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MAYOR'S Message



Welcome to the first issue of City Views for 2021.

It's hard to believe that we are a quarter way through the New Year.

In January, the City welcomed 51 new citizens from 13 countries to our community as part of our annual Australia Day Citizenship Ceremony. The occasion also presented an opportunity to recognise our 2021 Community Citizen of the Year Award winners.

This year, we had 31 nominees, who have all brought about positive change to our City. Most of the time, these locals go about their business quietly, but Australia Day is a fantastic day to celebrate the wonderful contributions made to our community.

Cover image:
Minnawarra Art Awards 2019

Last month, the City opened entries for the Minnowarra Art Awards. Now in its 24th year, these Awards have played a long-standing role in showcasing the talent and creativity within the Western Australian arts community.

Council is proud of our commitment to developing, promoting and supporting the arts, and I'm looking forward to seeing the works that our vibrant arts community share with us at the exhibition later this year.

You can read more about the Minnowarra Art Awards and the Armadale Arts Festival on page 4.

The City's Habitat Links Program also returns in 2021. The program provides free local native seedlings to eligible landowners as well as personalised

technical advice to assist with weed erosion and feral animal management, and creating new wildlife habitat.

To see if your property is eligible and to find out more information about the program, check out page 7.

I wish you all the best for the coming months and hope to see you at some of the City's events soon.

Mayor
Ruth Butterfield



Apply now COVID RECOVERY GRANTS

Grants ranging from \$2000 to \$5000 are available for community groups to assist with recovery from the impacts of COVID-19.

Community groups are required to discuss their project prior to submitting their application, which will be considered and assessed as they are received until June 2021, or the allocated funding is exhausted.

Call the Community Development team on **9394 5642** or email **info@armadale.wa.gov.au** to register your interest in applying and discuss your application.





City updates

BEDFORDDALE FIRE STATION

Construction on the new \$1.7m Bedforddale Fire Station is almost complete!

In October 2020, the City confirmed it would cover the project's \$248,000 funding shortfall using proceeds from the City's sold freehold land parcels.

The location of the new station is ideal given its proximity to the Bedforddale Hall and already existing services, in addition it will provide safer and greater vehicle access.

The modern new station design will better facilitate the brigade's growing membership base and will provide purpose-built change rooms and modern training facilities for the brigade's 70 plus volunteers.

Completion is due this month with its opening expected in April.

ROLEYSTONE THEATRE

The Roleystone Theatre has been the cultural heart of the Roleystone community since its doors opened in 1933.

In August 2020, Council formally adopted its 2020/2021 budget which included funding to upgrade the theatre.

The upgraded facility will provide a hub for the City's growing performing arts community, with the conversation of the original auditorium, which is listed in the City's Heritage Inventory.

Demolition works commenced in January and the construction tender process is underway. The \$4.2m project is due to be completed in early 2022.



COMMUNITY CITIZEN AWARDS

Australia Day celebrations were very different this year due to COVID-19 restrictions. The City still held its Citizenship Ceremony in the Armadale District Hall and welcomed 51 new citizens to our community.

It was also an opportunity to announce the Community Citizen of the Year Award winners and give recognition of the wonderful work of all the nominated individuals and community groups.

This year there were 31 nominations over the four categories, which means that there are a lot of individuals and groups doing amazing things!

This year's Community Citizen of the Year Award was tied by Bree Hartley for her tireless efforts in the field of art and culture, and Veronica Read for her outstanding volunteer work helping to increase adult literacy in the City of Armadale.

"I'd like to congratulate all of our winners and nominees for their inspiring community work," said City of Armadale Mayor, Ruth Butterfield.

CREYK PARK PAVILION

In February 2020, Council agreed to replace the aging Creyk Park Pavilion with a new modern facility, to provide updated contemporary spaces and amenities for the local community-based groups that call the pavilion home.

Construction of the new multi-purpose facility is now underway, with demolition and removal of the old facility completed.

The new \$2.3m pavilion will comprise of a main community hall, club room, activity room, two kitchen/kiosk areas and four unisex change rooms.

