

Cockburn Soundings

ABORIGINAL INSPIRED SCULPTURE SOARS ON FRIENDSHIP WAY



A sculpture named *Elements* now graces Friendship Way on Spearwood Avenue.

Cockburn artists Sharyn Egan and Darran Stockwell designed the artwork that represents the four elements of fire, earth, wind and water. Mild steel and copper paint were used in its construction.

Sharyn Egan's work was inspired by the intimate knowledge that the *Nyungar* people of the local area had of these elements for their survival and their ceremonies.

Friendship Way is the unofficial name for Spearwood Avenue that reflects on the special relationship the City has with different groups in the community.

Photo courtesy of Community Newspaper:

(L-R) Darren Stockwell, Sharyn Egan, Corina Abraham, Cassandra Cooper, Mayor Logan Howlett and Hayati Jaffrey

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GP SUPER CLINIC TURNS FIRST SOD



Cockburn Mayor Logan Howlett with the Hon Minister Nicola Roxon and Member for Fremantle Melissa Parke MP

Construction on the \$32 million Integrated Health and Community Facility that includes a GP Super Clinic started last month and is due for completion by April 2013. Federal Health Hon Minister Nicola Roxon, and Member for Fremantle Melissa Parke MP joined Mayor Howlett and members of the Cockburn GP Super Clinic Board in marking the occasion.

PARENTS! LOOKING FOR CARE FOR YOUR KIDS THESE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS?



The following venues offer After School Care and Vacation Care programs for pre-primary to year 7 students:

| | |
|--------------------------|---|
| Atwell OSHC | Atwell Community Centre, 1 Lombe Gardens, Atwell |
| Havest Lakes OSHC | Harvest Lakes Community Centre Aurora Drive, Atwell |
| Coolbellup OSHC | 90 Cordelia Ave, Coolbellup |
| South Lake OSHC | South Lake Activity Centre Cnr Mason Court and Elderberry Drive, South Lake |

Before and After School Hours Care operates from Monday to Friday during school terms, Vacation Care operates Monday to Friday during school holidays.

Transport is available from South Lake Before School Care to Jandakot, Yangebup, Mater Christi, Beeliar, Divine Mercy and Atwell Primary Schools.

T: **9411 3320** 9am – 5pm

W: www.cockburn.wa.gov.au

MAYOR'S MESSAGE



I take this opportunity to thank the many volunteers who provide their knowledge, skills, compassion and time to ensuring that Cockburn is a better place to live. You come from all walks of life, expect no thanks and offer your services freely to those in need. Thank you, your efforts are appreciated!

To the staff, I commend you for the dedication, commitment and passion you bring to the workplace. Your efforts are recognised in many ways including the attainment of awards that reflect your resourcefulness and that showcase our City across Australia.

Ian Whitfield retired at the October 2011 elections and we thank Ian for his contribution to the City during his 11 years of service. Former Councillors Sue Limbert and Helen Attrill were defeated at the elections and we thank them for their contributions to Cockburn.

Congratulations to our newly elected Councillors Stephen Pratt, Steven Portelli and Yaz Mubarakai and to Carol Reeve-Fowkes who was re-elected.

School holidays are fast approaching. I urge you to be vigilant on the roads and elsewhere as our young members of the community enjoy the fun and excitement that many of us will remember, 'way back when' during their holiday break.

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 holiday season and a 2012 that realises your personal dreams and aspirations.

Logan K Howlett, JP

Mayor

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PUBLIC MEETINGS SCHEDULE 2012

Meeting dates for 2012 are as follows:

| Month | Date | Meeting Type | Time |
|-----------|------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------|
| February | Tuesday, 7 February | AGM of Electors | 7.00pm |
| | Thursday, 9 February | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |
| March | Thursday, 8 March | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |
| | Thursday, 15 March | Audit & Strategic Finance Committee | 6.00pm |
| April | Thursday, 12 April | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |
| May | Thursday, 10 May | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |
| June | Thursday, 14 June | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |
| July | Thursday, 12 July | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |
| | Thursday, 19 July | Audit & Strategic Finance Committee | 6.00pm |
| August | Thursday, 9 August | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |
| September | Thursday, 13 September | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |
| October | Thursday, 11 October | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |
| November | Thursday, 8 November | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |
| | Thursday, 15 November | Audit & Strategic Finance Committee | 6.00pm |
| December | Thursday, 13 December | Ordinary Meeting of Council | 7.00pm |



The City of Cockburn will be installing eight CCTV cameras in the car park and picnic area at Coogee Beach reserve near the café. The new CCTV cameras will be supported by improvements to car park lighting. A wireless connection to the Council's administration offices will be used for storage and access of images of antisocial and criminal activity for possible prosecutions.

