

Cockburn Soundings

FEBRUARY 2011

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Cockburn

wetlands to waves

Don't miss Perth's HOTTEST Bands!

Manning Park is the place to be on Saturday, 5 March if you want hear Perth's hottest entertainment. The City of Cockburn's Summer of Fun season has brought Thirsty Merc and Cassie Davis to Cockburn to perform FREE for you!

Past Summer of Fun Regional Concerts have seen thousands of Cockburn residents enjoy the free live entertainment from some amazing performers such as Vanessa Amorosi, Shannon Noll, Jessica Mauboy, Wes Carr and many more!



Don't miss out on this year's line-up. You won't be disappointed!

REGIONAL CONCERT

Saturday, 5 March

Manning Park, Hamilton Hill

From 7.30pm with Cockburn

IDOL Finale from 6pm

*Left: Cassie Davis
and Thirsty Merc*

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Summer of Fun



Don an inspiration to us all



(L-R) Cr Helen Attrill, Jill Blommestein, Donald Watson, Mayor Logan Howlett, Cr Val Oliver and Cr Sue Limbert.

Community volunteer Donald Watson has been awarded the City of Cockburn's 2010 Inspirational Volunteer Award for the contribution he makes to the Cockburn community.

Donald received his award at a presentation picnic on an evening held in December which was hosted by the City and coincided with "Thank A Volunteer Day."

In presenting the award Mayor Logan Howlett said "Donald personifies all the qualities of a distinguished community member."

The award evening acknowledges and thanks the many volunteers that make Cockburn a wonderful place to live. Mayor Logan Howlett thanked the 29 award nominees and their families for their contribution to the Cockburn community.

Four category winners were: Youth joint winners - Aimee Knight and Emma Knight; Community - Donald Watson; Arts & Culture - Bill Wallington and Sports & Recreation - Clara Ward.



FREE Home Energy and Water Advice

Want to reduce your use, save \$\$\$ and keep cool this summer without warming the planet?

The City of Cockburn is offering 50 FREE home visits by experienced advisors to home owners, tenants and landlords.

If your household can do with a hand to cut electricity, gas and water bills contact the City's Environmental Services on 9411 3444.

For more information and to register your interest call 9411 3444.




Cockburn's Days of Change

The City of Cockburn has the third highest number of staff in Australia sign up to Days of Change (81 staff) behind iiNet (386) and Murdoch University (103). Most importantly the City of Cockburn is the leading organisation in terms of the number of active staff (staff who have both signed up and made a pledge) at 62 staff.

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Message from the Mayor



The year is already well under way with the ever popular Summer of Fun events showcasing across Cockburn with more still to come. On Saturday 12 February Retro Party Band will play classics from the 70s and 80s at Success Reserve, and at the Regional Concert on Saturday 5 March Thirsty Merc and Cassie Davis will perform at Manning Park, Hamilton Hill.

We've already seen and heard great performances by Hells Bells (ACDC Tribute) at Dixon Reserve and Peter Busher & The Lone Rangers at Beeliar Reserve. The Cockburn Idol competition, in its second year, is again proving to be a great success with the final to be held on the night of the Regional Concert.

The Coogee Beach Festival is on again at the Coogee Beach Reserve on Sunday 20 March 2011. So 'slip, slop, slap' and get down to Coogee Beach for a fun-filled day of excitement and opportunity for all the family.

As the year progresses, I encourage members of the community to explore the wonderful social and recreational opportunities available in our City for all ages and abilities. For example those provided by the Seniors Centre; Youth Centre; South Lake Leisure Centre; our libraries at Spearwood, Coolbellup and Success; the Cockburn Wetlands Education Centre; Native ARC; Azelia Ley Homestead Museum; and throughout our wonderful coastline, wetlands and bushland localities. A special thanks to the City's staff and our volunteers who continue to ensure community engagement and participation.

On behalf of the elected members and staff I trust that 2011 brings to everyone a year where they can realise their dreams and aspirations and together with their family and friends, help make Cockburn an even greater place to live and raise a family.

