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Cockburn resident Tess, and her sons Hunter and Isaac

Photo: Paul McGovern



Message from the Mayor

Another year is rapidly closing with the festive season, school holidays and for many, holidays to look forward to in the coming weeks. It is also a time where we need to be mindful of children out enjoying themselves and the increased traffic on our roads as people head away for holidays or complete that last bit of shopping.

We also need to be mindful of being outdoors and our personal protection from the sun with particular care for the young and the elderly. Hats, sunglasses, long sleeved loose fitting clothing, sunscreen, plenty of water and seeking shade are important in our climate. Ensuring our homes and properties are ready for summer and the ever present danger of fire is also very important. The Department of Fire & Emergency Services provides a range of information that informs property owners on how best to prepare for the coming bushfire season and other emergencies. Details can be found at: www.dfes.wa.gov.au

I take this opportunity to congratulate Crs Chamonix Terblanche and Lara Kirkwood on

their re-election and Ms Phoebe Corke and Mr Tom Widenbar on their election to Council.

I acknowledge the other candidates who stood for office and thank former councillor Carol Reeve-Fowkes for her contributions to Council and the community over the past twelve years and Cr Stephen Pratt who retired from office having served eight years on Council. To serve your community and contribute to its growth as an elected member is an amazing experience.

In closing, I thank the elected members, staff, volunteers and the Cockburn community for their contributions towards making Cockburn a place of destination, increasing importance and vibrancy in Western Australia. My best wishes for a happy and safe festive season and a 2020 that realises your personal dreams and aspirations and those of your family.

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Something for everyone this Christmas

The Christmas Collective brings a day of super fun activities for everyone to enjoy. The City, Cockburn ARC and Fremantle Football Club have been beavering away to bring a special event for you and your family this festive season.

Slide N Splash Party 2-6pm

Make an afternoon of it by starting out with the awesome line up of

activities at Cockburn ARC. Entry is free and so are the slides so pack your picnic and grab a possie by the pool.

Freo Footy Festival 4-6pm

For the Freo fans out there, celebrate this Christmas event by watching your favourite players train and take part in some skill-based workshops.

Carols on the Green 6-8pm

As you start to wind down from all the fun of the pools and football action, pop your picnic chairs or blanket on the grass and sit back for a traditional carols sing-a-long, live stage performances and a visit from Santa.

Join us at this free event; we'd love to see you there!

christmascollective.com.au



Bringing Chemistry to Cockburn

You'll remember Ross Wilson from iconic Aussie bands Daddy Cool and Mondo Rock, and for his song-writing talents, creating hits like 'Come said the Boy', 'A touch of Paradise' (covered by John Farnham), and 'Take me to the River'. Now you can see him perform live and FREE at Cockburn Central, Saturday, 8 February 2020 from 7pm.

Cockburn Central Community Concert
Cockburn ARC, Veterans Parade, Cockburn Central
7-9.30pm

cockburn.wa.gov.au/events



Meet Arthur

The Cockburn RYDE Program offers volunteer driver mentors to young people who live, work or study in the City of Cockburn so they can complete their required 50 hours of supervised driving.

Recently we caught up with Arthur Adams, who has logged over 210 hours and earned the status of “Master Mentor” ...

What would you say to other community members to get them involved in the RYDE program?

If you are looking for something rewarding that you can volunteer for, the RYDE program is a good place to start. You will enjoy supervising young learner drivers and know you are accomplishing something fantastic, helping our youth of today learn how to drive and be better drivers in the future. I hope the program reduces the road toll and makes the roads a safer place to drive.

What have you accomplished so far in the RYDE program that you are proud of?

I advise participants of the correct road rules, maintain a good driver-student relationship, and help them feel at ease.

Top accolades for Ranger Kylie

Kylie’s dream was to become a Ranger.

A country girl at heart and an animal lover, Ranger Kylie is kicking big goals in the City of Cockburn. Ranger Kylie has been with the City for four years and was named WA Ranger of the Year on 18 September. The award, presented by the WA Rangers Association, recognised her commitment to the role.

