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**Darlington childcare concerns**  
Dear Echo News,  
Thank you for highlighting the predicament faced by the Darlington community in relation to a proposed childcare centre in Amherst Avenue, a narrow cul-de-sac leading to Darlington Primary School's drop-off loop.

development assessment panel on which local government representatives are outnumbered by planners. This development strategy is permitted if a proposal has a budget as low as \$2m, so it appears to be happening more and more, and often when a proposal is opposed by residents. No wonder people feel disempowered by a system that appears to favour the developer - a system that both Liberal and Labor governments have supported.

**Hard to be a proud Australian**  
Dear Echo News,  
Recent disturbing news stories make it increasingly hard to be proud to be an Australian. First, a payout of about \$120 million to two generations of Indigenous people who were treated as virtual slaves on cattle stations in the Kimberley between 1960 and 2000 - takes over 20 years to be granted, but only \$16,000 each to about 14,000 people, after many have died without any compensation for their years of enforced work without pay.

**Thought for the day**  
"Do not judge me by my success, judge me by how many times I fell down and got back up again."  
- Nelson Mandela

This is a road located at an extremely busy intersection. It is a road already notorious for its extreme congestion at critical times when parents are dropping off or picking up children attending this capacity school. This is a road that the Shire of Mundaring acknowledges as a potential entrapment road in a bushfire evacuation situation - indeed the shire annually alerts residents to this potential in summer.

Despite the power imbalance, Darlington residents should make submissions before the December 10 deadline so that the DAP and the developer are aware of the extent of opposition to a childcare centre that, in the view of residents, is just in the wrong location.  
**T Wiltshire Darlington**

Contrast that with an immediate commitment to pay more than \$150m to corporate lithium miners who are facing a bit of a downturn in the market price...diddums. Thirdly, Qantas (our once national airline... but thankfully, no longer) lost a 1.2m tool inside one of its aircraft engine finding it 300 hours of flying time later.

sendean council's chief executive officer and administration advocate the building of several multi-storey buildings on green open space surrounding Bassendean Steel Blue footy oval. Concerns were raised in the past which were largely ignored by the council about disturbing and building on traditional owners' sacred ground. The raised banks around the oval are sacred soils removed from Success Hill, (native title claim pending) a local historic Aboriginal meeting place where Yagan and other Aboriginal Noongar Elders and Swan River people met and also home to Waugal dreaming. Perhaps leave our parks and reserves for all to enjoy.  
**G Coleman Bassendean**

Roberts, our local Shire of Mundaring and rate-payers. A trial of reduced speed limits would cost taxpayers almost nothing while a more permanent solution can be planned and funded while potentially saving lives, injuries and accidents at huge cost savings. Supplementary question: will the Road Safety Minister attend a meeting with Main Roads representatives at the Shire of Mundaring to discuss the issue of speed limits within the shire?  
**C Hughes Midland**

**Graffiti good, but rubbish bad**  
Dear Echo News,  
Taking the dog for a walk through the bush, we came across the beautiful (graffiti) artwork on the side of the Petro Chemicals building in Walliston. Really lovely, lots of bright colours and so pretty to look at.

However, on getting closer, we saw all the paint rollers and spray cans strewn all over the ground. We picked it all up and put it into the two bins which the shire provided - both were near empty. So, if those artists should happen to read this, would you please lift the lids up of the two green bins and dispose of your rubbish.  
**I Sanderson Kalamunda**

But the Qantas 'safety' spokesman assured everyone that "we take safety seriously"...really? Fourthly, Australia continues to lose more than one woman every week to domestic violence at the hands of their intimate partners... which is our national shame. Best not to mention the cricket...hey?  
**P Carman Hovea**

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The federal government says it is working to deliver a Perth Hills incident control centre but it is not listed in the disaster ready fund or the protecting our communities program.

## No funding agreement for Perth Hills control centre

ANITA McINNES

**ECHO News can confirm there is no current funding agreement for the establishment of a Perth Hills incident control centre.**

Despite the federal government saying it is working with the state government to deliver an incident control centre in the Perth Hills there is no mention of the project in the disaster ready fund or the protecting our communities (disaster resilience) program.

On November 7 The Nationals Emergency Management spokeswoman Senator Perin Davey and Bullwinkel candidate Mia Davies said questions had been put to the Emergency Management Minister Jenny McAllister and National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) officials about the proposal.

This had revealed there was no awareness of the 2022 pledge to bolster emergency response capabilities made by Hasluck MHR Tania Lawrence and Burt MHR Matt Keogh.

Ms Davies said Labor had broken its election promise.

“As Perth Hills residents face another season without essential disaster infrastructure, this broken promise by Labor is unacceptable for a region still recovering from the 2021 Wooroloo bushfire, which devastated nearly 11,000ha and destroyed 86 homes,” Ms Davies said.

The Nationals first criticised Labor for failing to deliver the incident control centre, which Ms Lawrence and Mr Keogh jointly announced days before the 2022 federal election in *Perth Hills incident control centre progress criticised* (*Echo News*, November 1).

In response Ms Lawrence said a federation funding agreement had been signed with the state government, and as part of this, the funding for the

incident control centre was provided to the state government, as per her commitment (\$3 million) at the 2022 election.

In *Power back but incident control centre still waits* (*Echo News*, January 26) Ms Lawrence said the \$3m commitment included a \$1.25m incident response and communication failover centre for the Shire of Mundaring, and \$1.75m to increase mobile coverage in Herne Hill, Brigadoon and North Stonewille.

On November 11 in response to questions from *Echo News*, NEMA, which manages both the disaster ready fund and the protecting our communities (disaster resilience) program said the funding promised for a Perth Hills incident control centre did not come from the disaster ready fund and they needed more time to find out whether the funding came from another program.

On November 22 NEMA said the Commonwealth Government was working with the WA Government to deliver an incident control centre for Perth Hills communities.

“The facility allows for command, control and coordination activities of large-scale events to be facilitated effectively,” an agency spokesman said.

But a check of NEMA’s protecting our communities (disaster resilience) program page showed there were no current projects listed for the Perth Hills.

On November 28 NEMA said the Commonwealth had a federation funding agreement for the delivery of election commitments and that NEMA was working with the Department of Fire and Emergency Services to deliver the election commitment.

But as of December 4 there was still no mention of an agreement between the Commonwealth and the Western Australian governments for a Perth Hills incident control centre listed on the federation funding agreement page.

## New biosecurity centre opens

**THE state government has unveiled its new \$97.3 million State Biosecurity Response Centre, a state-of-the-art headquarters for Western Australia’s crucial biosecurity operations.**

The critical polyphagous shot-hole borer and Queensland fruit fly (Qfly) response teams will be among the first to operate from the new centre, with other teams to follow in stages.

The new centre will house the Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development’s (DPIRD) biosecurity operations, incident response teams and diagnostics, and laboratory services to manage pest and disease threats to WA.

Located in the Canning Vale industrial area, the centre will accommodate between 200-300 staff when fully operational.

The 4ha site includes modern office accommodation, 6000sqm of warehousing, a large hardstand area for new modular laboratory buildings and car parking.

These facilities will support the state’s core biosecurity functions of surveillance, investigations, diagnostics and response activities.

Agriculture and Food Minister Jackie Jarvis said the state government recognised the importance of biosecurity operations to Western Australia.

“This new State Biosecurity Response Centre



DPIRD PSHB/Qfly incident controller Dave Griffiths, director general Heather Brayford, Agriculture and Food Minister Jackie Jarvis and chief plant biosecurity officer Vincent Lanoiselet.

provides a modern and functional workplace for our biosecurity staff which reflects the vital work they do managing pest and disease threats to the state.

“As a priority, DPIRD’s emergency response teams will be among the first to move across followed by other biosecurity functions.

“Our government is investing significantly in biosecurity to ensure we are well placed to respond to increasing pest and disease threats and to safeguard our state’s valuable agricultural export industry.”

## Kalamunda FOGO put in perspective

GUANHAO CHENG

**CITY of Kalamunda carried a motion last week to review the community impact of FOGO, but some councillors remained concerned the decision came too soon.**

*Kalamunda FOGO review motion carried* (*Echo News*, November 29) reported the motion was passed but only after debate on the message it was sending to the community.

Back in 2019, the state government instructed all metropolitan local governments to implement the FOGO strategy by 2025 aiming to reduce biodegradable rubbish and improve recycling numbers.

In the following year, 10 local governments rolled out the new system and the City of Kalamunda decided on a 2024 timeline for the introduction of FOGO.

Councillor Kathy Ritchie said this allowed time for Kalamunda to plan for the rollout and learn from other local governments which were early adopters of the system.

“The decision to implement the three bin FOGO system was a unanimous decision of council, with support for a 140L general waste bin, in preference to the 120L selected by some other local governments.

Cr Ritchie said it was worth considering the situation other local governments that have implemented FOGO over the past five years

were in.

“Cottesloe and Mosman Park have 120L general waste bins collected fortnightly,” she said.