Logan K Howlett, JP

Mayor

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Calling Cockburn Businesses

The City is considering a special Business Edition of Soundings in May, in which we would feature success stories from local business small and large. Successes may include but are not limited to large contracts/orders won; expansion; milestones; investment; employee achievements. If you wish to submit an item of possible interest for consideration, please email medialiaison@cockburn.wa.gov.au

Remember to include your name and contact details.

The City of Cockburn presents for 2011



Welcoming little ones into the Cockburn Community

Wednesday 30 March 2011

10.00am - 1.00pm

Manning Park, Azelia Road, Hamilton Hill

Parents, grandparents and carers, come and celebrate the babies in your lives. Come on the day to receive a Welcome Certificate for your baby (0-15 months) and a Parenting Calendar for you.

Register before 16 March through Child Health or City of Cockburn.

ON THE DAY...

- Pampering for Parents
- Entertainment and activities for the children
- Parenting information and support
- Food and birthday cake!
- Raffles and prizes and lots more....

Free Event

Raising young children in Cockburn



On 29 November the City of Cockburn held a free community forum to present Cockburn's results from the Australian Early Development Index (AEDI) survey that was conducted nationally for the first time last year.

The AEDI is a population measure of children's development in communities across Australia and gives a national picture of children's health and development – a first for Australia. The results pinpoint strengths in the community as well as what can be improved.

City of Cockburn Human Services Manager, Gail Bowman said results showed that while Cockburn had better results than the State results, all but one suburb had children entering school who were not ready.

"Special attention needs to be paid to language and cognitive skills as just under one third of children are not "on track" and emotionally mature, and more than a quarter are developmentally vulnerable or at risk," Ms Bowman said.

One such initiative coming out of these results is the provision of an Outdoor Play Project starting in 2011. The project involves mobile play hubs which will visit parks, playgroups and other children's groups to provide play activities and inform parents about the importance of play, early brain development and learning, the results of the AEDI and relevant parent services.

Another initiative is the formation of a regional AEDI early years action group, which will look at using these important child development results.

"Overall, the results provided some great insight and will be used to help the City build and strengthen its community," Ms Bowman added.

The key note speaker, author Maggie Dent, also emphasised the importance of developing resilience and self esteem in children.



Summer of Fun



Events coming up...

Retro - playing the hits of the 70s, 80s and 90s

12 February 2011

From: 7.30pm

With heat 3 of Cockburn Idol from 6pm

Where: Success Reserve, Hammond Rd

Coogee Beach Festival

20 March 2011

Time: 9am – 2pm

Where: Coogee Beach Reserve, Powell Rd



The City welcomes two new officers to Recreational Services

You may see some new faces around the City's community and sporting facilities.

Brendan McNally is the City's new Recreation Development Officer. Brendan will be the main point of contact between clubs and Council. He will oversee the allocation of grounds for clubs, coordinate funding programs and maintenance requests, and run annual events.



The City also welcomes Sarah Hughes to the new role of Club Development Officer, funded by the Department of Sport and Recreation. Sarah's role is to provide ongoing support to local sporting clubs over the next three years. She will implement a new club development program that aims to further build on the capacity and sustainability of clubs to ultimately increase participation in sport and provide useful resources to our volunteers.

To find out more visit the City of Cockburn website: www.cockburn.wa.gov.au and click on the 'Community Services' link on the left hand panel or contact the City on 9411 3444.

Left: (L-R) Brendan McNally, Sarah Hughes, Nicole Wilson, Julie Migliore and Adrian Lacquiere.

Beeliar Hub – Cuppa & Company

Beeliar Community Centre, Lakefront Ave, Beeliar.

The Beeliar Community Centre has been the place to be on Wednesday mornings for many families with young children living in the Beeliar and Yangebup community. The Beeliar Hub – Cuppa and Company is a collaborative venture between the Cockburn Family Support Services and the Child Health Service with funding from the Department for Communities. Hundreds of families have attended since it opened in 2007.

An informal space is provided where parents can access support, and socialise with other parents. When asked what attracts them to the Hub, parents have said they enjoy the relaxed unstructured atmosphere, where children can play with toys and develop social skills such as sharing and taking turns.