What do you love about being a ranger?

I love to make a difference and be able to get animals into a better situation. I love meeting committed people who want to improve things. I love the freedom of this job – you can initiate changes and see them through to fruition.

How did you get into this line of work?

I always wanted to be a ranger when I was a kid. A school education

counsellor told me not to waste my time as there are not enough jobs for rangers.

I worked in management/retail and started my own business then went on to become a Ranger at two local governments before arriving at the City of Cockburn.

What’s the most frustrating thing you come across repeatedly?

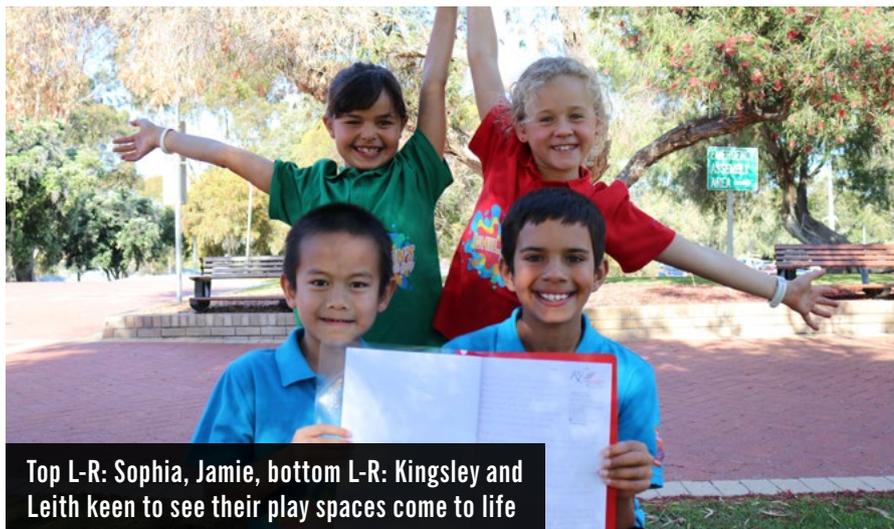
Unsterilised dogs getting out and illegal dumping.

What have you learned about the Cockburn community?

Most people are good and want to do the right thing.

Why did you win the award?

My commitment to my work. I put my hand up if something needs doing. I’ve used initiative to introduce a school education program to help kids be safe around dogs; I’ve updated policies and procedures, and helped get an illegal dumping working group going.



Top L-R: Sophia, Jamie, bottom L-R: Kingsley and Leith keen to see their play spaces come to life

Kingsley swings into action

At any age, it's always great to get involved with your local council and that's exactly what Kingsley did.

In June this year the City's Children's Reference Group (CRG) was visited by Pause Rewind Play consultant, Jonny Neen to talk about 'play spaces' in Cockburn, what types of equipment they would like to see and what's currently missing from our playgrounds. Who better to ask than the kids who use them, right?

That's where Kingsley, age eight comes in. He was so inspired by the talk the CRG had with the consultant, that he got two friends together and started his own research project in the school holidays at the local library.

They identified parks in the suburb where they lived and recorded what was missing from the playgrounds such as types of play equipment.

After their research was conducted, Kingsley wrote a report on his findings and took it to his school and the CRG.

Well done Kingsley...it's input like yours that helps the City to deliver projects that meet community needs. The City consults with its community across a broad range of topics and issues and we always appreciate your ideas and input. To see what projects are open for consultation, visit comment.cockburn.wa.au

If your child is 7-12 years old and would like to be part of the CRG, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/CRG

Going away and concerned about security?

Even if you are only away for a few days, register your home for Holiday Watch before you leave. CoSafe, our mobile security service will monitor the front of your property twice daily from their patrol car, helping you to relax and enjoy your well-earned break. To register visit: cockburn.wa.gov.au/CoSafe, call 08 9411 3444 or email customer@cockburn.wa.gov.au

What if I see something suspicious?