“Bassendean, Belmont, Cambridge, East Fremantle, Fremantle, Melville, Mundaring, Nedlands, Subiaco, Swan and Vincent have 140L waste bins collected fortnightly.

“All retained the 240L for recyclable bins, and all introduced 240L for FOGO bins.

“The city was successful in gaining \$1 million of government funding through the better bins grants so there would be no impost on ratepayers.

“We now know that the FOGO system is not costing any more than the previous system for waste collection.”

Cr Ritchie said 300 bins from High Wycombe, Maida Vale, Kalamunda and Lesmurdie were emptied and analysed by the Resource Recovery Group to provide a baseline for comparison before Kalamunda’s FOGO rollout.

“Across the four suburbs 19.4 per cent of waste were recyclables, 61.6 per cent organic material and 18.9 per cent general waste,” she said.

“General waste included miscellaneous 5 per cent, non-recyclable plastics 4 per cent, nappies 3 per cent, hazardous, medical, pathogenic infectious materials 1.65 per cent.

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# Runt dominates awards



Filming of Runt in York. Picture: Peter W Lewis

**RUNT**, the WA-made Australian production largely filmed in York, about a girl and her dog who tries to save their farm, has dominated this year's WA Screen Culture Awards (WASCA) taking home all four of its nominations.

The film won in key categories including innovation in a narrative feature film with a budget over \$1 million and outstanding achievement in writing, production design and original music.

Living up to the saying of never underestimating the power of an underdog, Runt has also impressively surpassed \$5.5m at the Australian box office, making it the third highest-grossing locally made film of 2024, after Furiosa: A Mad Max Saga and Force of Nature: The Dry 2.

Meanwhile, the hard-hitting 59-minute documentary Genocide in the Wildflower State, which explores

the brutal history of state-run eugenics and racial assimilation in 20th century Western Australia, also took home multiple awards, including outstanding achievement in directing and performance.

The short film Esperance to Fremantle, which follows a troubled teenager on a journey to reconnect with the father he hasn't seen since infancy, was another major winner, receiving accolades for innovation in student film and outstanding achievement in cinematography.

Each winner, representing 21 award categories and two special industry awards, was presented with a beautifully crafted trophy made from responsibly sourced WA blackbutt.

The winners were selected by an esteemed panel of industry experts, including cinematographer Frank Mobilio, creative director Ken Leung, and actors Martin Casella and Nicholas Hope, among others.



## Firefighters creating a buzz for charity

JACKI ELEZOVICH

**FIREFIIGHTERS** from across Perth's brigades will take some time off from active duty over the Christmas period to raise money for the Perth Children's Hospital Foundation.

The Perth firefighters' calendar is an annual fundraising drive now in its 18th consecutive year.

The project has raised more than \$1.6 million for the Perth Children's Hospital foundation, and this year will see the team of participants washing windscreens at Muzz Buzz drive throughs around the city.

The team are participants in the annual Perth firefighter's calendar.

Among this year's calendar 'models' is 37-year-old Jeff Shilton, who is returning to the calendar for a second time, having participated in the cause a number of years ago.

"I love the idea behind the calendar and what it stands for," he said.

"It's a great vibe and I think it's also important for us firefighters to set a good example out in the community.

"If I can use my involvement for the greater good and to drive support for good causes like the Perth Children's Hospital Foundation, then that's fantastic."

Also getting involved is a career veteran 53-year-old Antony Sadler, who has been a firefighter for more than 20 years.



Perth firefighters raise funds for Perth Children's Hospital Foundation.

"I've always wanted to be able to do my part to raise money for the Perth Children's Hospital, and I'm finally getting that opportunity," he said.

Jeff and Antony – and the rest of this year's participants – will spend time washing windscreens at various Muzz Buzz stores throughout December, collecting donations and raising awareness about the calendar and the Foundation.

Muzz Buzz executive chairman Warren Reynolds says Muzz Buzz has supported the cause for several years now.

"We're always keen to support our most vulnerable members of the community, and we know the difference the world class burns service at PCH makes to the lives of children," he said.

"It's a privilege to be able to support the Perth Firefighter's Calendar again this year, but it's Jeff, Antony and the rest of the team who are doing the hard work, both in preparing for the calendar and in their jobs each and every day.

"We know Muzz Buzz customers are generous, raising more than \$18,000 last year, and we're aiming to do even better this year."

The firefighters will be at the Kalamunda Muzz Buzz on December 10 and the Ellenbrook store on December 11.

You can find a full list of firefighter appearances on the Muzz Buzz Facebook and Instagram pages, and for more information on the Perth Firefighters Calendar, visit [www.perthfirefighters.com](http://www.perthfirefighters.com)



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## Eastern suburbs to benefit from \$443m social housing injection

**THE** state government this week announced \$443 million in spending for almost 2000 more social houses to be built across suburbs including Ellenbrook, Woodbridge, and Brabham over the next four years.

Under the plan, the government will build 1440 affordable community houses and apartments before selling them to community housing providers.

DevelopmentWA and the Department of Communities will release tenders for the first tranche of projects in coming months, with construction to start next year.

Detailed design will commence on a further seven projects in Midland, Ballajura, Bassendean, Cannington, Butler, Kelmscott and Subiaco to create a pipeline of affordable housing developments.

The announcement follows a landmark new investment partnership between the Albanese and Cook Labor governments in one of the single biggest boosts to affordable housing stock in the state's history.

The agreement, through the federal government's Housing Australia future fund facility (HAFFF) and the national housing accord facility (NHAF), will see the state government directly contracting builders to deliver 21 new social and affordable housing projects near Metronet stations and on other government-owned land.

The projects comprise a mix of affordable rentals and social housing, with projects packaged together to create a pipeline of work for the state's building industry and to attract builders from the east coast.

These new dwellings will be constructed on state-

owned land and the completed dwellings will be sold to and managed by the community housing sector, with availability payments attached to support affordable rental dwellings for Western Australians.

Under the proposal, the state government will initially invest \$443 million to fund the upfront construction costs of the new homes, which will then be sold to community housing providers (CHPs).

Around 20 per cent of the homes will be available as social housing, with 80 per cent to become affordable community housing.

The investment also presents a significant opportunity to attract new CHPs to WA and build capacity in the sector.

The first tranche of projects will consist of 14 developments in Ellenbrook, Brabham, Woodbridge, Byford, Redcliffe, Wellard, Banksia Grove, Rivervale, White Gum Valley, Subiaco East, Albany, Dallyellup, Golden Bay, and Treeby - delivering nearly 1100 new homes.

Treasurer Rita Saffioti said the government continued to drive investment and new initiatives to deliver more housing for Western Australians.

"This partnership with the Albanese government will ensure a strong pipeline of job-creating housing projects for the years ahead and provide more homes for people in need across our communities.

"Our commitment to housing supply and affordability is unwavering, and we will continue utilise every opportunity to maximise housing options for as many Western Australians as possible."





In 2022 Cassius Turvey was allegedly attacked with a metal pole in Middle Swan.

## Cassius trial to start in February

ANITA McINNES

THE Cassius Turvey murder trial is set for February 10 through to April 7, 2025 in the Supreme Court of Western Australia.

WA's Chief Justice Peter Quinlan is to be the trial judge with pre-trial hearings to be held on January 30 and January 31.

Fifteen-year-old Noongar Yamatji teenager Cassius Turvey died after he was allegedly attacked with a metal pole as he walked in Middle Swan with friends on October 13, 2022.

As reported in *Three more charged with murder of Cassius Turvey* (Echo News, January 28, 2023) Cassius spent five days in hospital before being sent home where he suffered a seizure and two strokes.

He was placed in an induced coma but died on October 23, 2022.

In the days and weeks after Cassius' death, thousands gathered across Australia at more than 40 vigils and rallies to remember his life.

The four people charged with his murder are Jack Steven James Brearley, Mitchell Colin Forth, Brodie Lee Palmer and Aleesha Louise Gilmore.

# Primary school swim lessons cut

JACKI ELEZOVICH

PRIMARY schools including Ellenbrook, Mundaring Christian and West Northam have had their in-term swim lessons cut back from two weeks to just one this year.

Swan View Primary School has had only one week of swim lessons since 2021, and school parent Tamara Braddon said the shorter program was making it difficult for students to hit their swimming milestones.

"I'm really lucky that I can afford to send my kids to out-of-school lessons but there are plenty in our school community where this is their only chance to get lessons," she said.

"My daughter is in pre-primary and this year she had Year 6 kids in her swimming groups, so there is definitely a significant gap developing between those kids who can have access to extra lessons and those who rely on the in-school ones."

In Parliament last week, Opposition Community Services spokesperson Donna Faragher asked three questions about some WA primary schools losing their swim lessons.

In response to one of these, Education Minister Tony Buti provided a list of 42 schools whose lessons had been reduced from two weeks to one week.

Of this list, Swan View Primary and West Northam Primary were the only two schools whose program had been shortened to one week of lessons for three consecutive years.