There are plans to open a similar venture at the Aubin Grove Community Centre early 2011.

For more information call 9411 6011.





Release of Residential Lots – Hamilton Hill

The City of Cockburn has commenced subdivision of a new residential estate in Hamilton Hill. It is anticipated a tender will be let in March 2011 to start construction of the roads, footpaths and services. Lots in the subdivision should be available for purchase by mid 2011.

The subdivision is located off Grandpre Crescent in Hamilton Hill, just north of the Southwell Primary School, it's close to public transport with Fremantle only 20 minutes away.

The subdivision consists of 25 single residential lots ranging in size from 302sqm to 500sqm; two duplex lots; and two small grouped dwelling sites. A large tuart tree has also been retained and is expected to become a landmark feature for the subdivision.

The City has also successfully relocated approximately 30 grasstrees to a small park opposite the entry to the subdivision along Grandpre Crescent.

For information contact 9411 3888.



Naval Base Shacks Update

The City is currently formalising a new direction and management approach for the Naval Base Shacks site. The shacks are located on Reserve 24308, which is on the coast along Cockburn Road, in the southwest corner of the district.

A Community Reference Group has been formed to represent the views of shack lessees and, in partnership with City Officers and Elected Member representatives,

assist in preparing and discussing the requirements for new leases. The reference group will have an important role in collaboratively considering issues and making suggestions to the City as it considers the future of the Naval Base Shacks site.

For more information about naval base shacks please visit www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/navalbase or phone the City on 9411 3444.

Youth Centre



Cockburn Youth Centre

Cockburn Youth Centre
25 Wentworth Parade,
Success WA 6164
T: 9411 3888

Don't let the start of school get you down. We have a term of activities to cheer you up! They are bigger and better than ever, so don't miss out!

Term one will see the return of our hugely popular music, cooking, dance, drama and art classes to keep the fun going once school goes back.

Your 2011 membership will also allow great savings on our term activities.

For more information call the Youth Centre on 9411 3888 or visit the City's website.



Youth – Public Consultation

The City is reviewing the services it provides for young people and has appointed consultants to help develop a Youth Services Strategic Plan. The plan will identify needs and future services required to support and enhance the wellbeing of young people (12-25 years) across the City in the next five years.

To make sure that the plan reflects the needs of the community, the City wants to hear from young people, parents and anyone else in the community who wants to have their say about services for young people living in Cockburn.

What do you think:

- Are there any gaps in the services currently provided?
- Are people aware of the services that are on offer in Cockburn at the moment?

- Are these services being used as well as they could be? If not, why?
- What are our future needs likely to be? How do we meet them?

So... have your say!

Come to a public meeting on Wednesday 16 February 2011 at the City of Cockburn function room, 9 Coleville Cres, Spearwood at 7pm or:

- post a written submission to City of Cockburn, PO Box 1215, Bibra Lake DC, WA 6965
- send an email to youth@cockburn.wa.gov.au
- post on our Facebook page (follow the link from our website www.cockburn.wa.gov.au)
- send us a tweet via Twitter

Please ensure you send us your submission or response by the closing date of 16 February 2011.



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Phone: 9411 3877



Special Membership Promotion

The Cockburn Seniors Centre is truly a hub of the activity and now is a great time to join. The Centre is offering pro-rata membership for new members until the 30 June 2011 so you only pay \$17.

Activities of the centre include:

Zumba, tai chi, carpet bowls, heartmoves, table tennis, singing, line dancing, ballroom dancing, meditation, craft, scrabble, machine embroidery, bridge, social cards, progressive whist, scrapbooking, jewellery making, computer classes and Italian language classes.

Prices range from free to \$5 per session. The Centre organises outings and a two-course lunch is served every Monday, Wednesday and Friday for \$8

Special licensed lunches with entertainment are held to celebrate occasions such as Christmas in July and Melbourne Cup.

Facilities have recently been upgraded to create a dedicated computer room, activity room, an alfresco dining area and a volunteer run café on Tuesdays and Thursdays.



A bit of Europe in Cockburn

In December, the City of Cockburn opened two new parks, Šolta Park (pronounced Sholter) and Minori Gardens, for the community to enjoy.

