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Mayor's Message



The Minnowarra Art Awards just seem to get better every year. This year we saw a very high calibre of WA artworks in the exhibition. The judges, and the many visitors to the exhibition, were extremely impressed. It was great to see so many locals and visitors in the District Hall appreciating the talent and culture our State has to offer.

If you're a pet owner, page six of this issue carries a couple of things of interest to you. As a dog lover I'm so pleased with the latest addition to the City's website. The new Pound page gives you access to photographs of the animals currently at the City's Pound. This should be really helpful, as now if you're looking for a lost pet you can look at who our Rangers have picked up.

An important reminder for cat owners is that the State Government Cat Act comes into force this November. Changes to the laws governing cat ownership mean you will soon be open to prosecution if your cat (aged over six months) isn't sterilised, microchipped and registered. So please ensure you look at your new responsibilities to your feline friends.

I have spoken previously about Local Government and the fact that we are awaiting an announcement by the State Government of what will be happening to the structure of LGs in WA. Once an announcement is made we will simply adjust what we do to minimise any interruption to the services the community receives.

The Referendum for Constitutional Recognition of Local Government is a separate matter which has now been announced to coincide with the federal election in September. Recognition of the formal relationship between federal and local governments will ensure the federal government can continue to provide direct funding to communities' infrastructure, services and facilities. I encourage you all to vote yes for Constitutional Recognition in September to ensure projects like the federal Roads to Recovery program continue to receive funding.

Cr Henry Zelones JP
Mayor City of Armadale

Useful Council Numbers

City of Armadale Administration Centre

Tel: 9399 0111
Fax: 9399 0184
Email: info@armadale.wa.gov.au
Address: 7 Orchard Avenue, Armadale WA 6112
Opening hours: Monday to Friday
8.15am to 4.45pm

City of Armadale newsletter

City Views provides residents with information about Council policies, services, activities and community events.

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Council & Committee Meetings

All meetings are held in the City of Armadale's Administration Centre, 7 Orchard Avenue, Armadale and are open to the public.

Mon 10 June	7pm	Council
Mon 17 June	7pm	Development Services Committee
Tues 18 June	7pm	City Strategy Committee
Mon 24 June	7pm	Council
Mon 1 July	7pm	Technical Services Committee
Tues 2 July	7pm	Community Services Committee
Mon 8 July	7pm	Council
Mon 15 July	7pm	Development Services Committee
Tues 16 July	7pm	City Strategy Committee
Mon 22 July	7pm	Council



What is the City doing?

The City of Armadale takes the following steps to help reduce graffiti:

All City staff proactively report graffiti.

The City removes graffiti on City facilities within two working days.

Encourage residents and developers to apply anti-graffiti coatings and to consider different styles of fencing or planting shrubs and creepers, to deter vandals.

Support community volunteers with materials to remove graffiti.

Educate local primary school students about the costs and effects of graffiti.

Provide information and support for graffiti prevention and removal.

Increases community awareness, ownership and responsibility.

Work with the Police to identify and catch graffiti vandals.

The City of Armadale has been working with the WA Police to target graffiti vandals. Graffiti vandalism can take the form of writing, drawing or scratching onto surfaces using items such as paint, chalk, markers and stickers.

Operation Eraser is the WA Police's second phase of a series of graffiti-focused operations across the metropolitan policing districts. The project aims to target graffiti vandalism on public transport, public infrastructure and other graffiti hotspots.

The City has worked with Police to tackle graffiti in our local area. The partnership has resulted in vandals being identified and charged.

Graffiti vandalism is illegal and costs the City hundreds of thousands of dollars to remove each year. Actively protect your property and community from vandals and report the crime by visiting www.goodbyegrffiti.wa.gov.au or by calling:

Reporting Graffiti

City of Armadale
9399 0111

State Graffiti Hotline
1800 422 255

WA Police Graffiti Team
9222 9733

Art Awards draws crowds to the District Hall

The City's annual Minnowarra Art Awards once again saw hundreds of people from around Perth visit the heritage listed Armadale District Hall to view this prestigious exhibition.

The exhibition showcased a variety of pieces, including that of nationally and internationally acclaimed artists.

