CockburnSoundings







Prime Minister hosts community jobs forum in Cockburn



Australian Prime Minister Kevin Rudd discussed local responses to the global financial crisis and the challenges of unemployment and training with members of the Cockburn community at a jobs forum held at the City of Cockburn during April.

The forum was co-hosted by Minister for Employment Participation Brendan O'Connor, Federal Member for Fremantle Melissa Parke, Federal Member for Brand Gary Gray and City of Cockburn Mayor Logan K Howlett.

About 200 representatives from local business groups, industry, education and training organisations joined those who are currently unemployed or in transitional vocational training to share their thoughts with the Prime Minister at the forum.

City of Cockburn Mayor Logan K Howlett welcomed Mr Rudd to Cockburn, the first time a Prime Minister had visited the City.

"The City of Cockburn, together with the South West Group, is committed to encouraging and supporting sustainable business and employment and training opportunities in our region."

"I thank the Prime Minister for taking the opportunity to speak directly with representatives within our community on the challenges for local small businesses, industry, education and training providers and community support groups to address unemployment, resulting from the effect of the global financial crisis and to hear the concerns of our unemployed."

Pictured: Prime Minister Kevin Rudd and local Aboriginal elder Noel Morrison

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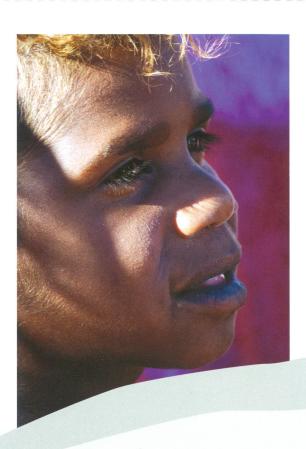
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City of Cockburn celebrates NAIDOC 2009



All residents are invited to join the City of Cockburn to celebrate NAIDOC 2009, a celebration of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. To mark the occasion, the City will hold a flag raising ceremony, which will be followed by a morning tea, dance performance and an art display by the local Aboriginal community.

Where: City of Cockburn Administration building, 9 Coleville Cres, Spearwood (assemble at flag poles located near entrance off Rockingham Road)

When: Wednesday, July 8

Time: 10am to 12pm

For more information phone the City on 9411 3444.

Cockburn Volunteer Resource Centre

Are you interested in making a difference to your community? Do you have some time to spare?

The Cockburn Volunteer Resource Centre is seeking volunteers to fill vacant roles in the Cockburn community. The Centre works with agencies and community groups to provide support, promote volunteering and link volunteers to suitable positions.

The Centre also offers training courses to volunteers in a bid to improve on personal and professional skills.

The VRC is located at the Cockburn Youth Centre; 25 Wentworth Parade, Success.

If you need any information or assistance please call or email Amy or Katherine on 94113490 or volunteering@cockburn.wa.gov.au





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During April the City of Cockburn was fortunate to host Prime Minister Kevin Rudd, who facilitated a community jobs forum for our region.

In the wake of the global financial crisis, unemployment in the City of Cockburn has risen sharply and now affects many of our residents and local businesses.

The City of Cockburn, as part of the South West Group is working with industry, small business, the education and training sector and the wider community to identify ways of creating new employment opportunities.

Initiatives include:

- The recent agreement to establish the Sabah WA Trade Centre to promote trade opportunities and hence jobs;
- The development of a regional employment portal;
- The development of a workforce development plan;
- Promoting Buy Local and Employ local programs through the Industry Direct Website where 1400 businesses are registered;
- Fostering investment in our region;
- Accelerating infrastructure projects across the region;
- Seeking regional tourism opportunities, including plans for a Fremantle to Mandurah tourist drive; and
- Looking for opportunities for regional employment through the recently established Jobs Fund.

If you are experiencing unemployment or financial difficulty contact the City's Financial Counselling service on 9331 1174 (Coolbellup) or 9414 6302 (Atwell).

As always if you have anything you wish to discuss with myself or your elected members feel free to contact us.