If you are staying home for the holidays and see any suspicious behaviour, call CoSafe as well as submitting a Crime Stopper report or making a non-emergency call to the police, as CoSafe may be closer to the incident and able to respond quicker.

EMERGENCY 000

NON-EMERGENCY

Police 131 444

Police attendance required

CoSafe 1300 267 233

City's mobile security patrol service

Rangers 08 9411 3444

Crime Stoppers 1300 333 000

Report crime. No attendance required. CoSafe can also be called.

Comment on Cockburn

The future of Cockburn is in your hands...

We know that what goes on in your neighbourhood is important to you. That's why we've created Comment on Cockburn – an online site that gives you the opportunity to learn, be a part of and help shape the decisions that impact you and your family. The City consults with its community across a huge array of

topics from dog parks to playgrounds, beach erosion, traffic congestion and a whole lot more.

We hold consultations in places you visit, as well as online, making it easier and more convenient for you to get involved.

Register at comment.cockburn.wa.gov.au to keep up to date and join the conversation so we can all achieve the best outcome for Cockburn. #WeLiveHereTogether

comment.cockburn.wa.gov.au



Before



After

track what you are eating, how much water and alcohol you are drinking, and gives you tips and targets on how to improve,” Mark said.

By the end of the 14-week season Mark had trimmed down to 118kg. That’s a 19kg loss – 13 per cent of his body weight. This incredible achievement saw him named the leading weight loser of the season.

Mark attributes a big part of his success to the accountability of his teammates.

“I didn’t want to let the team down. It just gives you that extra motivation, to make sure you are getting your regular exercise in and are eating healthily.”

Mark has re-joined the program for its third season and is encouraging others to do the same.

“I’m happy to share my story if it helps others. Any locals out there looking to lose some weight and have some fun – get involved in Man v Fat.”

If you want to lose weight and love soccer – just like Mark – then check out Man V Fat Soccer at cockburn.wa.gov.au/ManVFat

Giving fat the red card

Meet Mark Jennings – the machine operator from Bibra Lake who lost a whopping 19 kilos through Cockburn’s innovative Man V Fat Soccer program.

A former rugby player, Mark had been looking to get back into team sports. When he saw Man V Fat Soccer on the news, he decided to give it a go.

“I liked the idea of playing social sport and losing weight at the same time. It seemed like a good

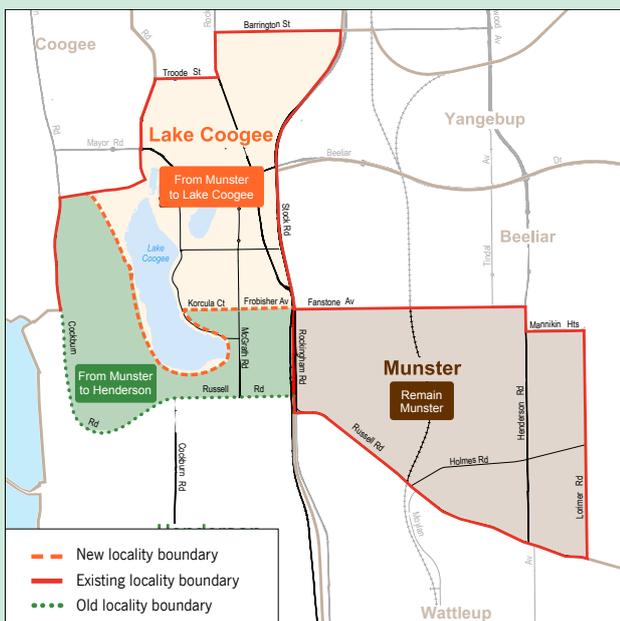
way to stay motivated,” Mark said.

Mark signed up for the program’s second season, joining a team cheekily called ‘Fatzio’. At the time he weighed 137kg.

Man V Fat Soccer is a weight loss program that combines the social aspect of a soccer league with healthy eating and lifestyle coaching. Teams score by kicking goals on the pitch and losing weight.

