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Dear Mr Reynolds JP,

SWAN CATCHMENT COUNCIL IN FOCUS 2005

Please find enclosed a copy of our recently published "In Focus 2005", which highlights the activities of the Swan Catchment Council and its many partners.

The Swan Region Strategy for Natural Resource Management and associated 2005-2006 Investment Plan received Australian and State Government accreditation earlier this year. This lead the way for over \$5 million in Natural Heritage Trust funding to be delivered to implement our Investment Plan. We are currently developing our 2006-2008 Investment Plan.

Local Government are recognised as a major partner in natural resource management and as such, the Swan Catchment Council liaises closely with Local Governments, as well as the Western Australian Local Government Association and a number of regional Local Government organisations, such as the Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council and the Western Suburbs Regional Organisation of Councils.

The Council recently held a call for nominations to sit on its Local Government Reference Group and we are pleased to advise that the following Councillors and Officers were appointed:

- Mr Keith Armstrong, Conservation Coordinator, City of Joondalup
- Mrs Julie Baker, Councillor, City of Cockburn
- Mr Jon Holmes, Councillor, City of Swan
- Mr Eric Lumsden, Chief Executive Officer, City of Swan
- * Mr Jeff Mum, Councillor representing the South Metropolitan Regional Council
- Mr Martin Richardson, Manager, Community Strategic Planning Services, City of Swan
- Mr Clive Robartson, Councillor, City of Melville
- Ms Jackie Stansfield, Environmental Officer, City of Melville
- Mr Mike Sabatino, Councillor, City of Bayswater
- Ms Elizabeth Taylor, Councillor representing the Eastern Metropolitan Regional Council

The Chair of the Local Government Reference Group (yet to be appointed) will sit directly on the Swan Catchment Council together with the WALGA appointed representative, Mr David Boothman, Councillor, City of Stirling.

The Reference Group will also provide a forum for Local Governments to advise on current NRM activities and future directions.

If you would like further information on the Swan Catchment Council and its Local Government Reference Group, please do not hesitate to contact Linda Soteriou, General Manager on 9374 3333.

Yours sincerely,

John Herpen
Chair
Swan Catchment Council

*Congrats Jeff.
Linda Soteriou (letter)
please.*





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INQUIRY INTO FIRE & EMERGENCY SERVICES LEGISLATION

The Association appeared before the Community Development and Justice Standing Committee on **Wednesday 19 October**, to give evidence to the *Inquiry into Fire and Emergency Services Legislation*.

The Association stressed the key points of the Local Government submission which had been developed in consultation with Councils, focusing on:

- consolidating the various Bush Fire legislation into a single legislative framework;
- shortcomings in the ESL system, particularly the replacement of vehicles and equipment;
- increasing funding from the State; and
- addressing problems with funding fire hydrant works.

The Committee accepted the Association's argument that the Inquiry would benefit from taking evidence in country WA, and has agreed to establish a schedule of rural hearing dates. These are likely to occur next year.

For further information, please contact Director Policy, Wayne Scheggia, on (08) 9213 2024 or email wscheggia@walga.asn.au.

PUBLIC LIBRARY FORUM – FROM VISION TO REALITY

The Association and the State Library of Western Australia hosted a forum on the *Future and Sustainability of Public Libraries in Western Australia* at Observation City on **Tuesday 25 October**.

The objectives of the forum were to explore best practice in service delivery, stimulate thinking on future roles of public libraries and discuss resource sharing and collocation opportunities.

For a copy of the presentations, please visit www.councils.wa.gov.au.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY ENQUIRY

The Association's *Discussion Draft* submission was recently circulated to all Councils for comment, together with a "Fax Back" form to facilitate responses. Replies have started to come in and some Councils have also forwarded copies of their own submissions which are very much appreciated.

One of the key responses we are seeking is some specific examples of inappropriate regulatory requirements that can be demonstrated as creating an excessive and unnecessary administrative burden, so that these can be cited to the Committee to defend Council claims regarding regulatory compliance. The absence of examples will severely limit the validity of any claim in this regard.

Concerns over interpretation of the Terms of Reference were addressed by Committee Chairman, John Quigley in a briefing to senior LGMA members on **Thursday 27 October**. He clarified that the Inquiry is primarily concerned with the question of whether the Auditor General should play a role in Local Government audits, and if so, what that role should be. He indicated that the Inquiry will now issue a discussion paper to clarify these matters and will consider a further extension of time for submissions to be lodged with the Inquiry.

In the interim however, the Association would still appreciate your response to our initial discussion draft submission by **Friday 4 November**.

For further information, please contact Director Policy, Wayne Scheggia, on (08) 9213 2024 or email wscheggia@walga.asn.au.

DESK CALENDAR PAD 2006

Once again, the Association will produce the Western Australian Local Government Desk Calendar Pad. The Association will provide Councils with enough complimentary copies for each Elected Member, Chief Executive Officer and Executive Managers. Additional copies are to be pre-purchased on the order form included in the mailbag. Orders are to be returned by **Friday 11 November**.

For further information, please contact Public Relations and Marketing Consultant, Maggie Johns, on (08) 9213 2051 or email mjohns@walga.asn.au.

TRAINING UPDATE

Elected Member Development Program

Module 11: Policy Development

This module aims to enhance the ability of Elected Members to participate in the strategic management of their Council by focusing on policy development, and will explain the links between policy making and strategic planning.

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REVIEW OF INTERSTATE DISTRIBUTION OF LOCAL ROADS GRANTS

One of the Commonwealth Government's responses to the *Hawker Cost Shifting Inquiry* is to request the Commonwealth Grants Commission to review the current interstate distribution of the identified local roads component of the Financial Assistance Grants by **Friday 30 June 2006**. In 2005/06 this funding amounted to \$500m on a national basis with 15.3% (or \$76.4m) being distributed to Councils in Western Australia.

The Terms of Reference for the review have yet to be released. However, preliminary indications are that the process for the Inquiry is expected to be the release of an Issues Paper in mid-November with submissions due by Christmas 2005, Draft Report available in mid-April 2006, conference in mid-May 2006 and Final Report due **Friday 30 June 2006**.

It is anticipated that State Local Government Associations will be requested to coordinate feedback from individual Councils. Given the importance of this funding to WA Councils for local roads, the Association will be working with Councils and other organisations such as the Grants Commission and Main Roads to develop a submission. Further details will be provided to Councils once the Issues Paper is released for comment.

For further information, please contact Executive Manager Transport and Roads, Debbie Terelinck, on (08) 9213 2031 or email dterelinck@walga.asn.au.

NOMINATIONS OPEN FOR A LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTED MEMBER ON THE WASTE MANAGEMENT BOARD

The Waste Management Board is an advisory body that reports directly to the Minister for the Environment; Science to provide advice to Government on strategic waste management policy issues. It oversees the development of policies and strategies, and is responsible for recommending expenditure of funds from the Waste Management and Recycling Fund.

Due to the nature of the Board's work it has become apparent that the Board would benefit from the expertise of a Local Government Elected Member and is now seeking nominations for this position.

Nomination forms can be downloaded from the Association's website www.walga.asn.au. Please address your nomination form to Bernard Ryan, Executive Officer, Municipal Waste Advisory Council, PO BOX 1544, West Perth 6872 or email your nomination to nominations@walga.asn.au by 4 pm on Friday 9 December.

For further information on the position, please contact Michael Kerr at the Department of Environment, on (08) 9278 0925.

INFORMATION SESSION ON POTENTIAL HAZARDOUS / INDUSTRIAL WASTE TREATMENT LOCATIONS IN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

The Core Consultative Committee on Waste (3C) will announce eight sites identified as potential locations for hazardous / industrial waste treatment precincts in WA on **Monday 31 October**.

The eight potential sites will include four in the South-West Region, two in the Goldfields and two in the Pilbara. Sites in the South-West will be located within 200km of the greater Metropolitan and Peel Regional Schemes. An information and discussion session about these sites will be held in Perth on:

Date: **Saturday 5 November**
Time: 10:00 am to 1:00 pm
Venue: Polly Farmer Room, Subiaco Oval

For further information and to register your interest, please contact Emily Murray, on (08) 9278 0929, email info@3C.org.au or visit www.3C.org.au.

MEDIA RELEASES

24 October Who Needs Public Libraries?
25 October Public Libraries Forum: The Future of Public Libraries are in our Hands

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WASTE MANAGEMENT BILL – LOCAL GOVERNMENT WORKSHOP

The State Government is close to completing drafting instructions for the *Waste Avoidance and Resource Recovery Bill* (WARR Bill). A workshop for interested Councils has been organised with representatives from the Department of Environment and will be held on **Monday 28 November**.

Registrations close **Monday 21 November**.

For further information and to register please visit www.wastenet.net.au/events/warr1.

UPDATE ON BUILDING SURVEYOR STUDIES

Western Australia has adopted the *Nationally Accredited Diploma in Building Surveying*. TAFE intends to offer the *Advanced Diploma in Building Surveying* in the future. A student having achieved the TAFE qualification will be able to gain entry into Curtin University to continue further studies in either Post Graduate or a Degree course in Building Surveying.

To assist these students in their studies the Western Australian Institute of Building Surveyors in conjunction with Central TAFE (Leederville Campus) are preparing resources (updated texts) that will be used as teaching aids at both TAFE and Curtin University.

Deadline for TAFE is **Wednesday 25 January** and for Curtin University the deadline is the end of February 2006.

For further information on the Australian Institute of Building Surveyors, please contact Darren Mouchemore on (08) 9446 3364 or (08) 9237 9263. For course enrollments, please contact Jim Pursey at TAFE on (08) 9202 4399 or John Greenwood at Curtin University on (08) 9266 3766.

LANDSCAPING SUPPORTING LIFESTYLE SEMINAR

Landscaping Supporting Lifestyle has been developed to educate decision makers in the use of Western Australian plants in their developments and for council plantings. The seminar will investigate how social image and sense of place can be achieved using WA plants. Attendees on the day will take part in a Hypothetical session which will ask the potential effects if housing developments were to use 80% WA plants by the year 2010.

It's increasingly important for developers, project managers, planners, engineers, landscape architects, Council representatives, councilors, landscapers, parks and gardens managers and landscape designers to understand and embrace the integration of Western Australian plants into landscapes because they thrive in our natural conditions, require little or no watering (which aids our ongoing water management crisis), and can be grown without eco-unfriendly fertilizers, pesticides and mulches.

Attendees of the seminar will have access to well renowned and respected experts in the field, including Simon Holthouse (former WA Planning Commission Chairman), Stuart Pullyblank, WA President of the Australian Institute of Landscape Architects, David Beyer (LandCorp) and Sue Dempster, Principal of Everlasting Concepts.

Date: **Wednesday 23 November**
Time: 8.50 am to 5.00 pm
Venue: The Vines Resort & Country Club, Verdelho Drive, The Vines
Cost: \$225 (incl GST) includes lunch / teas

For further information and to register for the seminar, please contact Sue Dempster, Everlasting Concepts, on (08) 9285 3404 or email sue@everlastingconcepts.com.au.

NOT JUST LIBRARIES – DEVELOPING A COMMUNITY ASSET THROUGH INNOVATION & DESIGN

Sarah Godwiski, consultant/designer for the Tower Hamlets Ideas Stores in the United Kingdom will be in Australian to take part in the *Developing a Community Asset Through Innovation and Design* seminar. In addition to Sarah Godwiski, Edwin Bollig, Bollig Design Group (designers of Clarkson, Osborne Park, Bassendean and Falcons libraries), an interior designer and local government planners and administrators will be joined by librarians to discuss refurbishing and building libraries.

Date: **Friday 25 November**
Time: 9.00 am to 4.00 pm
Venue: Guildford Landing Function Centre
114 Swan Street, Guildford
Cost: \$110 per person (incl GST) includes lunch & morning tea

Registrations close **Friday 18 November**.

For further information, please contact Hilary Hatfield on (08) 9427 3251. To register please contact Karin Johns, on (08) 9427 3138 or email Karin.jones@liswa.wa.gov.au.

EURO 3 ENGINE EXHAUST EMISSIONS REGULATIONS – WESTERN POWER TRIAL

In the lead up to the introduction of new Government regulations governing engine exhaust emissions, Western Power will be conducting a trial to identify any potential increased fire risks associated with the new requirements.

Fitment of catalytic converters, with an operating temperature between 400 and 1000 degrees, will be required for all vehicles, including diesel. The intent of the trial is to measure and compare exhaust pipe temperatures in diesel, petrol and LPG fuel injected engines with catalytic converters and to examine the correlation between exhaust temperature and the potential to ignite grass fires when vehicles are travelling off-road. Western Power would welcome feedback from Councils, both before and during the trial.

The deadline for feedback is **Thursday 1 December**.

For further information, please contact Keith Lovatt, Fleet Management Controller, on (08) 9479 2752 or email keith.lovatt@westernpower.com.au.

CONSUMER PROTECTION AWARDS

Individuals and non-government organisations which champion the rights of consumers are being asked to step forward for the second annual prestigious Consumer Protection Awards.

The inaugural awards were presented in 2004 to demonstrate ongoing commitment to consumer protection services in our community and the advancement of consumer justice objectives as endorsed in the Government's Consumer Justice Strategy.

The Awards recognise and reward significant contributions towards improving the awareness and capability of consumers, providing consumer protection services, and promoting consumer protection principles for the benefit of our community.

The individual award is named after Rona Okely, a fearless consumer champion whose list of consumer advocacy achievements spans back almost 60 years.

The category for non-government organisation or group of individuals is named in honour of the late Richard (Dick) Fletcher, who passed away earlier this year. Mr Fletcher was the second and longest serving Commissioner of Consumer Affairs and is credited with helping to shape consumer protection in WA.

The awards will involve:

- The winner of The Rona Okely Award receiving a cash prize of \$2,000;
- The winner of The Richard (Dick) Fletcher Award also receiving a cash prize of \$2,000;
- Winners in each category will be presented with a trophy and framed certificate at the awards presentation ceremony;
- Finalists will be presented with a framed certificate at the awards presentation ceremony; and
- Finalists and winners will be listed in *The West Australian* newspaper and regional WA newspapers, and receiving the benefit of publicity associated with the event.

Nominations close on **Friday 23 December**. The Awards will be presented in March during the week of *World Consumer Rights Day* and *National Consumers Day*.

For further information, please contact the Department of Consumer and Employment Protection on 1300 30 40 54 or email arads@docep.wa.gov.au.

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01 December	Peel Zone
01 December	Great Eastern Country Zone
01 December	Central Metropolitan Zone
01 December	North Metropolitan Zone
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02 December	Central Country Zone
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For further information and to register your attendance, please visit www.wastenet.net.au/events/warr1.

LOCAL GOVERNMENT ELECTED MEMBER / SENIOR STAFF CHANGES

Over past months, there have been a number of changes in Elected Members and, more particularly CEOs and Senior Staff at member Councils. Whilst the Association is confident that most of this information has been captured in the WALGA database, it would be appreciated if Councils would keep the Association informed of such changes, particularly as they relate to the positions listed on each Council's page in the WA Local Government Directory.

Provision of this information will ensure the integrity of the WALGA database.

For further information, please contact Strategic Support Officer, Gareth Govan, on (08) 9213 2802 or email ggovan@walga.asn.au.

STATE OF THE REGIONS REPORT 2005-2006

The *State of the Regions* report was released at the Australian Local Government Association's (ALGA) Regional Cooperation and Development Forum, a curtain-raiser event of the National General Assembly, on **Monday 7 November**.

This year's report focuses on the role of telecommunications infrastructure and its potential to boost economic growth in regional Australia. Prepared for ALGA by National Economics, the report provides a comprehensive stocktake on the economic and social wellbeing of Australia's 64 regions and their prospects for economic development and employment growth. The 2005-06 report updates and extends regional performance indicators and is the second in a series of three exploring infrastructure issues.

Highlights include: opportunities for telecommunications infrastructure expansion; market conduct, regulation and broadband access in regional Australia; estimated economic benefit of extending ADSL broadband coverage to regional areas; 'baby bounce' (regional fertility trends); net migration, populations and ageing trends by region; and the role of Local Government in regional development.

For further information or to purchase a copy of the report, please visit www.alga.asn.au.