The exhibition closed with a special performance by acclaimed harpist Anthony Maydwell.

This year's winners included Eveline Kotai, Pam Langdon, Sue Hamilton and Jeremy Kirwan-Ward.

The exhibition is a part of the City's commitment to supporting cultural vitality in the region.

The Minnowarra Art Awards are proudly supported by Stockland and the Metropolitan Redevelopment Authority.



▲ Stockland \$5000 3D commissioned prize winner, Sue Hamilton for her piece Spike



▲ Cr Northcott with Mayor Zelones on the City's new access ramp.

City takes steps towards inclusivity

The City of Armadale is working towards improving access and inclusion for people with disability in the local community.

The City developed its first Disability Service Plan (DSP) in 1995 to address barriers within the community for people with disabilities and was the first local government in Western Australia to lodge its DSP with the Disability Services Commission.

The City of Armadale is committed to ensuring that the City is accessible to all members of the community. The City has developed a Disability Access and Inclusion Plan (DAIP) to address barriers within the community for people with disabilities.

The Disability Advisory Team (DAT) utilise the DAIP and make recommendations on a range of issues

which affect the quality of life for people with a disability who live or work in the City of Armadale.

The DAT is composed of community representatives, whose lives are impacted by access and inclusion issues, including long-time Chair, Councillor and ambassador for State Government initiative Count Me In, Councillor Melissa Northcott.

As we move forward we want to ensure our City and the services we provide meet the needs of all members of our community, including those with disabilities.

For more information on access and inclusion in the City of Armadale or to find out more about the DAT visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au or call 9399 0642.

Calling all performers

The City of Armadale's History House Museum is looking for items to be part of a new display featuring the history of performance in the local community.

We are interested in finding out how families entertained themselves before the arrival of television.

We are seeking stories, recordings, costumes, brochures, images, posters or objects related to groups who performed in the City of Armadale.

Categories of interest include:

- Theatre
- Music
- Poetry
- Comedy
- Dance

If you are or know of an amateur or professional group who performed in the City, we'd love to hear from you.

To discuss your story submission contact History House Museum on 9399 0670 or email cbell@armadale.wa.gov.au.



▲ The Hillarions who played around Armadale and Roleystone in the 1940s. Courtesy of Birtwistle Local Studies Library.

Armadale
Young Writers' Awards

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categories

General Creative Writing
Prizes will be awarded for the following grade groups:
Year 5 & 6 | Year 7 & 8 | Year 9 & 10

Living in Armadale
All grade groups, as listed above, will be judged together.

The competition opens on **1 June** and closes **30 June**.
Entry forms will be available from this time.
For more info visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au

Armadale Library 9399 0125
Kelmcott Library 9399 0810
Seville Grove Library 9399 0800

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seven leaders, now without fear of global warming, war or any other worry it had in 2012. Both planets don't care at all about what the other planet does.

Let's start with Earth, the loudest planet in existence! Everyday people send out satellites, rockets and radio transmissions and lots of annoying human TV. Most alien planets had completely shut down transmissions to block out Earth. Anyway, Earth's leaders were visiting International Science Labs or I.S.L for short. At the I.S.L all scientists could show off their inventions, if they're lucky. As usual, the leaders just wanted to see the chief engineer and M.A.S.R. (Massive Amazing Space Rockets).

"How's inventing today?" said Leader 1 (they don't have names for a reason only they know).

"I have invented a powerful jetpack that can theoretically send us to space!" said the chief engineer. "I just press this button and I should start flying!" He tested it and flew out the window never to be seen again.

"Ok who wants to be the new chief?" Leader 1 shouted.

"Their names must start with a B!" Leader 7 said, who was only a leader because she spent all her money on the competition to become leader when the past Leader 7 got an extreme brain freeze from an ice-cream. She had no qualifications and had a strange obsession with the letter B. When they had found a new chief engineer (who was called Bob), the leaders went to M.A.S.R and spoke to the space coordinator.

To read more of Potato Wars by Finn Swenson visit Armadale Library, Armadale Central Shopping Centre, Armadale.