Parent and Swan View's school council chair Richard Kaub said keeping a shortened program was just not good enough.

"Both of these schools have a number of families that would have real trouble getting their kids to swimming lessons, apart from the in-term school lessons," he said.

"I keep on thinking about the pair of kids who drowned last New Year's Eve in the Derbal Yerrigan (Swan River).



Parents said they are starting to notice kids falling behind because of reduced lessons.

"There are many families in Swan View who just can't manage (for various reasons) to get their kids to any other swimming lessons and that's why it is so vital that they at least have their minimum entitlement of lessons at school."

He said the treatment of both schools in cutting back lessons for multiple years in a row was an action he considered both unfair and unsafe.

"If we don't make a really serious song and dance about this now, when will Swan View's kids ever have their lessons?" Mr Kaub said.

"Whatever the problems are – this needs to be seriously addressed for the safety of all our kids."

Royal Lifesaving WA chief executive Peter Leaversuch said learning to swim before finishing primary school was essential for Australian children.

"Learning to swim is more than just a

safety skill – it's a cornerstone of the Australian way of life," he said.

"With so much of our culture tied to water, whether it's swimming at the beach, spending weekends at the pool, or enjoying activities like boating and fishing, swimming becomes a gateway to countless opportunities for fun, connection, and adventure.

"Teaching children foundation swimming and water safety skills is the most important investment the community can make to reduce drowning.

"Primary school is the perfect time because kids are quick learners and can build strong foundations in swimming and survival skills."

He said the subsidised swim lesson programs run through WA primary schools ensured all kids had free access to essential water training.

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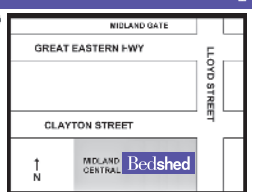
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# Kalamunda creche change concerns



Kalamunda parents are worried the creche won't be able to support those who need it most with changes to its staffing.

JACKI ELEZOVICH

**KALAMUNDA** parents are concerned their community learning centre creche will slowly disappear after its opening hours were slashed and staffing changed from paid to voluntary.

The Kalamunda community learning centre creche has been a vital service for families in the community, providing quality, affordable childcare while parents and carers attend classes at the learning centre.

The community learning centre offers courses in anything from French language to fibre art, human biology and investing.

Classes run Monday to Friday, with a morning and afternoon session.

A Kalamunda mum said she has been using the creche for years and was worried about what the decrease in open hours and the loss of paid staff will mean for both her family and the wider community.

She said the creche used to be open and available for all class sessions both morning and afternoon Monday to Friday, however due to the change from paid staff to volunteer, it is now only open on a Thursday morning.

This weekly session will also only be open to 2024 creche users, so no newly enrolled parents can put their children into the creche in semester one 2025.

The cost of creche increased from \$5 per child to \$10 per child last year, but said everyone was more than happy to pay what was needed.

"We completely understand that everything's getting more expensive, so the cost wasn't an issue," she said.

"Many people enrolled in commu-

nity learning centre classes are able to come during the day because of the on-site creche, and it would be so sad both for us as parents and for the life of the learning centre to lose that.

"They have also suggested some of the mums help run the creche, and we're happy to take on some hours, but I don't think they can realistically rely on the mums who need the creche to go to class when the creche isn't there for us to use anymore.

"So many people will have to go to less classes or stop coming because they don't have anywhere to put their kids.

"There are other daycares in the hills, definitely, but they are not cheap, and don't have the convenience of being on-site, where you can see your kids and pick them up straight after your class finishes.

"This is a vital service to parents in our community, and I think the whole community should be allowed and encouraged to pitch in to keep it going, not just the parents who are going to use it."

Kalamunda Community Learning Centre coordinator Ann O'Malley said the creche would need the help of its parents and learning centre members to remain open.

"The cost of operating the creche with paid staff greatly outweighs the income generated from creche attendees," she said.

"A diligent member is working hard to offer a voluntary run creche which the executive committee supports for next year."

A meeting was held with enrolled parents at the end of last month, but one parent said the discussion did not make a positive impact.



One of the objectives of a 2020 study was to identify potential regulatory, planning infrastructure or economic barriers in the Pickering Brook area.

# Former orchardists frustrated wait for urban zoning change

ANITA McINNES

**SUE and Lou Marchesano have been waiting to find out if their former orchard in Pickering Brook can be developed into urban lots.**

They have 4ha of land on which they don't have enough water anymore.

"This is why we can't run an orchard," Mrs Marchesano said.

"So we took the trees out over 20 years ago.

"(Also the town) has lost a hairdresser, a grocery store, petrol station – the numbers are going down – we need more people in our town for the Pickering Brook Sports Club as well and we just need more people in the town.

"I spoke to Matthew Hughes about it and he approached Rita Saffioti – she was the planning minister at the time."

A working group was set up with Mr Hughes chairing the group with all the government departments at the table, including the Department of Fire and Emergency Services and the Department of Water and Environmental Regulation (DWER).

"They took four years and they came to a decision that they were going to increase our town and so they put that to the (project) taskforce.

The project taskforce included the then transport and planning minister, the then regional development minister, the then deputy premier and the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) chair.

"They came out here and had a big meeting and said 'Yes this is what we are going to do, this is the area we're going to do' and then that

was it.

"Nothing else has happened and that was five years ago.

"They keep saying they are investigating the area.

"Anyway now (DWER) has finished their investigation and now it's up to DFES.

"DFES are holding it up – that's 7.5 years they've been investigating.

"We just want to know what is happening."

She said she thought they were going to go ahead with it but had heard they were going to wait until after the election.

"Why are they waiting until after the election?"

"It was an election promise that they would do this."

Mrs Marchesano said another thing was the school only had 40 students and they didn't want the school to close.

"So we just need more people to keep everything going."

The Pickering Brook and Surrounds Perth Hills tourism product gap analysis was published in March 2020.

One objective of the study was to determine gaps and opportunities for future tourism product development in the Perth Hills, to complement and add value to the current offer.

Another study objective was to identify potential regulatory, planning, infrastructure or economic barriers and how to address them to facilitate tourism development and economic and social revitalisation of Pickering Brook and surrounds.

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# Home renovators' asbestos warning

**ASBESTOS** Awareness Week provides an important reminder as we head into end of year period when people may be looking to undertake renovation or DIY work on older properties and the need to be vigilant in managing safety on site, according to Housing Industry Association (HIA).

"If you're working on homes built before 1990, you need to assume asbestos could be present in elements such as cladding, eave sheets, electrical switchboards, internal linings and even in pipework, roofing and floor underlays," HIA chief executive Simon Croft said.

"It is vital to engage a licensed assessor for inspection and testing, and if asbestos is found, ensure it's removed by a licensed professional.

"The progress in asbestos awareness and management across Australia has been very good. With

comprehensive legislation, dedicated removal programs, and increased industry awareness, we have significantly reduced the risks associated with asbestos.

"However, everyone undertaking work on existing homes needs to remain vigilant to prevent complacency and protect the next generation of workers and homeowners.

"HIA encourages the industry and those looking to undertake renovation and DIY projects to use this year's Asbestos Awareness Week to take time to review their safe work practices and ensure all workers coming on home building sites are adequately trained about potential risks.

"HIA has an extensive range of safety resources and dedicated information on working safely around asbestos and about identification, removal and safety obligations visit the [HIA.com.au](http://HIA.com.au) website.





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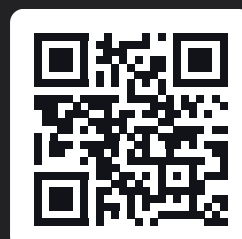
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# Swan View cold case investigation continues

GUANHAO CHENG

**COLD** case detectives are still appealing for new information on the suspicious death of Ballajura resident Laura Muckersie after detectives set up a mobile police facility in Swan View last week.

Cold case investigation squad detectives visited Darling Ridge Shopping Centre last Wednesday, which was where Ms Muckersie was last seen alive in 2001.

She was seen there at about 8.45pm on July 31 and then seen making her last phone call at a telephone box on Fairfax Road at 9.24pm.

About two hours and 20 minutes after the phone call, a witness found Ms Muckersie's handbag nearby the phone box.

Cold case investigator team's detective First Class Constable Jayson Navarro, who visited the site of the last sighting, said it was key for investigators to establish what occurred in the missing window.

"That window is key to solving this investigation, finding out what happened and getting some closure for Laura and the community," he said.

"We know Laura made a call to the police and said she was going to call the police.

"We want to know how Laura's body came to be by a stormwater drain at Fairfax Park before it was located by two school students on July 31, 2001.

"We're appealing for anyone to come forward who can help clarify what occurred between 9.24pm and 11.44pm on July 30, 2001.

"Obviously this (case) is over two decades old, so police are still committed and we're committed to every open case until



Cold case investigator team's detective First Class Constable Jayson Navarro at Darling Ridge Shopping Centre. Picture: Guanhao Cheng



it's solved and we won't stop until we get some closure for the families.

