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YOUNG CONSTANTINE IS AN ENTHUSIASTIC RIDER ... ESPECIALLY ON HIS NEW VINTAGE CYCLE BUILT FOR HIM!

EVERYTHING OLD IS NEW AGAIN!

TEN YEAR OLD CONSTANTINE GIBSON'S ENTHUSIASM AND CONSISTENCY WITH HIS CYCLING PROMPTED THE WA HISTORICAL CYCLE CLUB TO BUILD HIM HIS OWN VINTAGE RACER.

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Grass is greener
 Dear Echo News,
 Yes, it is greener on the other side of the bridge in Bassendean.
 Take a look at the river reserves at The Point, Sand Beach and Success Hill Bassendean and compare it to our Historic Fish Market reserve and Kings Meadows at Hill Street, Guildford, what an embarrassment to long suffering Guildford rate-payers.

I am not surprised that a dog has already been killed and feel that it is only a matter of time until a child or pedestrian meets the same fate.
 Perhaps 'slow points' along Chidlow Street might alleviate the problem.
**J Paxman
 Mt Helena**

Thought for the day
 "Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving."
 - Albert Einstein

Tourists shake their heads in disbelief, how can Swan treat such historic sites with such contempt.
 This is where Stirling decided to establish Guildford as the first inland settlement in WA. I am sure he would be very disappointed.
 It doesn't stop there, over the top and none-compliant ballard around Sterling Square, no lightning (on their eye watering cost \$400,000 to \$500,000) on the new Anzac bronze statue in historic Sterling Square.
 The list goes on and on and there isn't enough room to list more of Swan's failures and contempt in the way it handles historic Guildford.
 It's time to look to a far, better operator Bassendean!
**Concerned resident
 Guildford**

Call for compulsory military training
 Dear Echo News,
 Compulsory military training is needed to renew Australia's defence capability and equip young people as responsible adults, instead of recruiting non-citizens from overseas.
 A two-year training program would solve problems of illiteracy, obesity, delinquency and unemployment, while helping young people develop citizenship values greatly needed in Australia.
 FamilyVoice believes compulsory military training is necessary to renew the shrinking number of police and defence personnel, and it has no confidence in the announcement by the federal government that defence will undertake a workforce plan, and possibly recruit non-citizens from overseas.

We don't need to import soldiers and police when we can train our own young people.
 And since we specify all citizens must help defend Australia, if called upon, we must take steps to sensibly train young people for that purpose, and for their benefit and that of society.
 Many other nations run successful programs of compulsory military training, and it's time our politicians had the courage to stand up for the meaning of Australian citizenship.
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CONSUMER PROTECTION

Shedding light on dark patterns

With Commissioner for Consumer Protection Trish Blake

AS the cost of living continues to pinch, most people are looking for ways to save a bit of money, but some businesses use sneaky tricks to make us spend more than intended.

terns led them to share more personal information than they wanted.

Dark patterns are tactics used to nudge, manipulate or trick you into spending more than or providing personal data that isn't needed.

The research also showed younger consumers (aged between 18 and 28 years) are even more negatively impacted by dark patterns. They are more likely to part with more of their money and their personal information than any other age group.

These tactics can be used in many situations, but the place you will see them most often is on digital channels such as online platforms, shopping websites and apps.

If you spot dark patterns and don't want to accept them, choose a different retailer, or shop in store. To avoid post-purchase regret don't be rushed into buying something, shop around and stick to your budget, ensure the website is reputable or even ask friends and family for recommendations. It's important to know your consumer rights so make sure you read the fine print before clicking 'buy', keep your proof of purchase and know when you're entitled to a refund, repair or replacement.

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While it may be tempting to sign up to a newsletter to get a discount, make sure you're not sharing more personal information than you want to. Before you sign up to a subscription service be aware of any ongoing fees, read and understand the terms and conditions, and check what the process will be to cancel.

A whopping 83 per cent of Australians have experienced negative consequences after falling victim to dark patterns according to a Consumer Policy Research Centre study. They reported financial harm or a feeling of being manipulated, and a quarter of Australians said dark pat-

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Artist's impression of the planned new facility. Graphic: Falconer Brown

Indigo Junction break cycle of disadvantage

GUANHAO CHENG

FOLLOWING last week's announcement of \$5.3 million in funding for Indigo Junction the organisation is seeking further funding to go towards construction of the new building.

Chief executive officer Sharon Gough said the last piece of the funding puzzle was a further \$4m to go towards construction of the new building.

"Indigo Junction has made a strong submission for this funding through the housing Australia future fund, and we hope to hear a positive outcome in mid-2024," she said.

"From there, no further barriers to the commencement of construction are foreseen. All going well, we are planning on opening the new service in August 2025."

Echo News last week reported that last year Indigo Junction received almost 500 calls from young people in crisis.

Ms Gough said that figure was just a portion from Indigo Junction's 6600 calls for assistance, mainly accommodation requests, received during 2022-23.

"These callers could not be assisted due to a lack

of available suitable housing and or resources," she said.

"Our dedicated staff, and other workers in community services around Midland, go above and beyond to support people in crisis, however this is unsustainable in the long term, and in the face of a deepening cost of living and housing crisis."

Ms Gough said young people accessing Indigo Junction's service would typically have experienced trauma and hardship so support staff must be prepared to address their complex needs.

"Many will have had experiences of violence and or neglect in the home and for others, they may have mental illness or disability that makes it difficult for them to live at home," she said.

"There is an acute shortage of low threshold or barrier placements for young people with complex needs.

"Providing safe, affordable, and supported housing, where these young people can have access to the emotional and practical support needed to heal from trauma and learn to live independently, is what breaks cycles of disadvantage and homelessness.

"That is core to Indigo Junction's mission."

Forrestfield police seeking information over primary school children incident

FORRESTFIELD Police Station officer-in-charge Senior Sergeant Brad Robinson, is urgently seeking public assistance regarding a concerning incident involving primary school-aged children this week.

On Tuesday, April 30 at 8am, three primary school-aged children were approached by an unidentified male outside Dawson Avenue Park in Forrestfield.

The male, riding a white mountain bike, invited the children to his nearby white van, which they had earlier seen parked outside the deli on Berkshire Road.

The male was described as Caucasian, with a gold tooth, brown buzz-cut hair, wearing a navy beanie, green cargo pants, and multiple backpacks.

The van in question was described as white, with roof racks and blacked-out windows, potentially



OIC Brad Robinson

with curtains. Notably, it had four or more bumper stickers, with the phrase 'free candy' visible on the side.

The incident prompted concerns due to similarities with a prior occurrence near Dawson Park Primary School, involving another child being offered candy by an individual associated with a similar van.

Forrestfield Police are actively investigating the matter and urge anyone with relevant information to come forward. Contact Crime Stoppers at 1800 333 000. Reference Incident Report Number:

300424093018542.

"Ensuring community safety and prioritising the well-being of our children are top concerns," Senior Sergeant Robinson said.

"Your cooperation is vital in ensuring the safety of our community's children."

Mundaring man fined \$14,500 for RSPCA breach

A 77-year-old Shire of Mundaring man has been fined \$14,500 for breaching a lifetime animal ownership ban.

The resident was convicted on several charges of animal cruelty in 2012 in relation to around 70 starving and neglected sheep and cattle at properties he owned.

He was prohibited from being in charge of any animal, with the exception of two cats and two dogs, as long as they were sterilised.

The Northam Magistrates Court heard that in September 2021, the offender was found to be in charge of cattle and pigs at a property in

Mokine, 95km east of Perth.

In addition, when an RSPCA WA inspector attended the offender's home in Beechina, she saw a female black kelpie which the offender admitted was unsterilised and had had litters of puppies in the past.

In sentencing, Magistrate Benjamin Tyers said this was an overwhelming prosecution case.

He told the offender, "Three courts have made the (permanent prohibition order) clear" but the offender "cannot and does not accept the ruling of the court" telling the man, "It appears you do not like to obey laws."

Magistrate Tyers told the offender to come to terms with the fact the permanent prohibition order had been made otherwise he was going to jail.

RSPCA WA inspector manager Kylie Green said animal ownership bans are imposed for a reason.

"When you show yourself to be unable or unwilling to care for animals as they should be, the Court will impose these bans to protect other animals," she said.

"This outcome should serve as a warning to others who breach their own bans – you can and will be prosecuted."

Most Swan councillors agree to rate increase

ANITA McINNES

THE City of Swan is proposing to introduce a 3.5 per cent rate increase for the 2024-25 budget with the decision made at a special council meeting on April 29.

The proposed rates need to be advertised for a minimum of 21 days for public comment prior to them being adopted.

Any submissions about the proposed differential rates and specified areas rates are to be considered at a May 29 special meeting.