Armadale Young Writers' Awards

Potato Wars
By **Finn Swenson**

Year 6, Roleystone Community College

The planet of Potatopia! Currently ruled by a king who only got chosen because

he had a bigger laser (and head) than everybody else. It also was a haven of potato-ish happiness where all potatoes could live without fear of being cooked.

Earth, a democratic planet ruled by

New Pound Page

Have you ever lost your pet? The City of Armadale's website will now feature a Pound page for animals at the City's Pound facility.

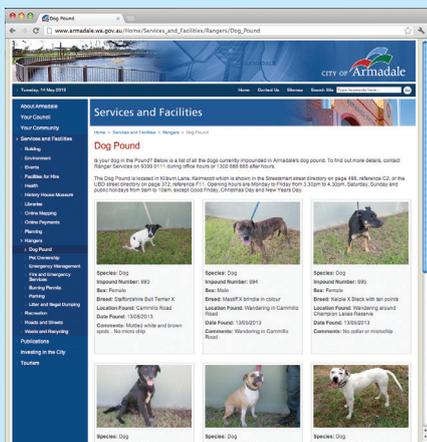
One of the biggest problems in pet rescue is animals not having the correct identification and therefore not being easily returned to their owners.

Pets can also travel long distances before being found and in some instances a pet will be picked up by a well-meaning passer-by and taken to another area, further complicating the search being undertaken by an already upset owner.

This new webpage will assist pet owners who are trying to track down their animals by having a photo of impounded animals currently at the Pound.

However this service should not replace conventional searching methods. Rather it should be used as an additional option for identifying and locating lost and impounded animals within the district of the City of Armadale.

For more information on dog registration or to access the Lost and Impounded webpage visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au.



Register your feline friends

As part of the State Governments new Cat Act, all cats in the City of Armadale will be required to be sterilised, microchipped and registered with the Council.

These new cat laws will come into effect this November and will apply to all cats in the State. This was introduced to promote responsible cat ownership and reduce the many unwanted cats and kittens abandoned each year.

All cat owners will need to:

- Sterilise and microchip cats over the age of six (6) months.
- Register cats over the age of six (6) months with their local government.
- Ensure cats wear a collar with identification and registration tags.

Local governments will have the authority to enforce these laws, administer fines and create local laws for cat control within their district.

Details of cat fees are expected to be released by the end of June 2013.

Applications for registrations will be available to download from the City's website or collected in person from the Administration Building located at 7 Orchard Avenue, Armadale.

Subsidies will be available for pensioners and health care cardholders to assist with the cost of sterilisation.

For more information on the Cat Act or how you can register your pet contact Ranger Services on 9399 0111 or visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au.

Winter Hazard Reduction Program

Fire is still a real risk during winter, especially with cosy fireplaces being so popular. Be vigilant and maintain your property despite the upcoming cooler weather.

Tips for maintaining your property:

- Tree pruning – remove lower branches and check power lines are clear. Use a professional contractor.
- Reduce fuel levels around the house – clear long grass, leaves, twigs and flammable shrubs.

- Ensure petrol and other flammables are safely stored away from the main dwelling.
- Ensure your fire fighting equipment is serviced and in good working order.
- Ensure all residents are aware of your emergency evacuation plan including evacuation routes.

For more information visit www.dfes.wa.gov.au.



NAIDOC Celebration Day

The Champion Centre's NAIDOC Celebration Day is an opportunity to recognise and celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures.

This free, community event is an opportunity for the entire community to celebrate local indigenous cultures with lots of music, entertainment and activities for the entire family.

There will be a very special performance by the Merrindas.

The Department of Health and Derbarl Yirrigan will be the centre of the Health and Wellbeing Hub and will provide

health checks, immunisations and blood sugar tests.

There will be lots of delicious food on offer including indigenous foods such as kangaroo stew, damper and crumble and custard.

Bring your friends and family and celebrate this event with us.