Minori Gardens is a local community park designed to commemorate the contribution of the City's Italian community and to forge a link to the Italian resort town of Minori, famous for its Limoncello and olives.

The park is built on market gardens previously farmed by the City's migrant Italian community. To reflect the Italian heritage, lemon groves and olive trees have been planted in the park.

This project was wholly funded by the Federal Government RLCIP Grants.

Since the 1940s, the Šolta Park site has been a market garden, farmed first by the Montenegrin Pavlovich family, then by the Croatian Jakovcevic family.

The Jakovcevic family subdivided and sold the land and requested the public open space area created by the subdivision be named Šolta Park, after their original island home in the Adriatic, off the coast of mainland Croatia.

This project was jointly funded by the Federal Government RLCIP Grants and the City of Cockburn.



(L-R) Dale Smith – City of Cockburn Manager Parks and Environment, Stephen Cain CEO City of Cockburn, Cockburn Mayor Logan Howlett and Andy Jarman – City of Cockburn Parks Technical Officer.



Šolta Park Opening.

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Partnership continues into 2011

Alcoa Kwinana and City of Cockburn have reached a partnership arrangement for the continuation of the Alcoa Cockburn Community Projects Fund to support local community projects. The fund will retain a partnership approach, with the City of Cockburn and Alcoa making a 50:50 contribution to fund based on an annual commitment of \$20,000.00 per year in total. The fund will be reviewed on an annual basis.

A recent beneficiary of the fund was the Keeping Beeliar Fit project launched on Sunday 21 November by Mayor Logan Howlett and Alcoa Environment & Community Relations Manager, Patrick Coffey. The project comprises three pieces of equipment with two exercise types per machine and is located overlooking the lake at Beeliar Oval.

President Gordon Coxon, said the project had been a long time in the making but was worthwhile, with the equipment already attracting a great deal of interest.





Planning for a vibrant future

The City's strategic planners are currently working on 80 major development projects ranging from commercial/ industrial to residential and community facilities.

The areas shaded on the map demonstrate just how much is under construction or planning in Cockburn; developments which will create thousands of jobs and a vibrant, well connected city.

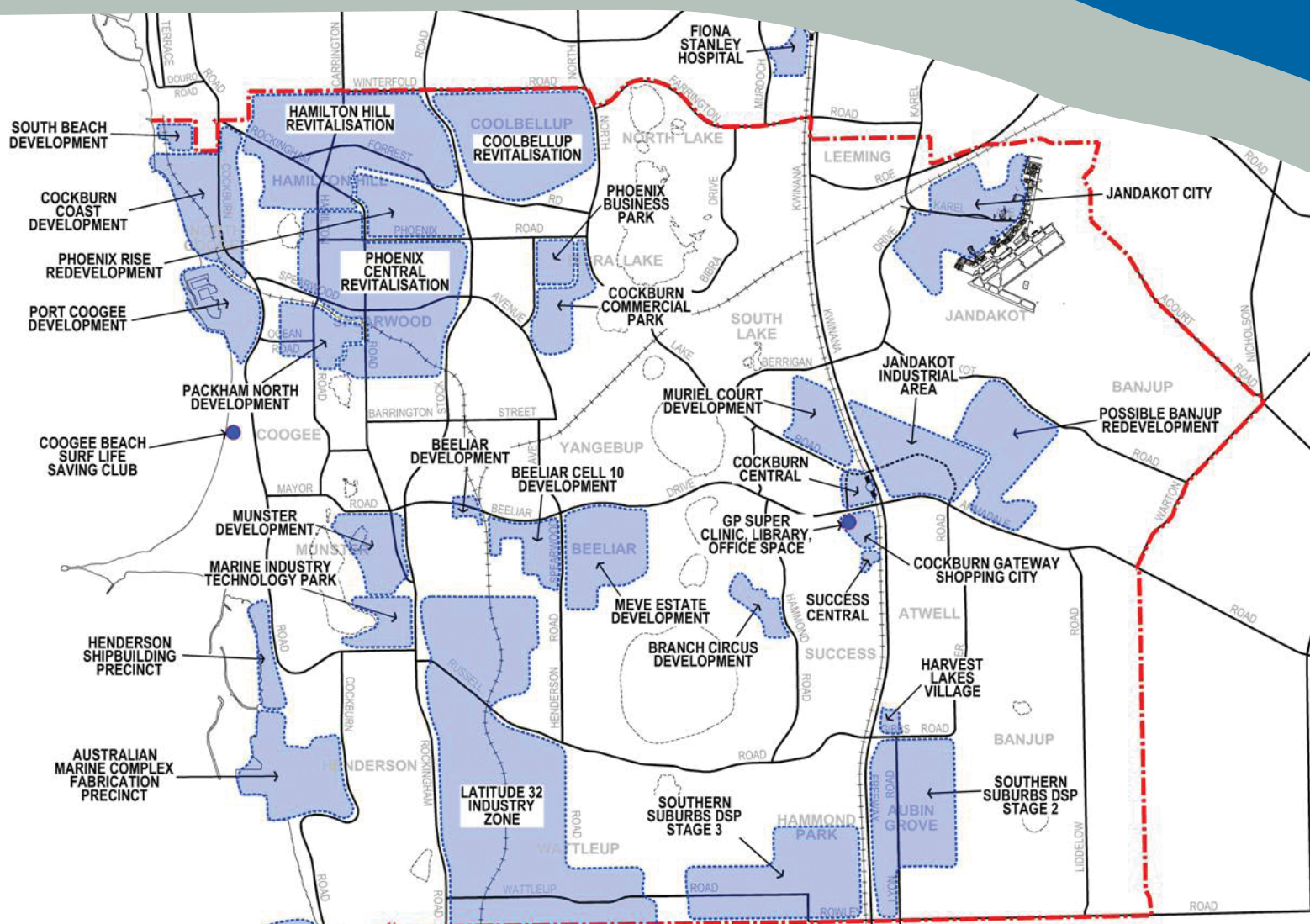
The following are just four projects at various stages of planning within Cockburn:

Cockburn Coast Redevelopment

This project will revitalise 331ha of former industrial land between South Beach and Port Coogee.

The development will contain an 86ha mixed use coastal village of 4,850 new dwellings for around 10,000 new residents.

Consultation with landowners has recently taken place and the City will now undertake more detailed phases of local structure planning and design.





Cockburn Coast Redevelopment Area

Cockburn Central

Council recently approved the Local Structure Plan for the extension of Cockburn Gateway Shopping City, northwards towards Beeliar Drive. Key aspects to the Structure Plan include:

- (a) A new main street development and upper-level cinema complex;
- (b) An increase in retail floor space from 32,500sqm to 50,000sqm;
- (c) New public transport corridors;
- (d) Increases in car parking and significant upgrades to key access points; and
- (e) Significant upgrades to improve the traffic situation along Wentworth Parade, Beeliar Drive and the Kwinana Freeway interchanges. This includes additional traffic lanes in both directions along Beeliar Drive traffic lights at the intersection of Beeliar Drive and Wentworth Parade and improvements to the capacity of the existing freeway interchange ramps.

The Perron Group is preparing detailed plans for submission to the City for a building licence.

Former Watsonia Plant

A 79ha site including the former Watsonia plant and surrounding rural properties in the Spearwood and Coogee areas will be redeveloped to provide a residential neighbourhood of 900 dwellings for 2,000 people.

District and local structure planning phases are expected to be finalised by mid 2011, after which subdivision will be able to occur.

Latitude 32 District Structure Plan

The State Government is in the process of finalising the District Structure Plan for the Latitude 32 industrial area.

Planned and coordinated by the State Government's development arm Landcorp, Latitude 32 (formerly the Hope Valley Wattleup Redevelopment Project) is one of the largest industrial redevelopments ever undertaken in Australia. It comprises 1,400ha of land in the local government areas of Cockburn and Kwinana.

Over a period of 30 years, the project will create an anticipated 10,000 new jobs. The area will become a major logistics hub accessible by road, rail and sea.

For more information on these and other major projects within Cockburn please visit: www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/planningprojects



Your Cockburn Library

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

Why join a bookclub?

