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# MAYOR'S Message



**Hello. It's been an incredibly busy few months at the City and I'm delighted to have the opportunity to share our latest updates, wrap ups and promos for what's coming up in our 85th edition of City Views.**

It was wonderful to have so many people join us at events held throughout the City's Spring into Armadale festival. The recent Perth Kilt Run and Highland Gathering saw the record for attendance broken. It was wonderful to see so many families enjoying our iconic free event (see more on page 4). There's been no time to rest though, as we're busy putting the finishing touches on our Christmas event program and preparing for our Australia Day activities, entertainment and fireworks display.

A big 'thank you' to everyone who voted in the 2022 AUSactive Awards and congratulations to the Armadale Fitness and Aquatic Centre team for scooping three top categories. AFAC took out the People's Choice Award, Industry Innovation of the Year Award and Group Exercise Leader of the Year – Sarah Ford. These national awards recognise the hard work the entire AFAC team

puts in each and every day to deliver quality services and programs to the local community.

I'm very pleased to announce the City is embarking on developing its inaugural Reconciliation Action Plan (RAP). Once completed this strategic document will set out how the City will contribute to reconciliation with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and guide us in creating a culturally safe, celebrated and inclusive community. To find out more about this important work head to [engage.armadale.wa.gov.au/RAP](https://engage.armadale.wa.gov.au/RAP)

Our City really is a fantastic place to live, work and visit so it is always a pleasure to be able to share our stories and promote opportunities for investment whenever I get the chance.

In October, I attended the National Economic Development Conference 2022 along with Cr Peter and Cr Virk.

We were able to bring back insights into how Local Governments from across the country were working to reinvigorate their local economy's by creating amazing public areas; running innovative advertising campaigns; using technology to enhance visitor experiences and many more. It is gratifying to know the City of Armadale is on the right track, but there is always more that can be done to support a caring and connected community, which in turn supports economic activity and growth.

Finally, on behalf of the staff and Councillors at the City of Armadale, I wish you all a safe and happy Christmas and new year.

*R. Butterfield*

**Mayor**  
Ruth Butterfield

**SATURDAY 3 DECEMBER 2022**

## CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT AND CHRISTMAS PARADE

Memorial Park, Armadale | 5.30pm – 8pm

**You're invited to join the City of Armadale in the festive spirit of the holiday season with Carols by Candlelight. This annual family friendly Christmas event is bursting with community pride and celebration as it showcases some incredible local talent.**

The evening begins early with the Christmas Parade through Jull Street Mall. Featuring a variety of colourful characters and performances by local community groups, providing an exciting spectacle for the young and imaginative. Follow the parade through to Memorial Park, where Santa Claus addresses the audience, presents his donation for the Salvation Army food appeal and shares some special words of wisdom with the children in the lead up to Christmas.

People of all ages and all abilities are welcome to join in the festivities in Perth's most accessible carols event. We're once again proud to present the DADAA Accessible Viewing Area where people with disability can reserve spaces to enjoy the carols with their families.

The following services will be available: accessible viewing platform with a service dog area, audio description, assistive listening, AUSLAN interpreters, braille songbooks and accessible toilets.

With thousands joining in the festivities, Carols by Candlelight is the perfect mix of high-quality music, stunning candlelight atmosphere, and families enjoying the festive spirit in the lead up to Christmas – so come and be a part of it!



# Christmas

## CLOSURES

The City of Armadale's Administration Centre will be closed from **4.45pm Friday 23 December 2022** and reopen at **8.15am Tuesday 3 January 2023**.

For all our facility hours over the holiday period visit the City's website [armadale.wa.gov.au](http://armadale.wa.gov.au)

## BIN COLLECTIONS OVER

## THE FESTIVE SEASON

There is **no change** to waste collections in December or January - bins will be emptied on your usual day!

The **Armadale Landfill and Recycling Facility** is closed Christmas Day and New Year's Day. (Closing at noon on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.)

THURSDAY 15 DECEMBER 2022

## TODDLER ROMP WITH SANTA!

Seville Grove Library  
10.30am - 11.30am

Join us for a special Christmas Toddler Romp session!

Santa's clever Elf will read some Christmas stories, then listen for the bells to herald the arrival of Santa himself!

We will sing Christmas songs, listen to stories and you will have the opportunity to take family photos with Santa.

This session is suitable for children 18 months to 5 years of age.

Places are limited and bookings are essential.

Visit [library.armadale.wa.gov.au](http://library.armadale.wa.gov.au) or call 9394 5800.



# What's on

## SAVE THE DATE

THURSDAY 26 JANUARY 2023

## AUSTRALIA DAY 2023

Minnawarra Park and Memorial Park, Armadale  
5pm - 9.30pm

Come see us at the annual alcohol and smoke free Australia Day event - we're busy putting the finishing touches on a jam-packed program, featuring a spectacular fireworks display.