"Police do believe that there's someone out there with information that could help and that's why we've offered a \$1 million reward for information that will lead to the arrest and conviction of the persons responsible for the death of Laura."

WA Police released a podcast on Ms Muckersie's case on November 27 explor-

ing the impact of Ms Muckersie's death on her family.

First Const. Navarro said he hoped the podcast could help raise awareness surrounding cold cases and hopefully lead to them being solved.

"The podcast is a new investigative tool for WA police to bring to light some of the old investigations that haven't yet been solved and hopefully get some closure for

those families," he said.

"Laura's family obviously is still really affected by what happened, but they are still hopeful that someone will come forward and assist police with the investigation and help bring them some closure."

Anyone with information regarding Ms Muckersie's death should call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

## Landcare grants help Viveash organisation plant more trees

JACKI ELEZOVICH

**TRILLION** Trees, an environmental non-profit organisation based in Viveash, is sharing in more than \$1 million in grants to kickstart environmental rehabilitation programs.

The organisation received \$24,532 from Landcare and Bupa to organise a community planting day at Reg Bond Reserve in early 2025.

Trillion Trees employee Kate Herren said the funding would cover the purchase of more than 3000 plants and all preparation needed to get the reserve gardens ready for new plants, as well as a workshop on building bird nest boxes with local bird expert Simon Cherriman.

"The native trees, plants and ground cover species we will plant at Reg Bond Reserve are grown in our community nursery and carefully selected to create a biodiverse ecosystem that supports a wide range of native wildlife," she said.

"Reg Bond Reserve is located on the floodplain of the Swan River and as such all species planted are associated with a riparian plant community which can survive being submerged for short periods.

"The wider area is known to provide a safe habitat for various small aquatic and land animals including fish, frogs and oblong turtles."

She said more than 20 species of birds were also identified in the surrounding area by WA Naturalists Club in a 2022 survey, so volunteers will be building a nest box to erect in the reserve.

More than 120 volunteers are expected at the planting day, according to Ms Herren, and she said hands on activities like tree planting were a great way to help give people a sense of tangible achievement in their efforts to combat climate change.

"The activities are accessible to people of all ages and backgrounds, and many children attend with their parents," she said.

"This helps develop the environmental advocates of the future.

"The entire site continues to be open to the public for recreation, allowing volunteers to revisit the location at any time for anecdotal monitoring of success rates."

Thirty-three programs received a grant in this year's round of Bupa's Healthy Cities program, all aimed at family-friendly tree planting across WA.



Community groups across the country will take advantage of the Landcare grants.

The programs will share in more than \$1m to organise environmental restoration projects which will result in the planting of 82,500 native trees, shrubs and ground covers across the country.

These projects will transform local environments and create healthier, greener spaces for communities to enjoy. The grants program aims to enhance both environmental and health outcomes by improving the connectivity of native vegetation and creating new green spaces in urban areas.

Landcare Australia chief executive Dr Shane Norrish said he couldn't wait to see the funded projects come to life.

"I am proud of our partnership with Bupa and the commitment to empower communities to make a meaningful impact on both the health of their local environments and people's wellbeing – values that lie at the very heart of Landcare," he said.

"It is also inspiring to witness the dedication of so many volunteers, groups and organisations who are passionate about supporting their communities."

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that, we conclude this incredibly ordinary article about the utterly unsurprising world of finance. Stay tuned for our equally riveting report on the growth of grass, which experts anticipate will be green.

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# Tonkin Highway safety concerns

GUANHAO CHENG

**KALAMUNDA council carried a motion to acknowledge the grade separation of Tonkin Highway, Welshpool Road East and Hale Road intersections will severely negatively impact the surrounding road network and road users.**

Deputy mayor Dylan O'Connor moved the motion which included the point of expanding the project scope to include construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Lewis Road and Welshpool Road East.

The motion requested city's staff and councillors to get in contact with the relevant ministers and federal members to demand this.

He said many Kalamunda residents had personal experiences of near misses and vehicle crashes often involving injury and even loss of life associated with the intersection.

"This intersection is already in need of immediate attention and works are currently underway on an interim design while planning takes place for a long-term solution," he said.

"Historically this intersection has been the location of many crashes."

Cr O'Connor said the state government's intention of constructing a grade separation was to ensure motorists could drive safely but the design announcement prompted significant community dissatisfaction.

"Particularly in the Wattle Grove cell nine precinct, who would have travel times increased if they wanted to travel southbound on Tonkin Highway," he said.

"Preliminary traffic modelling shows that an extra 245 vehicles will be lining up to use the Lewis Road intersection during peak hours just to access Tonkin Highway southbound.

"The government have reported to the city that they intend to deliver this project on time, meaning it will be operational before any serious safety and congestion issues are resolved.

"This is an unacceptable outcome that will place all road users at risk."

City of Kalamunda Mayor Margaret Thomas seconded the motion, agreeing the intersection was unsafe.

"There's already lots of crashes and yet we're going to add to it, add lots more vehicles going there and it's just not acceptable not to do it all at the same time," she said.

"We need to send a message to the state government, don't do one without the other, fund it, do the roundabout as well as the other works you're taking on. So, I urge you to support this motion."

# Mundaring's cosmos theme for Christmas



Mundaring illustrator Dion Hamill with his daughter at the Mundaring Christmas tree.

GUANHAO CHENG

**THE Mundaring town centre is once again showcasing the creativity of students and artists from the area in their 36th year of displaying Mundaring Christmas tree project art installations.**

The five-metre-tall tree was unveiled at the Mundaring Shire Council Building on Tuesday, indicating the start of Birak, the First Nations season of the young.

The project is an annual collaboration between the Mundaring Arts Centre (MAC), Shire of Mundaring and local primary schools as reported in *Christmas tree project an annual showcase* (Echo News, Dec 14, 2023).

This year, more than 100 students from Darlington Primary School expressed their imagination and cheer, decorating nearly three hundred recycled canvas leaves for the Shire of Mundaring tree.

This year's tree has been adorned with stars, planets and galaxies, to embody the magic of the festive season.

Student creations were led by Mundaring illustrator Dion Hamill, Mundaring Arts Centre's jewellery and ceramics designer Alida Cappalletta, printmaking specialist Lauren Gissing, and Darlington Primary arts and science teacher Michael Smith.

Mr Hamill said the students did a great job in decorating the tree with canvases featuring their handmade art.

"Great job to all the students at Darlington Primary School involved in this year's Christmas tree decorations for the Shire of Mundaring," he said.

"This year's theme was the solar system and over 100 students completed more than 350 canvases to produce some absolutely stunning artwork to decorate the tree.

"There were comets, planets, stars and even a few out of this world creatures made by the students.

"Alida, Lauren and I had a blast working with you and your very cool teacher Mr Smith.

"Thanks again for having us come to your school and thanks to the staff at Mundaring Arts Centre for putting this all together."

Darlington Primary students from Years 2 to 5 took part in drop-in arts workshops where they were invited to illustrate their interpretation of the solar system, the theme chosen for this year's project.

Celebrating the universal wonder of the cosmos, transcending borders, cultures and traditions, the theme aimed to reflect inclusion, shared curiosity and the togetherness of the season.

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# East metro first for mental health ambulance

**THE state government is boosting support and care for people experiencing mental health issues, with the establishment of WA's first-of-its-kind ambulance co-response service in the eastern metropolitan suburbs.**

The service will be operated through a partnership between the East Metropolitan Health Service, Mental Health Commission, the Department of Health and St John WA.

The service will offer a virtual triage, assessment and urgent care to Triple Zero (000) callers in the metropolitan area aged 16 years and above, where mental health is the primary cause for concern, and a mobile response team comprising mental health practitioners and paramedics to provide care for people experiencing a mental health emergency in the community.

A new fit-for-purpose vehicle for the mobile re-

sponse team will help provide treatment, aiming to reduce emergency department admissions.

The virtual triage service will also be expanded to include the mobile response team operating initially in the eastern metropolitan suburbs.

Mental Health Minister Amber-Jade Sanderson said emergency departments were not always the best place for people experiencing mental health issues.

"This service will help provide early intervention in the community and help avoid emergency department admissions, and see greater collaboration across services and community groups to help ensure support and appropriate referrals," she said.

"The new ambulance co-response mental health service has been put in place so individuals, their carers and families are provided the right care, at the right time and in the right place."





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Federal Minister Plibersek has given **Nigel Satterley**, Australia's biggest private land developer, 'environmental approval' to **WIPE OUT** approximately 60,000 healthy, mature, native trees at proposed 'North Stoneville', that help support our Endangered and Vulnerable Forest Red-Tailed, Carnaby's and Baudin's Black Cockatoos.

#### BUT. IT'S FAR FROM OVER:

A hearing in 2025 will decide North Stoneville's fate – because Satterley:

- **Has FAILED** to demonstrate safe evacuation for thousands of extra people in an increasingly dangerous bushfire zone
- **Has FAILED** to show how thousands of extra people, escaping a bushfire emergency in cars, won't create deadly traffic gridlock, and;
- **Has FAILED** to explain how **Stoneville's displaced Black Cockies** will know how to fly 184-kms to Satterley's nonsense 'offset' in the Wheatbelt Shire of Williams, which has no record of on-site Carnaby's or Baudin's Cockatoos.