At the start of the debate about the item an alternative motion was moved by Swan Valley Gidgegannup ward councillor Rod Henderson for the council to support a 3.98 per cent increase, which he said would raise an extra \$660,000 to be used for extra watering, maintenance and planting of trees.

Cr Henderson said it fitted with what Cr Dave Knight had given as his reason for proposing to increase the vacant land tax – a proposal that was rescinded at last month's ordinary council meeting.

Speaking against the alternative motion Altone ward Cr Jennifer Catalano said she opposed both the 3.5 and the 3.98 per cent rate increase proposals.

Instead Cr Catalano said the council should not go ahead with contentious projects such as the Midland oval, Ballajura play station, Henley Brook Avenue, Eric Lumsden RAV Road and the Mor-

risson Road upgrade especially at this time when people were feeling the effects of inflation.

During debate about the item deputy mayor Ian Johnson said while it was known residents wanted more trees planted a survey had also shown the biggest group wanted a zero per cent rate increase.

Cr Johnson said he and another councillor were working to put together another budget like the 2020 one – for three years the city did not increase rates before a rate increase was approved last year.

When Cr Henderson's motion was lost Midland Guildford ward Cr Rashelle Predovnik moved the officer's recommendation for the 3.5 per cent increase, which was voted for by councillors Evia Aringo, Aaron Bowman, Parry Jones, Cate McCullough, Charlie Zannino, Rod Henderson, Cr Predovnik and Mayor Tanya Richardson.

Councillors Sarah Howlett, Amanda Dorn, Haeden Miles, Johnson, Catalano and Knight voted against the proposed increase.



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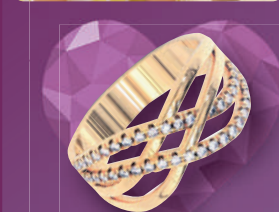
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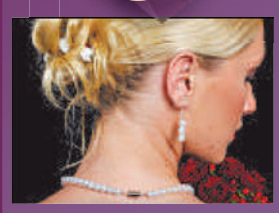


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Historical cycle club turns heads at Anzac Day race

WA Historical Cycle Club (WAHCC) treasurer Frank West rides bikes made before the Spanish Flu, while 10-year-old Constantine Gibson had not ridden a bike before Covid-19.

Yet they share a special bond formed at Track Cycling WA's 'Trackie Tuesday' at the Midland Velodrome.

"Constantine rolls the boards every week and his enthusiasm and consistency gives us seasoned riders a genuine buzz seeing his journey," Mr West said.

And quite the journey it's been for young Constantine, from numerous state titles to a world record on Spring Road in Kalamunda for the youngest ever Everest Basecamp single ride (4424m elevation).

So having nurtured his talent on the track, the historical cycling club went a step further by building Constantine his very own vintage criterium racer.

"For junior races he rides a single speed bike on the mandated gearing for his age group, which actually is an ideal setup for a vintage steel racer," Mr West said.

The project gained traction when a small enough frame was pulled off WAHCC secretary Bill Raczkowski's garage wall. Mr West admits even he doesn't know what year it was made – but sometime in the early 1950's is his estimation.

Another WAHCC member Clive 'The Mechanic' Andrews, supplied a couple of his renowned hand-built wheels and an original French Specialites TA crankset, along with the narrow Cinelli handlebars he rode as a junior.

On Anzac Day the Midland Cycling Club held the Stan Gurney Memorial Criterium Races, in commemoration of Mr Gurney who was a Victoria Cross recipient, in front of Midland Bunnings.

In amongst the latest bicycle technology seeking cycling's fabled marginal gains, Constantine took his first go on the vintage steel racer and was joined by WAHCC members on similar machinery for his warm-up course.

Constantine did them proud, eventually breaking free from a couple of the older kids mid-race to win by half a lap.

"My bike is probably the oldest to win a criterium race in a very long time," he said, taking out the first event of the day - Junior A.

Constantine then rode the bike to Willing Coffee in Guildford - a big supporter of local cyclists - for a post-race snack before the Anzac Memorial Service in Stirling Square down the road.

He imagines what life was like when the bike was made. "I'm grateful for our freedoms; I remember feeling the same at the dawn service when we used to live in Canberra."

For now, Constantine plans to continue racing on his new old toy and enjoy joining some of WAHCC's events.

For further information go to WAHCC's Facebook Page or website www.historical.cc



Constantine Gibson with Bill Raczkowski who supplied the frame.



WAHCC's Clive Andrews seeing if his wheels fit the frame... then time to see if the frame indeed fits young Constantine.

Mt Helena pays tribute to their WWII veterans

ON Anzac Day, in front of more than 200 residents and dignitaries, the new WWII Mount Helena Roll of Honour was unveiled and dedicated by Mundaring RSL president Eric Smith and Shire of Mundaring President Paige McNeil.

The project was a collaborative effort between the Mount Helena Residents and Ratepayers Progress Association and Lost Mundaring and Surroundings Local History Museum.

It was made possible through a successful grant application from the Department of Veteran Affairs, highlighting the importance of honouring the memory of those who served.

"The unveiling of the WWII honour roll serves as a lasting tribute to the bravery and selflessness displayed by Mount Helena's WWII veterans," museum curator Owen Briffa said.

As the community gathers to pay homage to their heroes, the Roll of Honour stands as a symbol of remembrance and gratitude, ensuring that the legacy of these courageous individuals endures for generations to come.



Mundaring RSL president Eric Smith and Shire of Mundaring President Paige McNeil unveiling the new WWII Mount Helena Roll of Honour.

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City of Swan prioritises advocacy projects



A skate park for Altone is on the advocacy list.

ANITA McINNES

A LIST of financial advocacy projects worth \$129.5 million has been agreed upon by City of Swan councillors.

An overview of the city's advocacy priorities for 2023-25 show the city will seek to secure \$40.4m in state funding and \$38.6m from the federal government for the projects.

An officer's report presented to the meeting listed 19 prioritised projects on the advocacy list with the Altone pavilion changeroom upgrades, Rosher Park oval playground replacement, Ballajura intergenerational play space, Altone skate park and BMX upgrade, Hazelmere hall community art mural, South Guildford BMX track, Dulcie Liddelow Netball Centre sport lighting upgrade, Brabham Community Centre, Bells Rapids footbridge upgrade and the Old Marshall Road shared path making up the top ten.

They were followed by the Garrick Theatre heritage refurbishments, Ellenbrook District Open Space north pavilion development, Woodlake sports ground pavilion, Bullsbrook Men's Shed, Queens Road Arboretum playground replacement, Ferguson pavilion changeroom upgrade, Gidgegannup Showgrounds equestrian pavilion, South Ballajura Commu-

nity Centre renovations and the Marshall Road duplication.

The officer's report said during the February to March ward meetings, the selected projects were presented to the councillors specific to their wards.

"Feedback from these meetings was gathered and actioned, and a council briefing session was conducted in April, where the entire list of projects was shown to the councillors," the report said.

"At the briefing session held on April 17 four additional projects were added to the advocacy priority list namely the Bullsbrook Men's Shed, Bullsbrook Skate/Cycle Track, Gidgegannup Men's Shed and Brabham Community Centre.

"The revised cost of the Ellenbrook District Open Space north pavilion refurbishment was also increased to reflect updated pricing, to \$7.5m."

At the April 29 special council meeting Pearce ward councillor Aaron Bowman moved an alternative motion that the council endorse the list of 70 projects outlined in the 2023-25 financial advocacy priorities list and actively advocate for the initiatives for pre-election funding pledges.

The motion seconded by Whiteman ward Cr Haeden Miles was carried unanimously.

Caversham and Brabham to receive school funding

THE state government will provide a further \$88.4 million for construction of three new public primary schools in growing areas expected to open for the 2027 school year.

A \$26.5m double-storey block will be built at Caversham Primary School to replace long-term transportable classrooms, while a total of \$15m will be invested to fast-track planning for a new secondary school in the rapidly growing suburb of Brabham.

"The new Brabham secondary school, (earmarked to be named Brabham Senior High School), marks a significant milestone for the fast-growing north-eastern suburbs of Perth," West Swan MLA Rita Saffioti said.

"The site of the proposed secondary school is located minutes from Whiteman Park Station, ensuring the school is accessible and well-integrated into the community.

"Detailed planning, land acquisition, and infrastructure works will now take place for the new school," she said.

She said the investment in Brabham Senior High School and Caversham Primary School would add to the growing number of modern education facilities serving families in the area:

- The new Brabham Primary School that opened in 2021 and the Brabham Primary School offsite early childhood education centre (Brabham Bidi) that opened in 2024

- The new Dayton Primary School that opened in 2023
- The new Henley Brook Primary School that opened in 2024

- A new Brabham East Primary School (planning name) to be opened in 2025

"I want to make sure students and their families have access to high-quality education right here in our community," Ms Saffioti said.