Secure your spot early with a picnic in either Memorial or Minnawarra Parks and embrace the great community atmosphere of this family-friendly event.

With plenty of activities for all ages - carnival rides, lots of food stalls to tempt your tastebuds and a full program of live music showcasing some of our incredible local talent as well as the free family fun zone - this event is not to be missed!

The highlight of the evening is the spectacular fireworks to an all-Australian soundtrack broadcast by Heritage FM on 107.3 FM.



## FOSTERING A LIFELONG LOVE OF LEARNING

It was wonderful to see so many members from around the State come together at the Armadale District Hall for the University of the Third Age (U3A) State Conference 2022.

The U3A is a worldwide movement aimed at encouraging people aged over 50 years to remain mentally, physically and socially active.

The two-day program ran across 20 & 21 October with amazing guest speakers, including Prof. Peter Newman AO, Ass.Prof. Steven Maras PhD, Dr Brett Biddington AM and our very own Mayor Ruth Butterfield, sharing knowledge, ideas, information and inspirational stories around the conference theme - Communication in our Communities.

Feedback from the event was super positive and a key takeaway was the ongoing need for connection, diversity and learning – regardless of age.

The U3A State Conference 2022 was proudly sponsored by the City of Armadale.

If you'd like to join the Armadale branch of the U3A (which incidentally is celebrating its 25th anniversary!) head to [u3aarmadalewa.org.au](http://u3aarmadalewa.org.au)



Image: Mayor Ruth Butterfield with Ass.Prof. Steven Maras PhD

## CITY CELEBRATES Celtic STYLE

Thousands flocked to the dales for the City of Armadale's annual Kilt Run and Highland Gathering on 9 October 2022.

Minnawarra Park was filled with lasses, laddies and wee bairns ready to enjoy a full program of Scottish-themed events and activities.

"This year's Highland Gathering and the Perth Kilt Run was a fantastic celebration of our City and community," City of Armadale Mayor Ruth Butterfield said.

"More than 25,000 people joined us throughout the day to witness a huge program of live action, including medieval battles, strength competitions, dog agility courses, music, highland dancing and pipe bands."

"For some it was the chance to reconnect with their roots, for others it was the chance to don a kilt for a day and experience some Scottish culture at its best."



Image: Armadale Highland Gathering and the Perth Kilt Run

## ARMADALE WRITERS' AWARD

## Winners Announced!

Winners of this year's Armadale Writers' Award were announced at a presentation at Armadale Library on Friday, 18 November.

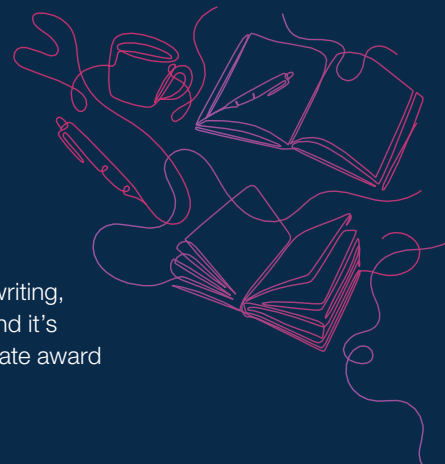
The creative writing competition - now in its sixth year - has a prize pool of \$2,600 and is open to adult writers living in Western Australia. The Armadale Writers' Award not only acknowledges excellence in writing, but also cultivates Western Australian writing talent. We have a thriving writing community within WA and it's great to see people sharing their writing through the competition. Laurie Steed was the MC for the private award presentation which was attended by Council dignitaries, the judges, award finalists and their families.

**Congratulations to this year's winners:**

**Belinda Veldman (1st prize), David Harris (2nd prize), and David Wildsmith (3rd prize).**

**Finalists (in alphabetical order): Alison Davis, Fiona Marshall, Ian Reid, K. M. Mack, Nicki Blake, Rosanne Dingli and Sam Cecins.**

Winning stories are now available to read on the library website [library.armadale.wa.gov.au](http://library.armadale.wa.gov.au)



# EATING BRIGHTER, *Living Lighter*



The City is partnering with Cancer Council WA's LiveLighter program to encourage healthy eating and promote living a healthy lifestyle locally.

The Eat Brighter campaign prompts people to buy, eat, cook and grow more colourful fruit and vegetables while highlighting ways to make small lifestyle changes to improve health by prioritising healthy eating and boosting physical activity.

Several billboards supporting the Eat Brighter campaign have been placed in Harrisdale and Piara Waters to encourage people to include a variety of colourful fruits and vegetables in their diets.

Mayor Ruth Butterfield said the LiveLighter program helps spread the word about different, fun and creative ways we can get more fruit and vegetables into our diets and improve our health.