CCTV cameras will be progressively rolled out across the City of Cockburn over the next four years to areas

of high pedestrian and social activity and known areas of antisocial behaviour.

The CCTV roll out is another arm of the suite of measures taken by the City to enhance the sense of safety and security for residents and visitors. CCTV will compliment the services provided by CoSafe the city's security patrol service.

T: **9411 3444**

A COCKBURN FOR ALL



Miranda Toey tests out accessibility at Coogee Beach.

The City of Cockburn is reviewing its Disability Access and Inclusion Plan and inviting residents to be involved with this review. If you are a person with a disability, a family member, carer or you have an interest in creating a city which is inclusive of the needs of all residents visit www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/access or call the Disability Access and Inclusion Officer on 9411 3502.

You may also contact us via the National Relay Service TTY 133667 or Speak and Listen 133 555 727. The current plan and videos highlighting existing council accessibility initiatives are available on the website.

SCOOP YOUR POOP

The City is receiving complaints about people not cleaning up after their dogs. The City provides bags for waste and erects signage to remind people of the \$100 fine for not doing the right thing. If this is an issue in your area, the best solution may be the community working together to encourage better behaviour.

"If your doggy does a poop, keep Cockburn beautiful and use a scoop."

TOWN CENTRE TAKES SHAPE



A children's water playground, improved street furniture and a coffee shop are some of the new changes coming to Cockburn Central's town square soon.

LandCorp acknowledge that creating an activated town centre in such a short period of time is challenging. While it is still largely a construction site with some projects nearing completion, Landcorp is undertaking some exciting initiatives to revitalise the town square.

Soon you will be able to walk or cycle into the town square, enjoy a coffee and the kids will be able to run in the water fountains. Free Wi-Fi access is proposed. Visitors, residents and commuters will enjoy more shaded areas, mature street trees and pavement upgrades.

The new coffee shop will celebrate its temporary location through the use of materials and fixtures to make it funky and functional. It will be there for a proposed five years

while concepts for a permanent and iconic development on the site are considered.

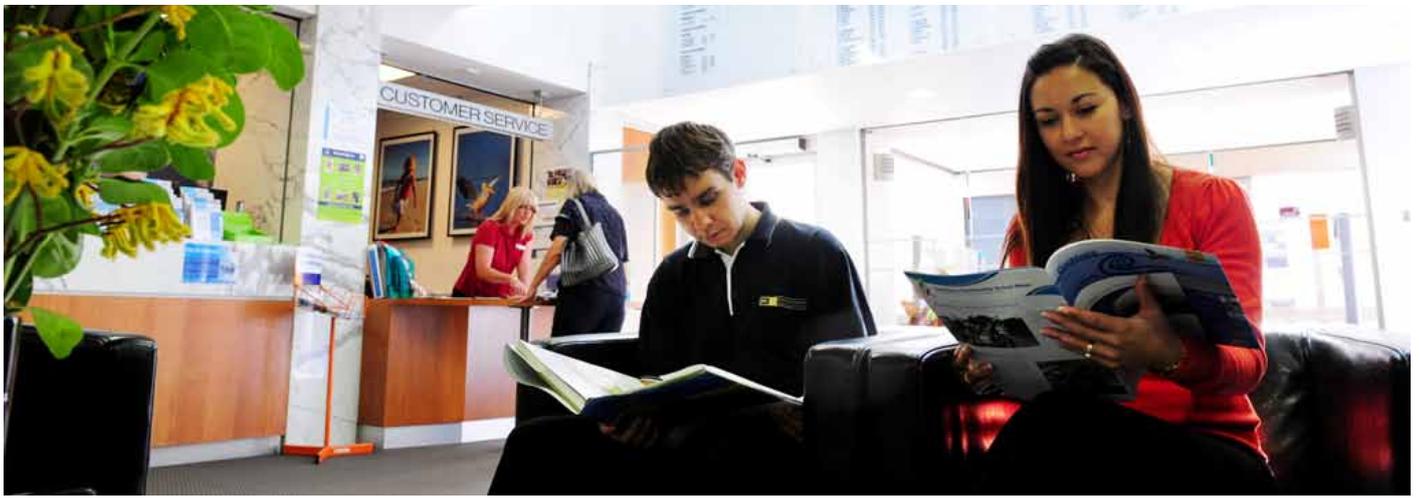
Revitalisation works on the town square and Sea Container café will commence in early 2012 and be operational by mid 2012, subject to finding an appropriate café operator.

Cockburn Central will mature into a vibrant, regional hub, buzzing with activity and home to a diverse blend of apartments, shops, eateries and offices.

