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## hiroshima day tree planting – a sign of heiwa

The City opened Local Government Week this year with its annual tree planting ceremony to commemorate Hiroshima Day on Friday, August 3 at Bloodwood Reserve in South Lake.

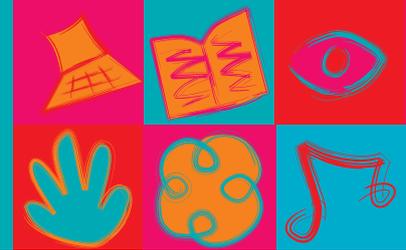
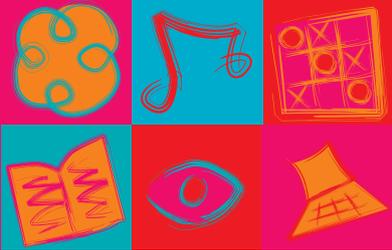
The ceremony was attended by special guest, the Consulate-General of Japan Mr Hyosuke Yasui, along with 40 students from primary schools across Cockburn, Councillor Val Oliver and City of Cockburn staff.

White balloons were released into the sky as a sign of heiwa (Japanese word for 'peace') and to represent a sustainable future.

Students were then treated to a morning tea at the Council Administration Building for all their efforts.

On August 6, 1945 the city of Hiroshima was devastated by an atomic bomb. It is estimated that between 70,000 and 100,000 people were killed instantly and many people later died from the horrifying effects of atomic radiation.





## be inspired @ your library



Paton Lacey will turn nine in September, and like many girls her age she likes to read lots and lots of books. She is a regular at her public library in Success and there are always at least three or four reservations waiting for her and her sister Amber. "I reserve the books online," says Paton. "It's easy, and then I get an email to let me know that they've arrived!" Paton's interest is in horror stories and she supplements the ones she finds in the library by going to swapmeets and buying books at garage sales.

What makes Paton stand out from other children her age is that towards the end of the year she will become a published author. Two years ago Paton started writing a story, a page or a paragraph at a time and it took about a year before the "The deep dark forest" was finished. Paton entered her story for the Michael Dugan Short Story Award and it was selected! Highly commended by the Fellowship of Australian Writers, the story will be included in an anthology of short stories by Australian writers of all ages.

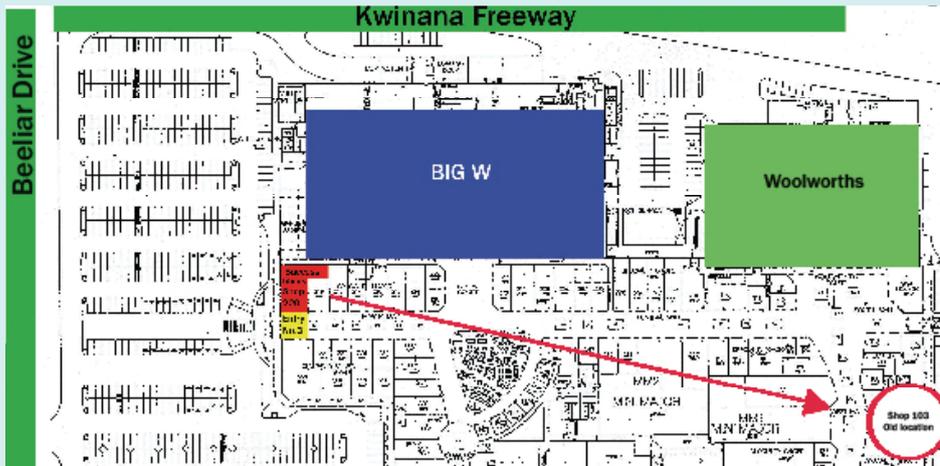
Move over JK Rowling, Paton is on her way!!

