 employees. (2 x \$1,000 prize)

Large business - 20+ employees. (2 x \$1,000 prize)

Household (individual or collective group such as Pinakarri Community) (2 x \$1,000 prize)

All nominees go into the running to win the prestigious City of Cockburn Gold Sustainability Award worth \$6,000. All participants will be invited to attend the Gala Celebration event on Friday 25 September 2009 where award winners are announced.

For more information phone 9411 3444 or visit the City's website.



A Better Tomorrow

WIN \$250 + \$250 bonus* in the Be Active Cockburn Physical Activity Survey

For your chance to win, please complete the survey in full and return to:

Be Active Cockburn Survey, City of Cockburn, Reply Paid 1215, Bibra Lake DC, WA 6965 NO STAMP REQUIRED
Closing date: Tuesday 30 April 2009

This survey is also available online at www.beactivecockburn.com.au.

Q1. On average, how much time do you estimate that you spend being physically active (including walking, cycling, swimming, organised sport etc.) per week?

Hours: _____ Minutes: _____

Q2. What types of recreation facilities do you normally use?

- Footpaths, cycle paths, trails
- Parks, reserves, ovals
- Gyms, health clubs
- Sports centres
- Halls
- Pools
- Home
- Beach, river, lakes
- Other (Please specify _____)

Q3. If you own a dog, do you walk with it?

Yes No Do not own a dog

Q4. Are you physically active every day?

Yes
 No

Q5. What do you think the City of Cockburn could do that might encourage you to be more physically active (e.g. improve specific facilities, improve parks and paths, examples of physical activity events etc.)?

Q6. How many minutes of physical activity or exercise do you think adults need to do each day for good health?

Minutes: _____

Q7. How many minutes of physical activity or exercise do you think children need to do each day for good health?

Minutes: _____

Q8. Can you think of any messages or campaigns (on television, radio, newspaper, internet etc.) about physical activity? Please list these below:

Q9. Have you heard of the Be Active Cockburn project?

Yes
 No (Please go to Q12)

Q10. How was the project brought to your attention?

Q11. Have you attended any Be Active Cockburn events?

Yes (Please specify _____)
 No

Q12. Any further comments about physical activity in the City of Cockburn:

Q13. Suburb you live in? _____

Q14. Gender? Female Male





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Q15. Please tick the age bracket which you belong to.

- Under 18
- 18-25
- 26-45
- 46-64
- 65-74
- 75+

(For Q16 and Q17, please include all children who reside with you for at least an average of 4 days per week)

Q16. How many children under the age of 5 reside at your home? _____

Q17. How many children aged 5-18 reside at your home? _____

Q18. What is the main language you speak at home? _____

Q19. What is the highest level of education you have completed?

- Less than year 12
- TEE or equivalent
- Tertiary

Q20. Do you consider yourself to be an Aboriginal person or Torres Strait Islander?

- Yes
- No

*** FOR A BONUS PRIZE-PACK OF \$250 VOUCHERS FROM PHOENIX SHOPPING CENTRE:**

What animal is featured in the cartoon on the home-page of www.beactivecockburn.com.au in April 2009?

Answer: _____

(Closing date for the competition is 30 April 2008) Limit of one entry per household

Your contact details:

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Mobile: _____

Email Address: _____

Address: _____

Yes I would like to receive the Be Active Cockburn bimonthly e-newsletter **OR**

Yes I would like to receive the Be Active Cockburn newsletter by mail

Thank you for your support and participation in completing this survey.

Your personal details will not be used for any purpose other than to go into the prize draw, and if requested, provision of the Be Active Cockburn Newsletter. Personal information will not be held on record and your details will not be passed on to a third party. The information you provide on this form will be used to assess physical activity characteristics of the City of Cockburn and will help with future planning of the Be Active Cockburn project. Winners of the prize draw will be notified after the closing date and the results of the draw will be published in the July 2009 issue of the Cockburn Soundings.