ALGA'S SECOND AGEING SURVEY

The Australian Local Government Association (ALGA) invites Councils to participate in the second online ageing awareness and action survey for Local Government, available at www.alga.asn.au/policy/healthAgeing/ageing/surveys.

The survey aims to gauge awareness of population ageing within Local Government and to determine the level of action. The information collected from the survey will assist ALGA in its negotiations with the Australian Government and to build the capacity of Councils to plan for an ageing population. The survey is an initiative of the *Australian Local Government Population Ageing Plan*.

For further information, please contact Alley Peck on (02) 6122 9421 or email alley.peck@alga.asn.au. Results from the first survey can also be accessed on ALGA's website www.alga.asn.au/policy/healthAgeing/ageing.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH WA ONLINE WEBSITE

As part of their commitment to community safety and crime prevention, the Western Australia Police have developed a new website called *Neighbourhood Watch WAonline*.

The principle behind the website is that members of the public can self-manage their involvement in Neighbourhood Watch by subscribing to receive regular emails from their local police about local issues.

In addition to Neighbourhood Watch information, they can also choose to receive *Marine Watch* and / or *Rural Watch* information.

The Western Australia Police are confident that this enhancement will bring Neighbourhood Watch to a whole new set of people who do not have the time or inclination to be street representatives. This will build upon the program's total effectiveness and enhance the philosophy of local crime prevention.

For further information, please visit www.nhw.wa.gov.au.

CORRUGATIONS 2005 CONFERENCE

Corrugations 2005 Conference – The Romance and Reality of Historic Roads run by Australia International Council of Monuments and Sites (ICOMOS), will be held in Melbourne from **Friday 25 to Sunday 27 November**.

Australia ICOMOS acts as a national and international link between public authorities, institutions and individuals involved in the identification, management and interpretation of all places of cultural significance.

This conference will facilitate discourse on the emerging issues of historic roads and their conservation. This conference will particularly interest heritage administrators, archaeologists, architects, historians, road engineers, sociologists and transport planners. The delegates will be professional and institutional members of ICOMOS, as well as representatives from associate non-government organisations such as the RACV, State and Federal road authorities and Councils responsible for heritage roads.

For further information, please visit www.corrugations.net.au.

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF DISABILITY

The International Day of People with a Disability is part of a worldwide celebration that occurs on **3 December** each year. The day is unique among community awareness days, as it unites disability organisations, individuals with a disability, businesses, Federal, State and Local Government, as well as the community. The day is a collaborative effort to celebrate and acknowledge the experience and expertise of people with a disability. The WA launch of the International Day of Disability will be a business breakfast:

Date: **Monday 28 November**
Time: 7.00 am to 9.00 am
Venue: Club Ballroom
The University Club of WA
Cost: \$50 per ticket or \$400 for a table of 10

The event is aimed towards business people, members of Federal, State and Local Government and representatives from the disability community (individuals and organisations).

For further information and bookings, please call (08) 6389 4100 or email westcare@westcare.com.au.

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23 February Central Metropolitan Zone
23 February North Metropolitan Zone
23 February East metropolitan Zone
02 March State Council
27 March South Metropolitan Zone
29 March South East Metropolitan Zone
30 March Central Metropolitan Zone
30 March North Metropolitan Zone
30 March East Metropolitan Zone
30 March Peel Country Zone
05 April State Council
29 May South Metropolitan Zone
31 May South East Metropolitan Zone
01 June Central Metropolitan Zone
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01 June Peel Country Zone
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03 August Central Metropolitan Zone
03 August North Metropolitan Zone
03 August East Metropolitan Zone
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27 September South East Metropolitan Zone
28 September Central Metropolitan Zone
28 September North Metropolitan Zone



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National News for Local Government

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Rally for fair funding, fair treatment and formal recognition

Around 600 delegates from councils the length and breadth of the nation will gather in Canberra next week for the 12th National General Assembly of Local Government. A highlight will be a rally of delegates on Tuesday to support the case for fair federal funding for local government, fair treatment by putting an end to cost shifting and formal recognition within the Australian Constitution. Delegates will hear progress reports on the three goals and consider a motion to embrace a campaign to run over the next two years, leading up to the 2007 federal election. ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, said that local government has made some significant ground over the past couple of years, "but we are still under-valued and under-funded. We need to eliminate cost shifting. We need fair federal funding, and we need formal recognition. This General Assembly will be a rallying point for a two-year campaign to secure solid commitments to a fair deal from the major parties," Cr Bell said. The rally will be held at the National Convention Centre in Canberra at 12.30 pm on Tuesday next week (Nov 8).



Labor to release local government, housing policy paper



The Labor Party will release a policy discussion paper on housing, urban development and local government later this year. The pledge was made by shadow minister Senator Kim Carr at the National Housing Conference in Perth last week. ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, welcomed the move. "We appreciate Senator Carr's commitment to discuss policy options well ahead of the 2007 federal election. That's a good move and a welcome development," Cr Bell said. Labor did not release a full local government policy at the last election. Senator

Carr also told the Housing Conference that Labor would work with state and local government to address the problems of Australia's neediest suburbs. "We need to bring together responsibility for housing, urban development and local government and develop a national policy approach that would ensure that Australia's cities and towns are socially just, economically efficient, environmentally sustainable and designed for diversity. The housing conference was also addressed by ALGA Board Member, Cr Ann Bennison, who outlined the positive approach taken to housing issues by local government over the past 15 years.

Lloyd, Gosford lock horns on IR laws

Gosford City Council has locked horns with its local Federal Member and Minister for Local Government, Jim Lloyd, over the Australian Government's controversial industrial relations legislation, now before Parliament. Gosford last week successfully at the NSW Local Government Association conference in Mudgee opposing "the proposed change to the Federal Government's Workplace Relations Act whereby council staff would be transferred from a state to federal award." The conference also endorsed the prospect of a fighting fund to challenge the changes, if necessary, but Jim Lloyd says a move to the federal system by councils does not mean the "abolition" of state awards.



"For employers who transfer to the federal system, state awards will also transfer as traditional federal agreements for three years. After that, they have the choice of switching to an EBA under the federal system or transfer to the most appropriate federal award," Mr Lloyd said. Moving to the federal system did not mean councils would be forced into either collective agreements or individual contracts (AWAs). "If councils wish to stay on an award they are free to do so," he said.

From the President

Next week, we will kick off a campaign for fair funding, fair treatment and formal recognition for local government. We will do so at a rally of delegates at the National General Assembly of Local Government in Canberra. In many ways, we are doing nothing new. Local government has - for more than 50 years - been pursuing federal funding as the demands on local government outstripped the sector's financial capacity to respond.



We have also been fighting for better treatment at the hands of our federal and state counterparts, and we have been advocating constitutional recognition for decades, our case being put to referendum twice, but we now have new opportunities to achieve change. We are only two years from the next federal election. We must build our case for change and press it home. The ALGA Board will meet this weekend to consider further research to underpin our case. Once this is complete, we will need to win allies to our cause. Those allies must come in the form of backbench Members and Senators. All councils will need to work with them and convince them of the need for change. There are already some good signs. The Coalition Government is pursuing an intergovernmental agreement to address cost shifting. It is committed to parliamentary recognition, a first step towards constitutional recognition and it has agreed to examine our argument for fair federal funding. For its part, Labor will release a discussion paper on local government later this year. This will, at the very least, open a public dialogue on issues facing local government. We welcome that as a very positive development. Yes, local government is on a long march, but it's a march that will, ultimately, allow local government to play its full and proper role within the Australian Federation. I hope to see you at the GA next week.

Cr Paul Bell
ALGA President

Comment sought on public transport

ALGA has joined the Australian Passenger Transport Group, which advises transport ministers on ways to promote the development of sustainable transport solutions. The group is undertaking a project that "documents the role and contributions of Commonwealth, state and local governments in providing sustainable transport for moving people in Australia". This project forms the first stage of a wider exercise to come up with some real policy proposals for better planned and integrated urban transport. ALGA invites any interested party to participate by providing responses to these questions particularly if there are examples within

your community of innovative and functioning passenger transport solutions. ALGA would also be keen to hear of any instances of cost shifting in relation to public transport. Please contact David Anderson, ALGA's Director of Transport Policy david.anderson@alga.asn.au on (02) 6122 9432.

Emergency management grants

Applications for 2006-07 grant funding under the Working Together to Manage Emergencies program will be called in January next year, with a closing date of 3 March. It is expected that guidelines and application forms will be available on the Emergency Management Australia website from mid-January. The Working Together to Manage Emergencies initiative recognises the need to develop self-reliance at both the community and local government levels in order to enhance community safety. The commitment is being implemented as a partnership between the Australian Government, state / territory governments, local government and emergency services agencies. It provides funding to support councils, communities and volunteer organisations to develop strategies to improve community safety and to improve training for volunteers involved in emergency management. The initiative comprises two grant schemes: a local grants scheme for councils and communities, and a national emergency volunteers support fund.

General Assembly highlights

The National General Assembly will be formally opened next Tuesday by the Deputy Prime Minister, Mark Vaile. Federal Local Government Minister, Jim Lloyd, and his Labor counterpart, Senator Kim Carr, will address the Assembly on Thursday. Keynote speakers will include a leading expert and commentator on demographic change, Bernard Salt, broadcaster and author, Phillip Adams, and the leader of the Australian defence force tsunami assistance mission to Indonesia, Brigadier David Chalmers. Former Lord Mayor of Brisbane, Jim Soorley, will give a plenary address on Thursday. Delegates will rally in support of fair funding, fair treatment and formal recognition on Tuesday at 12.30 pm and the **State of the Regions report** will be released at a press conference on Monday, also at 12.30 pm. Around 60 motions will be debated in four broad categories - local government financing, environment, population and ageing and infrastructure. Six motions concern constitutional recognition. The closing address will be delivered by the Leader of the Opposition, Kim Beazley.

Truss, Crean for Regional Forum

The four day National General Assembly of Local Government will kick off on Monday with the one-day curtain-raiser - ALGA's Regional Development and Cooperation Forum. The Forum will feature presentations from National Economics on the **2005-06 State of the Regions report**. This year's report - to be released at the Forum - is the second in a series of three covering infrastructure. Federal Transport and Regional Services Minister, Warren Truss, will make his inaugural address to local government at the Forum. A presentation will also be made by the Shadow Minister for Regional Development, Simon Crean.

ALGA's second ageing survey

ALGA invites councils to participate in the second online ageing awareness and action survey for local government. The survey aims to gauge awareness of population ageing within local government and to determine the level of local government action. The information collected from the survey will assist ALGA in its negotiations with Australian Government and to build the capacity of local government to plan for an ageing population. The survey is an initiative of the Australian Local Government Population Ageing Plan. Further information from ALGA's, Alley Peck, alley.peck@alga.asn.au, or phone (02) 6122 9421. Results from the first survey can also be accessed on ALGA's website.

Water news

The National Water Commission has started a free monthly electronic newsletter - Distilled. The Commission was created last year as an independent statutory body primarily to help achieve the national goal of improving water management. It also advises the Prime Minister on financial assistance to be provided under the \$1.6 billion Water Smart Australia program, which is open to local government. The newsletter will provide stakeholders and interested parties with details of its activities, grant programs and research. Subscriptions can be made online.

WATER'06

WATER '06 conference proudly sponsored by the Queensland Department of Natural Resources & Mines.

1-3 March 2006, Brisbane Convention Centre

What can local governments do to secure their water supply? Is recycled potable water really an option that the public will accept? What are the other alternatives - desalination, water trading, demand management?

Local governments are at the forefront of sustainable water management in Australia, but are often left out of important debates. There is no "one-size-fits-all solution" so attend the WATER '06 conference and-along with your colleagues represented on the program - make your interests heard.

Through presentations, case studies and discussion sessions, WATER '06 addresses the following key issues:

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- How can we create a system of partnerships between the three tiers of government and between government and the private sector that encourages innovative projects and sustainable use of our water supplies?
- Is pricing really an effective demand management strategy? What are the impacts of pricing increases in rural areas?
- How can local governments supplement their supply? Trading? Stormwater harvesting? Aquifer storage & recovery?
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In two information-packed days, hear from over 30 of Australia's water industry leaders at this national forum and network with your colleagues from across Australia! From \$995 + GST - this conference represents true value-for-money. Register now!

For more information or to register please contact Hannah Pipe on (02) 9969 6167 or email register@water06.com.au or visit www.water06.com.au.



Small Bridges conference CD available

The two-set CD ROM of the recently held Australian Small Bridges Conference in Sydney is now available with full video and audio recording of the presentations to the conference.

Organised by Hallmark Conferences and held at the Powerhouse Museum, the conference was attended by more than 150 council engineers and private sector consultants.

The two-set CD contains more than 11 hours of presentations by local government, road authorities, and private sector experts outlining the legal, technical and financial issues involved in the testing, strengthening and replacement of small bridges in Australia including both road and pedestrian bridges.

Leading international and Australian bridge experts addressed the vital issues of public liability, risk management, bridge asset management, funding issues, the scope of the New Bridge Code AS5100 requirements, inspection and assessment, load testing, monitoring of timber bridges, bridge materials, repair and strengthening and related technical matters.

This important conference focused on the solutions available to road authorities in their search for cost effective outcomes to improve the management of their ageing bridge assets.

The conference had a structured program to take delegates through all the major issues facing small bridges, and equip them to more effectively manage bridge assets into the future. Presentations included case studies focused on practical solutions to be put into practice now.

The cost of the twin CD set (11 hours of recordings) is only \$198 including GST. To order the conference CD, please go to our website - www.halledit.com.au/conferences/bridges - or contact Denise McQueen on (03) 8534 5000 or email denise@halledit.com.au



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January 23 - 25 2006 Hilton Adelaide

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The economic benefits of cycle-based tourism globally are now well documented. The 2006 Australasian Cycle Tourism Conference will be an opportunity for you to work with the experts to ensure your business, region or state will capitalise on this rapidly growing niche.

The theme of the conference will explore the social, environmental benefits and economic opportunities of communities through cycling. Cycle Tourism Australia recognises that regional communities that have already developed cycle tourism activities lead to lucrative opportunities for continued cycle tourism development.

Some of the world's best thinkers will deliver keynote addresses each day to stimulate your own mindset. The Conference is designed to deliver outcomes for the cycle tourism sector. These speakers will start us thinking about the many successful stories and opportunities from around the globe.

Don't miss out on this unique opportunity to share and network with leaders of international and national cycle tourism. Speakers include:

- **Tim Blumenthal**, previously the executive director of the International Mountain Bike Association (IMBA), mountain bike Hall of Fame inductee and the current executive director of the 'Bikes Belong Coalition.
- **Andrew McEvoy**, director Australasia, Tourism Australia will outline his work on the development of niche marketing and strategies for growing visitor dispersal and visitor expenditure and where cycle tourism fits within Tourism Australia's agenda.
- **Peter Eich**, Managing director of Bodensee-radweg Service GmbH, an innovative company which is fast becoming Germany's most successful cycling tour operator. The Bodensee-radweg attracts 380,000 visitors a year, making it Europe's most popular cycling route.

Peter Solly is the director of Cycle Tourism Australia - Australian Centre for excellence, and the executive director of Bicycle South Australia. He is a strong advocate for the social, economic and environmental development of local and regional communities through the development of cycle tourism.

For speaker updates, the latest abstracts or to register for the 2006 Australasian Cycle Tourism Conference go to www.cycletourism.com.au or fax your registration directly to the Centre on (08) 8232 5299.

Forthcoming events

7 - 10 November 2005

National General Assembly of Local Government
Canberra *Hosted by: Australian Local Government Association*

9 - 11 November 2005

2nd World Summit of Cities and Local Authorities on the Information Society
Bilbao, Spain *Presented by: United Cities and Local Governments*

9 - 11 November 2005

Libraries are loud! - but who's listening? *Inaugural conference*
Albury, New South Wales *Hosted by: Public Libraries Australia*

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Campaign launched - 600 rally for fair funding

More than 600 local council leaders and representatives from across the country rallied at the National General Assembly in support of fair funding, fair treatment and formal recognition of local government. The rally condemned the practice of cost shifting by state and federal governments, a practice that costs local government between \$500m and \$1.1bn each year. Addressing the rally, ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, said the Federal Government had done much to support local government over the past few years, but while this was



much appreciated, fundamental reform was needed to the system of financial assistance grants to local government. "We want the major parties to agree to overhaul these grants - they are simply not keeping pace with the increasing costs of providing services, let alone meeting the demand for new and expanded services from our communities. Local government will campaign over the next two years in the lead up to the 2007 federal election to secure commitments from the major parties for fair funding, fair treatment and formal recognition," he said.