## Success library is moving shop

Success Public Library is relocating within the Cockburn Gateway Shopping City. The library is moving around to the new north entrance of the shopping centre (shop 220)

Success library will be closed for a few days prior to the opening on the 4th October, 2007. (Closure days are not known at time of publication printing – please check the library website or call the library on 9414 5599)

Join us as we celebrate the opening of the new premises on Sunday the 7th October 2007 from 10am – 4pm. For more details see our website: <http://library.cockburn.wa.gov.au>



## coming soon to the library...

### october

#### Go Wild in the October School Holidays

Super-cool activities, super-cute animals, super-fun 4 kids @ your library!

#### BankWest Seniors' Week 2007

Sunday 28th of October to Sunday 4th of November

Crime and Punishment, Quiz day for Housebound Readers and Alien Abductions...what more could you ask for?

### november

Exploring Men's Sheds

### december

Thoughts of Christmas and aging gracefully with the Agelink Theatre production, "Been There, Done That!"

Contact your library for information about these events and for bookings:

- Spearwood Library 9411 3491
- Success Library 9414 5599
- Coolbellup Library 9314 1695

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## mayor's message

Council recently implemented a Water Conservation Strategy to further conserve our most precious resource, water.

The Water Strategy is built around six major initiatives comprising technology upgrades and new techniques for reticulating open space.

Our ultimate goal is to conserve water through improved groundwater management.

Council is committed to ensuring that our parks, reserves and landscape features are maintained to the highest standard, whilst minimising the drain on our invaluable water supply.

Some 7.4 million litres of groundwater per day will be intercepted at Port Coogee.

In relation to the intercepted groundwater, a number of strategies are currently being considered; one of which is the exciting possibility of establishing a golf course in the Coogee area.

Council is also re-examining the feasibility of making it compulsory for all new homes built in Cockburn to be fitted with a rainwater tank.

This new water strategy will ensure that our precious resource will last for many years to come.

As always, if you have anything you would like to tell us about or discuss please don't hesitate to contact myself or your local councillor.

Stephen Lee  
Mayor



## hello baby – welcome to cockburn

Cockburn has a new parenting calendar. It welcomes new babies into the Cockburn community and provides information to parents about the first year of their baby's life. It also includes useful contact numbers for parents.

An art competition was held in Cockburn in early 2007 aimed at children aged 0-4 years to provide new artwork for the calendar. 18 children had their artwork included in the calendar, ranging in age from 9 months to 4 years.

The overall winner was 4 year old Siena Gauci, who combined paint, felt tipped pen and sand and shells picked up from Coogee Beach to make a lovely picture used for the front cover of the calendar.

Our youngest runner-up winner was Giles Gerlach (9 months old) who produced his first artwork with lots of colour all over him and his picture. Thank you to all our entrants.

The calendar will be distributed via Child Health Nurses, and also at an event for parents and babies to be held next year called 'Hello Baby'.



# crime rates drop in cockburn

A crime status report for 2006-07, recently brought out by the South Metropolitan Police District, shows that there continues to be a reduction in crime in the Cockburn area.

Cockburn is one of the busiest sub-districts in the South Metro area and some of the reductions in crime for 2006-07 include: Non-domestic assault decreased 9.9 per cent, burglary decreased 16.2 per cent, motor vehicle theft reduced 3.5 per cent and all offences including drug and alcohol decreased by 9.2 per cent.

Cockburn Police Officer-In-Charge Peter Grover said forming good partnerships with Cockburn Council with programmes such as Neighbourhood Watch had been very effective.

In addition, Cockburn Police have increased its presence in targets areas such as Hamilton Hill and Spearwood, which is also producing positive results.

The City would like to thank Cockburn Police for all their efforts and hard work in making Cockburn an even safer place to live!



Your Council

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Stephen Lee

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## East Ward

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# council ward elections 2007

The City of Cockburn has four Ward vacancies on Council, as a result of the expiry of the terms of current Councillors.

These vacancies are:-

Two East Ward, vacated by Councillors Amanda Tilbury and Ian Whitfield

One Central Ward, vacated by Councillor Sue Limbert

One West Ward, vacated by Councillor Linda Goncalves.