#### WHAT WE'RE DOING:

On December 13, Save Perth Hills will lodge an '**intervention bid**' in Satterley's 2025 appeal, to challenge, in person, Satterley's dangerous and destructive 'North Stoneville' plan. Intervention is rarely granted, but our case is powerful and compelling. And, we have a Community duty, spanning 33 years, to try.

### Next steps

**EARLY 2025:** SAT will consider our Intervention application. (Date TBC)

**SUN 23 FEB 2025:** SAVE THE DATE! DETAILS SOON!

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So, **WE THANK EVERYONE** who's called on Minister Plibersek to **OVERTURN** the approval to **BULLDOZE North Stoneville**. Now it's **YOUR** turn to email the Minister and add your name – on behalf of North Stoneville's trees and our Endangered Black Cockatoos:

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# Sheep ban no good for exporters: ALEC

THE federal government's call for someone to fill the transition advocate role to phase out the export of live sheep by sea was a poisoned chalice and would result in no good outcomes for exporters, farmers or the wider supply chain, according to the Australian Live-stock Exporters' Council (ALEC).

Chief executive officer Mark Harvey-Sutton said the government had been seeking to fill the role for some time, given it was part of the legislation that was passed earlier this year, but had been unsuccessful, given the difficulties inherent in the role: selling poor policy to farmers and advising government of the devastating outcomes of its policies.

"Quite simply, no one wants to be a mouthpiece for the government's sheep ban policy."

"After the independent panel appointed by the minister recommended a transition of at least ten years and was subsequently altered to four, people in the industry are very wary that the advice they give the minister may be disregarded in favour of political expediency."

Speaking from a tour of import-

ing countries in the Middle East, Mr Harvey-Sutton said it was clear that these markets wish to continue their trading relationships with Australia and that our diplomatic relations will depend on the food security they derive.

Additionally, last week saw crisis talks for the wool industry in Western Australia, warning of a further slide in sentiment among woolgrowers.

"It's clear that the transition advocate will have an impossible task."

Mr Harvey-Sutton said the advocate role was generously remunerated at up to \$1600 a day, but it had little to offer farmers, truckies, shearers and small businesses in the way of practical assistance.

"There is nothing in this role that will assist people who are already experiencing a downturn as a result of the loss of confidence this ban has created. It ought to be scrapped and whoever takes it should understand that it is a poisoned chalice."

Meanwhile, the Save the Sheep campaign's said that Albo's live sheep ban has already had a devastating effect on rural communities.

Loss of confidence, a shrinking sheep flock and a slow down for contractors and small businesses is the last thing West Australians need right now, when the cost of living is out of hand.

Save the Sheep has started another tactic to promote their cause with wheelie bin stickers being distributed calling to 'Bin the Ban' at barbeques being held in High Wycombe and Kalamunda.

For further information go to www.keepthesheep.com.au



Graham Stephens, Santa and Robin Gill ready for the Mount Helena Voluntary Bush Fire Brigade Christmas run.

## Santa getting ready for Mount Helena

AS they have done for some years Mount Helena Voluntary Bush Fire Brigade will again escort Santa and his mischievous elves around town on Christmas Day, delivering presents to children in the Mount Helena fire district.

Santa and his merry team will start their journey from the Mount Helena fire station in Chidlow Street about 7.30am and they will endeavour to have visited participating homes by about noon.

Parents and carers who want their children to participate and receive a present from Santa, need to deliver their present/s to Mount Helena Vibe during their business hours, from Saturday, December 7 until Sunday, December 22 inclusive.

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## New data on Swan and hills housing

GUANHAO CHENG

SHELTER WA's analysis showed the Perth's East Metropolitan area including City of Swan and Kalamunda needed hundreds of new social and affordable homes annually to meet 2041 targets.

The data showed City of Swan needed 288 social and affordable homes added annually, while the City of Kalamunda, Bassendean, and the Central Wheatbelt needed 119, 94, and 56 respectively.

Shelter WA's analysis was based on UNSW Unmet Housing Need data capturing current need from 2021 until 2041.

The state government announcement on Sunday a federal and state partnership welcoming projects aiming to deliver almost 1800 new social and affordable homes for the state.

They announced the first tranche of projects planned for construction to begin next year with Ellenbrook, Brabham, Woodbridge to benefit.

Midland, Ballajura and Bassendean have been listed as suburbs to benefit from the further seven affordable housing development projects planned.

Indigo Junction chief executive officer Sharon Gough said the announcement was welcome news and was partly brought about by advocacy in the sector by Shelter WA and organisations like her own.

"We do know that Midland has got the highest number of rough sleepers in any local government area in Western Australia," she said.

"Certainly, the demand for adult and couple accommodation within this region is high, and obviously housing stock is low.

"(But) we are coming to the end of a refurbishment project that we were funded through state government to deliver in 2020.

"So, what we've been able to do is work across a number of our community housing properties to expand their size.

"We've been able to expand properties to accom-

modate larger families, and we've had some great success with families being able to move into those refurbished new properties.

"So, we've had some really happy families move into those locations."

Shelter WA said despite the addition of more than 2500 social homes since 2021-22, they estimate at least 2000 affordable homes have been lost in the same timeframe as they exit the National Rental Affordability Scheme.

Shelter WA chief executive Kath Snell said the housing crisis in WA was at a breaking point and the status quo wasn't keeping pace with the crisis.

"With more than 20,000 households on the social housing waitlist, plus more and more people priced out of the private rental market, this is leaving every electorate desperately short of supply to meet demand," she said.

"No matter where you're living and voting, we need hundreds of additional social and affordable homes in every state electorate.

"We're calling on all parties to commit to a social and affordable housing target of at least 5000 homes every year.

"It must be underpinned by substantial investment that matches the reality of need in our neighbourhoods."

Ms Gough said it was worth remembering that within the stories of hardship, there was also the kernel of hope and positivity with each family homed.

"The idea of the project was to give those properties another 30 years in terms of their life cycle, and they've had significant refurbishment to bring them up to new life appearance, and they're able to accommodate families with extended family like grandparents and children," she said.

"We had one client in particular that move had actually just changed her life and the lives of her kids, and that they were able to even get stable and get back on track, get back to school, and create some stability in their day-to-day."



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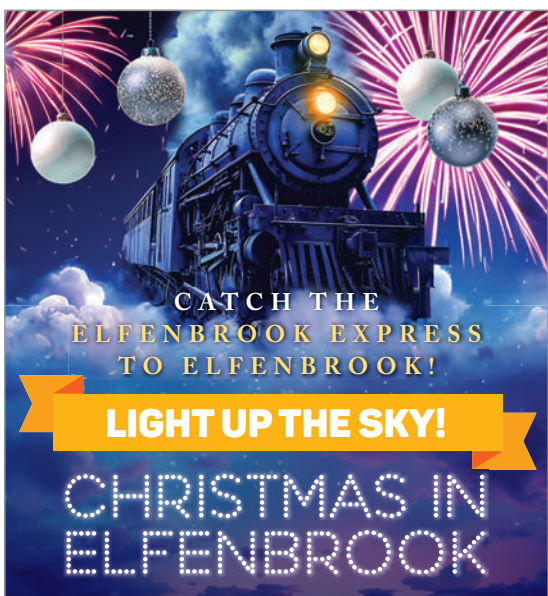


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## Investing in your health

Every plan we make, every step we take, is dependent on enjoying good health.

The Albanese Labor Government believes that nobody's health should depend upon the level of their family income. Healthcare is not an optional extra.

Underinvestment in health care is underinvestment in Australian lives. It's not only unjust; it's unwise. Untreated conditions lead to deterioration in people's ability to contribute to the national economy, as well as the likelihood of greater care expenses in the future.

In November 2023, the Albanese Labor Government made the largest investment in bulk billing in Medicare history. It's already bearing fruit;

along with lowering the costs of prescriptions by more than a quarter of a billion dollars.

The Midland Medicare Urgent Care Clinic at North Street Medical Centre opened in December 2023. In one year, more than 10,000 people received vital care which, in turn, helped relieve the burden on hospital emergency departments.

The Clinic is fully bulk-billed, and it's open 7 days a week – from 8am to 8pm.

Driven by the desire to serve, the doctors, nurses and staff are ready to treat urgent, non-threatening conditions such as sprains, bites, cuts, ear-aches and UTIs.

A healthy community is a strong community.

## Holistic Health and Compassionate Care at Roshana Carmel Aged Care



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At Roshana Carmel Aged Care, we embrace a holistic approach to health that encompasses not just physical care, but also the emotional and spiritual well-being of our residents. We believe that true health is a harmonious blend of body, mind, and spirit, and our person-centred philosophy ensures that each individual receives tailored support designed to enhance their overall quality of life.