Lloyd delivers another \$100m for regional roads

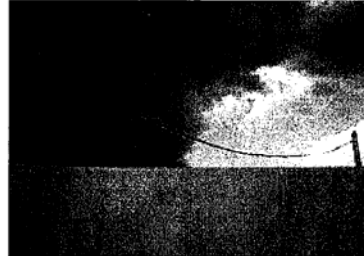


Another \$100m will be added to the strategic regional component of the AusLink program, the Federal Minister for Local Government, Territories and Roads, Jim Lloyd, told the General Assembly yesterday. The move has been applauded by ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell. Initially, \$150m was allocated for the strategic component, but much of this was allocated to specific projects during last year's federal election campaign. The new money takes the total value of the program to \$250m. It will assist councils to develop regional roads that support industry, tourism and economic development. "The strategic regional programme has created enormous interest among councils since its announcement in 2004," Mr Lloyd said. "This interest attests to the significance councils see the program contributing to the development of their regions. In recognition of the program's importance to councils, this extra funding has been provided. It will go a

long way towards ensuring that strategic development in regions around Australia continues," he said. ALGA and state associations lobbied for additional funding in the wake of the 2005 election. "We congratulate Jim Lloyd on securing much needed and much welcomed additional funding for regional roads," Cr Bell said. "It's a much welcome addition to the \$1.2bn Roads to Recovery program."

State of the Regions: Broadband boost will benefit the bush

Expanding broadband access in regional Australia would significantly boost the nation's export potential, the 2005-06 State of the Regions report has found. The report - released at the Regional Cooperation and Development Forum, provides clear evidence that regional Australia is under-performing in terms of its potential use of information and communication technology with negative implications for exports, but investment of as little as \$3bn to extend broadband cover could create more than 10,000 jobs and provide an annual benefit to the nation of more than \$920m a year, or more than \$27bn over 30 years (in 2004 dollar terms). The report also ranks Australia's 64 regions according to potential export gains from improvements in the use of information and communication technology by industry. Prepared for ALGA by National Economics and sponsored by Jardine Lloyd Thompson, the report provides a comprehensive stock-take of the economic and social well-being of Australia's 64 regions and their prospects for economic development and employment growth. ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, said that the report clearly demonstrated the benefit of well-targeted investment by government and others in expanding broadband. "We must get on with the task of building our nation through major investment in improving and extending broadband. The regions that need the most help will gain the most benefit," he said. The report can be purchased online for \$165. All delegates to the National General Assembly received a free copy.



From the President

Extract from Cr Bell's opening address to the General Assembly.

"Local government is under pressure. Serious pressure. Councils are finding it hard to meet increasing demand for services, replace crumbling infrastructure and maintain our massive network of roads.

We also face new pressures as our population ages and moves, and while the financial squeeze gets harder and harder, state and federal tax revenue grows larger and larger. The states got access to growth funding through the new tax system, but we're left to languish on FAGs. As part of our campaign, ALGA will commission a major economic study. This study will help us prepare a comprehensive, watertight case to put to the major parties next year. At the same time, we must all lobby for change as we move towards the 2007 federal election. In doing so, we must win over the backbenchers. We need to make them the champions of our cause. The task ahead isn't easy, but we have right on our side. At the end of the day, this isn't just about giving more money to local government - it's about getting a fair deal for the communities we serve. Local government plays a vital role in the economic and social health of our nation. It's time local communities got the fair funding, fair treatment and formal recognition they deserve. Look out for our campaign kits in the New Year. Stay in touch through ALGA News and the ALGA website. Have a safe trip home and hold on to your hats - 2006 is going to be one heck of a year!"

Cr Paul Bell
ALGA President



GA Resolutions

Delegates debated around 60 motions at the General Assembly over the past four days. All resolutions will be posted on the General Assembly website by close of business on Monday (November 14). Resolutions covered four broad topics - local government financing, health and ageing, environmental and infrastructure. A further six motions concerned constitutional recognition. The Assembly also considered a number of late motions.

GA dates for 2006

Don't forget - the 13th National General Assembly of Local Government will be held in Canberra on 26-30 November 2006.

Local Government Awards

ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, has congratulated all national local government award winners. Winners of these prestigious Australian Government awards were announced during a ceremony hosted by the Federal Minister for Local Government, Territories and Roads, Jim Lloyd, on Monday night. National awards were presented to Hume City Council (Vic), City of Murray Bridge (SA), Whitsunday Shire Council (Qld), North Midlands Council (Tas) and Newcastle City Council (NSW). The award ceremony was held in conjunction with the General Assembly.

Lobby now for strong IGA

Every council, every mayor and every councillor needed to lobby their federal and state MPs to secure a strong intergovernmental agreement to stop cost shifting, ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, urged delegates to the General Assembly during a briefing session yesterday. The session provided delegates with an update on the development of the IGA and an overview of IGA model adopted by the ALGA Board. Cr Bell said that the IGA must have strong compliance provisions to ensure state and federal governments kept their part of the agreement. The IGA will be developed over the coming months and the Local Government and Planning Ministers Council will consider a draft in March.

Labor policy paper imminent

The Labor Party will shortly release a policy discussion paper on housing, urban development and local government, Senator Kim Carr told the General Assembly yesterday. Senator Carr said that the paper would bring together some "salient facts and forecasts, and put forward some policy ideas" that cover these areas. "Labor is committed to finding a better way," he told delegates. "We want to craft a new policy framework that will encourage the three spheres of government to operate cooperatively. We want an atmosphere of mutual respect for each others' capacities and for the complementary roles played by each." Senator Carr is the Shadow Minister for Local Government and Urban Development, Housing and Territories.

Vaile salutes councils

Deputy Prime Minister Mark Vaile has confirmed that recognition of local government by both Houses of Federal parliament will occur before the end of the year. Speaking at the opening ceremony of the General Assembly, Mr Vaile said: In the near future, we will be putting a resolution to Parliament that will formally acknowledge your important role, in line with one of the recommendations of the Hawker Report on local government cost shifting," he told delegates. The drafting of the resolution was "almost complete". Mr Vaile - who served as a deputy mayor in regional NSW - also saluted local government. "Australia's local councils are the closest level of government to the people," he said. "You provide the basic services that have been essential for as long as there have been towns and cities. Your leadership advances the economic development of your local areas. The Australian Government recognises and salutes your importance."

More projects, less debate

Governments must champion more regional development projects and stop creating debating forums and committees of inquiry, the Executive Chair of Industry Fund Services, Garry Weaven, told the Regional Cooperation and Development Forum on Monday. "Governments must create the appropriate policy settings to allow private and social costs and benefits to be matched over time," he told delegates. They should also provide political leadership to cut

through the "multi-level, multi-authority patchwork of public policy governance to actually drive major project outcomes."



State of the Regions Report 2005-06

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MEDIA RELEASE

7 November 2005

Western Australia is Top State for "Baby Bounce"

Western Australia is leading the nation in the phenomenon of "baby bounce" – an against-the-trend increase in the proportion of the population under one-year-of-age.

In the 2005-06 State of the Regions Report released today, WA had four of the Top 10 "baby bounce" regions, including the top two regions nationally, and the highest growth of all States. In 2004, under-one-year-olds accounted for 1.27% of the population, compared to 1.22% in 2003.

WA Local Government Association President, Cr Bill Mitchell said the term "baby bounce" had been adopted to explain the population shift following on from the "baby boom" era up to 1961 and the "baby bust" used to describe the trend since.

Prepared for the Australian Local Government Association by National Economics and sponsored by Jardine Lloyd Thompson, the report found the national increase in the proportion of under-one-year-olds was the first since 1996.

"The experts recognise that a contrasting result for one year is not enough to say the trend has shifted, but it is certainly something that Local Government should be mindful of," Cr Mitchell said.

"What gives added weight to the result this year is that it is almost nationwide, reducing the potential for the WA figure to have been a consequence of interstate migration alone."

Cr Mitchell said the report had highlighted four areas of WA in the top 10 "baby bounce" regions, including the Pilbara-Kimberley and Peel-South West regions as the top two in the nation.

"If this trend were to continue there would be a number of areas where Local Government would have to ensure that they were prepared, particularly in regard to community facilities," Cr Mitchell said.

"That four of the top baby bounce regions in Australia are in regional WA also has ramifications for Local Government in securing the provision of medical services to non-metropolitan areas."

The National Top 5 "baby bounce" regions are:

REGION: % population less than 1 (2003)	% population less than 1 (2004)	Difference
WA – Pilbara-Kimberley	1.58 1.73	0.16
WA – Peel-South West	1.10 1.18	0.08
QLD – West Moreton	1.33 1.41	0.08
WA Perth Central	1.08 1.15	0.07
QLD – North West	1.63 1.69	0.06

A full copy of the State of the Regions Report can be accessed at www.alga.asn.au.

MEDIA RELEASE

7 November 2005

WA Wheatbelt Has Most to Gain From Broadband Roll Out

More than 500 jobs with benefits in excess of \$40 million a year would be created in the Wheatbelt-Great Southern region of Western Australia with expanded access to broadband internet services.

The 2005-06 State of the Regions Report released today, has put the Wheatbelt-Great Southern region as having the most to gain in all of Australia from increased use of information and communication technology.

WA Local Government Association President, Cr Bill Mitchell, expected the report findings would be welcomed in the Wheatbelt-Great Southern region as it provided a strong indicator of a way forward.

“This should be good news for the region because it gives them a potential focus to enable growth and create jobs in their communities,” Cr Mitchell said.

Prepared for the Australian Local Government Association by National Economics and sponsored by Jardine Lloyd Thompson, the State of the Regions Report also identified WA’s Gascoyne-Goldfields region in the nation’s Top 10 regions in terms of potential benefits, with a possible 319 jobs and \$39.3 million in benefits.

Nationally, the report estimates a total of 10,000 jobs could be created with an annual benefit of \$920 million per annum.

Cr Mitchell supported the call by ALGA President, Cr Paul Bell, for priority to be given to expanding the broadband network in the regions.

“It is estimated in the report that it would cost \$3 billion nationally to ADSL enable exchanges and that this relatively small investment could unlock an increase in gross product of 20 per cent per annum,” Cr Mitchell said.

The National Top 10 regions to gain most through increased broadband access are:

WA – Wheatbelt-Great Southern region	532 jobs	\$41.1m per annum
VIC – Goulburn	447 jobs	\$33.5m per annum
VIC – Gippsland	423 jobs	\$49.9m per annum
VIC – Mallee-Wimmera	398 jobs	\$34.3m per annum
NSW North	363 jobs	\$26.1m per annum
NSW Central West	336 jobs	\$25.3m per annum
QLD – Wide Bay-Burnett	331 jobs	\$23m per annum
QLD – Agricultural South West	329 jobs	\$22.7m per annum
SA – Eyre and Yorke	327 jobs	\$45.7m per annum
WA – Gascoyne-Goldfields	319 jobs	\$39.3m per annum

A full copy of the State of the Regions Report can be accessed at www.alga.asn.au

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MEDIA RELEASE

8 November 2005

WA Local Government Award Winners Applauded

Four Western Australian Councils have been honoured in the National Awards for Local Government announced in Canberra last night.

The Shire of Waroona was the Rural Council Winner of the Health Services category, while commendations were awarded to Stirling City Council (Community Business Partnerships category); Melville City Council (Performance Improvement); and City of Joondalup (Strengthening Indigenous Communities).

WA Local Government Association President, Cr Bill Mitchell, applauded the success of the WA winners chosen from the 286 entries for this year's awards.

"These awards are the peak national honours for Local Government and it is pleasing to see West Australian Councils among the winners," Cr Mitchell said.

He said that the awards provided benchmarks for other Councils to assess themselves against across 16 core areas, from Asset Management and Innovation in Regional Development, to Valuing and Promotion of Quality Child Care and Planning for an Ageing Community.

"I will be encouraging WA Councils to examine the list of winners and consider these outstanding projects as best practice examples which may be applicable to their area," Cr Mitchell said.

"WA Councils have had some success and that has been recognised, however the awards also identify other areas where Councils from outside the State have had success and we should all look to leverage from those achievements."

The awards were presented at a gala dinner held in conjunction with the Australian Local Government Association's National General Assembly in Canberra this week.

Ends

MEDIA RELEASE

9 November 2005

Small Council has Big Win

Lake Grace is on the move – recognised today as leading the nation in encouraging residents to adopt a more physically active lifestyle.

At a ceremony conducted in Canberra as part of the Local Government national conference, the Shire of Lake Grace was announced the national winner of the Small Rural and Remote Community category of the 2005 Heart Foundation Kellogg Local Government Awards.

At the same ceremony, the City of Joondalup, which earlier this year won the overall WA State Award for its Growing Old and Living Dangerously program, was highly commended in the Physical Activity Project category, while the Shire of Capel was a finalist in the Policy for Healthy Communities category.

In all, national awards were presented in 7 categories from 41 national finalists, with the overall winner, the Mornington Peninsula Shire in Victoria.

WA Local Government Association President, Cr Bill Mitchell, said it was significant that Western Australian projects from both metropolitan and regional communities had been recognised.

“Each of the WA programs made significant impacts on their respective communities and the participation and awareness of adopting a healthier lifestyle,” Cr Mitchell said.

“As a national winner, the Shire of Lake Grace has demonstrated that good ideas are not restricted to larger Councils located in the metropolitan area.”

The Lake Grace ARC program - Aquatics and Recreation in the Community – attracted more than 2,000 participants from Lake Grace and Newdegate to a range of activities including fitness classes, aqua aerobics, walking groups, social competitions, kid’s activities and community fun days.

The WA projects are amongst 81 Local Activity Grants, totalling more than \$800,000 administered by the Association from the Premier’s Physical Activity Taskforce. The total pool of grants to be issued under the grant program is \$1.3m with the next round of funding in March 2006.

Ends

MEDIA RELEASE

10 November 2005

Road Funding Win for Local Government in WA

Easing holiday traffic through Mandurah, dealing with the number of log trucks on South-West roads and a new coastal highway to Jurien are examples of projects that may benefit from \$100 million in additional funding announced today.

In addressing Local Government's national convention in Canberra this morning, Federal Minister for Roads, Jim Lloyd, announced an additional \$100 million funding for the Commonwealth Government's Auslink Strategic Regional Component.

WA Local Government Association President, Cr Bill Mitchell, said the additional funding was a significant win for the Association which had been lobbying hard for an additional \$250 million for the Auslink Program.

"This announcement is the result of the Association's sustained campaign for the Commonwealth Government to recognise the transport infrastructure needs, particularly in Western Australia," Cr Mitchell said.

"The Association has been well supported by the WA State Government in putting pressure on the Commonwealth Government and that we have gained an additional \$100 million should be seen as a significant achievement.

"Certainly these funds will help ease the \$200 million backlog of important transport infrastructure projects in Western Australia that have been identified as requiring increased Federal funding."

Projects identified by Councils that stand to benefit from the increased funding include an intermodal transport hub in Kalgoorlie, strategic rail and road networks for plantation timber cartage and grain haulage, the Mandurah Northern Bypass and the Indian Ocean Drive.

In addition to regional infrastructure, a number of projects in the metropolitan area may also benefit, including works to Hepburn Avenue, Gnangara Road and Mundijong Road.

Cr Mitchell said the Association would be continuing its campaign to gain further funds for the Auslink Program as there remained an ongoing funding shortfall for transport infrastructure in Western Australia and indeed throughout Australia.

"Today's announcement is a step in the right direction, but we will be urging the Commonwealth Government to do even more as we anticipate there will be a consideration oversubscription in project applications," Cr Mitchell said.

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1.1 **EMPLOYEE MOVEMENTS**

New Staff:

- Steven Hoare has been appointed to the permanent position of Gardener. He commenced in the position on 25 October 2005.
- Tina Ellard has been appointed to the permanent position of Cleaner. She commenced in the position on 9 November 2005.
- Sherrie Nicholas has been appointed to the position of Planning Services Information Officer and commences on 21 November 2005.