“On game day you meet with the coach, Brian. He helps you to

Say Hello to the Neighbourhood Newbie



On 30 March 2020, a new suburb – Lake Coogee – will join the City of Cockburn neighbourhood. Lake Coogee will replace the part of Munster that sits west of Stock Road.

The section of Munster that sits west of Stock Road, but south of Frobisher Avenue will also change, becoming part of Henderson.

The land east of Stock Road will remain as Munster.

The changes are the result of a community-led initiative, which first began in 2013. Council and Landgate endorsed the name in September 2019, with changes to come into effect on 30 March 2020.

For more information on the changes, visit comment.cockburn.wa.gov.au/Munster

It's going to be a long, hot summer...

It's forecast to be a particularly hot and dry summer this year. Great for the beach, but not for fires.

Even if you think you live far away from bushland, tall trees or long grasses, fire can still reach you. Embers can actually travel up to 40km, the equivalent of Wanneroo to Cockburn.

If a fire came:

- How would you get your pets out?
- Where are your important documents stored?
- How would you defend your property?

Have a 5 minute fire chat with your family. Work it out, as indecision is the single biggest killer.

How can I protect my house and family?

- Prune trees, cut long grass, clear gutters and remove rubbish around your home

- Install a mesh guard on your air conditioner to keep sparks and embers out
- Block gaps under floor spaces, in the roof and under eaves to keep sparks and embers out
- Have an emergency kit with the essentials.

For more information on how to prepare this fire season, visit dfes.wa.gov.au/firechat



Embers can travel up to 40km.
Fire can travel over major highways



Ann with her boomerang bags

Ann has it in the bag

When she isn't removing snakes from people's yards or teaching people how to survive in the desert, Ann Gerlach is at Yangebup Family Centre volunteering her time.

She was recently named the overall winner of the Inspirational Volunteer Awards, presented with the Mayor's Award for her commitment and service to the community.

Ann has provided consistency and stability at the Family Centre, as the only committee member with 10 years continuous membership.

She is a qualified Biotechnologist and High School Teacher, and for the past three years has shared her passion for education and sustainability by providing workshops at the centre.

In just three years, 250 'boomerang' bags – to be used and returned - were created for community use, allowing residents to collect free bread from the centre without using plastic bags.

Ann has even been known to share her bush tucker skills at the centre, making lilly pilly chutney from fruit growing at the family centre for NAIDOC Week celebrations.

5 mins with Cr Phil Eva

What's the most interesting thing you've learnt during your time in this role?

I've always believed that perseverance is a key attribute in being a good Councillor. I've learned during my time on Council and in the workforce to never give up. If you believe in what you're doing take it through to the end. I've always lived by a quote from Nelson Mandela, "It always seems impossible until it's done."

What community project or program do you love the most and why?

The City of Cockburn has various grants and subsidies available. The Cockburn Community Grant

program enables groups to apply for grants for a range of purposes in the community up to \$15,000.

The KidSport Funding Program, Junior Sports Assistance Program and even a Sporting Equipment Grant for clubs, are available up to \$1,000.

These grants have a huge effect on families and clubs and enable everyone to be part of community sports.

If you were a superhero, what would your superpower be?

I have never been a superhero fan but I'll probably go for someone like Indiana Jones. Always on the side of good, searching for treasure and with a great three day stubble. Indiana Eva has definitely got a ring to it!

Events Calendar



NEW! Subscribe to our new Events eNewsletter promoting all our events, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/newsletters

3 December

Celebrate Ability

Free

10am-1pm, Bibra Lake Regional Playground



4 December

The Habits of Sustainable Happiness

Cost: \$5

6-7.30pm, Cockburn Health & Community Facility, Success

Register: ticketbooth.com.au/CityofCockburn

WIN a \$200 voucher for Jandakot Stock & Pet Supplies

Using your phone, shoot a 15 second video that creatively shows what 'responsible pet ownership' means to you, and then:

1. Post the video on your Facebook and/or Instagram page
2. Tag the City of Cockburn AND include the hashtag #cockburnlovesdogs
3. Share your video to the City's Facebook and/ or Instagram page

5 December

Mums 'n' Bubs Walk

Cost: \$5

9-10.30am, Coogee Beach Reserve

Register: ticketbooth.com.au/CityofCockburn

Kick your shoes off, strap on your baby and take a guided stroll of Coogee Beach. Have more than one baby? Bring them along. Morning tea provided.