Cockburn Central is a LandCorp project that assists in delivering the State Government's Directions 2031 vision to create a liveable, green and accessible city that addresses urban sprawl.

For more information visit www.cockburncentral.com.au and www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/towncentre





RATES ROUND-UP

The due date to pay your 2011/2012 Council Rates was 23 August, 2011 and if your account was not paid in full at that time you should have chosen to pay by the instalment options offered.

Reminder notices for accounts outstanding were issued 20 September 2011 to ratepayers who did not select an instalment option AND who do not have a payment arrangement in place.

These accounts are now well overdue, accruing penalty interest and will be the focus of councils ongoing debt collection.

It is in your best interests to contact Rates Services on 9411 3444 if you are experiencing financial difficulties. Staff will be able to discuss alternative

payment arrangements which will suit your income flow at this time.

If you are experiencing financial difficulties Cockburn Financial Counselling Services are available by phoning **9411 3850** or **9414 6302**.

Did you know...

...that the next instalment for land rates is due on 20 December 2011?

Payment by this date will avoid any late interest penalty.

All changes of address and/or ownership must be in writing, either by mail, email rates@cockburn.wa.gov.au or fax **9411 3568**.

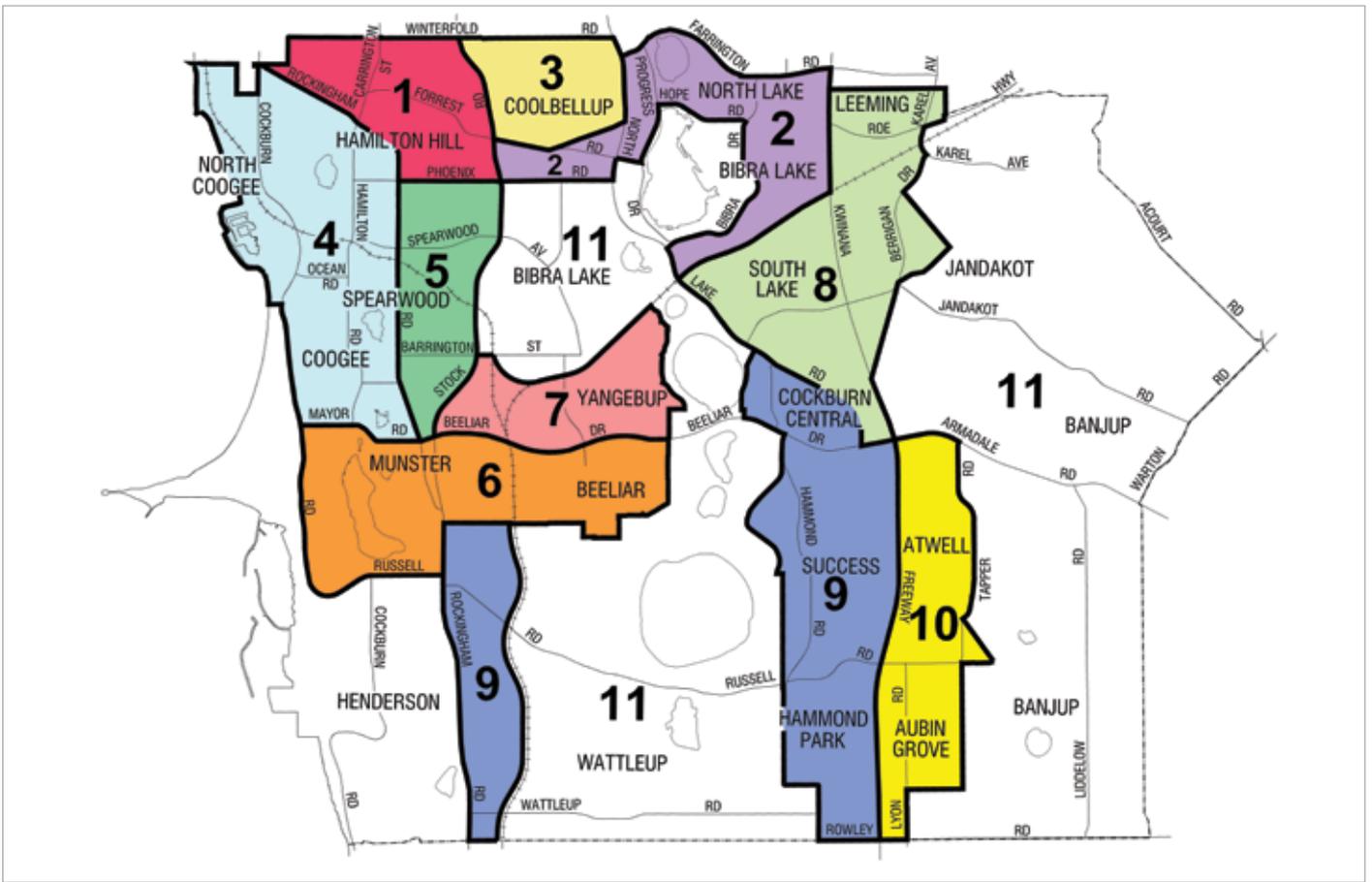
ARE YOU AT RISK OF BUSHFIRE?