Staff Leaving:

- Margaret Allwood has resigned from her position of Cleaner, effective 19 October 2005.

Other Staff Movements:

- Nil

Current Recruitment Activity:

- Cleaner – second round of interviews scheduled after preferred candidate withdrew.
- Recreation Officer – recruitment almost complete.
- Parks Technical Officer – on hold.
- Building Surveyor – interviews completed, recruitment process continuing.
- Community Development Officer – re-advertised 5 November 2005, interviews to be scheduled for week commencing 28 November.
- Historian/Local Studies Librarian – closed 11 November 2005, short-listing commencing.
- Visitor Centre Coordinator – closed 11 November 2005, short-listing commencing.
- Human Resources Assistant – closed 11 November 2005, short-listing commencing.

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TECHNICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS			
ITEM	REFERRING COMMITTEE	COMMENTS	OFFICER RESPONSIBLE
<u>Armadale Shale Quarry – Management Plan</u> <i>Refer T145/02 25 November02</i>	Technical Services	Further report to future Technical Services Committee.	Executive Director
<u>Gillam Drive, Kelmscott – Verge Streetscaping</u> <i>Refer T106/10/03 27 October 03</i>	Technical Services	Further report to future Technical Services Committee.	Manager Engineering and Design / Manager Parks
<u>Armitage Road – Temporary Road Closure/Parking arrangements</u> <i>Refer T23/04/04 27 April 04</i>	Development Services/ Technical Services	Further report to future Development Services Committee. Future report to Technical Services Committee	Executive Director Development Services. Manager Engineering and Design.
<u>Road Calming to Jarrah Road Roleystone and other items associated with upgrading of the Roleystone Shopping Centre</u> <i>Refer T29/04/04 27 April 04</i>	Technical Services	Further report to future Technical Services Committee.	Manager Engineering and Design.
<u>Tomah Street, Armadale – Traffic Management, Resurfacing and Parking Petition</u> <i>Refer T89/09/04 27 September 04</i>	Technical Services	Further report to future Technical Services Committee	Manager Engineering and Design
<u>Lack of Lighting at Cross Park Precinct, Roleystone</u> <i>Refer T91/09/04 27 September 04</i>	Technical Services	Further report to future Technical Services Committee	Manager Parks
<u>O’Sullivan Drive, Westfield Petition</u> <i>Refer T21/03/05 30 March 05</i>	Technical Services	Further report to future Technical Services Committee	Manager Engineering and Design
<u>Tender 35/04 – Construction of Culvert 5206 Champion Drive over Southern River</u> <i>Refer T26/04/05 18 April 05</i>	Technical Services	Further report to future Technical Services Committee	Manager Engineering and Design
<u>Traffic Management – Lefroy Road Precinct</u> <i>Refer T32/05/05 30 May 2005</i>	Technical Services	Further report to future Technical Services Committee	Senior Projects Engineer
<u>Staff Replacement - Technical Services Directorate</u> <i>Refer T68/06/05 27 June 2005</i>	Technical Services	Further report to future Technical Services Committee	Executive Director
<u>Rubbish and Litter emanating from shopping Centres</u> <i>Refer T94/08/05 22 August 05</i>	Technical Services	Further report to the March 2006 Technical Services Committee	Manager Parks & Coordinator Waste Services

TECHNICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS			
ITEM	REFERRING COMMITTEE	COMMENTS	OFFICER RESPONSIBLE
<u>Roleystone Signage</u> <i>Refer T103/09/05 September 05</i>	Technical Services	A report to be presented to Technical Services Committee by December 2005	Executive Director Technical Services

TECHNICAL SERVICES WORKS PROGRAMME OCTOBER – DECEMBER 2005

	October	November	December
Civil Works	<p>Construction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Armadale Rd – Weld St -End ▪ Slab Gully drainage ▪ Girraween St traffic calming ▪ Braemore St traffic calming ▪ Cul de Sacs ▪ Tomah Rd fencing, kerbing, resealing <p>Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Car park maintenance ▪ Bridge maintenance 	<p>Construction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Braemore St traffic calming ▪ Champion Fr Extension (Culverts) ▪ Armadale Rd – Weld St -End ▪ Slab Gully drainage ▪ Seville Dr midblock ▪ Gillam Dr/Railway R/about ▪ Cul de Sacs ▪ Resealing Program <p>Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Car park maintenance ▪ Bridge maintenance 	<p>Construction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Champion Dr Extension (Road) ▪ Armadale Rd – Weld St – End ▪ Seville Dr mid block ▪ Gillam Dr/Railway roundabout ▪ Cul de Sacs ▪ Resealing Program ▪ Footpath contract ▪ Fisher St ▪ Girraween St traffic calming ▪ Gillam Dr/Railway R/about <p>Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Car park maintenance ▪ Bridge maintenance
Design & Development	<p>Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 24 & 25 Seville Drive Sub ▪ Lot 2 Poad Street ▪ Newhaven Precinct 1A ▪ Chevin Woods Estate 1 ▪ Irymple Road Development 	<p>Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 24 & 25 Seville Drive Sub ▪ Newhaven Precinct 1A ▪ Chevin Woods Estate 4 ▪ Irymple Road Development ▪ Churchman Brook Stg 7 & 8 	<p>Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 24 & 25 Seville Drive Sub ▪ Newhaven Precinct 1A ▪ Chevin Woods Estate 4 ▪ Irymple Road Development ▪ Churchman Brook Stg 7 & 8

	October	November	December
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Churchman Brook Stg 7 & 8 ▪ Armadale Shopping Centre (ING) ▪ Armadale Plaza Development (westzone) ▪ Kelmscott Shopping Centre <p>Design & Engineering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jarrah/Wygonada Road ▪ Brookton Highway Service Road ▪ Bernard Street ▪ Ranford Road ▪ Traffic Calming- Braemore St II, Girraween Street. ▪ Propsect Road ▪ Commerce Avenue ▪ Kevin Road <p>Drainage Works</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bernard Street ▪ Keates Road II ▪ Lake Road (out fall drain) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Armadale Shopping Centre (ING) ▪ Armadale Plaza Development (westzone) ▪ Kelmscott Shopping Centre ▪ Lot 36 Westfield Road ▪ Brookwood Estate Stage 4 <p>Design & Engineering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jarrah/Wygonada Road ▪ Fisher Street ▪ Bernard Street ▪ Ranford Road ▪ Propsect Road ▪ Roundabout Armadale/Anstey Road ▪ Commerce Avenue – roundabout ▪ Railway Avenue- roundabout <p>Drainage Works</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bernard Street ▪ Keates Road II ▪ Lake Road (out fall drain) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Armadale Shopping Centre (ING) ▪ Armadale Plaza Development (westzone) ▪ Kelmscott Shopping Centre <p>Design & Engineering</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Jarrah/Wygonada Road (traffic management proposal) ▪ Wymond Road (Stage IIa) ▪ Ranford Road ▪ Traffic Calming- Braemore (St II), Girraween Street. ▪ Armadale/Eight Road ▪ Croyden Road ▪ Old Station Road ▪ McNess Drive (Stage II) ▪ Seville Drive ▪ Croyden Road <p>Drainage Works</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Slab Gully Creek
Parks and Reserves	<p>Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Revitalize Roleystone Project ▪ Memorial Park Redevelopment ▪ Champion Drive Stg II S/Scape ▪ Rushton Park Redevelopment ▪ Neighbourhood Improvement Project 	<p>Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Revitalize Roleystone Project ▪ Memorial Park Redevelopment ▪ Champion Drive Stg II S/Scape ▪ Rushton Park Redevelopment ▪ Neighbourhood Improvement Project 	<p>Development</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Memorial Park Redevelopment ▪ Rushton Park Redevelopment ▪ Kuhl Park Redevelopment – Final

	October	November	December
	<p>(Final)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Roundabout S/Scape – Lake Road/Camillo Road <p>Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seasonal Mowing ▪ Changeover from Winter to Summer Sports ▪ Turf Renovation ▪ Intrim CBD/Shopping Precinct 	<p>(Final)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Roundabout S/Scape – Lake Road/Camillo Road <p>Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seasonal Mowing ▪ Street tree Management (precinct 9) - Roleystone ▪ Industrial Areas (SAR) ▪ Interim CBD/Shopping Precincts 	<p>Maintenance</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Seasonal Mowing ▪ Street tree Management (precinct 8) - Mt Nasura ▪ Industrial Areas (SAR) ▪ Interim CBD/Shopping Precincts ▪ Lake Road Street Scape Maintenance ▪ Firebreak Management (Nature Reserves) ▪ Play Equipment Repairs General ‘City Wide’
Property Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Consultation with Rushton Park Ref. Group. ▪ Cross Park lighting projects. ▪ Admin air-conditioning audit of existing units ▪ Consultation with KelmScott Scouts Group lease of Creyk Park Hall. ▪ Consultation with Roleystone Scout regarding Lease of Karragullen Hall ▪ Armadale Aquatic Centre Reference Group ▪ Completion of Arena Bus Shed ▪ Construction of Training Room 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Consultation with Rushton Park Ref. Group. ▪ Cross Park lighting projects. ▪ Admin air-conditioning replace unit 2. ▪ Armadale Aquatic Centre Reference Group ▪ Rushton Park Redevelopment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Brick paving * Disabled Toilet * Building Renovations * Story wall construction ▪ Administration Building – Internal 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Consultation with Rushton Park Ref. Group. ▪ Cross Park lighting projects. ▪ Armadale Aquatic Centre Reference Group ▪ Rushton Park Redevelopment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Brick paving * Disabled Toilet * Building Renovations * Story wall construction ▪ Administration Building – Internal Alterations.

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Rushton Park Redevelopment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> * Brick paving * Disabled Toilet * Building Renovations * Story wall construction ▪ Administration Building -- Internal Alterations 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Alterations. ▪ Demolition of Old Kelmscott Library and the Kelmscott Child Health Centre Building. ▪ Demolition of old Scout Hall Frye Park. ▪ Frye Park Pavilion -- Render External Walls ▪ 	
Waste Services			

BUNGENDORE PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING No. 262, WEDNESDAY, 28th SEPTEMBER 2005

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cr Guenter Best (Chairman)
Mr David Harrison
Mrs Penny Versteeg
Mr James Hutchinson

Mr Kim Sarti
Mrs Elaine Hutchinson
Mr Don Griffiths
Mrs Miriam Stanborough

APOLOGIES

Mrs Irene Morcombe (Treasurer)
Mr Bill Ladyman (Secretary)

Mr Ian Thompson
Mr Ron Withnell

VISITOR

Mr Glenn Tuffnell (Dieback Treatment Services)

Cr Best declared meeting open at 7:40pm. Minutes of previous meeting held 24th August 2005 accepted as being correct. Ms Stanborough / Mrs Hutchinson.
Carried

SPECIAL BUSINESS

Dieback treatment within Bungendore Park – Mr Tuffnell discussed treatment to date and recommendations for future years. He opened by saying how Bungendore Park is the most well-visited park of any that he has treated, and congratulated the committee on the high community usage rate.

Mr Tuffnell reported that he performed dieback treatment between 14/7/05 and 19/9/05. 2620 lineal metres were treated in a 15-50m buffer width. Approximately 9100 litres of spray were used, and approximately 2800 injections completed. Each tree can require between 1 and 20 injections depending upon its size.

Reference was made to the attached article from the Comment News (Tuesday September 13, 2005) in which Mr Tuffnell's work in Bungendore Park is described.

Mr Tuffnell recommends that in the next round of treatments, the committee prioritise approximately 200m of tracks that are easily accessible by vehicle (as backpack spraying is inefficient), or put through tracks into heavily infested areas that can be GPS-mapped, allowed to overgrow following treatment, but re-mapped and marked for subsequent years' treatments if required.

Future budgeting for dieback treatment of at least \$6,000 per annum was recommended.

Treatments later in the year, or in Autumn are most recommended in order to avoid delays due to rain.

The committee thanked Mr Tuffnell for his work, and for attending the meeting to provide a brief on this year's treatment.

BUSINESS ARISING

1. Tenure and management of Armadale Settlers' Common and Bungendore Park – follow up to outcomes of last meeting's discussion

- The City of Armadale be requested to convene a meeting of members of Bungendore Park and Armadale Settlers' Common management committees, Churchmans Brook Bushland Association members and CALM's Darling Range Regional Park Operations Manager to discuss the City's proposal.

Action: Mr Ladyman

- CALM be requested to supply a copy of the management plan being used to implement management functions of adjacent bushlands to Bungendore Park.

Action: Mr Ladyman

2. Hazard reduction review – Cr Best has attempted to further discuss Committee's request seeking a variation to the Management Plan for a control burn of the 100 metre buffer area between Gates K and J [1/256] with Paul Lanternier, however there is no resolution as yet. Apparently a control burn plan exists, but is not yet available. **Action: Cr Best**

3. Unauthorised clearing and widening of track west of pit #10 – Cr Best has yet to discuss with Mr Lanternier about a response to Mr Allen's previous letter [1/258]. **Action: Cr Best**

4. Cheque Account signatories – Cr Best reported that he has registered his signature with the bank, but that Mr Ladyman still needs to register his signature. **Action: Mr Ladyman**

5. Dieback control in the park – Mr Glenn Tuffnell (Dieback Treatment Services) has completed this year's treatment. Account received for \$3,000 for Phase 2 of this year's treatment.

6. Spring Walk – September 11th (Djilba Walks). Thanks to all Committee members who assisted, especially those who checked the walk beforehand; also to the Lions Club for morning teas. Sue Allen, Recreation Department has reported that 62 people registered for the walk. Mr & Mrs Hutchinson reported that they placed a article in 'The Blurb' (Bedfordale Residents' Association newsletter) following the walk.

7. Map of Bungendore Park – Mr Sarti has organised for updates to be made and for copies to be printed [5/258]. Laminating of maps costs \$10 per map, there are 18 to be done. All present agreed that the laminating should be done before the maps are distributed.

Moved: Mr Griffiths / Mr Harrison.
Carried

8. Vandalism in the park – Gate 'K' and nearby bollard on the southwest corner [4/258]. CALM was asked by City of Armadale to conduct the repairs – this has now been completed.

9. Weedbuster Week – in October. Mr & Mrs Hutchinson offered to remove the ≈14 plants of *Acacia saligna* in Pit #10. **Action: Mr & Mrs Hutchinson**

10. Voluntary Hours – Committee members completed the Voluntary Hours forms.

11. Volunteer work authorisation – Bungendore Park Management Committee authorises members and volunteers to perform maintenance works and management activities for the ensuing year as and when required. **Moved Mr Sarti/Mrs Versteeg**
Carried 16/02/2005

12. Activity since last meeting includes:

Walk track maintenance	Mr Hutchinson, Mr Harrison	10 th & 12 th September
Patrolling	Mr & Mrs Hutchinson, Mrs Versteeg, Ms Stanborough	Ongoing.
Education, PR (Djilba Walk)	Committee members	11 th September
Surveys, PR	Mr Sarti	16 th September
Weed control	Ms Stanborough	Ongoing

AWAITING COMPLETION AND/OR REPLY

1. Finance – flowchart of payment & funding processes – [1/234 & 1/239] in abeyance.
2. General maintenance – Repair of the locking mechanism on Gate ‘G’ at Howe Street entrance by Mr Griffiths. The work is planned for later in the season with Mr Thompson arranging for a fire truck to be present if necessary.
3. Fire access track leading from Pit #5 – proposal to re-instate the track westwards from Gate “C” through Pit #5 down the scarp to meet Track W2 (which traverses dieback-infected country). Mr Sarti will discuss with Mr Thompson on his return [2/257].
4. Tree across fire access tracks W3 & N3 **Action: Mr & Mrs Hutchinson to remedy.**
5. Culvert at Cooliabbera Spring – due to erosion on former fire access track on western boundary. This track was regraded without committee’s knowledge. Suggestion of 2 x 9” pipes ≈20 metres apart and possibly a culvert on track W2. Agreed this be undertaken in summer; *Phytopthera* Dieback to be checked against map. **Action: Mrs Versteeg to follow up with Mr Thompson in Summer.**
6. Vacant Committee positions – Mr Ladyman to report on omission of Mr Thompson’s name [1/259] on the list of members recently re-appointed to Committee when his name was included in the recommended list in April minutes [1/257].