These vacancies will be filled by the holding of an election for each seat, to be determined on Saturday 20 October, 2007.

The Western Australian Electoral Commission (WAEC) will conduct the election using the highly successful postal voting method.

However, unlike previous Council elections, the voting method has changed from a simple "first past-the-post" formula to a preferential system, requiring each candidate to receive a number in accordance with the voting preferences of each elector.

Everything you need will be sent to you in an election package, including instructions to ensure your vote is valid. It is important that you read these instructions carefully, to avoid the possibility of your vote being excluded from the count, if it is not completed and submitted as required.

Ballot papers for the Ward election(s) in which you are eligible to vote are contained within your election package. You will also find a list of candidate profiles to assist you in deciding the preferred order of the candidates as well as a reply paid envelope.

Once you have completed your ballot papers, post them back or hand deliver them to the Council offices at 9 Coleville Crescent, Spearwood.

While you have until 20 October to deliver your ballot papers, you are encouraged to post your votes by no later than Wednesday 17 October to ensure they are received in time of the count.

If you have any questions regarding the Council election process, you are urged to contact the Returning Officer for the elections, by contacting the Council on 9411 3444.

## keep australia beautiful!

The City recently celebrated Keep Australia Beautiful Week with Councillor Ian Whitfield's Year 2 class at Coogee Primary School.

Held in the last week of August each year, Keep Australia Beautiful Week was developed to help remind people of the simple things they can do in their daily lives to help protect our environment.

Keep Australia Beautiful Week is not just about picking up litter, it is also about conserving our environment through recycling and other sustainable practices.

### keep australia beautiful tips:

- Refill used cartridges - Around 1,500 tonnes of toner cartridges are sent to landfill each year in Australia alone, taking up to 450 years to decompose!
- Recycle old mobile phones - More than 90 per cent of the plastic and metal in mobile phones can be recovered and recycled.
- Use compact florescent light bulbs - If every household in Australia replaced just two light bulbs with two CFL light bulbs, this would be equal to taking more than 200,000 vehicles off the road. It would also save enough energy to power at least 100,000 homes for an entire year!





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## woody weeds at yangebup

The City of Cockburn's Environmental Services Department is embarking on a project to remove a non-local plant species from around the perimeter of Yangebup Lake.

Casuarina obesa, or Swamp Sheoak, naturally occurs along rivers and around salt lakes but not usually around freshwater wetlands. Approximately 10 were originally planted by the Water Corporation after pipeline construction works in the 1990s, but now several hundred can be seen forming dense stands around the lake edge.

It is intended that these woody weeds will be progressively removed over a number of years and replaced with more appropriate local native species such as Flooded Gums and Paperbarks.





# the summer of fun update

## fun run done and dusted

The Bibra Lake Fun Run is complete – tune into the October issue of the Cockburn Soundings for a full run down.

## teddy bears come out to play

The Teddy Bears Picnic is coming up Wednesday, 31 October with heaps in store for the kiddies including pony rides, live entertainment, Queen Fairy Caroline, face painting, competitions, petting zoo, teddy bear hospital, bouncy castle, teddy bear portraits and so much more.

**Where:** McFaul Park, Spearwood (behind Joe Cooper Recreation Centre) Pomfret Rd

**Time:** 10am – 2pm

Get ready for a day of fun and frivolity!

## seniors night out

The annual Seniors' Ball is on again except this year, by popular demand it will be known as the Seniors' Social Evening.

Enjoy a night of fun, dancing and sumptuous delights. A buffet dinner will be provided including roast dinners and specialty foods that you simply won't be able to resist.