Mayor Logan K Howlett JP

Cockburn Gazette

Growing Business in Cockburn WIN \$1,000 advertising in Community Newspapers

The City of Cockburn and Cockburn Gazette Newspaper are creating a 'Growing Business in Cockburn' feature in September. This special gloss supplement will feature a local business directory, business profiles and local business news. Cockburn businesses can register free-of-charge to win a \$1000 advertising voucher for any of the Community Newspaper Group publications.

If you're a local business we want to help support you. To register your business details free-of-charge visit: http://cockburn.inmycommunity.com.au.

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Sustainable Cockburn

Top 5 Energy Saving Tips Around the Home

Energy actions	\$ Savings each year	How easy is it?
Install energy saving light globes (\$5-\$10 ea)	\$80 (based on replacing five 100W with 20W lamps)	Very easy!
Lower your hot water thermostat	\$120 on an electric storage unit if you turn it down from 70°C to 60°C	Quite easy and free! Most systems are adjustable
Install a water saving shower head (\$20 - \$100)	\$70 - \$130 per year depending on hot water system	Quite easy- Thread it on where your old shower head was
Switch off standby power on 5 appliances	\$35 - \$40 depending on appliances	Very to Quite easy- Switch off main button, use power boards with individual switches
Install a solar hot water system with gas boost. Rebate available*.	\$340 -\$490 compared to gas or electric storage	Quite easy- Replace an older system when it fails or if you're renovating.

^{*}Visit http://www.environment.gov.au/energyefficiency/index.html for more info on rebates

Feed a Bird? How Absurd! Education Campaign

Have you ever fed the local water birds left over bread?

The City's **'Feed a Bird? How Absurd!'** campaign explains why we should let birds feed themselves. When we feed birds in our local wetlands we can unintentionally harm them and pollute their homes.

Impacts on birds include sickness, disease, food dependency, whilst impacts on wetlands and lakes include water pollution and algal blooms.

Tips to interact without interfering with birds include: bird watching; planting native gardens to bring birds to your garden and building bird baths!

To find out more about any of these projects contact Environmental Services on 9411 3444.

Revegetation for Habitat Creation

Slip, slop, slap and join the City to revegetate our natural areas!

14th June – Manning Lake 21st June – Yangebup Lake 27th June – Coogee Beach 18th July – Redemptora Reserve, Henderson

All events from 9-1pm with free BBQ provided. Please bring a drink bottle and wear closed in shoes (or gumboots if you have them for the wetlands!). Register with Environmental Services on 9411 3444





Public Meetings Schedule 2009

At its Ordinary Council Meeting held on 9 April 2009, Council resolved to open the Agenda Briefing Forum meetings to the public, for a trial period commencing in May through to October 2009. The Agenda Briefing Forums are held on the 1st Thursday of each month, in Council Chambers, commencing at 7.00pm (doors open at 6.45pm).

City of Cockburn conducts its Ordinary Meetings of Council on the 2nd Thursday of each month commencing at 7:00pm (doors open at 6:45pm). Council meetings are open to the public and are held in Council Chambers, on the corner of Rockingham Road and Coleville Crescent, Spearwood.

Audit Committee Meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of March, July and November, are open to the public and are also held in Council Chambers, commencing at 6.00pm (doors open at 5.50pm).

Agendas for Council and Audit Committee Meetings will be available for viewing at the City's Customer Service Counter, the Spearwood Library, Coolbellup Library, Success Library, on the Cockburn Website prior to the meeting, and at the meeting.

A summary of the items to be presented to the Agenda Briefing Forum will be available upon finalisation of the Agenda or at the Briefing.