GRANTS IN PROGRESS

1. Community Conservation 2003/2004 – \$900 [XT72]
2. Swan Alcoa Landcare Program 2005 (05S08) – \$2,700 [XT70]
3. Community Conservation 2004/2005 – \$2,200 [XT69]
4. Regional Parks Community 2005 grant – \$1,155 [XT68]
5. Regional Parks Community 2006 grant – \$2,555 awaiting response

INFORMATION RECEIVED

Greening Australia – “The Greening Australian” Autumn/Winter 2005.

CORRESPONDENCE IN

1. Draft City of Armadale State of the Environment Report 2005 received from Ms Corinne Gaskin, along with invitations for public comment until 4/11/05.
2. Letter from Ms Corinne Gaskin advising on the outcome of the 2005/2006 City of Armadale / BEAC Funding applications. Of the \$11,260 applied for by the Bungendore Park Management Committee, only \$5,660 has been allocated. Committee were disappointed with this allocation, and recommended that a letter be written to the City identifying works that will not be able to be performed as a result of this shortfall, and requesting further funding. **Action: Mr Ladyman.**

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

FINANCE

Details	Amount \$	Expenditure Type
Dieback Treatment Services – Inv #511 Strategic application of Phosphite	1,500.00	XT69
Dieback Treatment Services – Inv #512 Strategic application of Phosphite	1,500.00	XT70
Kim Sarti – masonry drill	3.75	XT 3
Kim Sarti – photocopying, postage	38.05	XT 7
Kim Sarti – photocopying	6.00	XT 8

Moved: Mr Griffiths / Mrs Hutchinson. Carried.

Account of \$50 received for bank audit statement. Mrs Morcombe to follow up for reimbursement.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Community voluntary hours – Mr Sarti to complete spreadsheet and forward to Ms Corrine Gaskin for inclusion into BEAC voluntary tally.

Action: Mr Sarti

2. Perth Biodiversity Project – Mr Sarti reported he attended as a guest at an on-site training session on 16th September for botanists and others involved in assessing bushland in the City of Armadale. The Perth Biodiversity Project is being co-ordinated by the WA Local Government Association in conjunction with Greening Australia for the Department of the Environment.
3. November meeting – Ms Corrine Gaskin has agreed to speak to Committee about a hand-held GPS mapping unit that's ideal for mapping weeds and other uses. Information can be downloaded to printed maps.
4. Bungendore Bush Breakfast – 6th November, 7:30 am to 8:30 am with a guided walk at 8:45 am..Cr Best has arranged for Mr Kim Fletcher to assist in leading the bushwalk. Advertising now on Cockatoo Care and City of Armadale websites. Mrs Hutchinson reported that 11 bookings have already been received.
5. Seedling order for 2006 – Mr Sarti tabled a suggested order for 1,000 seedlings at 75¢ each. All agreed that this was appropriate.
6. Apologies – from Mr Sarti and Mr Harrison for next meeting.

DIARY OF EVENTS

2005	Date	Events
OCTOBER		Keilmcott Show – 3 days Weedbuster Week (2 nd week in October)
NOVEMBER	6 th	Bungendore Bush Breakfast
DECEMBER		BEAC end-of-year function
2006	Date	Events
JULY	28 th	School Tree Day
	30 th	National Tree Day
AUGUST		
SEPTEMBER		Djilba Spring Walk
OCTOBER		

SUMMARY OF OUTSTANDING AND NEW ACTION POINTS

Feb 03	1/234	Mr Lanternier to provide a flow chart for the payments process and to supply Committee with copies of the Friends Group Manual.
Mar 05	6/256	Mr Thompson to investigate fallen tree on track W3. Now with Mr & Mrs Hutchinson .
Apr 05	2/257	Mr Sarti to follow up new fire access track proposal with Mr Thompson.
June 05	1/259	Mr Ladyman to follow up the omission of Mr Thompson from the renomination list

DATE OF NEXT MEETING (4th Wednesday)
7:30 p.m. Wednesday 26th October 2005.

Ms Miriam Stanborough

Meeting declared closed at 9:15pm

Signed:

Date:

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Chairman/Acting Chairman – Bungendore Park Management Committee

BUNGENDORE PARK MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING No. 263, WEDNESDAY, 26th OCTOBER 2005

MINUTES

MEMBERS PRESENT

Cr Guenter Best (Chairman)	Mr Ron Withnell
Mrs Irene Morcombe (Treasurer)	Mr Ian Thompson
Mr Bill Ladyman (Secretary)	Mrs Elaine Hutchinson
Mrs Penny Versteeg	Mr Don Griffiths
Mr James Hutchinson	Mrs Miriam Stanborough

APOLOGIES

Mr David Harrison

Mr Kim Sarti

Cr Best declared meeting open at 7:35pm. Minutes of previous meeting held 28th September 2005 accepted as being correct.

Mr Griffiths / Mrs Versteeg. Carried

BUSINESS ARISING

1. Tenure and management of Armadale Settlers' Common and Bungendore Park – follow up to outcomes of the August meeting's discussion attended by Mr Ron Van Delft.

▪ Mr Ladyman read a copy of a letter he wrote to Ms Corinne Gaskin on the 21st of October requesting she arrange a meeting between representatives from the City and Settler's Common and our committee and CALM. It was suggested that a meeting not be held till the return of Mr Sarti to represent us. Mr Ladyman to notify Ms Gaskin of this change.

Action 1/263: Mr Ladyman

▪ Mr Ladyman agreed to obtain a copy of CALM's management plan for the bushland adjacent to Bungendore Park in time for that meeting.

Action 2/263: Mr Ladyman

2. Hazard reduction review – Mr Ladyman read a letter received on the 3rd October from Mr Paul Lanternier approving a variation to the Management Plan 1997/2007 Fire Risk Reduction. A report and maps showing the changes and necessary hazard reduction burns was tabled. Mr Thompson indicated his support of the variation .

3. Unauthorised clearing and widening of track west of pit #10 Cr Best reported that no action had occurred regarding this matter, but that a promise from Mr Lanternier to respond had been made.

4. Cheque Account signatories – Mr Ladyman agreed to register his signature with Westpac Bank, so that outstanding cheque payments could be made. Mrs Morcombe provided a form completed by the other signatories for Mr Ladyman's submission to the bank.

Action 3/263: Mr Ladyman

5. Dieback control in the park – Accounts for \$3000 from Dieback Services was received by the Treasurer, Mrs Morcombe.

6. Map of Bungendore Park – The new laminated Maps were distributed and received with interest by the Committee.

Weedbuster Week – in October. The *acacia saligna* plants in Pit #10 were removed by Messrs Harrison and Hutchison. A weed report was delivered by Ms Stanborough

7. Voluntary Hours – Committee members completed the Voluntary Hours forms.

8. Volunteer work authorisation – Bungendore Park Management Committee authorises members and volunteers to perform maintenance works and management activities for the ensuing year as and when required.

Moved Mr Sarti/Mrs Versteeg

Carried 16/02/2005

Activity since last meeting includes:

Patrolling Ms Stanborough, Mr Griffiths
Weeding Mr Harrison and Mr Hutchinson

AWAITING COMPLETION AND/OR REPLY

1. Finance – flowchart of payment & funding processes – [1/234 & 1/239] in abeyance.
2. General maintenance – Repair of the locking mechanism on Gate ‘G’ at Howe Street entrance by Mr Griffiths. Mr Thompson suggested this could be done by drilling and bolting so as not requiring a fire truck. Mr Griffiths agreed that this could be carried out sooner.

Action 4/263: Mr Griffiths

3. Fire access track leading from Pit #5 – proposal to re-instate the track westwards from Gate “C” through Pit #5 down the scarp to meet Track W2 (which traverses dieback-infected country). Mr Sarti will discuss with Mr Thompson on his return [2/257].
4. Culvert at Cooliabbera Spring – due to erosion on former fire access track on western boundary. This track was regraded without committee’s knowledge. Suggestion of 2 x 9” pipes ≈20 metres apart and possibly a culvert on track W2. Agreed this be undertaken in summer; *Phytopthera* Dieback to be checked against map.

Action 5/263: Mrs Versteeg to follow up with Mr Thompson in Summer.

5. Vacant Committee positions – Mr Ladyman read the contents of an email he had received on the 30th June from Ms Corinne Gaskin, explaining that Mr Thompson wasn’t nominated to the Committee in January when City Council adopted the terms of reference. Then when all positions were declared vacant, Mr Thompson’s name was omitted from the renomination list forwarded to, and accepted by the Committee in April. Ms Gaskin gave her apologies and an intention to prepare an item for Council to appoint Mr Thompson to the Committee.

It was suggested that Mr Ladyman continue to follow this matter up **Action 1/259**

GRANTS IN PROGRESS

1. Community Conservation 2003/2004 – \$900 [XT72]
2. Swan Alcoa Landcare Program 2005 (05S08) – \$2,700 [XT70]
3. Community Conservation 2004/2005 – \$2,200 [XT69]
4. Regional Parks Community 2005 grant – \$1,155 [XT68]
5. Regional Parks Community 2006 grant – \$2,555 awaiting response

INFORMATION RECEIVED

Greening Australia – 2005 Report
Urban Bushland Council – email offering Funding (given to Ms Stanborough)

CORRESPONDENCE IN

1. (Last month) Draft City of Armadale State of the Environment Report 2005 received from Ms Corinne Gaskin, along with invitations for public comment until 4/11/05.
2. (Last Month) City of Armadale - Letter from Ms Corinne Gaskin advising on the outcome of the 2005/2006 City of Armadale / BEAC Funding applications. Of the \$11,260 applied for by the Bungendore Park Management Committee, only \$5,660 has been allocated. Committee were disappointed with this allocation, and recommended that a letter be written to the City identifying works that will not be able to be performed as a result of this shortfall, and requesting further funding. Mr Ladyman had not acted on this matter, having been away and needing to discuss further with Committee. It was suggested that Ms Stanborough would correspond by letter **Action 6/263: Ms Stanborough**
3. City of Armadale – Letter from Mr Paul Lanternier – Variation of Management Plan 1997 – 2007 Fire Risk Reduction.

CORRESPONDENCE OUT

Letter to Ms Corinne Gaskin from Mr Ladyman requesting a meeting of representatives of City, Settlers Common, our Committee and CALM.

FINANCE

Details	Amount \$	Expenditure Type
Account for bank audit statement	50	
Account from Mr Don Griffiths	198	XT7

Moved: Mrs Morcombe / Ms Stanborough. Carried.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. November meeting – Ms Corrine Gaskin has agreed to speak to Committee about a hand-held GPS mapping unit that's ideal for mapping weeds and other uses. Information can be downloaded to printed maps.
2. Bungendore Bush Breakfast – 6th November, 7:30 am to 8:30 am with a guided walk at 8:45 am. Cr Best has arranged for Mr Kim Fletcher to assist in leading the bushwalk. Advertising now on Cockatoo Care and City of Armadale websites. Mrs Hutchinson reported that 11 bookings have already been received.
3. Petition – Mrs Versteeg offered to organise a petition to CALM's Regional Parks to commence baiting for pigs and cats and foxes in the Wungong Gorge **Action 7/263: Mrs Versteeg**
4. Bollard Replacement – Mr Thompson to replace a bollard at the end of Blake Street. Mr Ladyman to notify Ms Stanborough to include mention of the matter in her letter to City of Armadale .
5. Track clearing – was approved by Committee.

DIARY OF EVENTS

2005	Date	Events
NOVEMBER	6 th	Bungendore Bush Breakfast
DECEMBER		BEAC end-of-year function
2006	Date	Events
JULY	28 th	School Tree Day
	30 th	National Tree Day
AUGUST		
SEPTEMBER		Djilba Spring Walk
OCTOBER		

SUMMARY OF OUTSTANDING AND NEW ACTION POINTS

Feb 03	1/234	Mr Lanternier to provide a flow chart for the payments process and to supply Committee with copies of the Friends Group Manual
Mar 05	6/256	Mr Thompson to investigate fallen tree on track W3. Now with Mr & Mrs Hutchinson.
Apr 05	2/257	Mr Sarti to follow up new fire access track proposal with Mr Thompson.

June 05	1/259	Mr Ladyman to follow up the omission of Mr Thompson from the renomination list
Oct 05	1/263	Mr Ladyman to notify Ms Gaskin ofto postpone planned meeting till Mr Sarti returns
Oct 05	2/263	Mr Ladyman to obtain management plan for bushland adjacent to Bungendore
Oct 05	3/263	Mr Ladyman to register signature with Westpac Bank
Oct 05	4/263	Mr Griffiths to repair locking mechanism at Gate 'G'
Oct 05	5/263	Mrs Versteeg to follow up on culvert on Cooliaberra Spring
Oct 05	6/263	Ms Stanborough to respond to City about funding refusals
Oct 05	7/263	Mrs Versteeg to organise petition for feral baiting

DATE OF NEXT MEETING (4th Wednesday)

7:30 p.m. Wednesday 23rd November 2005.

Mr W Ladyman

Meeting declared closed at 9:15pm

Signed:

Date:

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Chairman/Acting Chairman – Bungendore Park Management Committee

SMALL BUSINESS MASTERMIND

Small Business Mastermind

An innovative program which provides an opportunity to learn with and from other small business owners, all working to resolve real business problems as they are occurring...



a partnership program brought to you by the Coastal Council of Gossells / Armadale / Stirling / Malaga Business Centres



APPLICATION

I want to join a Small Business Mastermind group based at:

Fremantle BEC

Gossells / Armadale BEC

Stirling / Malaga BEC

Janette Troy, Gossells / Armadale BEC

Andrew Maurice, Stirling/Malaga BEC

PNI Kemp, Coastal BEC

Phil@coastalbusinesscentres.com.au

Method of Payment (\$295 + GST\$29.50 = Total of \$324.50)

Cheque / Money Order (Made out to Stirling Business Enterprise Centre, Inc.)

Cash

Direct Debit

Credit Card

Please debit my Credit Card (please see Mastercard / VISA / Bankcard by \$_____ (enter amount)

Credit Card No: _____

Signature _____ Exp. date _____

I wish to register for the Small Business Mastermind Program. I understand that my attendance at all six workshops will provide the maximum benefit to myself and all others in my group, and that all information shared will remain confidential unless otherwise agreed. Any information provided by the facilitator is intended to be of a general nature only and should not be relied upon in lieu of professional advice. Legal, accounting and similar issues should be referred to the appropriate qualified professional.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Years of operation _____

Number of Staff (including yourself) _____

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This program has been funded through the Small Business Development Corporation, Small Business Initiative Fund (SBIF)

Small Business Mastermind (SBM) is an innovative program which provides opportunities for motivated small business owners to learn with and from other small business owners, all working to resolve real business problems as they occur...

Small Business Mastermind (SBM)

The SBM program uses the action learning process, where personal and business development is achieved by the small business owner through the combination of personal experiences and learning, gained from engaging in action within the real life business setting. Participants in the program learn by working in small groups of their peers.

Why Should I Attend?

- Learn how to develop & implement solutions for your business.
- You will have an opportunity to work on 36 'real' business problems—6 of these are uniquely yours!
- Benefit from the experience and learning of other business owners
- Develop a peer network that can support you beyond the program
- Learn how other business owners solve their problems
- Develop your own problem solving skills

action learning process is maximised.

You subsequently meet with your working group for a total of six sessions over the course of the program. Each group is composed of six non-competing small business owners who spend three hours working through their own problems and developing a number of group generated solutions.

The groups are moderated by an experienced facilitator to ensure that each small business owner maximises their attendance and ensures the group keeps on track.

Participants may elect to maximise their learning experiences, through an optional Mentor program. This option allows participants to access three, 1.5 hour individual mentor sessions with our trainer for an additional fee.

I would have to suggest that the action learning Program has been one of the most productive courses that I have ever participated in... It removed me from the daily grind of working in my business and allowed me an 'outside perspective' in sharing issues that I found were more common than I thought with other small business owners.

As a direct result of the program, we increased our prices 20% on our most popular lines, utilised a technique discussed in phone interviewing that resulted in hiring my most valued employee and took steps in improving our marketing that has benefited my business. I look forward to participating in the next program.