"A state-of-the-art high school is very much needed by the Brabham, Dayton, and Henley Brook communities, and that's why I am pleased our government has allocated \$15m for this project.

"Parents and teachers at Caversham Primary School have spoken to me about the need for a new classroom and that's exactly what we'll deliver," she said.

An additional \$41.8m in funding will go towards maintenance upgrades to improve existing public schools.

The government will also spend \$79.6m on new transportable buildings to enable flexible and timely expansion of capacity in public schools.

Premier Roger Cook said his government was committed to providing quality infrastructure for WA schools, and giving students the best possible learning experiences.

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Kalamunda bike trails on track for upgrades



The Kalamunda circuit trail is to be upgraded to the tune of \$3 million.

GUANHAO CHENG

THE Kalamunda circuit trail is to be upgraded following a \$3 million injection as part of the state government's support towards promoting outdoor activities.

Kalamunda Mountain Bike Collective president Cameron Wishart said the funding was the biggest investment in the Kalamunda network he had seen and that it would help build 18km of new trail for mountain bikers to enjoy.

"This \$3m will complete the remainder of our concept plan and it'll be a holistic upgrade of the entire network as well," he said.

"It's not only trails but also infrastructure such as parking, signage, toilets. It's quality of life improvement with more parking and better facilities at the parking area.

"We've got a lot of work ahead of us, but we're excited to deliver it."

Mr Wishart said it would take a few years to see the project to its completion due to trail building being dependent on weather conditions.

"We can only do work in the ideal conditions, so the moisture conditions need to be pretty good.

"We need compaction in the soils and that happens

in the cooler periods of the year meaning the project will likely unfold in the next two to three years.

"This recent rain is a good sign that things will start happening soon."

Mr Wishart pointed to Dwellingup and Collie as examples of attractive trail towns, and said Kalamunda also held the same potential given its natural beauty.

"We've got these great outdoor areas to see and visit but infrastructure can get better for international appeal," he said.

"We've got this great asset out there, but it could be better.

"It's about bringing everything up to a higher standard.

"And that's what we're trying to do in Kalamunda."

Tourism minister Rita Saffioti said the recent investment of \$165m, which the Kalamunda circuit trail will benefit from, will also support local tourism operators who rely on these experiences and sites to keep attracting visitors.

"By improving and investing in these facilities and sites, we're ensuring Western Australia remains a world-class tourism destination of choice for travellers, particularly in our regions," she said.

Swan Chamber May 'Hour of Power'

SWAN Chamber of Commerce's next monthly 'Hour of Power' will be held on Wednesday, May 8 from 10.30am at the Crooked Spire Coffee & Arthouse, Midland.

Since 2018, speaker Rachel Robertson has been a dedicated youth worker and counsellor, and is currently the Swan City Youth Service general manager.

At the 2023 Swan Business Awards, Swan City Youth Service were the 'not-for-profit initiative' award winners for their incredible schedule of enormously engaging youth events.

Tony Williamson is the second featured speaker for the May event and is an experienced general manager and team leader across a number of industries.

Presently, he is general manager of Bailey Brewing Co, a 'excellence in tourism, large business' 2023 Swan Business Award winner and also chairperson at Radio Lollipop WA.

"We are excited to invite Rachel and Tony to present at our Hour of Power and share with us their professional journey and their passion for doing what they do," Swan Chamber chief executive officer Tom Smilovitiis said.

This free monthly event is facilitated by Shane and Leanne Wilcox of SLW Transport, Swan Chamber of Commerce sponsors and Swan Business Awards 2023 winners of the 'business person/s of the year' award.

To register for this free monthly event go to www.swanchamber.org.au



Rachel Robertson



Tony Williamson

York and Toodyay tourism awards finalists

THE historic town of York has been selected this week as a finalist in this year's 7News small tourism town category, competing against nearby historic Toodyay, along with Exmouth, Carnarvon, Tom Price and Christmas Island.

Voting now open in the 2024 7News 'top tourism town awards' with 19 towns from across the state being named finalists across three categories in the highly coveted awards program.

The public can vote online for their favourite town or city and go into the draw to win a \$5,000 holiday in Western Australia or a two-night stay at RAC Karri Valley Resort.

Tourism Council WA chief executive officer Evan Hall encouraged the public to get behind their favourite holiday destination.

"It could be a town you've recently discovered, but where you felt incredibly welcomed in your time there – or it could be the place you visit every year because you always have a fantastic experience. This is your chance to have your say."

The public vote is combined with votes from an industry panel of judges to decide which destinations will receive the titles of top tourism town, small tourism town and tiny tourism town.

The winning destinations will go into a national competition against winners from other states for the chance to be named Australia's top tourism town, small tourism town or tiny tourism town.

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Growlers visit Pearce to mark special flight

TWO Growlers visited Pearce air base to mark the 100th anniversary of the first circumnavigation flight of Australia by Wing Commander Stanley Goble and Flight Lieutenant Ivor McIntyre in their Fairey IID seaplane.

Six Squadron Wing Commander Steven Thornton said the first circumnavigation flight of Australia was not achieved until five years after the first flight from England to Australia.

"This was largely due to Australia being so vast and undeveloped at the time," he said.

"(This year) also marks the 50th anniversary of a 6 Squadron F-111, crewed by Wing Commander Ray Funnell and Squadron Leader John Miller who completed the same feat in 1974."

Exercise Centenarie Redimus will pro-

vide the current 6 Squadron aviators the privilege to commemorate a historic event for not only aviation in Australia, but also the Royal Australian Air Force.

"It will also provide the opportunity to exercise agile operations, provide an engagement opportunity and to promote EA-18 Growlers and the Air Combat Group as a desirable career path."

Two EA-18 Growlers deployed through RAAF bases Townsville, Scherger, Darwin, Pearce and East Sale, replicating as close as possible to the previous events.

He said 6 Squadron operated 12 EA-18G Growler aircraft.

"The EA-18G Growler is an airborne electronic attack aircraft, designed to support air, land and sea forces by denying, degrading and disrupting a broad range of military electronic systems, including ra-



Two Growlers, specialised versions of the F/A-18 Super Hornet, visited Pearce air base to mark the 100th anniversary of the first circumnavigation flight of Australia.

dars and communications."

Australian Geographic adventurer of the year 2016 Michael Smith will also be undertaking a re-enactment of the first circumnavigation of Australia in his modern seaplane Southern Sun.

Mr Smith will be following the original flight plan of Wing Commander Goble

and Flight Lieutenant McIntyre including stopping in the same locations on the same dates.

The 6 Squadron EA-18 Growlers and Mr Smith's seaplane both passed through Townsville at the same time providing a unique photo opportunity to capture the historic feat.



PTA comments on Cale Street

GUANHAO CHENG

PUBLIC Transport Authority (PTA) spokesperson David Hynes said the PTA is doing all it can to keep the impact of construction to a minimum for residents living by the Cale Street level crossing.

"The Midland Station project team has made, and continues to make, every effort to address all issues raised, and minimise the impact of construction on the community," he said.

Residents of Cale Street came forward with concerns about the level crossing's impact on quality of life in last week's story *Residents feel overlooked over Cale Street crossing* (Echo News, April 26).

Echo News asked PTA to share some details on what had been explored and what was planned or in progress to mitigate noise and other issues.

Mr Hynes said the noise and light was a necessary part of safety, but the PTA were looking at ways to mitigate the noise, monitoring its impact, and would continue to monitor after the level crossing was completed.

"National rail safety requirements dictate that all level crossings must include audible and visual warnings," he said.

"Various measures to lessen the impact on nearby residents, such as strategic landscaping and rail treatments, are being explored, and noise monitoring will be undertaken following the level crossing's opening."

Cale Street residents said they were told what would happen and given information packs but felt they did not have an opportunity to give feedback.

Echo News put this concern to PTA by asking if any consultation with residents were planned and when they were taking place.

Mr Hynes said residents did have access to interactive sessions with the team members involved with the project, in addition to the information packs that were distributed.

"In addition to distributing a large volume of printed materials and digital communications to residents and businesses, the project team meets face-to-face with members of the community through quarterly community reference groups, individual meetings, information sessions and community pop-up sessions," he said.

"This includes a targeted information session in January about Cale Street works and impacts, which was attended by 17 locals."

Residents voiced their concerns about oversights in other peripheral considerations regarding the location in last week's story, fearing two-way lanes becoming one-way would further decrease available streetside parking for emergency services or community members whose care workers required parking.

When Echo News asked PTA whether parking concerns were being addressed by Metronet and if progress had been made, Mr Hynes said these questions were better suited for the local government.

"Street parking queries should be addressed to the City of Swan," he said.

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Kalamunda honours Mike Perry with Freeman of the City award

THE City of Kalamunda has announced Mike Perry as the recipient of the prestigious Freeman of the City award at the opening of the 2024 season of the Kalamunda Districts Junior Football Club.