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- 24/7 First Response Care: With round-the-clock assistance, we ensure immediate help is always available, providing peace of mind for residents and their families.

Beyond clinical services, we promote emotional well-being through engaging activities that stimulate the mind, strengthen social connections, and nurture a vibrant community. At Roshana Carmel Aged Care, we believe that health is about living well every day in an environment that feels like home. Experience the difference where health thrives and happiness follows.

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## Happy Birthday to Midland Medicare Urgent Care Clinic!

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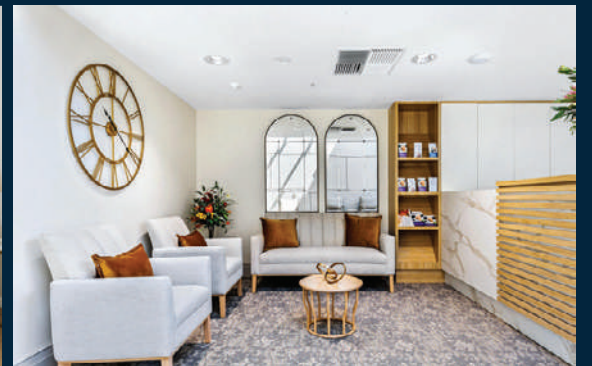
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## Book a remedial massage and feel the benefits this Christmas

The Wellness Centre at Karingal Green in High Wycombe is a purpose-built hub for residents and the community-at-large to assist with health and healing.

This Christmas, why not book a remedial massage to treat ongoing aches and pains and enjoy improved mobility, muscular strength and physical capacity.

Remedial massage is a complementary therapy which aims to improve the health and wellbeing of an individual.

The approach is holistic, taking into account the full picture of your health history.

Using a range of techniques including deep tissue massage, trigger point therapy, myofascial release, lymphatic drainage and relaxation therapies, your therapist will tailor a bespoke treatment to suit your individual needs and goals.

Massages can be reimbursed with private

health and homecare packages, and there are several different varieties on offer including cupping, hot stones, remedial and reflexology for relaxation.

After a consultation with Karen, our experienced and empathetic therapist, choose from 30, 60, 90 and 120-minute bookings.

Remedial massages can ease a range of conditions such as sciatica, stiff neck and shoulders, headaches and back pain, as well as assisting with treating chronic pain conditions, repetitive strain and stress management.

Paraffin wax therapy is also available, providing relief for aching, arthritic hands in a lovely, relaxing hand massage session.

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com.au or Contact Jenny 0413430721 for more information as our first class for 2025 will be 13th January. Have a safe Christmas and New Year.



# Karingal Green

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## Wellness Centre



**Karingal Green Wellness Centre provides health and wellness services for our seniors community.**

Our physiotherapists provide services including Hydrotherapy, Physiotherapy Treatments, Gym and Pilates Classes. We also have a Massage Therapist available. You are welcome to use your private health fund, Medicare care plan, DVA, NDIS or Home Care Packages at the Wellness Centre.

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## Mayor's message

**Kaya everyone,**

Though 2024 is wrapping up, the City continues to be incredibly community-focused, progressing projects that will have a lasting positive impact on our residents.

Works officially began on the Ellenbrook Community Hub, with a sod-turning ceremony this week.

This community-driven facility will provide a much-needed home for numerous local community groups, including the Ellenbrook Men's Shed, where they can run programs and hold events.

We are also taking an innovative approach to tackling abandoned shopping trolleys which have been an ongoing problem.

We introduced a new local law allowing the City to impound abandoned shopping trolleys and charge retail owners a collection fee, covering the collection cost and encouraging retailers to improve their trolley management.

Our opening hours at City offices, libraries and other venues will change during the Christmas and new year period. Please visit our website for details.

I wish you all a Merry Christmas and happy holidays – please be safe and enjoy this wonderful time of year with your loved ones.

**Tanya Richardson**  
Mayor, City of Swan

## Engage with us



### Draft Local Biodiversity Action Plan

The City of Swan is committed to protecting its unique biodiversity and we've developed a draft Local Biodiversity Action Plan. We want your feedback on whether we have got the actions right, if anything is missing and how we might develop the actions in the draft action plan to help private landowners protect biodiversity. Go to [swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au/draft-local-biodiversity-action-plan](http://swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au/draft-local-biodiversity-action-plan)



### Safe Active Street

We want feedback on two possible treatments for Helena and Market Streets as part of the Safe Active Street program, which creates a safer environment for pedestrians and cyclists of all ages and abilities. Review our proposals, which include diagrams, and let us know your feedback by December 12. Go to [swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au/sashelenamarket](http://swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au/sashelenamarket)



### Ballajura Oval outdoor exercise area

The City is planning to install new outdoor exercise equipment at Ballajura Oval. We have prepared a concept design featuring a vault bar, pull-up bar, chin-up bar, trapeze rings, plyo box jumps and a handstand wall. Let us know by December 15 what you think and if there is any equipment you would really like to see. Go to [swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au/ballajuraexercise](http://swanengage.swan.wa.gov.au/ballajuraexercise)

## What's happening



### Ellenbrook line opening

Join METRONET on Sunday, December 8 from 9am-2pm, for a free family-friendly opening at the Ellenbrook Train Station. Enjoy a first look at the station, giveaways, food, art, entertainment, market stalls and more. Festivities will be at Ellenbrook Train Station, The Parkway, Ellenbrook.



### Summer lunch flavours

Come to the Dayton Family Hub on Thursday, December 12 from 9.30am-12.30pm for a free 2.5-hour hands-on cooking session where you'll learn how to use seasonal produce to save money and create a variety of delectable healthy delights for lunch. This session is led by qualified nutritionist Nicole Ingram from Grow Cook Eat WA. Email [ro.hetaraka@swan.wa.gov.au](mailto:ro.hetaraka@swan.wa.gov.au).



### Swan City Youth Service Christmas Party

Come to the Swan City Youth Service, 12 Padbury Terrace, Midland on Thursday, December 12, from 3-5pm for an afternoon of free activities for young people and their family. There will be a gaming van, live Mario Karts, a photo booth, burgers, drinks and an ice cream van. Call **(08) 9274 3488**.



### Re-loved Railway Markets

Come to the free Re-loved Railway Markets on Saturday, December 14 at the historic Railway Square in Midland for a program of sustainable fashion workshops, significant local historical organisations and the best planet-friendly vendors Perth has to offer. Suitable for all ages.



Visit our online event calendar for a full list of upcoming events in the City of Swan. Go to [www.swan.wa.gov.au/events](http://www.swan.wa.gov.au/events)





# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT



## Creating black cockatoo friendly suburbs is the focus of new book

PETER W LEWIS

**PERTH Hills author and academic Christine Groom has just released a book titled *Creating Black Cockatoo Friendly Suburbs* inspired by her personal experience of her own garden in Stoneville.**

"I often see black cockatoos visiting our garden to feed on our marri trees or on the banksias and hakeas planted for them," Dr Groom said.

"There's a pair of Carnaby's cockatoos that breed at this time of year in an artificial hollow that was put up in the reserve at the end of our street following the Parkerville fires and they often visit to drink from our bird bath.

"It is great to hear their loud calls and the sounds of them feasting including the crunch and pop of nuts breaking in their beaks and the sounds of dropped honey nuts hitting the tin roof of our shed."

Dr Groom, an adjunct research fellow at the University of Western Australia and a member of Birdlife Australia, completed her PhD on Carnaby's cockatoos in urban Perth by satellite tracking study birds and following their daily movements, and in 2020 was awarded a diploma of landscape design.

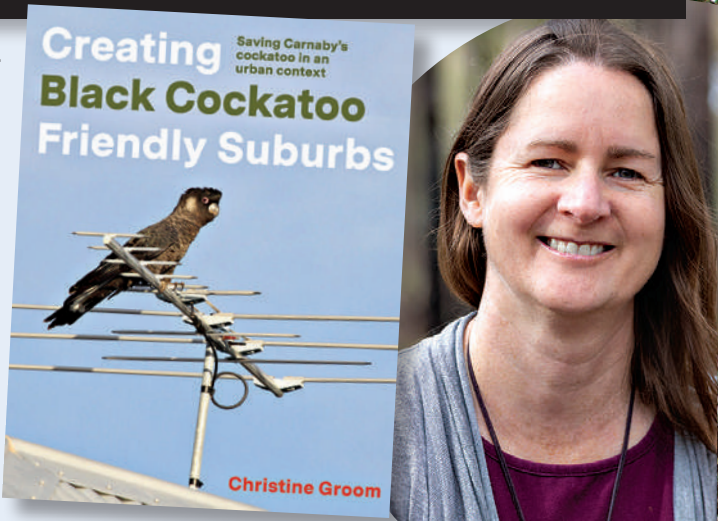
"Being able to see and hear these birds is important to me and from all the stories I have heard whenever I talk about my PhD or book, I can tell they are important to the community too," she said.