SOUTH EAST METRO GROUPS

Gosnell Armadale BEC
2232b Albany Hwy, GOSNELLS
Introductory Strategic Planning Day
Wednesday 23rd November
9—4pm
(for all Participants)

Tues Lunch Group
12 Nov
29a Nov
10th Jan
14th Feb
14th Mar
11th Apr
7th May

Tues Female Group
3,23p Nov
16th Nov
16th Jan
14th Feb
14th Mar
11th Apr
7th May

Wed Early Starters
8am—11am
30th Nov
11th Jan
15th Feb
15th Mar
12th Apr
10th May

Wed Lunch Group
12noon—3pm
30th Nov
11th Jan
15th Feb
15th Mar
12th Apr
10th May

You will need to select which of the four groups you would like to join. While we will endeavour to place you in your preferred session, we reserve the right to change allocations with your approval.

What recent participants had to say about the program:

I have learnt more from this Program than all of the combined business training I have undertaken in the past. This unique model provides a forum in which to ask all the most important questions...ie. the "stupid" questions. I do not know of any other programs that fosters a trusting, supportive environment, allowing small business people to drop the ever-efficient facade to share, identify and address the root causes of their business problems.

The cost of the program is subsidised through the SBDC, so your investment in the program is only \$295 plus GST (Total of \$324.50). The mentoring option will incur an additional fee.

Numbers are limited so applications will be taken on a first come basis. The Small Business Smart Business \$220 training reimbursement vouchers can be used for this program.

4N BUSINESS TRAINING



Practical Bookkeeping Courses
for
Small Business and Community Organisations

Activity Statement Essentials

Gosnells Workshop

- Do you need help to understand your activity statements - BAS or IAS?

4N Business Training conducts an interactive workshop "Activity Statement Essentials". This 4 hour workshop will assist you to understand your Business Activity Statement or your Instalment Activity Statement. Alison Doran and Megan Brereton of 4N Business Training are qualified trainers with many years experience in financial management, accounting and bookkeeping. They understand that starting and managing a business or organisation in today's environment presents many challenges. The workshop is designed to provide the right skills to address some of these challenges.

After this workshop you will:

- know what you should be reporting on your activity statement
- understand the options for reporting GST and PAYG Income Tax Instalments
- know where to get the information to complete your activity statement
- be able to identify and check relevant reports from your computer accounting package

The workshop is ideal for:

- new business
- small business
- home-based business
- volunteer groups
- community organisations

Topics include:

- Goods & Services Tax (GST) Codes
- GST Reporting
- PAYG Tax Withheld Reporting
- PAYG Income Tax Instalments

Time: 9.00am – 1.00pm

Date: Friday, 21 October 2005

Where: Gosnells Armadale Business Enterprise Centre
The Agonis
2232b Albany Highway, Gosnells
Tel: 9398 6333

Cost: The cost of the workshop is \$95 (inc. GST). This includes course notes and refreshments.

For more information call Alison or Megan on 9474 4944, fax 9474 3244 or
email: fourn@westnet.com.au

About Us

4N Business Training is a West Australian business providing practical courses in bookkeeping and financial administration to meet the workplace needs of individuals, small to medium business and community organisations.

Quality of service is integral to 4N Business Training. Our aim is to provide clients with training of the highest standard. Courses are:

- developed by people with extensive experience in the subject
- delivered by qualified trainers with a practical knowledge and understanding of the topic
- continually reviewed and updated
- customised or developed to meet individual client needs.

The courses have a practical emphasis and are designed for small groups. Opportunities are provided throughout to practise skills and relate knowledge to each participant's workplace or organisation.

The courses are developed and presented by the owners of 4N Business Training, Megan Brereton and Allison Doran. They have worked in a diverse range of industries and organisations and have extensive experience in business and financial management, accounting, bookkeeping, administration and training. Alison has a Bachelor of Commerce (Accounting) degree and both Megan and Alison hold a Certificate IV in Assessment and Workplace Training.

Megan and Alison understand that managing a business or organisation in today's environment presents many challenges in financial management and reporting. Our courses are designed to make available, affordable training that provides the right skills to address these challenges.

Important Information

Please read this information carefully prior to registering for a course. Do not hesitate to contact 4N Business Training if you have any queries or require additional information:

- If you have any physical or other impairments (eg English language difficulties), which may affect your ability to undertake the course, please indicate this on the registration form so that we can better assist in optimising the comfort and benefit of your learning.
- Full payment for courses must be made with registration or 5 days prior to commencement of the course. Payment can be made by cash, cheque, money order or direct deposit. Credit card or EFTPOS facilities are not available.
- Cancellation and Refund Policy
If cancellation is more than five days prior to the commencement of the course, a full refund of any monies received will apply.
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ASHTONS CIRCUS

CITY OF ARMADALE	
REC'D	- 7 NOV 2005
TO:	CEO Andrew
REFER/NOTE:	INIT
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22 Francis Way
Kebmooch
6111 WA
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The C.E. ~~of Armadale Council,~~

Dear Ray,

My husband, daughter and myself have just been to a matinee at Ashtons Circus in Armadale. It was wonderful family entertainment so nice to be at a real circus. It really is a credit to the 6th and 7th generation of the Ashton Families.

They are all multi-skilled. The children in the family were an absolute delight to watch performing and very polite when talking to them. They all looked a picture of health and very fit.

The animals were all very healthy looking and loved to do their acts with their

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trainers. The show bags were
a reasonable price with the contents
keeping children amused for a
few hours. Also pony rides
between the acts were very
popular.

I would like to take this
opportunity to thank the
Armadale Shire Council for
making space available for the
circus and hope that in the
future space will be again
made available should a
circus return

Yours faithfully
Mrs Linda Tracey.



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OUTSTANDING REPORT

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS – OCTOBER 2005		
ITEM	DEPT.	ACTION/STATUS
<p><i>Lease – Armadale Golf Course</i> That Council refer the matter of tenure and implementation of appropriate management controls for the Armadale Golf Club Clubhouse to the Community Services Directorate for consideration and report back to the Community Services Committee.</p>	Recreation Services	Golf Course Lease has been finalised. Negotiations underway with Armadale Golf Club re: Management Agreement for the clubhouse facility. Matter to be finalised by December 2005.
<p><i>Kelmscott Soccer Club – Proposal to Use Pries Park (February 2004) (August 2004)</i> That a report to the October 2004 Community Services Committee meeting be prepared that identifies the issues associated with the Kelmscott Soccer Club's future, canvassing possible options for Council's consideration and recommending a strategy for the future use and development of both Frye Park, Pries Park and other relevant alternatives. (C120/8/04)</p>	Recreation Services	Matter reported to the November 2004 Community Services Committee Meeting. Council resolved not to approve the Kelmscott Soccer Club's request to relocate to Pries Park at this time. Further consultation to occur with the Club and an additional report to be presented to January 2006 Community Services Committee Meeting.
<p><i>Dog Free Reserves (April 2005)</i> That Recommendation C38/4/05 be not adopted and be recommitted to the Community Services Committee for further investigation on some of the implications of the amendment to this local law. (C38/4/05)</p>	Ranger & Emergency Services	<p>In further researching this matter it became apparent that there is a requirement for a complete review of the current application of Dog Free and Dog Exercise areas throughout the area.</p> <p>Progress on this issue is currently under way and following its completion will be included as part of the overall report to the January 2006 Community Services Committee Meeting.</p>
<p><i>Armadale Soccer Club Debt (April 2005)</i> Request the Armadale Soccer Club submit a repayment plan to clear the balance of its debt to Council as a matter of priority and this be submitted for Council's consideration to the May Community Services Committee Meeting. (C42/4/05)</p>	Recreation Services	Subject to workload and available resources, including advice and information from Club, the matter to be reported to the November 2005 Community Services Committee Meeting.
<p><i>Indoor Aquatic Centre Feasibility Study (June 2005)</i> That a further report be presented to the September Community Services Committee Meeting on the outcome of the community response to Council's preferred option for provision of an indoor aquatic facility in the City. (C68/6/05)</p>	Recreation Services	Subject to workload and available resources, matter to be reported to the January 2006 Community Services Committee Meeting.

OUTSTANDING REPORT

COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE		
REPORT ON OUTSTANDING MATTERS – OCTOBER 2005		
ITEM	DEPT.	ACTION/STATUS
<i>Pioneers' Reunion Venue and Criteria (August 2005)</i> That Council recommit the matter of the criterion of becoming a pioneer to a future meeting of the Community Services Committee pending broader discussion between Elected Members and officers in relation to the purpose of the function and qualification. (C79/8/05)	Community Development	Subject to workload and available resources, the matter to be reported to the February 2006 Community Services Committee.

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LIBRARY & HERITAGE SERVICES GENERAL MONTHLY REPORT – SEPTEMBER 2005

1. LIBRARY SERVICES

1.1 Statistical Performance Indicators

The Library Department's statistical performance indicator report for the month of October 2005 is attached. (Refer to Attachment "CA-1".)

1.2 Library Extension Activities

1.2.1 Community Information Talk

Topic The Power of Nutrition
Presenter Helen Frost

Date 20th October 2005
Time 10.30 – 12.30 p.m.
Venue Kelmscott Library

No. Attending 24

(Report prepared by Sheena Bell, Librarian Kelmscott Library)

Health and wellness is very topical at present and as a consequence Helen Frost's "The power of nutrition" presentation was well attended on Thursday, 20th October. 24 people came to Kelmscott library to hear Helen talk about the benefits of drinking plenty of water, eating plenty of vegetables and fruits and controlling the quality, quantity and timing of our food intake during the day. Helen is a qualified Phys Ed teacher, has studied nutrition, managed a fitness centre and managed a retail outlet selling nutrition products.

Her seminar in the library yesterday was aimed at people who wanted to look and feel great, lower their risk of disease, manage health challenges, control weight and perform to their true potential. She advocated that we should not be complacent about our health but take action not only for ourselves but also for the next generation who need our help. She advised that we need to drink more water, eat less processed foods and eat more whole foods. Helen's presentation used visual aids, examples of processed foods and handouts at the end of the presentation. It covered topics like boosting energy, weight loss, cell regeneration, bone & joint health, the essential role of fruits and vegetables, boosting the immune system, cravings and binges and more.

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Helen also mentioned that the library had resources that could be borrowed, particularly for people wishing to keep track of additives in processed foods. Feedback from the seminar included comments such as “very informative and interesting”, “made me sit up and take this issue more seriously”, “well presented” with many giving the presentation a “fantastic” rating.

1.2.2 Community Information Talk

Topic	Genealogy on the Web
Presenters	Robyn Hukin, Colleen Fancote – Yesterdays Families
Date	27 th October 2005
Time	10am – 11am ; 11.30am – 12.30pm ; 2pm – 3pm
Venue	Kelmscott Library
No. Attending	30 (3 sessions)

(Report prepared by Cathie Stark, Library Clerk, Kelmscott Library)

Increasingly families want to learn about their ancestors and heritage. The internet has made many more records accessible.

Each Genealogy on the Web session was fully booked and highly anticipated. The presenter, Robyn Hukin, set the participants up on the PC's in the workroom at Kelmscott and they were given a “hands on” look at what was available on the web when researching family history. The first session was over in a flash and everyone was impressed with the windows that were opened to them.

Sadly the elements took over the day and a power disruption meant the end of the computer component. But the presenters soldiered on and inspired the group with their knowledge and were able to unlock areas where their fellow “Genies” were stuck. Colleen Fancote handed out a list of useful sites and tips for everyone, and even though we had no computer access, the presentation was a great success.

All participants made positive comments about the talk, such as “it's the nicest class I've been to”, “what a great lot of fun, very informative and we didn't even need the internet to get the message”, “highly recommended” and “good direction on where to get started.”. Several people commented on the depth of knowledge displayed by the presenters, Robyn and Colleen, and gave them a “Ten” on the feedback forms.

In 2006 a “Genie” group will meet at Kelmscott Library on a regular basis to support each other and share some of their amazing stories.

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1.3 THE FUTURE OF LIBRARIES It's in our hands

From Vision to Reality: achieving a shared vision for sustainable and connected public libraries for our state-wide community.

The Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) and the State Library of Western Australia (SLWA) hosted a Forum, on Tuesday 25 October 2005, to explore best practice in service delivery, investigate resource-sharing and collocation opportunities and to stimulate thinking on the future role of public libraries.

The Forum was Chaired by Ricky Burges – CEO, WALGA and Margaret Allen – CEO, SLWA with international, national and local speakers. The Forum will be followed by a series of workshops.

Sue Sutherland – Director of Policy and Information Democracy, National Library of New Zealand emphasized the key roles of vision, building relationships, building stakeholder support, people and culture, innovation for effectiveness and the ability to deliver as her “recipe of success”.

Fatimah Sulaiman – Senior Manager, Public Library Services Group, National Library Board, Singapore spoke of the introduction of the DIY public libraries. In Singapore, where 1 in 2 people are library members, changes to library services were necessary. Their aim was to make library visits enjoyable, memorable, enriching, hassle-free and at the same time free the library staff to provide additional services elsewhere.

Mal Bryce – Chairman, iVEC and Chairman Telecentre Advisory Council suggests that we need a “Big Hairy Audacious Goal” to survive and thrive in the emerging “Knowledge Economy”. We need to be a “learning community” and have access to a modern, serious broadband network. Libraries can be a space where people go to get information. Mal strongly believes that it is essential that we recognize and celebrate local uniqueness.

Adele Kenneally – Genelg Libraries Library Manager spoke about the regionalisation in Victoria Libraries & learning communities, such as the Genelg Televillage project, Hume Global Learning Centre and Portland Telecommunity & Technology Centre. The amalgamation was necessary because the communities wanted the same level of service even though there was a decline in population and less government funding. The process has been well received by the community with increased loans and visits. The concept is to be rolled out into nearby community centres.

Sandi Taylor – Manager Strategic Partnerships, Indigenous Library Services, State Library of Queensland, has been assisting with the establishment of Indigenous Knowledge Centres throughout Queensland and the Torres Strait Islands. They aim

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to improve service delivery to these groups through public libraries, ensuring that indigenous collections and culture are represented. In establishing these centres consultation with the community is essential. Indigenous staff has been appointed to manage the various programmes. The State Library of Queensland has indigenous representation on the Library Board and the newly developed State Library will have an extensive Indigenous Knowledge Centre.

Sharan Harvey – Manager Library Services – Brisbane City Council enthusiastically spoke of future roles for public libraries and librarians. She believes that in our busy times people want instant gratification, and that libraries should be co-located/integrated with other Council services, a “one-stop-shop.” with an online branch with 24/7 access to reliable information. We should be a community hub, a place of civic pride adding value to Council. Higher use of broadband and RFID (Radio frequency identification) and other ITC is essential. We need to manage our libraries in a more “Customercentric” way, keeping staff for higher value work and helping the public.

2. HERITAGE SERVICES

2.1 Heritage Statistical Performance Indicators

The Heritage Department’s statistical performance indicator report for the month of October 2005 is attached. (Refer to Attachment “CA-2”.)

2.2 Birtwistle Local Studies Library promotion.

An important aspect of a local studies library is to provide information that assists library clientele research their family history often resulting in such research being deposited in the library. An organisation that is extremely useful for researching family history is the Western Australian Genealogical Society. It was therefore very encouraging this month to attend a morning tea held by the Society for local studies librarians in order to build networks with them. A particularly positive outcome was to hear the speaker say that the Society encouraged their members and others using their service to visit local studies libraries as an early point of contact when searching for information for their family history. The result of encouraging a good relationship between the Birtwistle Local Studies Library and the Western Australian Genealogical Society can only be of benefit to the use of the Library and its collection.

2.3 Community Heritage Grant 2005

It is pleasing to report that the City of Armadale has been awarded a \$2,860 Federal Community Grant 2005 to carry out a Preservation Survey of the Birthwistle Local Studies Library holdings.

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As part of the grant, Acting Historian/Local Studies Librarian attended a three-day (8 – 10 November 2005) intensive preservation and collection management workshop. The workshop was held at the National Library of Australia, the National Archives, the National Museum of Australia and the National Film and Sound Archives in Canberra.

On 9th November, Lorraine Pearce, on behalf of the City of Armadale, accepted the certificate of grant which was presented by the Federal Minister of Arts and Sport, Senator the Hon. Rod Kemp.