The bushfire season is upon us so now is the time to prepare. If you live in or near bushland you need to take steps to help avoid danger to your property.

You and your family can prepare a bushfire survival plan and clear around your property. Bushfires can start suddenly and often without warning so it is important to make sure you are well prepared.

For more information on what you can do visit www.fesa.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/fire/bushfire/Pages/default.aspx



VERGE COLLECTION DATES 2011 - 2012

WHITEGOODS / GREEN WASTE COLLECTION

There are now 11 zone areas to the City of Cockburn's Verge Collection. Please ensure you have checked the area map within your calendar or please call us on 9411 3444 to confirm zone areas or dates. Green Waste / Verge Collection search information is available on our website through Intramaps. An enlarged Area Map is also available.

With Christmas Day and New Years Day falling on a Sunday this year, there will be no change to the rubbish and recycling collection days.

The Henderson Waste Recovery Park on Rockingham Road, Henderson will be closed on Christmas Day, New Years Day and Good Friday.

The Recycle Shop at the Henderson Waste Recovery Park will close at 12 noon on Friday 16 December, and will be closed on Christmas Day, New Years Day and Good Friday.

The Regional Resource Recovery Centre on Bannister Road, Canning Vale, will also be closed on Christmas Day and New Years Day.

For further enquiries please contact the City's Customer Service on **9411 3444**.

| Area | Green Waste 1 | Junks and Whitegoods | Green Waste 2 |
|---------------|--|----------------------|---------------|
| Week Starting | | | |
| 1 | 12 September | 6 February | 16 April |
| 2 | 19 September | 13 February | 30 April |
| 3 | 10 October | 20 February | 7 May |
| 4 | 17 October | 27 February | 14 May |
| 5 | 24 October | 5 March | 21 May |
| 6 | 31 October | 12 March | 28 May |
| 7 | 7 November | 19 March | 4 June |
| 8 | 14 November | 26 March | 11 June |
| 9 | 21 November | 2 April | 18 June |
| 10 | 28 November | 9 April | 25 June |
| 11 | Rural Collection will be week commencing 26 September 2011 | | |



SUMMER'S JAM-PACKED AT THE COCKBURN YOUTH CENTRE



Cockburn Youth Centre



25 Wentworth Parade, Success

Summer is on its way and so is the Cockburn Youth Centre's school holiday program. It's going to be jam-packed full of great summer fun for all. We will have a fun-filled program open to all young people aged 10-24 and don't forget we have Outrage excursions for all interested 12-16 year olds too.

If you just want to hang out at the centre there are pool tables, ping pong tables, xbox kinnect, PS3, Wii, Foosball and an old-school video game machine

to keep you entertained. Outside we have a great grassed area complete with a half court, skate ramp and grind bar.

Our program will be out in early December so keep an eye out on our Facebook page or join our mailing list by emailing youth@cockburn.wa.gov.au with 'Subscribe' as the title and we will add you to the list so you don't miss out on a thing here at the Youth Centre or you can always call **9411 3888** and speak to any of our friendly staff.



Be Surprised

Traditional Christmas Lunch

When: 13 and 21 December
Come along and join the members of the Seniors Centre for our traditional three course Christmas Lunch prepared on site and served by our volunteers. **Entertainment:** Fantastic Circus Performance by Zap Circus. Seated by 10.45am. \$18 \$3 per day for non members. (Bookings Essential)

Christmas closing - The Cockburn Seniors Centre will be closed from Friday 23 December to Tuesday 3 January.

Come back next year and Be Surprised in 2012.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

2011

Mon 21 Nov

Look out for the City's first ever calendar and let us know what you think! Coming to your mailbox this week.