Meeting dates for the remainder of 2009 are as follows:-

Month	Date	Meeting Type	Time
May	Thursday, 7 May	Agenda Briefing Forum	7.00pm
May	Thursday, 14 May	Ordinary Meeting of Council	7.00pm
June	Thursday, 4 June	Agenda Briefing Forum	7.00pm
June	Thursday, 11 June	Ordinary Meeting of Council	7.00pm
July	Thursday, 2 July	Agenda Briefing Forum	7.00pm
July	Thursday, 9 July	Ordinary Meeting of Council	7.00pm
July	Thursday, 16 July	Audit Committee Meeting	6.00pm
August	Thursday, 6 August	Agenda Briefing Forum	7.00pm
August	Thursday, 13 August	Ordinary Meeting of Council	7.00pm
September	Thursday, 3 September	Agenda Briefing Forum	7.00pm
September	Thursday, 10 September	Ordinary Meeting of Council	7.00pm
October	Thursday, 1 October	Agenda Briefing Forum	7.00pm
October	Thursday, 8 October	Ordinary Meeting of Council	7.00pm
November	Thursday, 12 November	Ordinary Meeting of Council	7.00pm
November	Thursday, 19 November	Audit Committee Meeting	6.00pm
December	Thursday, 10 December	Ordinary Meeting of Council	7.00pm





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Follow the big orange footprints and get some exercise into your day



There are so many great walk trails in our beautiful city and to further encourage people to get active, the City has recently sprayed big orange footprints on many of these trails; along with distance markers so residents can see how far they walk.

Just 30 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity every day can add years of vitality to your life and the City of Cockburn is committed to increasing the health and wellbeing of the community, so lets all get motivated and get active!

You can also loan a pedometer for free from one of the City's libraries so you can keep track of how many steps you take or the distance you walk.

To view the City's walk trail maps or for more information visit the Be Active website www.beactivecockburn.com.au or contact Gilly Street on 9411 3503.



Get in touch with your community...



This month, the City is launching its new Cockburn Community Portal website so jump online and check it out.

The website offers Cockburn groups and associations free website access to promote their meetings and news to the community.

The website has been a joint effort between the City, Cockburn Community Development Group, Lions Club of Jandakot Lakes and Friends of the Community.

To find out about your local resident or community association visit the website: www.cockburncommunity.asn.au

For Cockburn groups interested in getting their own free community portal website up and running please contact the City's Community Development Officer Kellie Bennett on 9411 3499 for further information.

2009 Sustainability Awards - Nominations closing soon

Nominations for the 2009 City of Cockburn A Better Tomorrow – Sustainability Awards close this month.

Your application 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.

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

The City of Cockburn Better Tomorrow Sustainability Awards is sponsored by Cockburn Gateway Shopping City and the Community Newspaper Group.



Sustainable housing made easier in Cockburn

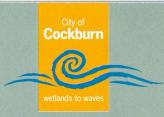
Building a sustainable home in Cockburn has been made easier through an informative brochure now available from the City of Cockburn.

"Building a Sustainable House in the City of Cockburn" provides local advice on sustainable initiatives such as insulation, sealing of doors, shading, appliances, glazing, window placement and house orientation.

City of Cockburn Mayor Logan K Howlett said the City is committed to sustainability and by introducing initiatives into newly built or renovated houses; homeowners can save on electricity and water bills and do their bit for the environment.

"The City of Cockburn has one of the highest residential growth rates in WA. This brochure encourages those building in our new estates or who are looking to improve their existing homes to consider some of the options available to make your home more ecofriendly."

A copy of the brochure will be sent to all home builders in the City of Cockburn and is also available online from the City's website www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/documents/CouncilServices/Building/Building_a_Sustainable_House.pdf or by phoning the City on 9411 3444.



Liberty swing for Manning Park

The City of Cockburn and Variety Club of WA recently installed a Liberty Swing at the Universal Playground in Manning Park to promote inclusivity at the City of Cockburn and allow children with a physical disability to enjoy the fun of going for a swing.

Variety Club WA fundraisers joined the City of Cockburr for the Regional Concert, starring Shannon Noll, to help raise the funds needed for the swing to be installed.

The swing was officially opened on May 15 and requires a key for entry. Families who wish to use the swing regularly can apply for their own key or keys can be borrowed from the Azelia Ley Museum or from the City's administration centre.

For more information phone the City's Disability Access and Inclusion Officer on 9411 3444.



Support needed for State History Conference

, About 150 delegates will venture to Cockburn in September for the 2009 State History Conference and we need your help to make it a success.