"Carnaby's cockatoos are part of the environment, and part of Perth Hills living, and I hope they can continue to be into the future. Their loud calls, messy feeding habits and endearing personalities make them easily recognisable to anyone living or visiting the suburbs of Perth."

But Dr Groom warns that their numbers are declining as their habitats are lost to development and other threats.

"To help secure the future of Carnaby's cockatoos our suburbs need to be better suited to their needs.

"Planning, landscaping and gardening with black cockatoos in mind will not only help the species but it will also create greener, cooler suburbs for everyone to enjoy."



Creating Black Cockatoo Friendly Suburbs provides the how-to in a user-friendly way to bridge the gap for planners, policy makers, scientists, home gardeners and naturalists to help the survival of Carnaby's cockatoos and enhance urban biodiversity.

The book takes scientific research and transforms it into an easy to read and visually pleasing practical guide that anyone can pick up and learn from, and approaches landscape design from the perspective of cockatoo ecology by considering the five main landscape needs of cockatoos: foraging, drinking, roosting, breeding and commuting.

Her book will appeal to readers interested in Australian birds, such as Carnaby's cockatoos, the environment, landscaping, rewilding, native plants, biodiversity, conservation, home gardening, and urban planning.

Creating Black Cockatoo Friendly Suburbs is published by UWA Publishing and is available from all good bookstores and [www.uwap.uwa.edu.au](http://www.uwap.uwa.edu.au)



## Carnaby's cockatoos – Fast Facts

- Carnaby's cockatoos are found only in the southwest of Western Australia.
- Carnaby's cockatoos have learnt to feed on exotic garden plants such as tipuana, liquid amber, pine trees and nut trees.
- They are capable of flying long distances. Distances of 70km in a day have been recorded.
- They have been recorded on Rottnest Island having flown at least 19km across the ocean.
- Carnaby's cockatoos have excellent memory of where and when food is available. They often return to the same food sources at a similar time each year or following the same annual event such as the first rains.
- Carnaby's cockatoos used to form large flocks of 1000s of birds but their population size has declined, and only much smaller flocks are seen today.
- They can open a macadamia nut in less than five minutes.
- They have been recorded carrying pine cones at least 1.25km.
- Carnaby's cockatoos pair for life.
- They return to the same or nearby hollow to breed each year.
- Males have a pink eye ring and dark beak. Females have a larger white cheek patch and light coloured beak.
- Carnaby's cockatoos are migratory, breeding in inland areas (Oct-Dec) and moving to coastal areas during the non-breeding season (Jan-Sep).
- Like most parrots Carnaby's cockatoos are left-footed.
- Carnaby's cockatoos roost communally at night and sometimes hundreds congregate in tall trees.

# ENTERTAINMENT & GIG GUIDE

## Your local Gig Guide

Fri 6 December	Cont. Sat 7 December
<b>Settlers House York</b> The Back Verandah Band. 6pm. Free. 125 Avon Terrace York	<b>Settlers House York</b> John Sloper. 12pm. Free. 125 Avon Terrace York
<b>Parkerville Tavern</b> Kevin Curran. 7pm. Free. 6 Owen Road Parkerville	<b>Noble Falls Tavern</b> Dylan Hutchins. 1pm-4pm. Free. 2672 Toodyay Road Gidgegannup
<b>Lyric's Bar</b> Veruschka Duo. 6pm. Free 22 Lyric Lane Maylands	<b>Lyric's Bar</b> John Bannister Duo. 4pm. Free. 22 Lyric Lane Maylands
Sat 7 December	Tues 10 December
<b>Day in the Forrest</b> Free Music Festival. 1pm-10pm. Free. 17 Railway Parade Glen Forrest	<b>Parkerville Tavern</b> Dr Bogus. 4pm. Free. 6 Owen Road Parkerville
<b>Imperial Homestead</b> DJ Party Night. 6pm. Free. 83 Avon Terrace York	<b>Hemingway &amp; Co</b> Jazz Tuesday. 7pm-9pm. Free. 6/7095 Great Eastern Highway
<b>Lyric's Bar</b> Jere Sosa Duo. 6pm. Free. 22 Lyric Lane Maylands	<b>Thur 12 December</b> <b>Hemingway &amp; Co</b> Blues Thursday. 6.30-9pm. Free. 6/7095 Great Eastern Highway Mundaring
<b>Mount Helena Tavern</b> Kevin Curran. 6pm. Free. 900 Keane Street Mount Helena	
<b>Parkerville Tavern</b> Claudia Tripp. 7pm. Free. 6 Owen Road Parkerville	<b>Hemingway &amp; Co</b> Peta Lee, Len Whittle, Drac and Belly. 7:30pm-9:30pm. Free. 6/7095 Great Eastern Highway

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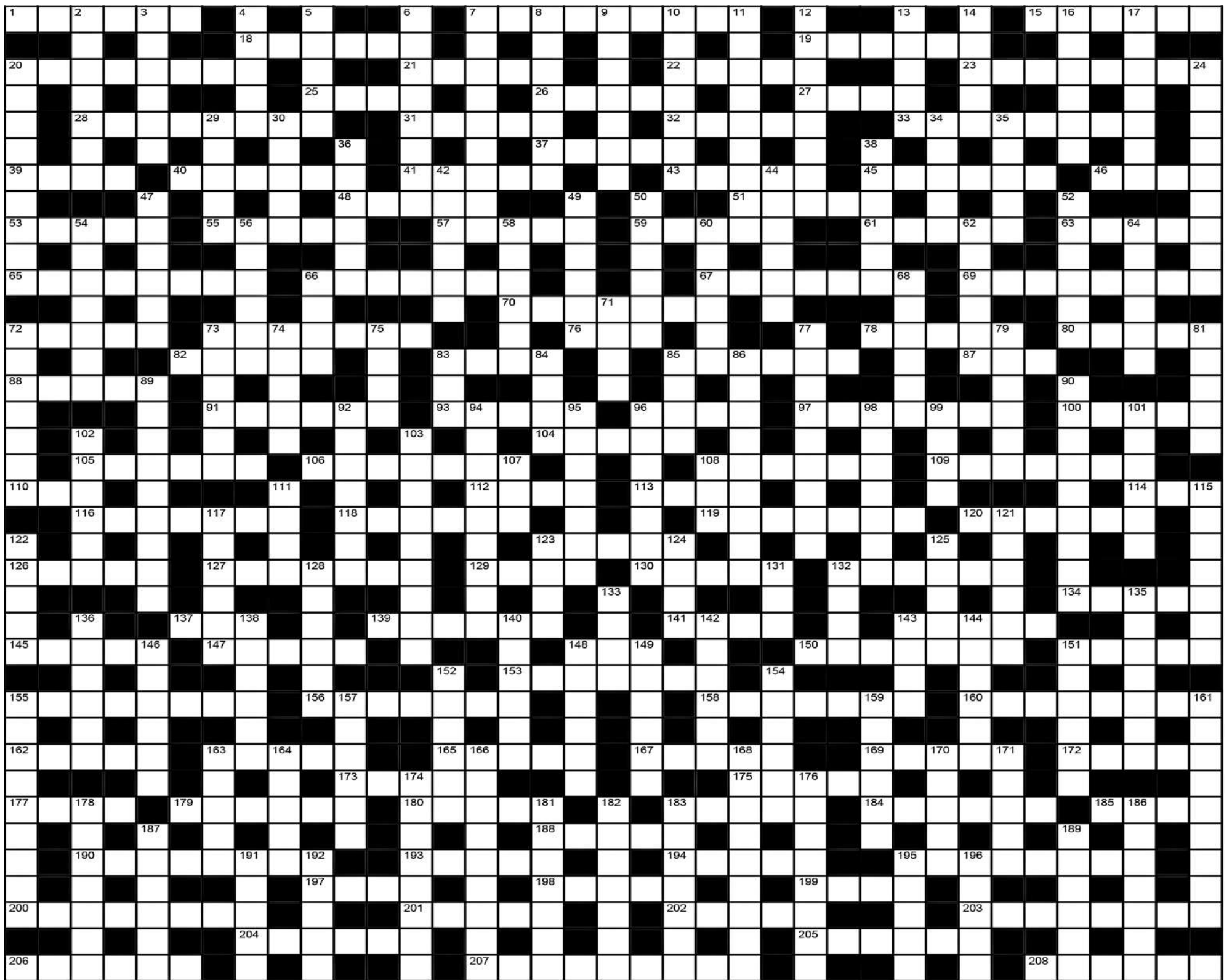