The existing pavilion served the local community since 1978, supporting both junior and senior AFL, senior cricket and is also home to the Kelmscott Scout Group.



What's on

MINNWARRA ART AWARDS 2021

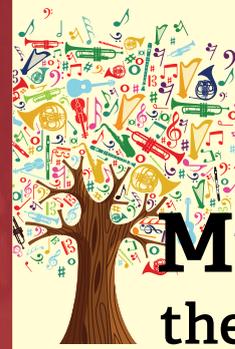
1 – 16 May 2021, 11am – 4pm

Armadale District Hall, Cnr
Jull Street & Church Avenue

The new and improved Minnawarra Art Awards showcases some of Western Australia's best artists, a number of which we are proud to say are local to the Armadale district! This year sees an increased prize pool and more targeted art awards to ensure this professionally curated exhibition provides viewers with a powerful show of high calibre and diverse artworks.

As the centrepiece of the Armadale Arts Festival, the Art Awards offers an exciting public program including floor talks, Positive Ageing High Teas and Music in the Hall ensuring that it's not just the arts lovers that are able to revel in this creative visual feast!

Follow us on the City of Armadale Facebook page for further details and more information on the public program.



Music in the Mall

27 March to 17 April
Saturdays noon

Head to Jull Street Mall for a showcase of FREE vibrant live performances. Bring your lunch or support local business and buy something to eat or drink from a variety of our local cafes. Sit back and enjoy the free entertainment from established musicians, local emerging artists, schools and community groups.

Saturday 27 Mar | Singing Spectacular

Armadale & West Byford Primary Schools along with local singers and songwriters come together for a spectacular display of singing.

Saturday 10 Apr | The Vibrolators featuring Miss Peta-Lee

Old school rhythm and blues band bringing a swing to your hips!

Saturday 17 Apr | Skelton

A family band with groovy, uplifting, melodic pop.

Armadale

arts FESTIVAL

30 APR - 16 MAY 2021

Armadale will be transformed into a mecca of art and creativity for this years Armadale Arts Festival.

This year's Festival will once again deliver a captivating program of live music, visual arts, dance, literature, arts and crafts, showcasing the incredible talent coming from this region and also bringing some of the greats straight to Armadale!

- Armadale Arts Bush Trail
- The new and improved Minnawarra Art Awards
- Pub Choir
- Pop up art installations across the District
- Activities and Workshops and so much more!

Whether you see yourself as an arts enthusiast or just like doing fun stuff, there is something for everyone in the Armadale Arts Festival! So you don't miss out, make sure you keep an eye on the festival website or follow the Facebook event on the City of Armadale Facebook page for further details.

Various locations – full program available in April

www.armadaleartsfestival.com.au

KidSport

INVESTING IN THE WA COMMUNITY

For Kelmscott resident Danielle, the popular KidSport program has given her children the confidence to participate in organised team sport.

“Finding the right club was a hard process, but as soon as we did, we were so incredibly lucky,” Danielle said.

Since 2016, the Kelmscott Junior Football Club has provided a comfortable environment for her five children to flourish.

“The club understood our kids’ needs and what we needed. They made our kids feel safe and heard. Instead of having to drag them away from the TV, they couldn’t wait to go to training, and they couldn’t wait to go to games.

“They started interacting with other kids that they normally wouldn’t interact with because they were too shy previously. It gave them such confidence, and pushed them in the right direction to make them want to make good choices even when they’re not at the club and not playing.”

Almost 215,000 KidSport vouchers equating to \$31 million has gone directly to sporting clubs throughout Western Australia since 2011.

“I have five kids who live and breathe sport, so it can start to get expensive very quickly. KidSport alleviates that financial pressure that we feel.

“While we want our kids to participate in sport, we also have to make sure we’re not going over the budget.”



Kelmscott Junior Football Club welcomes children from pre-primary age right through to year 12. President James Linton said that without KidSport the club would be 40% down on their membership, with the initiative accounting for an additional 130-150 players a season.

“From a club point of view, it allows us to compete, to be successful,” he said.

“Without the program, we wouldn’t have as many players as we do. The area that we’re in, a lot of families do rely on KidSport to allow their children to participate in various activities.