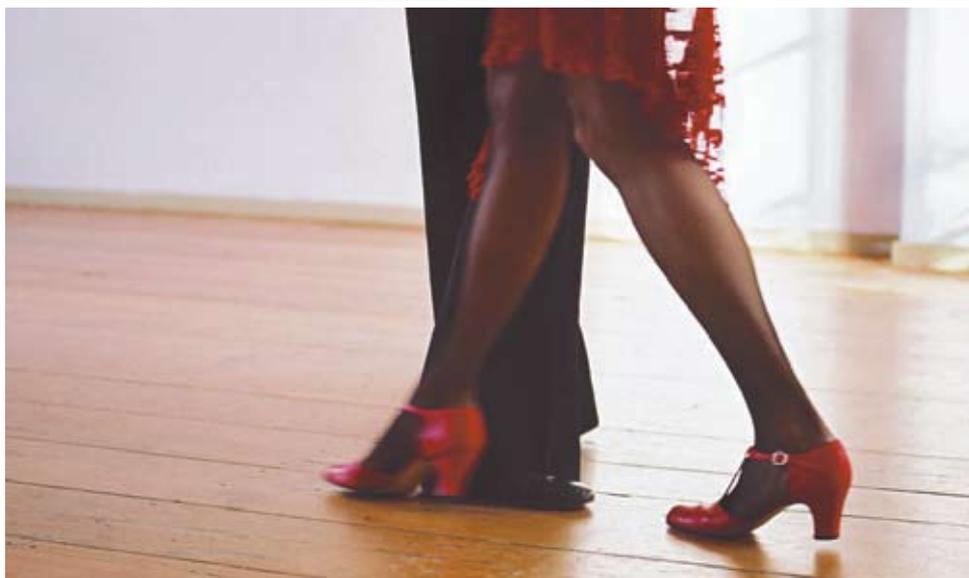
Seniors of Cockburn this is not a night to be missed, get in early and book your tables. Cost is only \$5.

**When:** Saturday, 10 November

**Time:** 7pm

**Where:** Dalmatinac Club, Azelia Rd.  
Hamilton Hill

To enquire about any of our Summer of Fun Events contact the City's Events Coordinator on 9411 3535 or email [mmclean@cockburn.wa.gov.au](mailto:mmclean@cockburn.wa.gov.au)



# seniors' bulletin board

Presented by the Regional Seniors' Group

## seniors' clubs calendar

### St Jerome's Seniors

Monday 10am to 12 noon  
Phone Lucy on 9418 1630

### South Lake Seniors

Monday 1pm to 3pm  
Phone Doris 9414 5772

### Probus Club of Cockburn

Monday 9:30 am  
Phone Peter on 9417 1669

### Cockburn Prime Timers

Tuesday 9.30 am to 12 noon  
Phone Val 9337 1680

### Cockburn Senior Citizens

Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 9am to 3pm  
Phone Mavis on 9337 3772

### Coolbellup Leisure Club

Thursday 9:30 am to 12 noon  
Phone Pat on 9417 4059

### Southwell Friendship Club

Thursday 12 noon to 2.30pm (fortnightly)  
Phone Emma on 9418 5757

### Atwell Over 50s

Friday 11.45am to 2.30pm  
Phone Lorna on 9418 4296

## what can you live without?

Australia's fastest growing Councils are facing a \$3.1 billion infrastructure funding crisis.

Community services and amenities we take for granted are under threat due to the lack of funding from the State and Federal Government for Councils experiencing unprecedented growth.

As a result, the City of Cockburn has joined forces with other fast-growing Councils around Australia to promote the 'Fund the Gap' campaign.

Cockburn is one of Perth's fastest growing regions with our population set to increase by 63 per cent in less than 10 years. However, many of Cockburn's projects that are vital to sustain this future growth can not go ahead due to insufficient government funding.

Some of these projects include Hammond Park Recreation and Community Facility, Success; Coogee Beach Surf Life Saving Club; Tapper and Armadale Road intersection; and an extension of Beeliar Drive (Stock Rd to Cockburn Rd).

Over the next 10 years Cockburn Council will spend some \$250 million on capital and community infrastructure projects but can not do it alone. Cockburn needs the government to fill this gap.

*Sporting Groups hope to see a recreation facility at Hammond Park as they have to travel as far as Fremantle.*