7 December

Christmas Collective

Free – see page 3 for details

2-8pm, Cockburn ARC, Cockburn Central



Themes for your video

Potential themes for your video may include:

- Dogs on leads
- Picking up your dog's poo
- Registering and microchipping your dog
- Kids and dogs
- Exercising dogs in the right places.

The competition runs until the 31 December 2019, so get your entry in today! For terms and conditions visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/dogownership



Australia Day Coogee Beach Festival

26 January 2020

8am-midday

Coogee Beach Reserve, Powell Rd, Coogee

Celebrate being an Australian with us at Coogee Beach and we'll even throw in a snag (while stocks last)! Join in on the watermelon eating competition or build yourself a sandcastle and win a prize. Enjoy live entertainment by Binjareb Middars Aboriginal Dance Group, the Bradley Hall Band and more!

Don't forget...

Free bike checks will also be available. Don't forget to bring sunscreen, sunglasses, hat, water bottle, bathers and towel, and cash as there are no EFTPOS facilities.

Road Closures

Powell Road access closed 6am-1pm. Parking for this event is opposite the beach off Cockburn Road and at Coogee Hall off Howick Court. Access to Coogee Beach Cafe and parking for the beach is via Peri End through Orsino Bvd.

cockburn.wa.gov.au/events

Sorting through Christmas

While Christmas can be a joyful time it can also be a time when we create more waste than usual. Below are some common items that you may encounter at Christmas and where they should go using the three-bin or two-bin system.

Waste	3 bin system	2 bin system
	General waste (red lid) Recycle bin (yellow lid) Garden organics (lime green lid)	General waste (red or dark green lid if not changed over) Recycle bin (yellow lid)
Wrapping paper	Recycle bin	Recycle bin
Non-scrunchable hard plastic toy wrapping	Recycle bin	Recycle bin
Scrunchable soft plastic wrapping	General Waste OR take to REDcycle bins at Coles/Woolworths for recycling	General Waste OR take to REDcycle bins at Coles/Woolworths for recycling
Cardboard /gift boxes	Recycle bin	Recycle bin
Polystyrene packaging	General Waste OR take to Henderson Waste Recovery Park for recycling	General Waste OR take to Henderson Waste Recovery Park for recycling
Christmas crackers/bonbons	Recycle bin	Recycle bin
Beer/wine bottles (glass)	Recycle bin	Recycle bin
Beer/soft drink cans	Recycle bin	Recycle bin
Metal bottle tops	Recycle bin	Recycle bin
Plastic bottle tops	General Waste	General Waste
Food scraps	General Waste	General Waste
Christmas cards	Recycle bin	Recycle bin
Christmas tree (real)	Garden Organics	General Waste
Christmas tree (fake)	Bulk waste collection or Henderson Waste Recovery Park	Bulk waste collection or Henderson Waste Recovery Park
Christmas decorations	General Waste	General Waste
Christmas lights	Bulk Waste Collection or Henderson Waste Recovery Park	Bulk Waste Collection or Henderson Waste Recovery Park
Plastic cutlery and plates	General Waste	General Waste
Batteries	Take to City libraries or Henderson Waste Recovery Park	Take to City libraries or Henderson Waste Recovery Park
Ribbon / twine	General Waste	General Waste
Plastic bags	General Waste OR take to REDcycle bins at Coles/Woolworths for recycling	General Waste OR take to REDcycle bins at Coles/Woolworths for recycling
Plastic postage bags	General Waste OR take to REDcycle bins at Coles/Woolworths for recycling	General OR take to REDcycle bins at Coles/Woolworths for recycling

Waste Collections over Christmas and New Year

Over the festive season, your bins will NOT be collected on Wednesday 25 December 2019 OR 1 January 2020. Wednesday to Friday collections during these two weeks will take place one day later than your normal collection day.