“The KidSport fees allow us to invest in more equipment and other programs within the club.”

KidSport is run by the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries, with the help of 50 local governments.

Applications are open all year round. Details on how to apply can be found at www.dlgsc.wa.gov.au/kidsport.

Did you know? AFAC is now a registered club through KidSport and you can use your vouchers for Swim School!

Tell us about your suburb



Did you know there are 19 suburbs and over 97,000 residents in the City of Armadale?

We want to know about your suburb - what you think is unique, what you love about your suburb and why, and any concerns you have about the social issues in your suburb.

This information will assist with decision making and how best to provide support to external service providers, agencies and community groups to fill the gaps in your local area.

Visit www.surveymonkey.com/r/LGLMF9D and complete the quick survey before 1 April, 2021.

By completing the survey your name will go into a draw to **win one of four \$250 food vouchers** and we will also notify you of upcoming community events.



Come together with members of your local community for these free fitness sessions for residents 60 years young and over.

Improve your everyday life and reduce falls and injuries. These low impact sessions promote improving your flexibility, balance and strength using outdoor equipment located in several locations near you.

Bookings are essential as numbers per class are limited. Register your interest by visiting www.surveymonkey.com/r/MoveYourBody or in person at Armadale Arena.

Commencing 16 March through to 12 June at the following locations:

Kuhl Park, Camillo
Tuesdays, 9am

Harrisdale Playing Field, Harrisdale
Thursdays, 9am

Bob Blackburn Reserve, Seville Grove
Saturdays, 9am

* First 50 people to register will receive a free backpack containing a resistance tube, keep cup and coffee voucher.



Best of Autumn ARMADALE COMES ALIVE

Insider tip

Visit during the week to avoid weekend crowds

Crisp mornings, mild days, seasonal produce and the golden colours of the changing seasons create the perfect backdrop for a weekend escape. Right here... in our backyard.

PERSIMMON SEASON AT RAEBURN ORCHARDS

Fill up your fruit bowl with seasonal produce at Raeburn Orchards. It's no secret that local tastes better, and supporting local families is the icing on the cake. But it's not only the produce on offer. As the seasons begin to change in April the leaves on the Persimmon trees change colour, creating stunning walls of warm rich orange, gold and crimson. It's the perfect opportunity for some unforgettable family photos. Orchard Walks \$5 for adults, under 12's free.

HILLS SCENIC DRIVE

Breathe in the fresh hills air on a scenic drive through rolling hills and valleys surrounded by sweeping views and striking landscapes. Done on its own the drive will take you just under an hour, but throw in a few attractions plus a stop or two for nourishment and you'll easily be entertained for a

day. Collect a map from the Perth Hills Armadale Visitor Centre or download one at perthhillsarmadale.com.au.

WILDLIFE WALKS

Within Wungong Regional Park you'll find Bungendore Park, a 498 hectare reserve home to several walking trails varying in length. The crisp, cool mornings and mild days of autumn create the ideal setting for bush-walks. Listen to the crunching of leaves underfoot and experience the fresh scent of eucalyptus after rainfall. Look up to the trees and listen out for the call of Black Cockatoos, who breed and nest within the Park.

WINE AND DINE

Seven Sins Perth Hills is the newest restaurant on our local dining scene, serving up fine food and local wine overlooking the beautiful Roleystone valley. The menu combines Chef Seb Sindermann's German heritage with contemporary Australian cuisine, with ever-changing specials to showcase seasonal produce.



AUTUMN NATURE PLAY

It's a fantastic time of year to get the kids outside and into nature. Make leaf boats and race them down the creek in Rushton Park, put on your gumboots and jump in puddles or go on a family bushwalk. For more inspiration pick up a copy of the City's Nature Passport.

For more autumn inspiration, maps and brochures, visit the friendly team at the **Perth Hills Armadale Visitor Centre** or follow us on Facebook @Perth Hills Armadale for what's on.

JUNK VERGE & GREEN WASTE Collections

Autumn green waste collections kick off in March!

Question: Do you know why green waste is NOT collected if placed in plastic bags or boxes?