Recognising Mike's contributions to the club and community, Mayor Margaret Thomas unveiled a sign to be placed at the grounds naming the verandah as the Mike Perry Viewing Platform.

This dedication, alongside the Freeman of the City award, underscores Mike's lasting impact on the local community and his pivotal role in enhancing the club's infrastructure.

The ceremony, held at the club's home ground - Kostera Oval, was attended by members, community leaders, and club supporters.

Mike's exceptional contributions

to the Kalamunda district were praised during the presentation, highlighting his longstanding dedication to community development, sports, and volunteerism.

Mayor Thomas, in awarding the Freeman title, commended Mike for his unwavering commitment and significant impact on the local community over three decades.

"Mike's contributions serve as a shining example of active citizenship and leadership," Cr Thomas said.

"His tireless efforts have not only enhanced our sporting infrastructure but also fostered a sense of unity and camaraderie within our community."

She said the Freeman of the City award was testament to Mike's exemplary service and dedication to making a positive difference in the lives of residents in Kalamunda and beyond.



Mayor Margaret Thomas with newly awarded Freeman Mike Perry.

York CRC fraud case update

PETER W LEWIS

THE case involving allegations of the mishandling of community centre funds by a former York Shire councillor and his wife will be back in the Northam Courthouse on May 27 for mention and police committal mention.

In October of last year, former councillor Ashley Garratt and his wife Robyn Garratt were charged with defrauding the York Community Resource

Centre (CRC).

The couple were not required to appear in Northam Magistrates court this past Monday, April 29 with the charges listed for mention.

Mr Garratt has been charged with one count of benefitting from fraud, and one count of engaged directly or indirectly in a transaction that involved any money or other property that is the proceeds of an offence.

He also faces one charge of failing to adequately store firearms safely, but this

is unrelated to the York CRC case.

Mrs Garratt is facing thirteen charges in relation to alleged misappropriation of funds from the York CRC, where she worked.

Those charges are seven counts of fraud by forgery, three counts of stealing as a servant, one count of engaged directly or indirectly in a transaction that involved any money or other property that is the proceeds of an offence, and two counts of benefitting from fraud.

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State govt injection for WA film industry

THE state government will invest \$31.9 million over four years to implement a new screen industry strategy as part of its economic diversification plans, with initiatives that grow the local screen industry and establish the state as a major international and national screen production destination.

In 2023, a total of 41 film, television, digital games and post-digital and visual effects projects commenced production in WA, including filming in the Perth Hills, Gidgegannup and York, and this year is shaping up to be even busier.

The government's vision for the future of the industry is outlined in the WA screen industry strategy, which provides a roadmap to coordinate and guide activities in support of the State's screen industry over the next 10 years to create new jobs.

A key focus of the strategy is to implement a new workforce development plan that will allocate \$11.2m over four years to enhance local production skills and capabilities, and bolster the local screen industry workforce production capacity in readiness for the completion of the new screen production facility.

The state government has already committed \$233.5m for the construction of the new screen production facility near the Malaga Metronet station precinct with construction now underway and expected to be completed by 2026.

An additional \$2m over two years will extend the

pilot 'digital games and interactive fund', which is delivered through Screenwest, to fund support to WA digital games and immersive technology companies and creatives to develop and release high-quality, diverse and engaging digital games.

This funding comes on top of the \$18.7m recently announced to finance the attraction of major productions to WA, promote the state nationally and internationally as a production location and expand local industry capacity to support the growing demand for production.

Culture and the Arts Minister David Templeman said the government believes show business was good business.

"That's why we are investing heavily in the screen industry in WA to support local production, grow creative employment, attract public and private investment, diversify our economy, and showcase our great state as an attractive tourism destination," he said.

"We want to create new highly skilled jobs across the state, and ensure WA's screen workforce is world-class, thriving, and ready for the increased opportunities the state government's commitments will bring.

"The WA 'screen industry strategy' will help attract commonwealth incentives and investment to the state as WA becomes a place where international productions of a high quality are produced and WA stories are created to be shared with the world."

RED grant to boost production of modular housing in the Wheatbelt



Evoke Living Homes managing director Russell Draffin, Wheatbelt Development Commission chief executive officer Rob Cossart and Regional Development Minister Don Punch.

AN all-weather production facility at award-winning modular and prefabricated home builder Evoke Living Homes in Northam was officially opened last month by Regional Development Minister Don Punch.

The facility was supported by a \$200,000 grant through the regional economic development (RED) grant program in 2021.

Completion of the 2000sqm undercover facility enables Evoke Living Homes to reduce construction delays and increase production by 20 per cent, translating to an additional eight to 10 new homes built per year in the region.

The builder also took on six new trades and two apprentices to support production capacity increases, helping the business scale into new markets.

During his trip to Northam, Minister Punch also visited another RED project site at the Avon Industrial Park, where Tradesales are constructing a new commercial office.

He also toured the Mortlock Gardens key worker housing precinct and met with the Shire of Northam to discuss the town's growth priorities.

Regional Development Minister Don Punch said modular home construction played a vital role in meeting Western Australia's demand for new housing stock.

"Evoke Living Homes is an innovative market leader in the Wheatbelt region, and I am pleased the Cook Government has been able to support the delivery of much needed homes in our regions," he said.

"By supporting local initiatives through the RED Grants program, our government is demonstrating its commitment and support to diversifying small businesses and enterprises in the region.

"To date, RED Grants have injected \$4.2 million into the Wheatbelt economy across 48 projects, leveraging more than \$27 million in private sector investment."

Round seven of the RED grant program opens later this month. Local businesses or organisations with project proposals are encouraged to contact the Wheatbelt Development Commission (WDC) on (08) 9622 7222 or email grants@wheatbelt.wa.gov.au



Guildford Grammar School girls training for their new AFLW program.

Guildford Grammar launch AFLW team

IN a significant stride towards gender equality in sports, Guildford Grammar School has launched an Australian Football League Women's (AFLW) team.

"This initiative marks a pivotal moment for our school as we continue to champion inclusivity and provide equal opportunities for all our students," principal Peter Allen said.

The Guildford Grammar AFLW program will initially be offered to students in Years 7-8, Years 9-10 and Years 11-12.

"The introduction of the AFLW team underscores our unwavering commitment to fostering a culture of diversity and excellence within our sporting community," Mr Allen said.

"With this initiative, we aim to create a level playing field where female athletes can thrive and excel in an environment that celebrates their talent and dedication.

"The establishment of the AFLW team aligns with our broader vision of empowering our students to reach

their full potential, both on and off the field. Through participation in competitive sports like AFL, our female students will have the opportunity to showcase their skills, build confidence, and forge lifelong friendships.

"We extend our heartfelt gratitude to all those who have supported this initiative, including our dedicated coaching staff, enthusiastic supporters, and the wider community," he said.

Mr Allen is also a member of 'CEOs for Gender Equity'.

"Joining 'CEOs for Gender Equity' provides Guildford Grammar with a platform to collaborate with like-minded leaders and organisations, amplifying our collective efforts to affect positive change," he said.

"Guided by our values of excellence, respect, integrity, spirituality, and compassion, together, we can build a future where gender equity is not just a goal, but a reality, both on and off the field."