Dive into Summer

The award-winning Coogee Maritime Trail is a fantastic attraction for beach goers and divers alike as the weather heats up. The underwater trail is WA's only shore-based shipwreck that can be accessed with a pair of goggles!

It features not only an underwater dive trail with depths of mostly 2.5m to 5m, easily accessible by all ages and swimming abilities, but a land-based walkway with views of the Omeo shipwreck as well.

What can I see underwater?

The dive trail provides habitat and breeding grounds for marine life including a variety of fish, starfish, cuttlefish, nudibranchs, sea squirts and corals. It recently doubled in size thanks to a generous donation of reef structures by Subcon to include:

- OMEO shipwreck – an iron steamship built in 1858
- 50 plus reef structures
- 5 seaweed gardens up to 2m tall
- Replica cannon, giant sea star, railway wheel and sea lion

- Underwater art pieces
- Educational signage
- Selfie hole #coogeedownunder

What if I want to stay dry?

For those who prefer to stay dry, maritime artefacts are also featured on the universally-accessible trail along the pathways of Port Coogee including two restored anchors from the Omeo.

For more on the trail visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/MaritimeTrail

Upgrade and temporary closure to Solomon Road, Treeby

The City of Cockburn wishes to advise road users that as part of the conditions of the development of the Calleya Estate in Treeby, approximately 800 metres of Solomon Road from Jandakot Road to Dollier Street will be upgraded to a higher standard.

To allow completion of the works in the shortest possible time, this section of Solomon Road will be closed. The closure has been rescheduled to early 2020 for approximately three to four months.

There will be two diversions in place for the duration of the works:

- From Solomon Road along Cutler Road and Prinsep Road to Berrigan Drive
- Jandakot Road and Warton Road to Armadale Road

Rural residents on the west side of Solomon Road will have permanent access via the current northern carriageway of Solomon Road throughout the closure period. Peppworth Place will remain accessible throughout the works. Treeby residents will be able to access Clementine Boulevard onto Jandakot Road, and from Ghostgum Avenue onto Armadale Road.

comment.cockburn.wa.gov.au/SolomonRd/

Welcome to our new Councillors and Deputy Mayor

The City of Cockburn welcomes two new councillors after local government elections held on Saturday, 19 October 2019.

Newcomer Tom Widenbar was elected in the Central Ward, joining Crs Chontelle Stone and Phil Eva.

Cr Widenbar replaces Stephen Pratt who decided not to recontest after eight years in the seat.

Fellow newcomer Phoebe Corke was elected in the West Ward, where she joins Crs Kevin Allen and Michael Separovich.

The City farewells Carol Reeve-Fowkes who held her seat for 12 years. In the East Ward, incumbent Crs Lara Kirkwood and Chamonix Terblanche retained their seats and will continue alongside Cr Lee-Anne Smith.

At a Special Council Meeting on Thursday, 24 October 2019, Elected Members voted Cr Lara Kirkwood into the role of Deputy Mayor. The former Deputy Mayor, Cr Lee-Anne Smith, did not recontest her position.

For full results, visit the WA Electoral website at <http://bit.ly/CockburnElections>

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City of Cockburn Wards

Central

Beeliar, Bibra Lake, Cockburn Central, Coolbellup, Munster, North Lake, South Lake, Wattleup, Yangebup

East

Atwell, Aubin Grove, Banjup, Hammond Park, Jandakot, Leeming, Success, Treeby

West

Coogee, Hamilton Hill, Henderson, Munster, North Coogee, Spearwood

FREE
COMMUNITY EVENT



AUSTRALIA DAY COOGEE BEACH FESTIVAL

SUNDAY 26 JANUARY 2020 8am–midday

COOGEE BEACH
RESERVE, POWELL ROAD, COOGEE

 Accessible event, contact us for details
 Smoke-free event

 Refill station

 Parking + Toilets

cockburn.wa.gov.au/events | 08 9411 3444



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