Answer: All green waste collected is mulched for garden use, and is contaminated if placed in plastic bags or boxes.

Did you know Mattresses are now collected via a booking

From **1 July 2020** mattresses are no longer collected as part of the annual verge junk collection.

Residential properties paying a waste service fee can book a collection of up to **TWO** mattresses from their verge.

Bookings can be done online www.armadale.wa.gov.au/booked-mattress-collection or phone **9394 5444**.

ZONE	BULK WASTE	GREEN WASTE AUTUMN
1	19 July	3 May
2	26 July	27 April
3	2 August	19 April
4	9 August	8 June
5	16 August	14 June
6	1 February	22 March
7	8 February	29 March
8	15 February	12 April
9	22 February	21 June
10	2 March	28 June
11	8 March	28 June
12	5 July	15 March
13	12 July	15 March





Free NATIVE SEEDLINGS

Eligible residents can receive free native seedlings and the support of a dedicated Environmental Officer to assist in enhancing the biodiversity and health of the City's treasured natural environment.

Landowners of properties within Special Residential, Rural Living or Rural zones are considered eligible. Participating properties are required to contain and/or be adjacent to priority conservation value bushland, wetlands or watercourses.

Participants of the program will receive advice on native plant species selection, planting techniques to maximise survival, weed management, feral animal management, creating wildlife habitat and erosion management.

Eligible landowners that register for the program by **1 July 2021** will automatically go in the draw to win a garden bench!

For further information call 9394 5000 or visit www.armadale.wa.gov.au/habitat-links-program



102
LANDOWNERS
EXPRESSED INTEREST
IN THE PROGRAM



69
PARTICIPANTS
RECEIVED FREE
NATIVE SEEDLINGS



7059
SEEDLINGS PLANTED



25
SITE VISITS
UNDERTAKEN

Habitat Links program 2020 stats.

Tell us how best to connect with you!

Go into the draw to win \$\$\$\$

We are looking to improve how we communicate with our community, and we are seeking your feedback about how you would like to hear from us!

How do you currently get your City updates:

- Council meetings
- Websites
- Email
- Radio
- Social media
- Local paper, City Views
- Other

**What would you like to know about?
Rank in order:**

- Local planning decisions
- Project updates
- Events
- Verge collections
- Environmental projects
- Other



Growing our Neighbourhoods

KNOW YOUR NEIGHBOUR WORKSHOPS

Did you know the City is hosting workshops throughout the year to give you tools, confidence and support to connect with your neighbours?

You can help create a safer community by getting to know your neighbours. Community safety is not just about injury and crime prevention, it's about banding

together to create vibrant, active and connected neighbourhoods.

Mingle with likeminded community members during these free workshops and enjoy light refreshments. Topics cover how to connect with your neighbours and some tips, tools and support to run your own neighbourhood event.

National
Neighbourhood Day
SUNDAY 28 MARCH

There's no better time to connect with your neighbours. Chat over a cuppa, a picnic in the park, or just a friendly knock at the door. Whatever takes your fancy!

Visit armadale.wa.gov.au for more information on where and when for the workshops or phone **9394 5000**.

Civic honour awarded TO FORMER MAYOR

Congratulations to former Armadale Mayor and Councillor Henry Zelones OAM, who was recognised for his service to the Armadale community and named as an Honorary Freeman of the Municipality.

The rarely-bestowed Honorary Freeman title is the City's highest civic honour and was presented to Mr Zelones during the 2021 Australia Day Citizenship ceremony held in the Armadale District Hall.

Mr Zelones served Armadale as a Mayor for 8 of his 26 years as a Councillor. He was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia in 2014 for service to local government and the community and has served on numerous organisations and committees to progress the planning and growth of metropolitan Perth and Armadale.



Tear me out!

For your chance to win a prize - tear me out and drop me at:

By filling out this form your name will go into the draw to win one of three prizes worth \$250 each. T&Cs apply.

- City of Armadale Administration Centre
- Perth Hills Armadale Tourism Centre
- Libraries - Armadale/ Kelmscott or Seville Grove
- Champion Centre
- AFAC
- Armadale Arena

My name is:

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Property address:

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Contact details:

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