Sat 10 Dec

Cockburn Xmas Concert, Council admin building from 5.30pm



2012

Sat 14 Jan

Big Band Concert
Beelias Reserve
from 5pm



Thurs 26 January

Australia Day BBQ and family fun at Coogee Beach
Coogee Beach Reserve
1pm – 5pm



Thurs 26 Jan

Indian Ocean Skyshow,
Bathers Bay,
Fremantle,
Cities of Cockburn & Fremantle,
from 7.30pm



Fri 3 Feb

February Movie Frenzy
Southlake Reserve,
Southlake Drive,
South Lake –
Mamma Mia,
from 6pm

Fri 10 Feb

February Movie Frenzy
Success Regional,
Hammond Road,
Success – Babe,
from 6pm

Fri 17 Feb

February Movie Frenzy
Len Packham Reserve,
Cordelia Ave, Coolbellup –
Wizard of Oz,
from 6pm

Fri 24 Feb

February Movie Frenzy
Nicholson's Reserve,
Osprey Drive,
Yangebup – Strictly
Ballroom and from
6pm



Sat 17 Mar

Regional Concert
Jessica Mauboy and
Stan Walker
6 – 10pm Manning
Park



Wed 28 Mar

Hello Baby
10am – 1pm
Manning Park

Sun 1 Apr

Coogee Beach Festival
Coogee Beach Reserve
9am – 2pm



Sun 22 Apr

Jazz in the Park
1pm – 4pm
Hopbush Park,
South Lake

All events on this page are FREE



Cockburn IDOL from 6pm

All IDOL heats take place at the February Movie nights.

Heat 1 – 3 February
Heat 2 – 10 February
Heat 3 – 17 February
Heat 4 – 24 February

Cockburn/Fremantle Bathers Bay Indian Ocean Skyshow

Australia Day Celebration – 26 January 2012

After a great day at the Australia Day Coogee Beach BBQ come along to the firework extravaganza.

2012 Swimming Lessons - Term 1

- Parent and Child (6-36 months)
- Preschool (3.5 to 6 years)
- Levels 1-14
- Swim & Survive
- Go Swim
- Junior Lifeguard Club

ENROLMENTS OPEN
MONDAY 12 DECEMBER 2011

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Offer valid from 13 December and expires on 31 December 2011.

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MINISTER VISITS CITY OF COCKBURN FAMILY DAY CARE SCHEME



Hon Robyn McSweeney visits Cockburn Family Day Care Centre in Coolbellup with Mayor Logan Howlett.

Hon Robyn McSweeney, Minister for Child Protection and Community Services visited the Cockburn Family Day Care (FDC) Co-ordination Unit at the Coolbellup Hub recently.

Family Day Care Educators are self employed and care for children within the family home. Sandra Taylor, Manager of the City of Cockburn Child Care

Services said Scheme staff were keen to hear from people who are passionate about working with children, had a secure family-focused environment, a desire to succeed and a child care qualification or motivation to study.

T: 9411 3300 or 9411 3313

VERGING ON THE BEAUTIFUL



Chris Ferreira on his sustainably planted and compliant verge in Hamilton Hill.

Verges which are improved in a sustainable way and adhere to the City's Verge Treatment Policy can really enhance the look and feel of a community.

The City's Verge Treatment Policy should be read before starting work as guidelines to ensure safety aspects for the community prohibit the use of loose materials such as gravel, crushed brick, limestone and structures and objects such as rocks and fencing. Concrete and

paving additional to your crossover are permitted in certain circumstances but will need approval. The City is encouraging residents to consider sustainable landscapes, in particular the use of native plants and organic mulch. Remember that service providers retain the right to access the verge for work, which could damage improvements.

T: **9411 3444** W: www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/verge

COHEALTH FOR A HEALTHY COCKBURN



Kirk Garlett and Emma Sibosado enjoy a low fat breakfast at the CoHealth launch.

The City has launched its CoHealth program which provides free and low-cost physical activity and healthy lifestyle programs to eligible community members.

The program, funded by the Australian Government under the Healthy Communities Initiative, offers lots of fun activities like Nordic walking, as well as free health checks and life skills programs which teach cooking, food budgeting and gardening skills.

Dean Wynne, Allison Loo and City of Cockburn Mayor Logan Howlett are Champions of the program.

To find out if you are eligible for low cost programs:

W: www.beactivecockburn.wa.gov.au

T: **9411 3445**

E: beactive@cockburn.wa.gov.au





One of the Chinese Lions being lifted into place on the Yueyang section of Spearwood Avenue.



\$11.6 million Spearwood Avenue section opens

The long-awaited Spearwood Avenue project that extends Friendship Way to connect Barrington Street and Sudlow Road is now open. Friendship Way is the unofficial name for Spearwood Avenue that tributes the City's three Sister Cities. This section of the road celebrates our Chinese Sister City, Yueyang, sporting two temple lions referred to as Foo Dogs that are traditionally erected as guardians of temples of important buildings.

\$1,700,000 upgrades to Sporting Facilities

Sports clubs are now enjoying the upgrades to the Santich Park Clubrooms (Spearwood) and Anning Park change rooms (South Lake). Brand new Botany Park (Hammond Park) pavilion is due for completion before Christmas.