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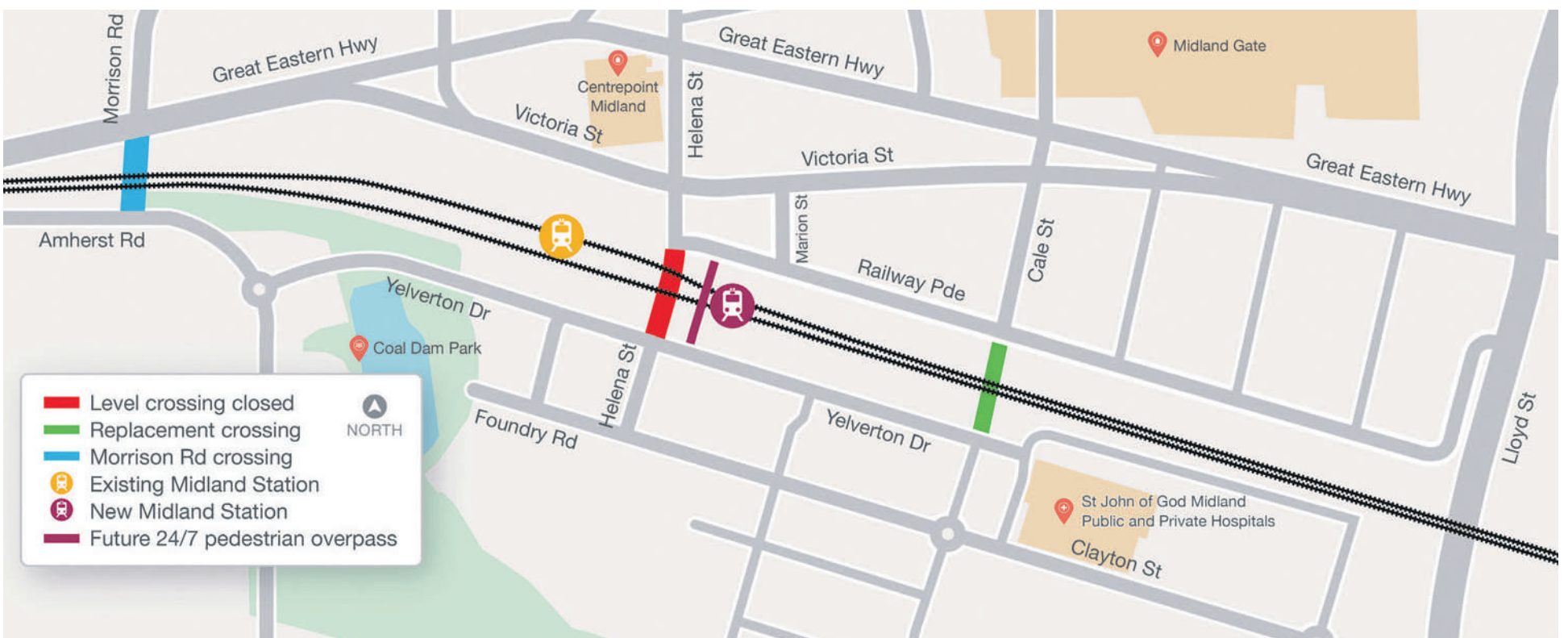
Permanent closure of Helena Street level crossing, Midland

As part of METRONET's New Midland Station Project the Helena Street level crossing will close permanently in early-July 2024.

After the closure, road users and pedestrians will need to seek an alternative route.

Alternative crossing points will be available at the new Cale Street level crossing, which will open prior to the closure, or the existing Morrison Road level crossing. Once the new Midland Station is operational, a 24/7 pedestrian overpass will provide an alternative option.

For more information or if you have any queries, call 9326 3666, or email info@metronet.wa.gov.au.



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Mayor's MESSAGE

Last month's Connecting Communities event at Hartfield Park Recreation Centre was a huge success, drawing over 300 attendees,

with 70+ stallholders and community groups joining for a memorable day. A heartfelt thank you to all the community groups for showcasing the best of our community!

Similarly, the recent ANZAC Day Dawn Services in Kalamunda and Pickering Brook saw a wonderful turnout. It was heartwarming to see our community, spanning generations, come together to honour the service and sacrifice of our past and present service members.

As we transition into the cooler months, it's crucial to prepare for the upcoming storm season and ensure our homes and communities are ready for any weather challenges. This includes checking gutters and drains for debris, securing outdoor furniture and items that could become projectiles in strong winds, and trimming back overhanging branches near your property. Review your emergency preparedness kit, ensuring it's stocked with essentials like non-perishable food, water, flashlights, and batteries. Stay informed about weather updates and warnings to stay safe and prepared throughout the storm season.

If you're looking to get involved in community activities, don't miss our upcoming local events like the planting day in Forrestfield and our Verge Garden workshop. Also, mark your calendar for the Tree-themed Storytime and Rhymetime sessions at City libraries, part of the 2024 WA Tree Festival celebrations! Find all the event details on the City's website for an unforgettable experience.

For some great entertainment close to home, explore the Kalamunda Performing Arts Centre program - there are fabulous shows and performances coming up, and tickets are selling fast!

If visual arts is your thing, get ready for our next art exhibition, Paper Treasures, debuting at the Zig Zag Gallery from 11 May. Immerse yourself in colourful risograph prints, attend graphic novel workshops, join artist talks, and experience Kalamunda's first Zine Fair. Enjoy a performance by local band Simone and Girlfunkle, highlighting diverse subcultures and DIY communities through comics, manifestos, and collages.

Join us as we celebrate arts and culture throughout the City this May!

Margaret Thomas JP

Mayor



COMMEMORATIVE PLANTING DAY

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This year the City's annual Commemorative Planting Ceremony will celebrate babies born between May 2023 and April 2024 to parents living in the City.

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PAPER TREASURES EXHIBITION

This exhibition will showcase the risograph and print art community in a colourful display of prints at the Zig Zag Gallery from Saturday 11 May to Sunday 9 June.

The opening event will kick off with Kalamunda's first Zine Fair, featuring graphic novel workshops, artist talks, and a performance from local band Simone and Girlfunkle. The day will be an eclectic display of subcultures and DIY communities expressed through handmade comics, manifestos, fanzines and collages.

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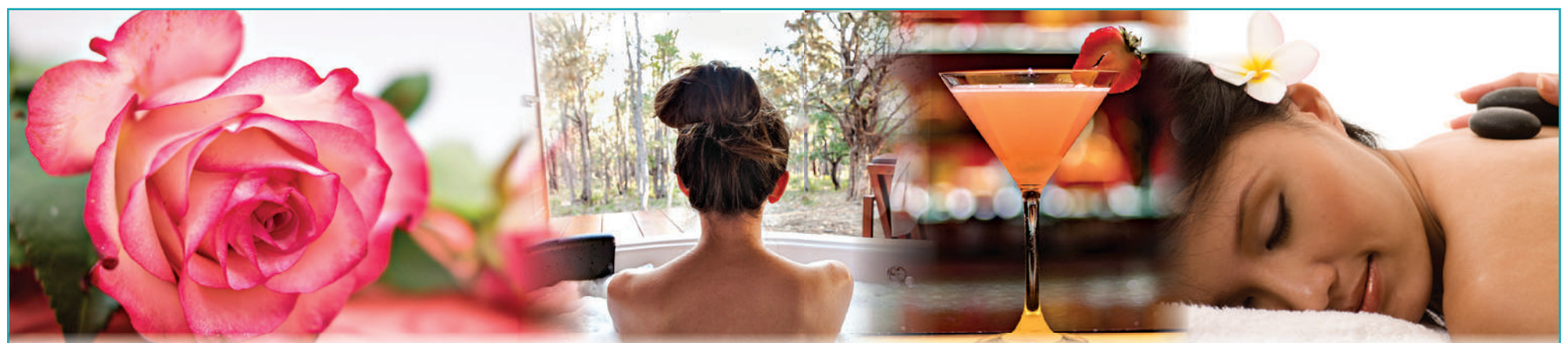
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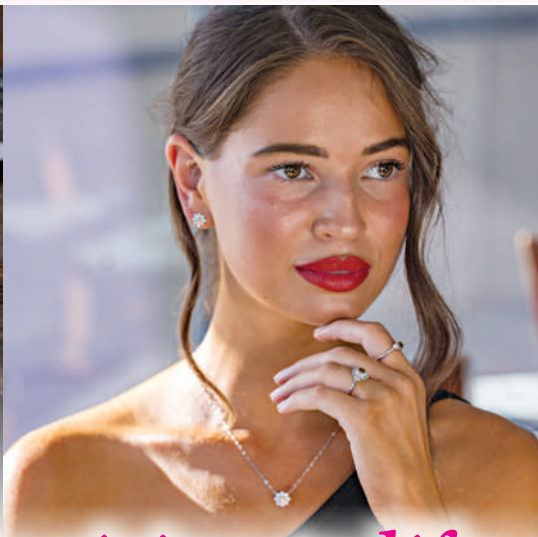
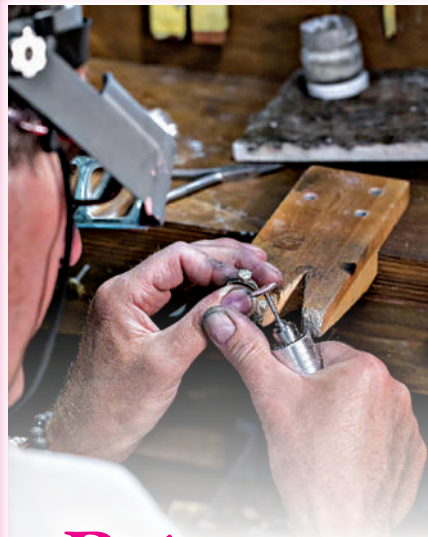
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• **Swan Guildford Historical Society** invites the public to hear Tom Goode draw on his long connection to Guildford's Garrick Theatre to present a history of Garrick, established in 1932. The society meets at St Matthew's Hall, Guildford at 7.30pm Monday, May 13.