**"Getting people to stop and think about their health and consider the impact of the way they eat and move is really important,"** she said.

**"Eating a wide range of healthy and nutritious foods, such as fruits and vegetables, are factors that can protect us from a number of chronic disease, including heart disease, stroke, Type 2 diabetes, some types of cancers, kidney disease and more."**

The partnership with Cancer Council WA's LiveLighter program is about sharing the Eat Brighter message to as many people as possible while providing opportunities for individuals and communities to put the messages into practise.

More information is available on the City's website [armadale.wa.gov.au/livellighter-partnership](http://armadale.wa.gov.au/livellighter-partnership)

For some healthy, fresh and easy recipes, check out the Live Lighter's website [livellighter.com.au/recipe](http://livellighter.com.au/recipe)



## SPEND YOUR \$\$\$ IN

### *your community*

With Christmas just around the corner, now is the time to spend some \$\$\$ with those who'll appreciate it most!

This year has again been challenging for many small businesses across the City, so it's never been more important to support local by shopping local.

So pause the online shopping this festive season and pop into a local shop to pick up some great local produce and gifts.



## ENGAGE

Like, share and comment on business social media posts to help increase their online presence.



## REVIEW

Leave a positive Google or Facebook review to help boost search rankings and review scores.

## PAY IT

## FORWARD



Consider giving a gift voucher or a birthday present instead of a physical gift.

# CITY CHAMPIONING *Business Investment*

The City is working continually to support local small businesses and encourage more investment and development into Armadale.

We've just released our Business Investment Prospectus to support local area promotion and to advocate on behalf the community across State and Federal Government, key industry leaders, and other businesses to highlight top industries that present opportunities available for investment and relocation to the region.

You can download a copy of the prospectus from [armadale.wa.gov.au/economic-development#toc-2](http://armadale.wa.gov.au/economic-development#toc-2)



## STORYTOWNS

## PODCAST TOURS

### *Live in Armadale*

Need some fresh ideas for ways to entertain the kids these summer school holidays? How about an adventure in our own backyard?

We've recently launched an Armadale series of podcasts, showcasing popular destinations in the region.

Download the free Storytowns app through your App Store or Google Play and learn more about local history and interesting facts from passionate locals.

## COMMUNITY CELEBRATES

# Kambarang

The Noongar season of Kambarang was celebrated at the City's Bob Blackburn Reserve in Seville Grove on 11 October.

This year's Kambarang Festival opened with a traditional welcome to country and smoking ceremony followed by amazing local entertainment and activities for the whole family included elders' and children's hubs, information stalls with giveaways and yummy food.

"It's so exciting to see the community come together and enjoy stories, culture and experiences in such a wonderfully vibrant and supportive way," said City of Armadale Mayor Ruth Butterfield.

"A big thank you to local Elders, their family members and all who attended for sharing such a special cultural day with us and participating in the activities and events."



## STEP INTO VOLUNTEERING

Are you interested in volunteering but aren't sure how to get started? There are plenty of opportunities available throughout the City of Armadale.

From youth work to aged care to emergency services to environmental services - there really is something for everyone!

Our Step Into Volunteering sessions are a great way to find out about the hundreds of positions available for volunteers and to get your foot in the door.

We run these sessions regularly, keep an eye on our Facebook page and website for details of the next one and come along - we'd love to see you there!

SATURDAY 3 DECEMBER 2022

## COMPOST YOUR WAY TO ZERO FOOD WASTE

Harrisdale Pavilion | 10am - 11.30am

If you're keen to know more about sustainable living come along to this FREE workshop to learn How to Compost Your Way to Zero Food Waste.

You'll find out how to use all types of compost bins, or set up a bay to compost food and garden waste at home, the magic of worm tubes and worm farms and how to compost using bokashi!

Presenter Robyn Brown has a lifelong interest in waste and reusing, having worked as a Waste Education Officer, helping people to reduce waste and has a knack of making things simple, using what you have at hand, and great tips for troubleshooting on your journey to becoming an experienced composter!

More information and bookings  
[armadale.wa.gov.au/events/how-compost-your-way-zero-food-waste-0](https://armadale.wa.gov.au/events/how-compost-your-way-zero-food-waste-0)

## COMPOSTING REBATE

Residents who have attended a composting workshop (How to Compost Your Way to Zero Food Waste), run by the City of Armadale, may be eligible to apply to Waste Services for a rebate up to \$50.00, if they purchase composting units.

Rebates are subject to the terms and conditions of the application and are not available to residents who have not attended a composting workshop.



# Habitat Links

## HITS AMAZING MILESTONE

This year our Habitat Links program is celebrating 20 years of helping landowners revegetate their properties to improve biodiversity and enhance habitat.