Cockburn Emergency Services Headquarters

Construction has started on the \$4 million headquarters that will house the Cockburn Volunteer Emergency Services and the South Coogee Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade. The headquarters will have garage facilities for Emergency Services vehicles, equipment storage, a training room, kitchen, toilets, showers and recreation areas among other community assets.

In keeping with the City's commitment to sustainability the building has an environmentally friendly design and will assist in preserving life, property and the environment.

Traffic – Cockburn Central

The City and Main Roads WA are currently working together to model current and forecast traffic in the busy Cockburn Central and surrounding areas.

The data from this modelling will be used to identify short and long-term solutions to the complex traffic issues, and cost and prioritise those solutions. This will enable the City to apply for State and/or Federal government funding required to implement the preferred solutions.

Short-term solutions to reduce traffic congestion include the upgrade of Beeliar Drive to six lanes between Wentworth Parade and the Freeway, traffic lights at Wentworth Parade and improved traffic flow at the freeway interchange. These projects are anticipated to be completed by the end 2012.



Outdoor mobile youth service

The City will run an outdoor mobile youth service on a one year trial. The service, which started in October offers free activities for youths aged 10-17 at Len Packham Reserve, Coolbellup (Mondays) and at Beeliam Reserve (Wednesdays) from 3.30pm-6.30pm. A service will be trialled in Hamilton Hill in 2012.

Regional Park Expanded

Council endorsed the inclusion of 27 hectares of banksia eucalypt woodland in Aubin Grove within the Jandakot Regional Park.

Councils collaborate on public transport

The City has been working with the cities of Fremantle and Melville and Landcorp to prepare a detailed study of the transport network. Council endorsed the plan and its referral to the Department of Transport as a basis of a joint submission on the Department of Transport’s draft Public Transport Plan 2031. For information on the study view the October 2011 council meeting minutes.

T: **9411 3444**

W: www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/minutes

RENEWABLE ENERGY POLICY



A draft policy on *Renewable Energy Systems* has been developed by the City of Cockburn to provide guidance to residents and businesses on the approval requirements for wind turbines and solar photovoltaic systems.

The draft policy was adopted by Council in October for the purposes of proceeding to advertising for public comment. The policy outlines the City’s expectations on the installation and operation of renewable energy systems and provides a set of standards to minimise their impact on the streetscape, nearby properties and natural environment.

Renewable energy continues to grow in popularity in Cockburn with the rising costs of energy in Western Australia and continuing advances in technology. Council has been at the forefront of these developments with the installation of solar energy systems on many of its community facilities.

For more information visit www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/RenewableEnergy



My Sustainable Christmas Checklist

Here are some clever ways to show friends and family that you care for them and the planet at Christmas:

- Take your reusable bags shopping with you
- Select quality over quantity
- Buy local
- Choose goods with minimal or reusable packaging
- Buy reusable wrapping e.g. a new scarf, calico bag, tea towel, baskets, storage boxes, tins or jars
- For a gift that grows, give a native tree or worm farm
- Check out the Henderson Recycle Shop for unique gift ideas, extra crockery or furniture you may need
- Make a list and check it twice to avoid over shopping

Your Cockburn Library

<http://library.cockburn.wa.gov.au>



Need some boredom busters for the kids these summer holidays?

Keep an eye out for FREE school holiday fun @ your Cockburn Library.

Check out our website for what's on at <http://library.cockburn.wa.gov.au>



Escape the Christmas Rush!

As we head into the 2012 National Year of Reading take a break from the Christmas rush, incessant carols, crowded shops and carparks. Seek refuge at your local Cockburn Library! Relax in our comfortable surroundings and indulge in some good books and magazines. And while you're at it, take the Cockburn Libraries Summer Reading Challenge for Adults. You could even win a \$200 Coles/Myer voucher!

All you have to do is be a Cockburn Library member, 'like' Cockburn Public Libraries on Facebook and leave a comment on Facebook about two books that you've read between 1 December 2011 and 5 February 2012. Terms and conditions apply. See <http://library.cockburn.wa.gov.au> for details.

Success Library is conveniently located in the Cockburn Gateway Shopping City.

Need help with your writing?

Would you like to write? Whether you want to try poetry, fiction or documenting your family history, the members of the two writing groups at Cockburn Libraries are ready to help you with advice and to give genuine feedback. Some of the members have found success and others have improved their skills through the support of talented mentors.

Brian Hooper, who attends the Tapestry Writers' Group which meets at Spearwood Library, 9 Coleville Crescent, Spearwood, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month from 9.30am to 12.00, has recently had his colourful travel stories published in The West Australian and Have A Go newspapers.