• **The Swan Athletic Senior's Group** holds a fortnightly function at the club rooms in McDonald Road, Herne Hill and invites people to their functions. The function is especially for seniors to meet and have a fun day out in the Swan Valley. Bingo, discussion groups and afternoon tea is always enjoyed. The group also has several bus trips during the year to nearby places of interest. Their next meetings are on May 9 and 23, followed by June 6 and 20 at 12.30pm. They have safety rails and a ramp in place and welcome those who cannot manage movements as they once did. Retirement home/villages are most welcome to bring their residents. Plenty of parking is available. For more information call Tom on 0401 803 675 or Val on 0467 034 529.

• **Mozart and Friends** on Mother's Day will be held at St Cuthbert's Church, Darlington Road (cnr Hillsden Road), Darlington at 3pm on Sunday, May 12. Celebrate Mother's Day with the music of classical composer Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart alongside chamber music works by three of his friends. The artists are Emily Gunson (flute) with principal members of the West Australian Symphony Orchestra - Zak Rowntree (violin), Daniel Schmitt (viola) and Isaac Davis (cello). For more information and bookings call 9574 1591. Visit www.flutissimo.com.au

• **The Kalamunda Ladies Probus Club** meets at 10am on the second Thursday of each month at the Kalamunda RSL Club, 35 Canning Road, Kalamunda (two doors from Dome) at 9.30am for 10am start time. They have a guest speaker at each meeting and a monthly bus outing to different interesting places. Socially they meet for coffee monthly and lunch also monthly at different venues in the area. Probus is a social club for retirees who enjoy life. For more information contact their secretary Trish on 0468 309 823 or membership officer Juliette on 9293 4438.

• **Mundaring Women's Circle** holds weekly sessions at the Mahogany Creek Hall from 11.30am to 12.45pm on a Tuesday. Every week there is an interesting visit by someone from the community with something to share. On April 9 they had a presentation by a Friend of the Northern Jarrah Forest Belt, which runs from Gingin to south Collie. Circle members designed their own petition forms for the eco system, which to be nominated as a UNESCO world heritage biosphere. The not-for-profit group is holding a Mini Antiques Roadshow on Tuesday, May 7. For more information contact Melanie 0478 544 388.

• **Darling Range Branch of WA Naturalists Club** is celebrating its 50th anniversary on Friday, May 10 at 7pm to 9.30pm at Kalamunda Community Centre, Jorgensen Park, Kalamunda. The club fosters an understanding, love and protection of the native flora and fauna in the Perth Hills and beyond. RSVP <https://www.wanaturalists.org.au/events/50th-anniversary-celebration/>

• **Orienteering WA** invites you to come along to the next mountain bike event for 2024 at Riverside Gardens, Bayswater on Sunday, May 12. You can pre-register online until 5pm the day before or on the day from 8.30 to 9am. Note there is a mass start at 9am. BYO mountain bike and helmet but map boards can be hired. Visit www.wa.orienteering.asn.au For more information call Helen on 0409 889 944.

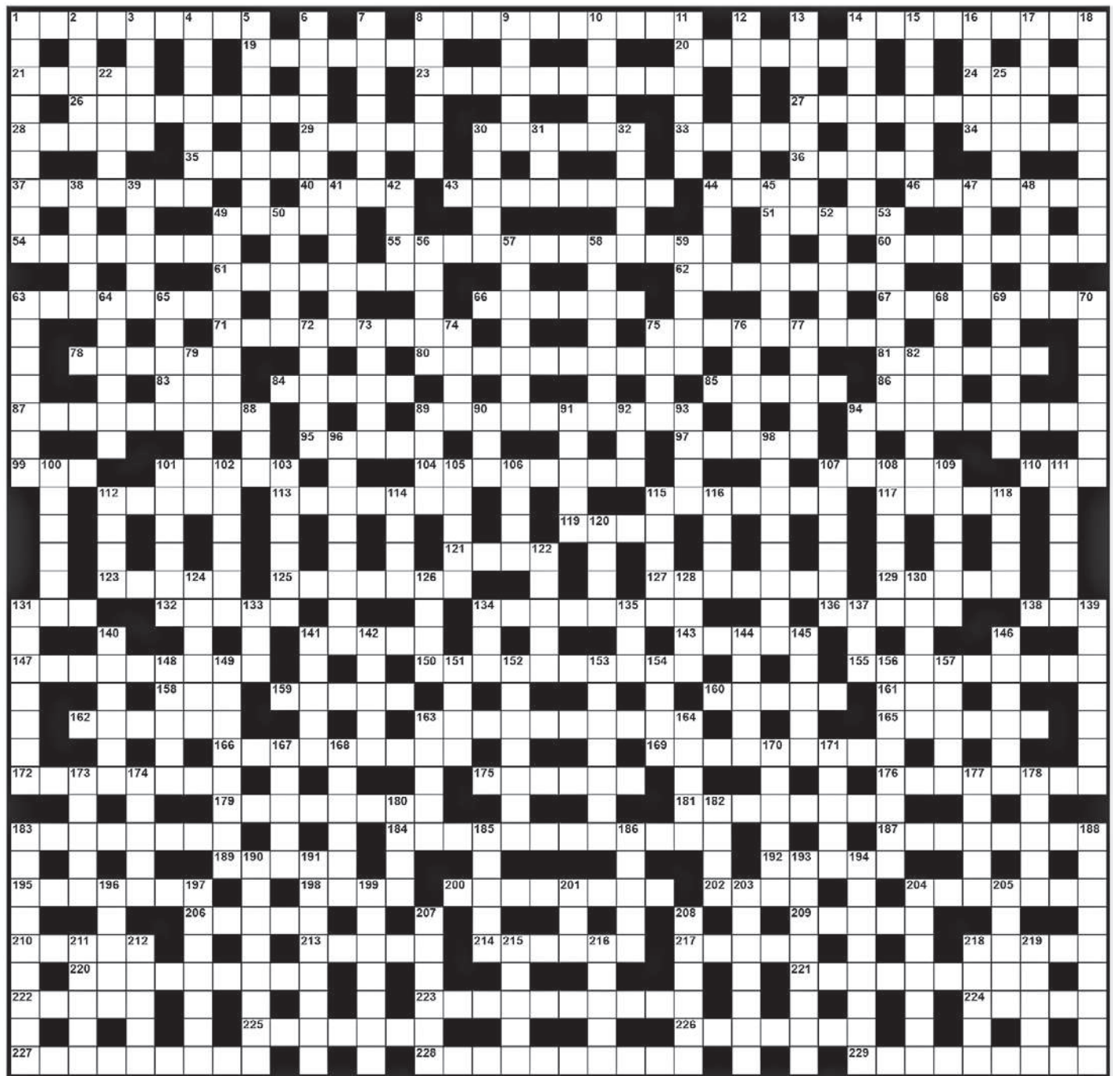
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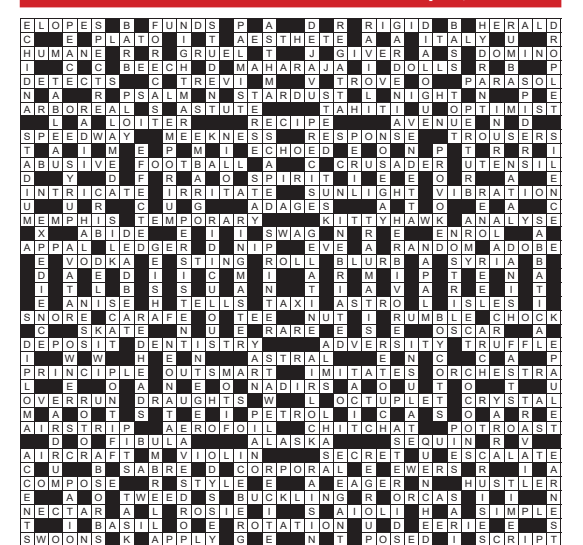
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| ACROSS | 127 Type of gas | 9 Glass containers | 109 Glassy substance | 170 Yearly |
| 1 Archaeologist's treasure | 129 Perfect | 10 Assessed | 111 Rich cake | 171 A small egg |
| 8 Gallant | 131 Honey gatherer | 11 A sacred beetle | 112 Girl's name | 173 Ages |
| 14 Country flyer (4,5) | 132 Behind | 12 Infuses | 114 A killer whale | 174 Gone wild |
| 19 A lolly covering | 134 Made soapy froth | 13 Coalmine | 115 A showy feather | 177 An open sore |
| 20 Honesty | 136 Salesperson's patter (coll) | 14 Brothers in church | 116 Mine entrance | 178 Of birth |
| 21 Snapshot | 138 A couple | 15 A win | 118 Dirt | 180 Disease carrier |
| 23 Polar continent | 141 A colour | 16 Fat | 120 A sword | 182 Flat craft |
| 24 Of a town | 143 Keen relish | 17 A star sign | 122 A garret | 183 Sweats |
| 26 Unofficial law enforcer | 147 Smart remark | 18 Long appendages | 124 A private concern | 185 N W Canadian territory |
| 27 A tardy arrival | 150 Disembowel | 22 A name | 126 Risk | 186 Jugs |
| 28 Aids | 155 Entertainment | 25 A memento | 128 Border | 188 Disguise one's beliefs |
| 29 Old beach resort | 158 Aura | 30 Rotate on point | 130 Prove fictitious | 190 Gives sympathy to |
| 30 False | 159 An oily fish | 31 A new | 131 Crying loudly | 191 Heavenly body |
| 33 A defence - being elsewhere | 160 Keen watch | 32 Possessor | 133 A large deer | 193 Speed |
| 34 Town square | 161 Coloured fluid | 38 Singer, ... Presley | 134 A garland | 194 Stayed |
| 35 Not hollow | 162 A quality of sound | 39 Poison | 135 Coastal indentation | 196 Abates |
| 36 Monetary units | 163 Give up possession | 41 Chatter | 137 Vegetable | 197 Bedecked |
| 37 Garment parts | 165 Meat pin | 42 Indifferent (2-2) | 139 Canadian province | 199 Sent out |
| 40 Grows older | 166 Private feuds | 44 Russian river | 140 Alleviation | 201 Approximate arrival (init) |
| 43 Outbursts of applause | 169 Marsupials | 45 Tremble | 141 Bitter | 203 Made claims against |
| 44 Former Soviet Union (init) | 172 Street scribbles | 47 Small branches | 142 Forthright | 204 Sporting arena |
| 46 Loose carrying bag | 175 Alters | 48 Japanese verse form | 144 Child's plaything | 205 A mass of nacre |
| 49 A headache tablet (tm) | 176 Implied criticism | 49 Coming from underground | 145 A willow | 207 Pleasure watercraft |
| 51 Scavenging animal | 179 News reporting | 50 A racing horse | 146 Unit of current | 208 Pure |
| 54 A fragrant plant | 181 Serene | 52 Singer, ... John | 148 Jewish scholar | 211 A smell |
| 55 Continent (5,7) | 183 Poke out | 53 Lover of beauty | 149 Cracks | 212 Legally hinder |
| 60 Crude representations | 184 Knowledge reference tome | 56 Extended dramatic work | 151 Competes | 215 Circular route |
| 61 School cafe type | 187 Brought out | 57 Gun pouch | 152 Relating to earthquake | 216 Bedding (tm) |
| 62 Makes higher | 189 A tiny piece | 58 European country | 153 Cattle muster (5-2) | 218 Sleeveless cloaks |
| 63 Look like | 192 States | 59 A tree | 154 Long protruding tooth | 219 The two card |
| 66 A detective | 195 Parrot | 63 Fundamental | 156 Projectiles | |
| 67 Reference books | 198 Appear | 64 Bring from grave | 157 Amount of wool | |
| 71 Stable attendants | 200 Stringed instruments | 65 Light timber | 163 A black bird | |
| 75 A maze | 202 A story | 68 Medical procedure | 164 Caribbean country | |
| 78 A hot pepper | 204 Amount left over | 69 Floating wrong | 167 At no time | |
| 80 Conducts a group bidding sale | 206 Ring-shaped cake | 70 Floating ice mass | 168 A continent | |
| 81 Throws out | 209 Outer edge | 72 Plant pest | | |
| 83 Large body of water | 210 Stage of development | 73 A Chinese mammal | | |
| 84 Repetitive intonation | 213 A health plant | 74 Soap froth | | |
| 85 Scandinavian books of mythology | 214 Wanderers | 75 Period of fasting | | |
| 86 Scottish cap (coll) | 217 A greeting | 76 Sing Swiss style | | |
| 87 A fine drink | 218 Beg | 77 A country | | |
| 89 Star sailors | 220 Water storage | 79 A bequest | | |
| 94 Worth discussing | 221 The care of children | 82 Australian stork | | |
| 95 A fragment | 222 Perch | 88 Be wrong | | |
| 97 A bowling channel | 223 Plant eaters | 89 First man (Bib) | | |
| 99 Edge | 224 Measure depth | 90 A beverage | | |
| 101 Fruit of the oak | 225 Obvious | 91 A groove | | |
| 104 Italian liqueur | 226 Operating room | 92 Unidentified flying object (init) | | |
| 107 A natural earth oxide | 227 Panic-stricken flights | 93 Go by ship | | |
| 110 An ovum | 228 Nourishment | 94 Twelfth month (abb) | | |
| 112 Plastic LP (coll) | 229 Inlay of gold on steel | 96 Inheritance | | |
| 113 Condensed account | | 98 A pachyderm | | |
| 115 High flat area | DOWN | 100 Light up | | |
| 117 Female relatives | 1 Evaluation | 101 African republic | | |
| 119 Part of foot | 2 Hidden treasure | 102 Most ancient | | |
| 121 S E Qld town | 3 Small amphibians | 103 Drink of the gods | | |
| 123 Book of maps | 4 Naval sword | 105 Paris subway | | |
| 125 Alligator pear | 5 Dupes out of money | 106 Wander | | |
| | 6 Date chart | 107 Small weights | | |
| | 7 Think well of | 108 US state | | |
| | 8 A neck scarf | | | |