The Historical Society of Cockburn is calling on local businesses to donate cash, services or product to contribute to the running of the conference.

It is the first time the annual event, which begins on September 4 until September 6, will be held in Cockburn. The conference coincides with '30th Anniversary of Cockburn' celebrations being hosted by the City of Cockburn that recognise the 30th anniversary of the City.

In particular, the Society is seeking items and goods for door prizes and raffles, flower arrangements, printing services and cash donations.

To discuss how your business can assist the Society please contact Secretary Helen Greer on 9418 5002 or email helengreer@bigpond.com.

Federal funding announced for Coogee Beach Surf Lifesaving Club

Two million dollars in funding has been pledged by the Federal Government towards the Regional Surf Life Saving Club to be built at Coogee Beach.

The funding will be contributed towards the \$9.9 million project involving the construction of a two storey surf club facility and community building including a gym, changerooms, meeting rooms and kitchen. The project also includes major car park upgrades and the establishment of a beach access node at the Poore Grove site.

City of Cockburn Mayor Logan K Howlett said the City has worked with the Coogee Beach Surf Life Saving Club and had pledged funding towards the Club's much needed replacement facilities.

"The City of Cockburn is delighted to receive this Federal Government funding, which will be added to the \$2.5 million funding committed by the City towards this state-of-the-art community facility."

Stage 1 of the project, valued at around \$3 million, will include site works and the establishment of the beach access node and could begin as early as September 2009. Further stages of the project are subject to additional fundraising applications, to be lodged with Lotteries West and the State Government's Community Sport and Regional Recreation Facilities Fund. These will be submitted during 2009.





Tapper Road lights open to the public



Following about three months of works, the intersection of Armadale Road and Tapper Road was officially reopened in April.

City of Cockburn Mayor Logan K Howlett joined Ben Lisle from Linc Property to declare the road open on April 28.

The intersection now boasts traffic lights in a bid to improve safety and accommodate access to the South Central commercial precinct.

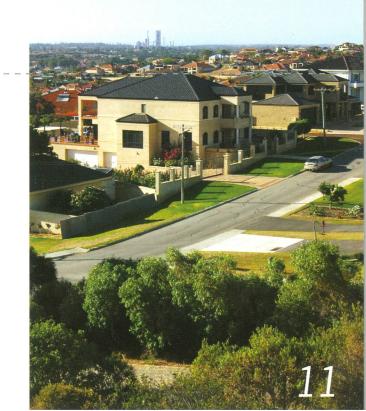
Land Rates

Land rates are now long overdue so if anyone is still yet to pay their rates please do so as soon as possible.

With legal proceedings now underway for outstanding accounts, Ratepayers, who have not entered into a special payment arrangement, must finalise payments by 30th June, 2009.

Registered Concession Holders should also complete their payments by **mid June** to enable Council to claim the rebate on their behalf, as the last date to receive concessions is also 30th June, 2009.

To budget for the forthcoming annual land rates, Council anticipates the issue date for the 2009/10 rate notices to be mid July with the due date being mid August, 2009.



Cockburn Councillor Corner



Myor Logan K Howlett

Logan K Howlett

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

I've always been passionate about everything Cockburn. I could see an opportunity to contribute to the growth of our City by applying my business acumen, knowledge, experience and leadership capacity for the benefit of those who choose to make a lifestyle and/or business investment in Cockburn.

What projects in Cockburn are you excited about?

The provision of facilities for all ages and abilities; ie library services, the Senior's Centre, community and sporting complexes, the surf club/community centre, other coastal amenities and the Wetlands/Native Arc precinct.

Describe your self in three words.

Friendly – approachable - tolerant

Where do you see yourself in five years?

Leading Cockburn as it continues its journey of exploration and establishment as the City of choice for those who support the values of community building and mutual respect for one another.

Where do you see Cockburn in five years?

At the forefront of local government in Australia through the provision of a range of educational, training and lifestyle opportunities that are supported by a vibrant Industry, small business and commercial sector that contributes to the City's growth and overall well being.

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