Acclaimed Young Adults author, Julia Lawrinson was the first mentor for the Creative Corners' Writing Group which meets in the Library Meeting Room at the Coolbellup Hub every Wednesday from 1pm to 3pm. The writers who attended her sessions still remember what dramatic impact her assistance had on their stories.

As the goal of most writers is seeing their poetry or narrative in print, both groups have also published several anthologies.

If you're interested in writing, come along and be part of these dynamic groups.

For more details see

<http://library.cockburn.wa.gov.au>



KIDS SPORT – GET INTO IT



The Youth Active Program is an innovative initiative first established by the City of Cockburn in 2005 to address a growing concern of low participation rates by youths in physical activity.

Today the program is in its 7th year of operation. The success of the program was recognised in 2007 by the Heart Foundation at the Kellogg's Local Government Awards for its "Commitment to Participation", and more recently has been used as a model for the State Government 'Kids Sport Initiative' introduced by the Department of Sport & Recreation.

To date the City has invested more than \$154,000 into this project which has enabled 1029 kids to participate in club sport who otherwise may not have had the opportunity to do so for financial reasons.

For more information contact the City on **9411 3444** or visit www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/kidsport

TRAFFIC TAMING ON COCKBURN STREETS



Karen Hooper Bibra Lake Primary School P&C; Kristy Heath Yangebup Primary School P&C; Fiona Shannon Yangebup Primary School P&C

The workshops were action focused, with a Traffic Taming Fund established to support the delivery of simple, achievable actions. Engwicht is passionate about helping communities identify the small things that can be done immediately that set off a positive chain reaction.

The City's Engineering Directorate, in partnership with Community Development and Travelsmart, organised the workshop in August as part of the City's new Traffic Taming program.

Residents interested in Traffic Taming on their street can email communitydevelopment@cockburn.wa.gov.au

Traffic issues on local roads and speeding in school zones are a constant annoyance for many residents and parents.

Rather than just talking about the problem some resident associations and parents and citizens groups joined forces with placemaker and social innovator, David Engwicht to identify creative and practical solutions to calm traffic at three local case study sites.

COUNCILLORS' CORNER



This year working, living and representing the City of Cockburn has been both exciting and rewarding.

Highlights include being a Telstra Business Woman of the Year finalist in the category of *Community and Government*

and then being nominated for an Order of Australia Medal for my commitment to the wider Cockburn community both as a Councillor and the Founder of the Halo leadership development agency Inc.

As 2011 draws close to an end I am excited about the plans and goals the City has for 2012 including but not limited to the development of the Coogee Beach Surf Lifesaving Club and a fresh community approach to traffic calming.

All of this and more has been made possible by a strong economic base and dedicated team at the City who also won the WA Training Employer of the Year award.

Cr Lee-Anne Smith



Thank you West Ward residents for re-electing me with 74% of the votes.

I'm eager to continue my role on the Cockburn Coast Steering Committee now the Structure Plan is out for Public Comment and I'm

pushing hard for Light Rail between Fremantle and Cockburn Central on the Cockburn Coast plans.

The Watsonia land in Spearwood is almost ready for new homes and the new Coogee beach Surf Lifesaving Club/ Community Facility should be opened soon.

Finally, to our residents who decorate their front gardens with magical Christmas lights each year, you bring so much pleasure to our Community, THANK YOU! Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Cr Carol Reeve-Fowkes

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Cockburn Community Group News

Supported by the Cockburn Community Development Strategy

SUCCESS AT THE LAKES IN 2011



Celebrating 23 years in 2011, the Lakes Junior Football Club is a 'grassroots' footy club priding itself on having a strong family focus.

Accomplishments for the club in 2011 include achieving Bronze Level in the WAFL Quality Club Program, with expectations of achieving the silver level in the near future. The club also won the 2011 South Fremantle District Development Council Y5s Environmental Shield for providing a well organised, safe and fun environment for children to play AFL.

The youth teams all played in the South Fremantle District Finals with the 13s and 14s making it to the preliminary finals and one game away from the Grand Final.

National Registration Day is expected to be Sunday 19 February 2012 at 11am – 1pm, but is yet to be confirmed. Please contact us at lakesjfc@hotmail.com or phone Sharon on **0409 294 390** for further information.

ART IN THE PARK @ SOUTH LAKE



A bright idea to spruce up park bins had approximately 70 people getting arty in South Lake on Sunday 9 October. South Lake artist Calvin Chee worked with locals on individualised designs for the suburb's park bins.

Residents group, Connecting South Lake organised the event offering a morning sausage sizzle and arty options, including bin designs, cookie art, bubble art, sculpture making, freehand painting and face art.