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The Statement of Objects and Reasons for the above differential rates was adopted for advertising at the Special Meeting of Council on Monday, April 29, 2024.
The full statement is available at all City Libraries, the City of Swan Administration Centre, 2 Midland Square, Midland and on the City's website: www.swan.wa.gov.au/haveyoursayrates.
All submissions in writing with reference to the proposed differential rates should be emailed to rates@swan.wa.gov.au by 5pm on Thursday, May 23, 2024. Once Council has considered the submissions, the Differential Rates and the 2024/25 Budget (with or without modification) will be adopted.
If you'd like more information, please contact David Trevaskis, Executive Director - Corporate on (08) 9267 9324.
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Public Notices

**CITY OF SWAN
NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEASE OF LAND
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ACT 1995**

PROPERTY: 27 Junction Parade, Midland, WA, 6056
 LESSEE: Active Hearing Pty Ltd, ABN 91 087 971 051
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 VALUATION: \$50,000.00 to \$55,000.00 plus GST and Outgoings per annum
 PURPOSE: Commercial Office
 TERM: 3 Years

Submissions, in writing, addressed to the undersigned, may be lodged on or before 17th May 2024.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

'Drawing Space' exhibition to open at Mundaring Arts Centre

AN exhibition by WA and international artist Suzanne.k. Franklin (formerly sue.k.) will open her first solo exhibition since 2013, and her first in WA since 2003, on Saturday, May 4 to June 30 at the Mundaring Arts Centre.

After graduating from the Claremont School of Art with a major in sculpture and a minor in painting, Franklin's work has been shown across Australia, the UK, and the US as well as many parts of Europe and Asia.

Her further education and employment have included academic and/or research activities in universities in Australia and London.

Her body of work is most impressive, and she can boast artwork going to major art collections such as Kerry Stokes Collection ('From the frying pan to the fire, sculpture'); Telstra Art Collection (untitled sculpture); John Stringer Collection ('You take the high road, sculpture'); and various private collections.

Her 'Drawing Space' exhibition is a collection of small works on paper that, by presenting images stripped to a minimal in their representations of subject, explore possibilities of engaging the viewer in a pure emotive experience through texture, colour, and implied space.

With the intent to open the experience of viewing to one that's unhindered by narrative, each work exhibited as part of the exhibition depicts a sphere, or spheres, and a horizon line only.

While minimal in what is presented, these, along with the surface marks found in most, become the tools to negotiate the complexities of space, time, and the emotive power of colour and image.

Conventional means with which to apply narrative are negated leaving nothing but a pure experience of what is before, the material substance of the work.

Drawing Space will be officially opened by Judith Hugo OAM from 1pm-3pm on Saturday, May 4 (registration is essential) and an artist talk will be held between 1pm-2:30pm on Sunday, May 19.

The Mundaring Arts Centre is located at 7190 Great Eastern Highway (corner of Nichol Street) Mundaring and the exhibition is open Tuesday – Friday from 10am – 5pm, Saturday and Sunday 11am – 3pm (closed Monday and Public Holidays).

For more information phone 08 9295 3991 or email: info@mundaringartscentre.com.au



International artist Suzanne.k.Franklin.

Dylan is the 'people's choice'

TWENTY-year-old Brabham artist Dylan Mullaly has won the 'people's choice' award at the annual Ellenbrook Gallery Youth Exhibition.

His award-winning entry 'Progress', is a fascinating mixed-media artwork comprised of post-it notes with tiny paintings of everyday objects, pinned to a cork board.

The overall prize this year went to Tria Son, for 'Old', winning a cash prize of \$500.