2.4 History House Museum

The last month has been a busy one for History House Museum. The Kelmscott 175th Anniversary Cricket Match and Picnic was held on the 9th of October. Over 500 people attended and the day has received good local media coverage.

Visitor numbers have been up this month thanks to visits from Freedom Bus Tours, the Western Australian Medical Museum and Wesley Do-Care. All of these groups were taken on a tour of the museum, the Birtwistle Local Studies Library and the Congregational Church.

On the 4/10/2005 there was an article in the Comment News about the Silver Chain Display. Ross Bradshaw the Chief Executive officer of Silver Chain came to the museum for a photo shoot for the article.

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MANAGER RANGER & EMERGENCY SERVICES MONTHLY REPORT FOR OCTOBER 2005

1. Animal Control

1.1 Dogs

Ranger Services received one hundred and ninety seven (197) requests for assistance during the October report period. Whilst the number of reports relating to dogs has not increased significantly from the corresponding period in October 2004, there does appear to be a steady increase in the progressive yearly total.

1.2 Livestock

Ranger Services attended to fourteen (14) requests for assistance in dealing with stock wandering stock during October, the overall number of incidents involving wandering stock has increased from the previous report period.

1.3 Court Action

The following information relates to legal action taken by Ranger Services, this matter was heard and determined in the Armadale Magistrate's Court during the report period.

NAME	OFFENCE	FINDING OF COURT	PENALTY \$	COSTS \$	TOTAL
Lana Anne Ferrier	Attack on Animal	Guilty	1,000	100.70	1,100.70
Olwen Mary Parry	Attack on Person	Guilty	1,000	100.70	1,100.70
Nicholas Kay	Attack on Animal	Guilty	750	100.70	850.70
Sharon Marie Kerr	Attack on Animal	Guilty	1,000	100.70	1,100.70

2. Vehicles

2.1 Parking

Ranger Services attended to thirty nine (39) general enquiries relating to the unlawful parking of vehicles during this report period.

2.2 Commercial Vehicles (Trucks)

There has been a definite reduction in the number of reports received in relation to trucks being parked in residential areas for extended periods. Rangers will continue to be vigilant in this area of operations.

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2.3 Control of Vehicles (Off Road Areas)

Ranger Services attended to seven (7) reports of vehicle (motorcycles) being driven in prohibited areas during the report period.

3. Fire Services

Rangers continue a high profile in relation to hazardous blocks and offer advice to land owners with regard to fuel reduction and ongoing maintenance of firebreaks.

Ranger Services attended to one seventy one (71) enquiries, during this report period, mainly associated with alternative style firebreaks and advice regarding general fire safety.

4 General

Living close to or in bushland areas provides a unique way of life for many West Australians. For much of the year, these surroundings provide a sense of tranquillity and the best that nature has to offer. However, with this way of life also comes the high risk of bush fire.

Losses experienced through bush fire can be devastating. Fire and emergency service agencies do everything they can within their capacity to manage situations such as bush fires. You also have an active part to play in protecting your home against the damage of bush fire by preparing your home and surrounding property.

The most frequently asked question during a bush fire is should I stay and defend my property or go early? This is a question you and your family should answer before the start of the bush fire season.

If you have prepared your home prior to the bush fire season and maintained that level of preparation, and are physically and mentally prepared, your home may provide you with a safe option from which to stay and defend during a bush fire.

If you decide that you will go, go early. This is much safer than trying to make a dash by car through the fire front on roads blocked by emergency traffic, falling trees or covered in thick smoke.

To help you make an informed decision, download the following brochures from www.fesa.wa.gov.au for your copy of a **Bush Fire Stay or Go Kit**.

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5. October 2005 Statistics

<i>DOGS</i>	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Wandering	48	56	197	208
Dogs for Pick Up	34	27	127	106
Barking	21	24	97	105
Attacks	22	11	83	62
Lost & Found	57	60	259	149
General Information	15	8	44	31
Total	197	186	807	661
Office Phone Enquiries	344	232	653	539

<i>PARKING / VEHICLES</i>	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
General Parking	11	12	43	57
Trucks	1	3	8	25
School Parking	4	3	12	18
Taxi Parking	0	1	0	16
Abandoned Vehicles	16	8	61	34
Off Road Vehicles	7	6	55	29
Total	39	33	179	179
Office Phone Enquiries	7	11	32	51

<i>LIVESTOCK</i>	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Lost & Found	1	1	3	8
General	13	6	41	35
Total	14	7	44	43
Office Phone Enquiries	3	0	21	15

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LITTER	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
General Information	0	0	0	2
Private Property	0	0	4	4
Roadside / Reserve	3	7	13	16
Verge	2	1	8	8
Total	5	8	25	30
Office Phone Enquiries	2	2	5	8

FIRE	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Burning Off / General Information	2	7	4	8
Firebreak / Hazard	17	15	21	23
Total	19	22	25	31
Office Phone Enquiries	71	90	86	172

GENERAL	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
General Information	7	5	19	15
Total	7	5	19	15
Office Phone Enquiries - Cats	10	N/A	68	N/A
Office Phone Enquiries - General	4	11	44	116

TOTAL	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Total Reports / Complaints	281	261	1099	959
Total Office Phone Enquiries	441	346	909	901

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WARNINGS	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Dogs	25	22	75	82
Parking	16	21	69	59
Off Road Vehicles	2	0	2	0
Litter	0	0	5	0
Fire & Fire Orders	5	0	7	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	48	43	158	141

INFRINGEMENTS	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Dogs	13	30	139	134
Parking	6	46	100	124
Off Road Vehicles	0	0	3	0
Litter	0	1	1	13
Fire	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	19	77	243	271
NUMBER WITHDRAWN	4	N/A	30	N/A
Number Paid	35	N/A	188	N/A

IMPOUNDED DOGS	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Claimed	28	28	131	140
Sold	3	7	19	15
Destroyed	13	17	68	52
Vet / Rescue	10	2	26	35
Stolen	0	0	0	0
Total	54	54	244	242

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<i>IMPOUNDED VEHICLES</i>	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Vehicles	2	2	18	11
Motor Cycles	0	0	0	4
Total	2	2	18	15

<i>IMPOUNDED LIVESTOCK</i>	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Sheep	0	0	2	4
Horses	0	0	0	0
Cows	0	0	0	0
Goats	1	0	4	0
Pigs	0	0	0	0
Deer	0	0	0	0
Other	0	0	0	0
Total	1	0	6	4

<i>COURT PROSECUTIONS</i>	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Dog	4	1	13	17
Fire	0	0	0	0
Parking	0	0	0	0
Litter	0	0	0	0
Off Road Vehicles	0	0	0	0
Total	4	1	13	17
No. of Guilty Verdicts	4	1	13	17

<i>FINES ENFORCEMENT</i>	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Infringements sent to FER	27	0	55	37

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<i>DOG REGISTRATIONS</i>	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
New Dog Registrations	160	N/A	247	N/A
Renewed Dog Registrations	638	N/A	649	N/A
Total	798	0	247	0

<i>PHONES CALLS</i>	October 2005	October 2004	2005/2006 Progressive Total	2004/2005 Progressive Total
Office – Rangers calling Office	10	24	86	127
Office – Messages for Staff	50	46	186	208
Office – Referred to Other	11	12	67	62
Calls to Rangers' Private Residences via Diverter	15	9	69	125
TOTAL	86	91	408	522

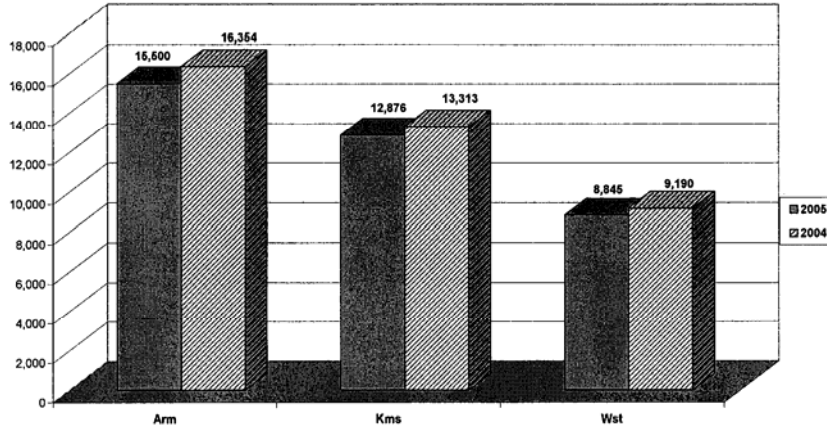
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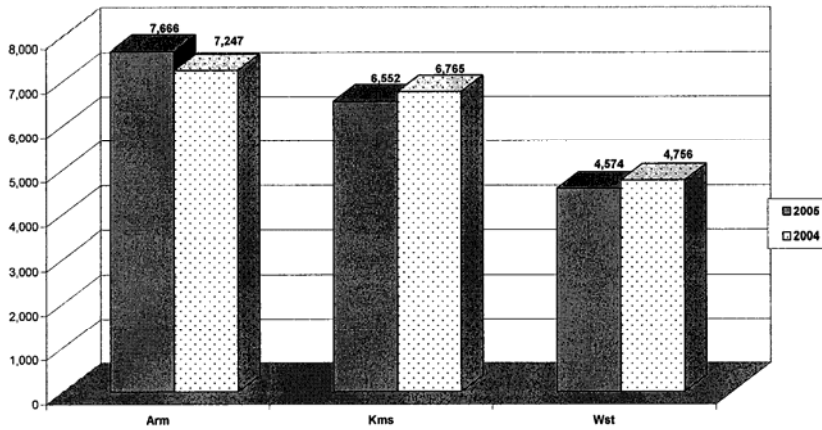
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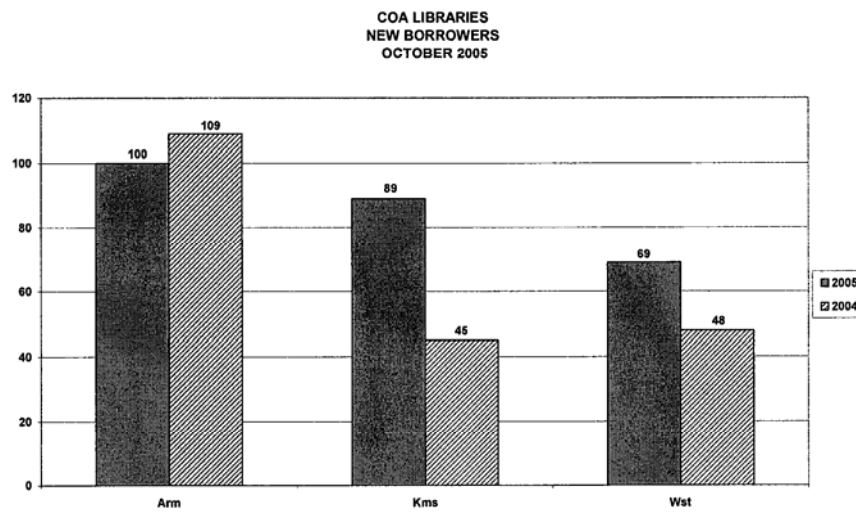
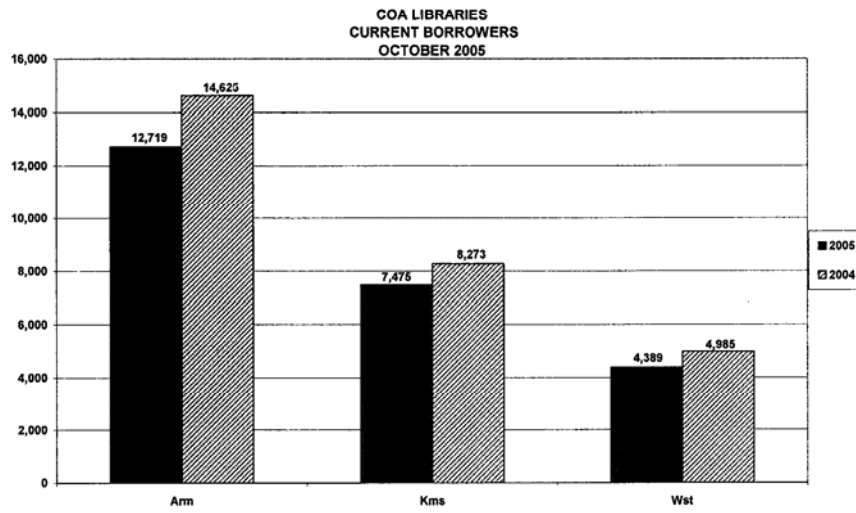
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COA LIBRARIES
ISSUES/RENEWALS
OCTOBER 2005

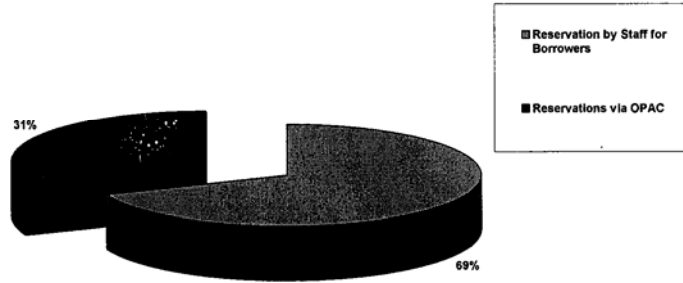


COA LIBRARIES
NUMBER OF VISITS
OCTOBER 2005





COA LIBRARIES
RESERVATIONS
OCTOBER 2005



Month: October 2005 2004

History House Museum

Visitor for month	279	376
Visitors this year	1605	3183
Volunteer Hours for month	119	-
Volunteer Hours this year	1226	-

Birtwistle Local Studies Library

Reference Enquiries	9	-
Research Enquiries	5	-
Photograph Requests	0	-
Visitor Attendance	190	-
Volunteer Hours	49	-

Oral History Programme

Letters Sent	5	-
Interviews Completed	4	-
Transcripts Completed	1	-
Interviews in Progress	1	-
Transcriptions in Progress	3	-
Volunteer Hours – Transcribing	23	-
Volunteer Hours – Interviewing	10	-

CITY OF ARMADALE

MINUTES

OF THE **ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE**
HELD IN THE **COMMITTEE ROOM**, ADMINISTRATION CENTRE, 7 ORCHARD
AVENUE, ARMADALE ON **WEDNESDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2005 AT 3.30 PM**

[This meeting reconvened following the ATSIAC Meeting held on 4 October 2005, which failed to gain a quorum.]

PRESENT:

Ms V Hansen	(Chairman)
Cr J Knezevich	City of Armadale Councillor
Mr A Garlett	Community Representative
Ms M Sheppard	Community Representative
Mr G Hansen	Community Representative
Ms L Murray	Community Representative

APOLOGIES: Nil

OBSERVERS: Nil

IN ATTENDANCE:

Ms T McCourt	Community Development Co-ordinator City of Armadale
Mr R Barlow	Dept. of Housing & Works
Mrs Y Ward	Minute Secretary – City of Armadale
Public:	Nil

DISCLAIMER

The Disclaimer for protecting Committee and staff from liability of information and advice given at Committee meetings was not read by the Chairman, given no members of the public were present.

DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS

Ms Viv Hansen

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QUESTION TIME

Nil

DEPUTATION

Nil

I N D E X

**ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER
ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

5 October 2005

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1. GENERAL BUSINESS

Ms Viv Hansen disclosed a non-financial interest in the following item (Raiders Football Team) on the basis that family members will be taking part in the Carnival. As a consequence, there may be a perception that her impartiality on the matter may be affected but declared she would put aside the association, consider the matter on its merits and vote accordingly.

1.1 Raiders Football Team

A letter has been received from the Raiders Football Team requesting financial assistance from the Reconciliation budget towards transport costs for the Raiders Football Team’s attendance at the Bunbury Carnival. The amount requested is \$750.

RESOLVED

That Committee grant \$450 only from the Reconciliation budget towards the Raiders Football Team’s attendance costs at the Bunbury Carnival, with the proviso that the organisers provide feedback on the Carnival to a future meeting of the ATSIAC.

Moved: Mr R Barlow

Seconded: Mr G Hansen

CARRIED

1.2 Heritage Training

From time to time heritage issues arise and Committee members may find they lack the knowledge to support informed decision-making. The Department of Indigenous Affairs offers training on heritage issues and Committee is requested to consider whether this training will be of value and if it would like the Department of Indigenous Affairs to attend.