- To read new books - ones that you may not have chosen for yourself.
- To share and hear other points of views.
- You HAVE to read the book so you make the time to read.
- You never know who you will meet at bookclub – plumber, computer whiz or soulmate!
- Make new friends and catch up with old friends over a coffee or a glass of wine.

All three of Cockburn libraries offer bookclubs where lively discussions and debates about books occur each month. Join and you'll find yourself reading books you'd never normally pick off the shelf - you'll broaden both your interests and knowledge and form valuable friendships at the same time.

If you're interested in joining these groups contact the libraries (Spearwood - 9411 3800, Coolbellup - 94113830, Success - 94113840) for more information.

Here's an idea! Start your own bookclub

A glass of wine, a cup of coffee, some nibbles, six friends and a good book. Once a month spend time with your friends and discuss the merits of the book you've read all in the comfort of your own home.

The Cockburn Libraries have a great selection of books that are available in units of six specifically for book clubs to borrow. Come and browse the collection or check our website at <http://library.cockburn.wa.gov.au> for the full list of titles.



The GoodReading database is your dedicated website for 'Everything About Books'!

This database has all of the information you need to help you find your next good read.

GoodReading is located on the Databases page of the Library website or you can simply click on the **GoodReading** logo to the right of the libraries homepage. Don't forget you will need to enter your library membership card number to login.

Cockburn Libraries also offer access to many other databases through our databases page. These include The Encyclopedia Britannica Online, Health and Wellness Resource Centre and EBSCO's Australia and New Zealand Reference Centre. All are FREE. All you will need is a current library card which is available to you through Cockburn Libraries.



Free Scrap Motor Vehicle Collection

The City of Cockburn is partnering with automotive auctioneer Manheim to help clean up the streets of our community.

Across the Perth metropolitan region, hundreds if not thousands of unwanted motor vehicles and scrap car bodies are left lying around residential yards, commercial blocks, bushland and even on the streets.

The City of Cockburn and Manheim have launched a collaborative program to collect these 'eye-sores' at no cost to the community or to residents.

From 1 January 2011 until 31 March 2011, Manheim will arrange for any unwanted car, truck, boat or

caravan, no matter how degraded, to be removed from your property.

To arrange for an unwanted vehicle to be removed call 9267 8888 or email michaelk.smith@manheim.com.au



Win \$250 prize What goes in the recycle bin? Weekly recycle bin collection started 17 January 2011!

To celebrate, we are running a competition to win a **\$250 gift voucher** from online eco store 'Todae'.
How to enter: Simply draw a line from the items that **CAN** be recycled to the recycle bin, complete your details and post your entry form to: City of Cockburn Soundings Recycling Comp, Reply Paid, PO BOX 1215, Bibra Lake DC WA 6965 **by 28 February 2011.**

cut along line



Kitchen Scraps



Tin Cans



Paint Tins



Egg Carton



Chip packets



Disposable nappies



Glad Wrap

Tip: for help with the answers go to www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/waste

Name: _____

Address: _____

Ph: _____

Mob: _____

Email: _____

Important Information:

Winner will be drawn on 3 March 2011. Winner's name will be published in the April edition of Cockburn Soundings. Additional entry forms can be printed from www.cockburn.wa.gov.au/waste. Your contact details will not be used for any other purpose than this competition.



Councillors Corner – Val Oliver

What makes you proud to be Councillor at the City of Cockburn?

For the last ten years to be a part of a forward-thinking Council with a great local government staff, working to make Cockburn an exciting, friendly place for families and businesses to grow and enjoy in a healthy, happy environment.

What future projects in Cockburn are you excited about?

The completion of The Port Coogee Marina; the extensions at Gateways Shopping Centre; the Medical Health Clinic; the completion of sporting facilities at Santich Park and Anning Park; lighting for Tempest Park

and Len Packham Reserve and the completion of the Coolbellup School. Community awareness and needs are a great part of the future of Cockburn.

Your favourite piece of music?

Save the Last Dance for Me - Ben E. King and the Drifters

If you could have dinner with anyone in the world - who would it be?

My husband of 58 years. He's the best and is great company!



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