Millie Muller won the under 18 award for her photograph 'Reflections on Raindrops', Micah Jaques won the over 18 award for

'Jemima', and Jade Shaylor received a special mention for 'Critically Endangered Western Swamp Tortoise', as did Kaedish Westburg, for 'Wardan Noyt – Sea Spirit', and Eliana Roscoe for 'Stare'.

The ceremony night coincided with the start of WA Youth Week, and was filled with vibrant energy as young artists showcased their creativity and talent with this year's official theme being 'Head, Body, Heart'.

The theme encouraged self-reflection and emphasized holistic well-being, by reminding participants to consider their mental, physical, and emotional health. Ad-

ditionally, the theme's focus on extending care to others underscores the importance of empathy and community support.

The opening event drew a crowd of 180 people eager to witness the unveiling of artistic brilliance among the town's youth.

The event included beautiful performances delivered by Raziq Bertram, piano; Brodie Martin, guitar and the O Te Wa group who performed a Kapa Haka performance.

The Ellenbrook Youth Exhibition is held annually in partnership with Ellenbrook Arts and City of Swan, with prizes sponsored by Swan Hills MLA Jessica Shaw.



Dylan Mullaly won 'people's choice'.



MLA Jessica Shaw with overall art prize winner Tria Son.

Read between the lines

by Pastor Ian Kirk

A Sure Hope

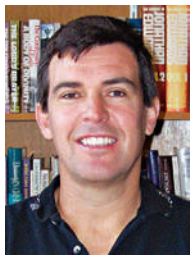
The other weekend Colleen and I travelled to the Wheatbelt to bless some country churches. We had such a nice time encouraging them. But the countryside was so dry.

The paddocks were so bare and barren. A number of trees in the forest and along the roadside had died from a lack of rain. We also saw many 'willy willies' – noticeable because of the dirt they were picking up from the dry land.

I was asking some of my farmer friends what they had done about seeding, due to it being so dry. Some had not seeded; still waiting to see what they should do. Others had already planted precious seed into the dry land, hoping for rain and a good winter to cause the seed to spring to life and to develop a crop.

Their hope for rain to bring forth a harvest, despite the forecast of a dry winter, impacted me. It made me think of the things I hope for, and whether my hopes will be realised.

But there is one hope I can be sure of; and that's going to heaven. My hope is not based on being religious or being a good person, but on Jesus. He promised, to all those who turn to Him and trust in Him, that they will be with Him in heaven. Because He died for us, bearing our sins on the cross, and rose from the dead, our hope of heaven is sure.



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Roos claim win

BRIAN PALLISTER

ELEVEN individual goal scorers helped Mundaring inflict a 153-point loss on Mt Helena in their Hills Football Association round three clash at Elsie Austin oval on Sunday.

With the Roos playing an overall team game even Connor Musto managed to drift forward from his back pocket position to score a goal as Mundaring 26.28 (184) to 4.7 (31) scored their first win of the season.

Austin Thomas worked his forward line taking some very strong marks to finish the game with six goals.

Bo Read and Jai Blackman found themselves under siege in the backline as the Roos continued to push forward.

Luke O'Keefe was dominating the ruck taps which were being well read and cleared by Braeden Hilgert and Dylan O'Loghlen in his 150th game.

The Roos lined up to have a shot on goal as they kicked 12 in the second quarter. Matthew O'Keefe went into the ruck Clayton Thomas, Tyler Levett, Tyson Hamling and Sam Butler all joined in on the goal kicking spree.

Rhys Nickisson was having his own way on a wing while also managing to drift forward. The Lions were desperately looking for answers.

Michael Hine and Daniel Bulla battled hard around the packs.

Mitch Dreyer kicked the ball forward on several occasions only to see it being cleared back over his head.

By the main break Mundaring had opened up a commanding 103-point lead.

The Lions were getting their hands on the ball, although the relentless pressure that they were being put under was causing many errant disposals and turnovers.

Another seven goals to two in the third had the Roos bounding toward a strong win.

Mt Helena managed to kick another two goals in the last as Mundaring completely lost their direction, adding one goal and thirteen points.

Even though the game was well decided they would not be overly happy with that return.

Sharks snatch victory in Anzac round



Swan Districts' Jesse Turner in Jack Reilly's jumper. Picture: Blake Parry

CHRIS PIKE

THERE was another heartbreaking loss for Swan Districts on Sunday at home when East Fremantle snatched victory after the siren.

It was a massive day on a number of fronts for Swan Districts celebrating the 90-year anniversary of the club's first ever game on the same date back in 1934.

That game was also against East Fremantle and the occasion was being celebrated on Sunday at Bassendean with Swans putting themselves in a terrific position to honour it with the victory as part of the WAFL Anzac round.

Swan Districts were leading by as much as 22 points as well in the fourth quarter but East Fremantle then stormed home with three late goals before the siren, and then another after it from Jackson McDonald to snatch the 11.10 (76) to 11.8 (74) victory.

Leigh Kohlmann stepped up to kick another four goals for Swan Districts from six kicks and six marks to now have 14 goals to his name for the season.

Jesse Glass-McCasker came into the team to provide another key target and he kicked three goals while also helping out in the ruck to end up with nine possessions and 20 hit outs for the game.

Swans once again had some big ball winners through the midfield with Nik Rokahr leading the way with 34 possessions to go with 10 inside-50 entries, seven marks and four tackles.

Aidan Clarke also collected 31 disposals for the black-and-whites, Jesse Turner 29, Jye Chalcraft 29, Josh Cipro 21 and Jackson McLachlan 20.

Nathan Blakely also finished with 15 possessions and 19 hit outs in the ruck while Jake Pasini returned and ended up with 17 disposals and seven marks down back.

Swans WAFLW beat ladder leader Claremont

CHRIS PIKE

SWAN Districts were back to form in the WAFLW on Saturday with a stirring 25-point victory against Claremont at Bassendean oval.

Swans had lost their past two games of the WAFLW season coming into the match up against a Claremont team so far undefeated in 2024 and not having lost a game in the home and away season since the end of 2022.

So that meant the task was ahead of Swan Districts on Saturday but they were more than up to the challenge kicking the first six goals of the contest and holding Claremont goalless through the first three quarters.

Swans went on to a 7.5 (47) to 3.4 (22) victory giving them a 4-4 record for the season with the competition now taking a general break this weekend for the state game against South Australia on Saturday afternoon.

There were plenty of standout performers in the Swan Districts win including Taylah Edwards and Emily McGuire kicking two goals apiece.

Eliza Gelmi finished the afternoon with 19

possessions also for Swans with Emma Humphries racking up 19 disposals to go with six tackles and five inside-50 entries.

Isabella Edgley also picked up 19 disposals for the black-and-whites, Carys D'Addario 18, Lily Paterson 16 and Ava Stewart 16 while Tamzyn Beros had 22 hit outs in the ruck to go with 10 possessions.

Claremont might have come into the contest undefeated so far in 2024, but it was all Swan Districts to start the match up on Saturday with the opening five scores of the game.

That included the first goal at the seven-minute mark thanks to Taylah Edwards and then three minutes later Carys D'Addario also kicked truly with the Swans leading by 14 points at half-time.

The lead continued to grow to start the second quarter as well for Swans starting with a first goal to Courtney Zappara before Emily McGuire added another and suddenly the lead was out to 25 points in favour of the black-and-whites.

That was still the margin in favour of Swan Districts heading into half-time and then it was out to 31 points to start the second half.



Swan Districts WAFLW player Lauren Quaife in action against Claremont.

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I Remember When...

Do you remember when as a kid you got something either for your birthday or Christmas, a gift that you needed someone else to play with? An example of that was one Christmas for me, I got my first cricket set. I was extra keen to try it all out but I have two older sisters who were both married before I was nine so they were naturally not keen. I was lucky enough to have Ian my brother-in-law who was married to my oldest sister Janet who always came to my rescue. I remember this day it was hot, very hot, but I was keen and Ian came out to bowl to me. Our match seemed to last forever that day but Ian kept tumbling down the ball for me to try and hit. I think Ian would let me bowl him out so I could get back to batting with my new bat and I would pretend I was Greg Chappell. We were lucky enough to have what we called the side block at our house in Bertie Street, Guildford where many a test match was played and big screamers were taken when we had a kick of the footy. Fun was right on our doorstep so to speak and my mates used to come over as well sometimes when Ian was there and he was quite the entertainer with the kids as well as getting everyone involved. As we grew up the block became too small for the big games and we wandered onto the local grounds in the area but I still remember the hours spent with Ian on Christmas as well as birthdays and appreciate the time he spent with his little brother-in-law. Sadly Ian Thomas Williams who also grew up in Guildford and married to my sister for over fifty years sadly passed away recently. I will always remember those long matches and the bad jokes and thank him for the time he gave to a little boy who just wanted to play a bit of cricket or kick the footy when he didn't have to.



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