**79**  
ELIGIBLE  
LANDOWNERS  
PARTICIPATED



**18**  
SITE VISITS  
UNDERTAKEN



**64**  
PARTICIPANTS  
RECEIVED FREE  
NATIVE SEEDLINGS



**3**  
MONITORING  
CAMERAS WERE  
LOANED



**6612**  
SEEDLINGS  
PLANTED



**1**  
PARTICIPANT WON  
A BIRD HABITAT  
PACKAGE



## CARING FOR OUR SPACES

The Armadale Gosnells Landcare Group (AGLG) continues to connect people to nature through its annual planting program with a total of 48 landcare events organised across the City between July 2021 and June 2022. That's a pretty hectic schedule!

Thank you to everyone who gives their time so generously to care for our spaces.

### HERE'S A QUICK SNAPSHOT OF THE GROUP'S AWESOME ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- 58,386 Native Seedlings planted
- 4 Corporate Planting Events
- 3 Conferences Attended
- Approx. 7Ha of Ecological Restoration
- 2,905.25 Volunteer Hours undertaken by 1,735 individuals
- 18 School Landcare Planting Events
- 12 Community Landcare Planting Events
- 2 Conference Presentations
- \$170,495 in Grant Funding Received



## GARDEN CLUB CELEBRATES Golden Anniversary

The City recently supported the Kelmscott and Districts Garden Club celebrate its 50th anniversary.

Working closely with the garden club, the City recently planted a tree and unveiled a plaque in honour of current and past members.

The group unveiled the plaque at Rushton Park on 4 October 2022 and caught up after the event with light refreshments.

Many participants commented it was great to see each other face to face and catch up on all things gardening.

**If you are keen to join the club, email [filmcharm@smartchat.net.au](mailto:filmcharm@smartchat.net.au) to find out about the next meeting.**

Image - Left to Right: Kathy Jacka, Norm Wise and Gillian Adam





# MY BUSHFIRE PLAN

As we head into the summer months, it's important to prepare for an emergency event so you, your family and your community are as safe as is possible.

These four simple steps will help get you started:

1. Create your bushfire plan
2. Prepare your property
3. Pack an emergency kit
4. Make sure you understand the Bushfire Warning System

## WHY DO I NEED A BUSHFIRE PLAN

Fires can happen suddenly and change quickly so having a plan will help you stay focused during an emergency event. Planning ahead will help keep you and your family safe.

It's important to develop a bushfire plan that outlines what you will do if a bushfire occurs.

You don't have to start from scratch - visit [mybushfireplan.wa.gov.au](http://mybushfireplan.wa.gov.au) or download the My Bushfire Plan app from the App Store or Google Play to get started.

## BE PREPARED

If your plan is to leave, make sure you leave early. Only stay if you are physically and mentally prepared to defend your property and you have all the right equipment.

Remember to plan for your pets and/or livestock – during a bushfire they will need water, shelter and a safe place to stay.

Practice your plan regularly with your family, write it down and make sure everyone knows where it is.

Make sure you have 2 or 3 alternative evacuation routes in case the one you've planned to use is blocked off.

For more information visit [dfes.wa.gov.au/prepare](http://dfes.wa.gov.au/prepare)

## YOU CAN STAY UP TO DATE WITH BUSHFIRE ALERTS AND WARNINGS AT

- Emergency WA website - [emergency.wa.gov.au](http://emergency.wa.gov.au)
- 13 DFES (13 3337)
- DFES Facebook - [facebook.com/dfeswa](https://facebook.com/dfeswa)
- DFES Twitter - [twitter.com/dfes\\_wa](https://twitter.com/dfes_wa)
- ABC Radio or 6PR - Your local radio frequency
- Third party apps such as Alert2me, Bushfire.io, DBCA Parks and Wildlife Alerts and National Bushfires
- Keep in contact with neighbours, friends and family

# Meet your COUNCIL

### HERON WARD



Cr Michael Hancock



Cr Emma Flynn



Cr Grant Nixon



Cr Scott Mosey

### LAKE WARD



Cr Sartaj Virk



Cr Michelle Silver

### MINNAWARRA WARD



Deputy Mayor Cr Kerry Busby

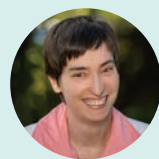


Cr Gary Smith

### PALOMINO WARD



Cr Paul Hetherington



Cr Melissa Northcott

### RANFORD WARD



Cr Shanavas Peter



Cr Keyur Kamdar

### RIVER WARD



Cr John Keogh



Mayor Cr Ruth Butterfield

### COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Meetings are held in the Council Chambers, and Committee Meetings in the Committee Room, both at the City of Armadale Administration Building, 7 Orchard Avenue, Armadale.