Tuesday 9 July, 10am – 4pm

Champion Centre,
76 Champion Drive, Seville Grove

www.armadale.wa.gov.au

Young Reinventors

Are you a primary or high school student with a keen eye for design? Your school or club can enter the Young Reinventor of the Year competition. The Young Reinventor of the Year challenges students to look at the world around them and create a new invention or sculpture using recycled materials. Your invention or artwork can be made from anything you find, as long as it would've gone into the bin otherwise.

Great prizes are available, including a school or club membership to REMida.

To register, or get ideas on how to get started, visit Switch your thinking! on **www.switchyourthinking.com**.

Know what you eat

The City of Armadale has introduced a Food Hygiene Award trial to assist customers to make informed choices about where they wish to eat.

Eligible food businesses that achieve a high standard of food hygiene during routine risk assessment inspections by the City's Health Officers, will be presented with a gold, silver or bronze certificate, which they may display in their premises.

The highest level of achievement is the gold standard, which has been so far awarded to two food businesses:

- Subway Armadale
- Dome Cafe Armadale

Recipients of all awards are listed on the City's website, which can be viewed by clicking on the Health tab on www.armadale.wa.gov.au.

If you would like to know more contact Health Services on 9399 0111.



▲ Dome Cafe Armadale

What's on in your City?

John Wollaston Fun Run

The run starts at John Wollaston Anglican Community School and continues around Champion Lakes.

Categories:

Under eight years - \$5

Under 12 years - \$5

Under 18 years - \$10

Open (19 years +) - \$10

Family registration (three people or more) or parent and child - \$15

Sunday 9 June, registration from 8am with races beginning at 9am

For information visit www.jwacs.wa.edu.au or call 9495 8100.



Play in the Park

Play in the Park is a free mobile playgroup for children aged zero to five years old at Baker's House.

Come and see what great things you can do with your children, spend some time with other local families and enjoy the opportunity for you and your children to make new friends and form bonds with the community.

This playgroup will be running on Thursday mornings during school term from 9.30 to 11.30am, Baker's House, 10 Welcome Meander, Harrisdale.

For information call Armadale Community Family Centre on 9497 4794 or visit www.armadalecfc.com.

Elsewhere in Success

Author Iris Lavell has written one act plays, poetry and now her first novel, Elsewhere in Success. Come along and find out what the neighbours in Success are up to.

**Wednesday 19 June, 7 – 8pm
Armadale Library**

**Bookings are essential.
Call 9399 0125 to secure your place.**

Men being social

The men in this group come from all walks of life and simply enjoy getting together, having a chat, learning something from one another or going on outings together, just to do something different.

This is a great opportunity for guys to meet others, get out of the house and increase their social circle without the need for commitment.

**On second and fourth Thursday of each month, 2 – 4pm,
Armadale Library.**

Call 9399 0125 for information.

Hey Presto Magic Show

Hey Presto the magician will amaze with his magic show. Suitable for children aged three years and above.

**Wednesday 10 July, 2 – 3pm,
Kelmescott Library**

Bookings essential. Call 9399 0810.

Hotdog Bookmaking

Come and make a hotdog book to send to our friends at Conant Public Library in Winchester, New Hampshire USA. We will be making books about what it is like to live in Australia.

**Monday 15 July, 10am – noon,
Seville Grove Library**

**Bookings are essential.
Call 9399 0800.**

Making Musical Instruments

Come and make your own musical instruments to take home. You can make a bell from a flowerpot, a shaker from a matchbox, or a tom-tom from a yoghurt pot. Suitable for children seven to 12 years old.

**Wednesday 17 July, 10.30am – noon,
History House Museum**

**Bookings are essential.
Call 9399 0670.**

Pyjama Storytime

Music theme - Come along in your PJs for a night of magical stories, songs and craft and a mug of Milo. Everyone is welcome.

**Thursday 18 July, 6.30 – 7.30pm,
Armadale Library**

**Bookings are essential.
Call 9399 0125.**



Maria's Music Excites

This engaging musical incursion focuses on curiosity, imagination and music appreciation. Children will discover musical instruments in the mystery box, participate in creative music and movement and enjoy loved songs. Children will also design their own musical instrument.

Suitable for children aged three to seven years old.

**Friday 19 July, 1 – 2pm,
Armadale Library**

**Bookings essential.
Call 9399 0125.**