The project aims to encourage people to think about the community cost of graffiti and litter.

Forty-one pieces of 'Art in the Park' were produced, all of which were displayed at the Lakeside Shopping Centre in October.

The project was supported by the Office of Crime Prevention and the City of Cockburn.



Cockburn Community Group News

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CALLING ON BIBRA LAKE RESIDENTS



BLRA Treasurer - Don Watson

If you live in Bibra Lake and think it is a good idea that the suburb has a residents' group – then it's time to give group treasurer Don Watson from the Bibra Lake Residents Association (BLRA) a call.

The BLRA is at risk of folding due to a lack of interest from residents. The group is short a chairperson, on the lookout for someone to check the group email and ideally, an extra person to take care of the website.

Don has been involved with the group since its inception about 20 years ago. Don said, it would be very sad to see the group close as it has achieved a lot over the years.

We want to encourage new people with new ideas to get involved. To find out more about the BLRA call Don on **9417 4686**.

EAGLES HIT HOME RUN AT AUBIN GROVE



Jandakot Eagles pitcher Mindy Watson

Jandakot Eagles Softball Club (JESC) completed a successful 2010-11 ladies summer season with two out of three teams reaching the grand final. New registrations for the summer season were very strong, with the club fielding four teams in the Southern Districts Softball Association. Games are played each Saturday at Aubin Grove Oval.

Club President, Brad Forrest, said softball provided a social and fun way for women of varying ages and ability to be involved in physical activity.

Interested players can contact Club secretary Sharon Bergamaschi on **0406383639**.



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P&F SHINES DESPITE RAIN AT ST JEROMES



Zahara Dunkley (aged 5) and Zophia Dunkley (aged 3)

A downpour and threatening storm didn't get in the way of the St Jerome's Primary School and Parish Fete on Sunday 18 September.

The school P&F organised the fete and did a fantastic job making sure the weather didn't cause any disruption. The hall was packed with activity and the school building eaves across the grounds were lined with stalls selling everything from flowers to fudge and raffles to lucky dips.

P&F President Rachel Goodchild, said the day was a great success and a wonderful opportunity for the local community to get together. Proceeds from the fete went to the Edu-dance and 'Rock and Water' programs, new play equipment, and to Parish maintenance.

STILL GOING STRONG AFTER 37 YEARS



Exhibition organiser Biruta McLaughlin with John Ainsworth's work.

Cockburn artists and craftspeople exhibited a dynamic array of work at the Cockburn Community and Cultural Council's (CCCC) Annual Art and Craft Exhibition.

The exhibition attracted 162 entrants. The Public Vote trophy went to Anne Tarrand with 'The Bookshop' and John Ainsworth took out the Council-Selection Award.

The council was established in 1974, and has been running the exhibition for the past 37 years. The team of volunteers behind the CCCC is also responsible for a Youth Exhibition, involving local students in visual and performing arts. Anyone interested in the arts or the CCCC can contact Bill on **9337 3814**.



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MAKING 'PLAY' FUN @ MATER CHRISTI



Left: Seth, Age 5; Middle: Travis, Age 5; Right: Noah, Age 5

Nine dedicated volunteers make 'play' fun each week for 45 families at the Mater Christi Playgroup. The group has plenty of toys, books, craft activities and an outdoor play area with an interactive atmosphere for parents and their children (aged 0-5 years).

Recently moved to a new location, the sessions are held four times per week in the church's brand new centre at the Mater Christi Catholic Church Parish premises, 340 Yangebup Road, Yangebup.

Sessions are held on;

- Mondays: 9am-11am and 12.45pm-2.45pm
- Fridays: 9am-11am and 12.45pm-2.45pm

Interested families can email President, Maree Day on bradnmaree@bigpond.com or Secretary, Rebecca Foster on beccstar@gmail.com.

NEW FRIENDS FOR THE LOOKOUT



Clean Up Day at the Rotary Lookout

Outdoors, a fantastic seaview, beautiful bushland and good company – not a bad way to spend a day. If that sounds good to you then what about signing up for the new Friends Group @ the Rotary Lookout, King Street, in Coogee.

Local resident Zoe decided she wanted to initiate a Friends Group as a great way to encourage community members to work together to improve the park. Fledgling group members hosted the first 'Clean Up' on Sunday 23 October and look forward to more activities to improve and revegetate the area.

Zoe said it would be fantastic to eventually formally link Rotary Lookout to Manning Park via a walkway along the ridgeline for the community as well as provide a green link for the fauna and Carnabys Black Cockatoo.

If you are interested in finding out more contact Zoe on **9494 2360** or email rotarylookout@cockburncommunity.asn.au