Committee was of the view that heritage training would be of benefit and that arrangements should be put in to that end. Liaison to occur between Council and the Department of Indigenous Affairs as to a suitable date and time for heritage training. Staff from the Development Services Directorate be invited to attend the proposed training.

RESOLVED

That Committee invite the Department of Indigenous Affairs to conduct training on issues of heritage at a future date.

**Moved: Mr R Barlow
Seconded: Mr A Garlett**

CARRIED

1.3 Certificates of Achievement

Toby McGrath – 2005 Sandover Medallist and Ashley Sampi – 2005 AFL finalist, are Armadale boys who have achieved milestones this year. It is suggested that Certificates of Achievement are presented on behalf of the ATSIAC. Liaison to progress the matter to occur between the Mayor and Committee.

The presentation of Certificates to Toby McGrath and Ashley Sampi was considered by Committee and believed that this matter should be progressed.

RESOLVED

That Certificates of Achievement signed by the Chair of ATSIAC, Viv Hansen and Mayor Linton Reynolds, be presented by the ATSIAC to Toby McGrath and Ashley Sampi for their achievements in 2005.

**Moved: Ms L Murray
Seconded: Ms M Sheppard**

CARRIED

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES – 6 SEPTEMBER 2005

RESOLVED

Minutes of the Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Advisory Committee Meeting held on 6 September 2005, are confirmed.

**Moved: Cr J Knezevich
Seconded: Mr R Barlow**

CARRIED

3. NEXT MEETING

To be held on Wednesday, 2 November 2005 at 1.00 pm at a venue to be advised.

MEETING CLOSED AT 3.40 PM



ARMADALE HIGHLAND GATHERING

MINUTES

FOR THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 19 OCTOBER 2005 IN THE COMMITTEE ROOM AT COMMUNITY SERVICES COMMITTEE ROOM [WHITE HOUSE] COMMENCING AT 6.00 PM

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Name	Organisation
Cr J A Stewart	Chairman – City of Armadale
Mr Ken Manolas	Australian Pipe Band Association WA
Ms Barbara Ewing	Australian Pipe Band Association WA
Mr Tony Harman	Southern Districts Cycling
Mrs Judith Tweedie	Royal Scottish Country Dance Association
Mrs Melanie Green	Events Coordinator – City of Armadale
Mrs Yvonne Ward	Minute Secretary – City of Armadale
Apologies	
Mr Henk Vogels	Southern Districts Cycling Club
Mrs Barbara Ross	Caledonian Society of WA
Mrs Madeline Granville	Armadale Kelmscott Lions Club

2. CONFIRMATION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

RESOLVED

1. The Minutes of the meeting held on 29 September 2005 be confirmed.

Moved: Mr Ken Manolas

CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING

3.1 Proposal to Purchase a Claymore Sword

At the previous meeting, it was resolved that:

- “a. That the “lollipop wheelie bin” concept, as presented to Committee, be accepted as the method of encasing the Sword.
- b. That officers experiment with the freezing of the Sword and report back to the next meeting of Committee the results of the experiment.”

The Events Coordinator advised that the sword had been purchased and arrangements were proceeding to trial the experiment at the Perth Ice Works. The sword will be frozen in a wheelie bin and to determine how long it will take to melt.

RESOLVED

Information be received.

Moved: Mrs Barbara Ewing

CARRIED

4. CORRESPONDENCE

Inwards

Registrations

Outwards

Registrations
Invitations to Participate
Media Information

5. PORTFOLIO REPORTS

5.1 Entertainment – Cr Jim Stewart/Events Coordinator

Negotiations are presently underway with the Grey Company and the Circle of the Sword Medieval groups to substantially increase the size of the display this year into an inaugural “Medieval Fair”. A re-enactment of the battle of Rob Roy versus Archibald Cunningham will be a feature act along with displays from relevant groups.

Cr Stewart advised that he had contacted Challis Primary School requesting that the school perform at the 2005 AHG but as yet had not received an answer to his request. Contact is also to be made with Guilford Grammar School to ascertain whether the school would be prepared to allow its Celtic fiddle band to perform at the Gathering.

The Events Coordinator tabled a copy of a proposed Entertainment Program for the 2005 AHG for the Committee’s perusal. Committee provided

comments and suggestions in regard to timing and participants and these to be incorporated into the Program. [An updated copy of the Program is attached to these Minutes at Attachment “A-1”.]

5.2 Heavy Events - Jay Waller

Nil

5.3 Ceilidh – Alister Wilson, Events Coordinator

[Discussed as an adjunct to the Entertainment Program - item 5.1.]

5.4 Highland Dancing Competition – Peter Andrews

Nil

5.5 Royal Scottish Country Dancing Displays – Judith Tweedie

[Discussed as an adjunct to the Entertainment Program - item 5.1.]

5.6 Site Layout & Vending Management – Events Coordinator/Cr Stewart

Due to the widening of Armadale Road, the Events Coordinator will need to relocate some activities to ensure they will all fit in the park. Negotiations will continue with those affected to produce a successful outcome.

The Events Coordinator advised that due to the widening of Armadale Road it would probably be necessary to move the heavy events further into the Park and indicated to Committee the proposed area she had in mind.

5.7 Pipe Band Competition – Ken Manolas

Mr Manolas advised that the Pipe Bands would probably need to start at an earlier time than that proposed on the Entertainment Program but would advise the Events Coordinator of any proposed change.

5.8 Marketing & Sponsorship – Events Coordinator

The Events Coordinator advised that matters are progressing well. Book marks have been circulated and are on display at all Council Libraries and Council buildings. The 2005 AHG Poster has been printed and is now in the process of being circulated. The Events Coordinator asked if Committee Members could also take, circulate and display posters wherever possible. Banners will be displayed in Minnowarra Park as from Thursday, 20 October 2005 and articles will appear in local newspapers in the near future. The AHG will also be advertised on Council’s website and on radio.

5.9 Cycling Event – Henk Vogels

Mr Harman advised that this year it was hoped to have a ladies race but that this would be dependent upon whether in fact people nominate. He undertook to advise the Events Coordinator a couple of days before whether the event is to proceed and if so, expected numbers. He requested whether

3/4 volunteers could be made available to erect fencing on the cycling event route and enquired as to whether Jull Street would be fully or partially closed during the event?

The Events Coordinator advised that contact will be made with Council's Volunteer Resource Service which has a list of volunteers who may be prepared to carry out the duties required but that it was important that the name of a person to whom they could report was provided. She will also speak to the Volunteer Resource Service to see if they can assist with volunteers to help with the marshalling.

Mr Harman advised that volunteers should report to Mick Dunne who was the Club organiser.

Mr Harman requested a copy of budget figures available for the 2005 AHG, as pertaining to the Cycling Event. The Events Coordinator advised that she would fax those figures to him.

5.10 Food and Craft Vending – Events Coordinator

Craft is coming together well, with McClaire's Baked Spuds, Armadale Junior Football Club doing the drinks, Armadale Kelmscott Lions Club doing the sausage sizzle, Perfect Blend doing the coffee, the Scottish Masonic Homes doing the bar and Woodies Off Road Catering doing the hamburgers etc. The Events Coordinator is waiting to hear from the ice cream people and also the Irish person who it is hoped will provide Celtic food. The close of registration is Friday, 28 October 2005.

5.11 Finance – Events Coordinator

The Events Coordinator advised that the budget for the 2005 AHG would be adversely impacted by a combination of high fuel prices which had affected the delivery of hire equipment and increased advertising costs.

RESOLVED

That the portfolio reports be received.

Moved: Mr Tony Harman

CARRIED

6. GENERAL BUSINESS

6.1 Advertising

Mrs Barbara Ewing asked whether the Pipe Bands would be able to advertise at this year's Highland Gathering by either making announcements or handing out flyers.

The Events Co-ordinator advised that to avoid unnecessary use of the Public Address system, a blanket policy exists that does not allow advertising for other organisational events. Cr Stewart suggested that the Clans might be prepared to make space available in their tent for the advertising flyers or that the Pipe Band Association could man a complimentary display tent and could display their information.

6.2 Advertising Banner

Cr Stewart suggested that the signage for the Armadale Highland Gathering event and other events should have prominence by being placed on the corner of South West Highway and Armadale Road. This to be achieved by the placement of two holes in the ground, with a metal or concrete sleeve into which the banners can be inserted and removed at will. Also that consideration be given to the insertion of flutes on roundabouts within the City of Armadale for advertising purposes.

RESOLVED

That the cost and feasibility of installing additional signage for the Armadale Highland Gathering event and other events at the corner of South West Highway and Armadale Road be investigated and reported back to the Committee.

**Moved: Mr Jim Stewart
Seconded: Mr Ken Manolas**

CARRIED

7. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held on Wednesday, 16 November 2005 at 6.00 pm in the City of Armadale Community Services Directorate Meeting Room.

8. CLOSURE

MEETING CLOSED AT 7.10 PM

**Armadale Highland Gathering
Saturday, 19 November 2005**

MAIN STAGE PROGRAM

Time	Performer	Act
12.00 – 12.05	Pipe band	Peel Pipe Band pipes in official party
12.05 – 12.07	Mayor	Welcomes guests and thanks sponsors, introduces British Consul General
12.07 – 12.10	British Consul General	Official Opening
12.15 – 12.50	Armadale City Concert Band	Curtain raising overture
1.05 – 1.20	Scottish Country Dancing	Demonstration
1.25 – 1.40	Toast to the Haggis	Fremantle Burns Club
1.45 – 2.00	Ravenswing	Gaelic folk songs
2.00 – 2.15	Scottish Country Dancing	Demonstration
2.15 – 2.45	Scottish Country Dancing	Learn how to dance with Miriam Roddis
2.45 – 3.00	Alister Wilson	Scottish Poems, Prose and Songs
3.00 – 3.10	Guildford Grammar Keltic Orchestra	
3.10 – 3.20	Massed Pipe Band arrives	
3.20 – 3.50	Guildford Grammar Keltic Orchestra	
3.50 – 4.00	Presentation	Heavy Events
CEILIDH		
4.00 – 5.00	Heel n Toe	Ceilidh band
5.05 – 5.35	Pioneer Bush Band	Scottish music
5.35 – 5.40	Presentations	Scottish Highland Dancing
5.40 – 5.55	Jackie Jones Highland Dancers	Scottish Highland Dancing
6.00 – 7.00	Pioneer Bush Band	Scottish music
7.00 – 7.02	Darrall Wilkie	Lone piper on the bridge

Sporting Events

12.15	Throwing the weight for distance
	Throwing the weight for height
12.45	Ladies Cycle race
1.00	Junior Cycle race
1.40	Support Race C grade
1.45	Putting the Stone
	The Armadale Stones
2.30	Support Race B grade
3.10	Massed pipe bands piping departs from Church to announce arrival of main cycle race
3.15	Tossing the Caber
3.30	Armadale Classic Criterion Cycle race

Scottish Cultural Events

12.00	Scottish Highland Dancing Competition – Primary, Beginners and Novice
12.00	Mini Pipe Band Competition commences. Competing pipe bands include WA Police, Coastal Scottish, Shadow Highlanders, Rockingham, Army and Cockburn.
1.15	42 nd Highlanders – Blackwatch of 1815 Musketry display
1.00	Scottish Highland Dancing Competition – Intermediate and Premier
3.50	Marching Teams
4.15	42 nd Highlanders – Blackwatch of 1815 Musketry display

Children’s’ amusements

Animal Farm

Free Face Painting

The Medieval Fair providing various free children’s activities including woad face painting just like Braveheart

Train ride

Exhibitors

Clan Donhachaidh

Clan Keith WA

Clan MacKay

Clan MacLean

Clan Munroe

Clan Scott

Grand Theatre Co

The House of Tartan

The 42nd Royal Highland Regiment 1815 Australia Inc.

Majestic Armoury

WA Woodturners Association

The Grey Co

Circle of the Sword

Other medieval displays????

Scottish and local craft vendors

Animals

Dogs of Scottish Heritage

Scottish Cows and Ponies

Refreshments

Sausage Sizzle, Scottish Sweets, General Fast Food, Ice-creams, Snow Cones, Licensed Bar, Cold drinks, Coffee

ARMADALE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

MINUTES

**OF THE MEETING HELD IN THE CITY OF ARMADALE FUNCTION ROOM ON
MONDAY 31 OCTOBER 2005, COMMENCING AT 5:00PM**

1. ATTENDANCE AND APOLOGIES

Present:

Ms Katie Hully	Community Member
Ms Melissa Northcott	Cecil Andrews Senior High School
Mr Matthew Baskerville	John Wollaston Anglican Community School
Mr David Thoomes	Community Member
Mr Leighton Cotter	Roleystone District High School
Mr Borun Murray	Armadale Senior High School
Ms Megan Farr	Community Development Officer – Youth

Apologies:

Ms Sam Marlowe	Community Member
Mr Ben Shaw	Community Member
Cr. Ruth Butterfield	Councillor

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Minutes were not recorded from the last meeting (3/10/05). Quorum was not achieved and the meeting was adjourned.

3. BUSINESS OF THE MEETING

3.1 Overview of Planning Day

YAC members were provided with a draft copy of the YAC Plan (05/06) and were asked to review the document prior to the meeting to ensure that is a true and accurate recording of outcomes from the YAC Planning Day (10/09/05).

All members present at the meeting agreed that the draft YAC Plan (05/06) accurately represented and recorded the outcomes of the YAC Planning Day. The committee confirmed that the draft YAC Plan does not require any alterations and will therefore become the official YAC Plan 05/06 in its current form.

Megan Farr to action.

3.2 YAC Member ID Badges

Committee members received a YAC ID badge prior to the meeting and were asked to comment on its style and format. Megan Farr created the badges to enable YAC members to be identifiable during events and activities.

All members present at the meeting approved of the style, format and purpose of the badges. The committee agreed that it is a good idea to have YAC badges for identification during events and activities, and when representing the committee on formal occasions.

YAC members were issued with lanyards and casing for the badges to enable them to be work around the neck.

3.3 Committee Training

Megan Farr reminded committee members that they are booked in for training on Monday the 7th of November. Training will be provided by WALGA (Western Australian Local Government Association) on the role of committee members, conduct of meetings and relevance of Advisory Committees in Local Government.

Katie Hully, Melissa Northcott, David Thoomes and Leighton Cotter indicated that they would be attending the training. Matthew Baskerville is unable to attend as he has an exam the following day. Borun Murray was not sure if he would be able to attend.

3.4 Forrestdale Urban Art Project: Youth Event – Saturday 29th

YAC members were invited to attend the event and assist with the painting and sausage sizzle. Melissa Northcott and Cr Ruth Butterfield were present on the day.

The event did not attract as many young people as desired. Saturday mornings may not be the most appropriate time for events as many young people have sporting commitments.

The project will continue with another date planned in late November for further painting at the skate park. A group of young people present on the day were very interested in painting ‘Grind Zone’ on one of the ramps and will submit a design idea for consideration.

3.5 Youth Concert – March 06

A summer concert was discussed during the YAC Planning Day. An event has been proposed for March 06 to be conducted in partnership with Armadale Youth Resources. The following preliminary details were discussed;

Format of event

- Battle of the Band competition, supported by a couple of established acts and interactive workshops
- All genres of music welcome – individual, duo or group
- Call for Battle of the Bands submissions to begin late November
 - YAC School Representatives to promote within their respective schools. Megan to produce a flyer for distribution

Location/Date

- Possibly John Dunn Oval (Megan to investigate)
- Concert - March 18th
- Heats – March 10th
 - Katie Hully suggested that the heats be held at Heritage FM. Katie to follow-up and report at next meeting.

Tasks to be completed before the next meeting

- Confirmation of dates and location (Megan Farr)
- Confirmation of heats (Katie Hully)
- Identification of potential judges (David Thoomes)
- Contact with Rip it Up Youth Inc (Megan Farr)
- Initial advertising within schools (Megan Farr)

Further planning of the event will continue at the next meeting.

4. FURTHER BUSINESS

No further business

5. NEXT MEETING

28 November 2005, 5pm

7. CLOSURE

There being no further business the meeting was declared closed at 6.20pm