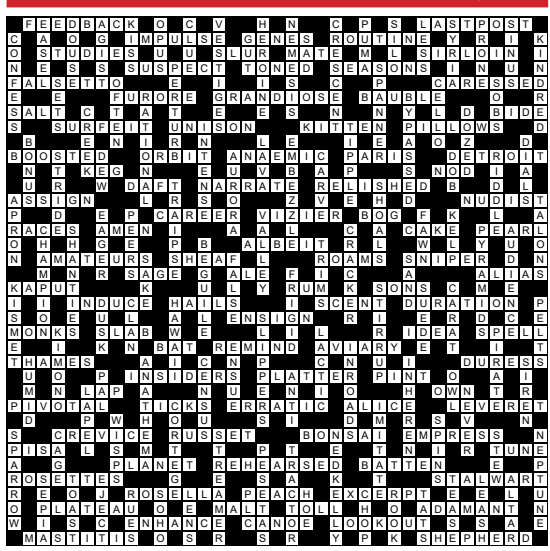
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| <b>ACROSS</b>                | 72 Float aimlessly        | 147 Cavalry sword              | 208 In profound sorrow     | 66 A ringing device                 | 135 Toasted bread cube  | 166 Inward-looking person   |
| 1 A recess                   | 73 A strong post          | 148 Public transport           |                            | 68 A riddle                         | 136 Playful chitchat    | 168 Star sailor             |
| 7 Bridal chest               | 76 Distress signal        | 150 Stinging plants            | <b>DOWN</b>                | 71 Wharf                            | 138 Declare not guilty  | 170 Of the country          |
| 15 Of the stars              | 78 A tendon               | 151 Animal nose                | 2 Directional device       | 72 List of files                    | 140 Famous collie dog   | 171 A silly person (coll)   |
| 18 Place of worship          | 80 Foot coverings         | 153 Spread thickly             | 3 Disappear                | 73 A warning light                  | 142 Car safety device   | 174 Tennis assistants (4,4) |
| 19 Disengage                 | 82 A gemstone             | 155 Heavenly body              | 4 English racecourse       | 74 River in Hades (myth)            | 143 Agitate             | 176 Skin bubbles            |
| 20 Sentimental               | 83 The red planet         | 156 Threatening                | 5 Beauty of manner         | 75 Flat-bottomed boat               | 144 Save from danger    | 178 A flavouring            |
| 21 A WWI battleground        | 85 Wrote                  | 158 Large rock                 | 6 Give a description       | 77 Money-hungry                     | 146 Take measurements   | 181 A crook (coll)          |
| 22 Contented                 | 87 Uncooked               | 160 Burned a body              | 7 Impermanent              | 79 An acacia                        | 148 Trade by exchange   | 182 A scene                 |
| 23 Carved in metal           | 88 Bottoms of feet        | 162 A river vessel             | 8 A herb                   | 81 Smooth                           | 149 Nepalese person     | 183 Sewer's protection      |
| 25 Australian reptile (abb)  | 91 A colleague            | 163 Leg joints                 | 9 Glowing                  | 83 Floor cover                      | 152 Of the back         | 186 Form an opinion         |
| 26 Plural of genius          | 93 Former US president    | 165 Sifting implement          | 10 Moral                   | 84 Japanese wrestling               | 154 Cereal seed plant   | 187 Mouth of a volcano      |
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| 28 The 'green fairy' liqueur | 97 Dance and musical show | 169 A heron                    | 12 Long journeys           | 86 NSW city                         | 157 Employ wrongly      | 191 Back of boat            |
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# Kalamunda View

News from your City | December 2024



## Mayor's MESSAGE

As we embrace the festive season, there's so much to celebrate and reflect on in our wonderful City of Kalamunda.

First, we're marking an incredible milestone—60 years of the Kalamunda Water Park! This beloved community treasure opened for the season this month, and I was thrilled to enjoy the iconic slides alongside CEO Anthony Vuleta. It's the perfect spot to cool off this summer and make lasting memories with family and friends.

We're also celebrating a major win for tourism with the Perth Hills Tourism Alliance bringing home Gold at the 2024 Perth Airport WA Tourism Awards. This partnership between the Cities of Kalamunda, Armadale, and Swan, and the Shires of Mundaring and Serpentine Jarrahdale, works closely with local businesses and tourism bodies to showcase the Perth Hills as a must-visit destination. I couldn't be prouder of the collective effort that has put our region on the map.

We are thrilled to announce that funding has been secured for a wide range of exciting activities to celebrate the festive season in our community! The Christmas Festival promises something for everyone, with events designed to bring joy, creativity, and holiday spirit to all.

On a more serious note, as we approach Christmas community safety is paramount. We also need your help to address recent rises in vandalism, graffiti and theft. Replacement of damaged or stolen assets costs the City approximately \$50,000 each year, funds that could otherwise support new community projects and programs.

Finally, property inspections for bushfire preparedness are underway, and the prohibited burning period is in effect until 31 March 2024. Please maintain your firebreaks, have a bushfire plan, and stay informed through Emergency WA or the City's SMS alerts.

Wishing you all a joyful, safe, and peaceful festive season.

Mayor Margaret Thomas JP

## CELEBRATING 60 YEARS KALAMUNDA WATER PARK



Since opening in March 1964, Kalamunda Water Park—fondly remembered by some as "Kalamunda Wet n Wild"—has been a cherished destination for generations. This beloved facility has retained its natural charm, offering locals a place to cool off, unwind, and create lasting memories.

To celebrate this community icon, Kalamunda Library is showcasing archive photos that highlight the park's rich history. Plus, don't miss the special birthday celebration on Sunday, 26 January!

The water park is now open for the 2024/25 season, and we look forward to seeing you there for more family fun and memory-making!

## PERTH HILLS WINS GOLD TOURISM ALLIANCE SHINES AT WA TOURISM AWARDS



The Perth Hills Tourism Alliance has achieved a significant milestone, winning Gold at the prestigious 2024 Perth Airport WA Tourism Awards. Announced at a glamorous gala event at Crown Perth, this accolade celebrates the Alliance's exceptional efforts in promoting the Perth Hills as a must-visit destination for both local and international travellers.



Read more on our website [kalamunda.wa.gov.au](http://kalamunda.wa.gov.au)

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## Sunrise Yoga at Kalamunda Water Park!

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When: Every Wednesday, 6:30am, from 8 January to 26 February 2025 (8 weeks)

Where: Kalamunda Water Park

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## CELEBRATE THE Festive Season In Kalamunda!

The Christmas Festival promises something for everyone, with events designed to bring joy, creativity, and holiday spirit to all.

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## Additional Bin Collections over the holidays

During the weeks starting 23 and 30 December, all three bins will be collected. Collection day may shift due to public holidays. For more information visit [kalamunda.wa.gov.au/waste](http://kalamunda.wa.gov.au/waste)



### Ordinary Council Meeting

6:30pm, Tuesday 10 December

Administration Centre, Council Chambers

Visit [kalamunda.wa.gov.au](http://kalamunda.wa.gov.au) to view the Agenda

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## Jane Brook residential lots released

**THE state government has released 12 new residential lots at DevelopmentWA's Highland Range estate in Jane Brook.**

Located at the base of the Darling Scarp and below John Forrest National Park, Highland Range is just a 35-minute drive from Perth's central business district.

The stage 3A lots are close to a large, landscaped park featuring a playground with seating, shelters, half-court basketball and netball area and scooter and bike circuits.

The new Midland Metronet train station will be just an 8km drive away, with schools, shops and all the food and wine offerings of the Swan Valley nearby.

The new lots range from 450sqm to 600sqm and include an \$8000 fencing and landscaping rebate.

Lands and Housing Minister John Carey said the Cook Labor Government was doing everything they could to boost housing supply across Western Australia.

"The release of 12 new lots will provide more housing diversity and choice to families in the Perth Hills seeking a homesite in a connected, picturesque community, well located to local community amenities," he said.

Midland MLA Michelle Roberts said housing remained a critical priority for the state government, especially in providing more housing diversity and choice.

"This new land release will provide 12 lots right here in Jane Brook," she said. "I'm pleased to be a part of the Cook Government as we continue to respond to the housing needs in Midland."

Titles are anticipated by March 2025. For further information on Highland Range visit [www.developmentwa.com.au/projects/residential/highland-range/overview](http://www.developmentwa.com.au/projects/residential/highland-range/overview)

## Read between the lines

by Pastor Ian Kirk



### The Mischievous Elf

As part of the Christmas festivities, some homes have an elf – a mischievous little elf. When the kids wake up, their task is to find out what the elf has been up to that night. I remember one of our daughters posting photos of what their elf had done. Their kids discovered a roll of toilet paper running through the house. And who was at the end of the toilet paper? The elf!

I responded to the cute photos by remarking that we don't need a mischievous elf to do that – we have a dog instead! Every time the toilet door is left open, he grabs the toilet paper and goes for a run with it. He does that in order to get to the cardboard roll the toilet paper is wrapped around – for he just loves chewing this.

Our dog can be mischievous – like the elf. So can we be! We may be mischievous to have some fun. We can also be mischievous to the hurt of others. God takes such hurtful behaviour seriously – and He calls it 'sin'.

The heart of Christmas is that God sent His Son into the world to save us from the consequences of our sins. The name Jesus means 'God saves'. Jesus wasn't sent to punish us, but to save us. He was born to die on a cross, bearing the punishment of our sins, so that we could be forgiven – if we turn to Him and trust in Him.

# Primary school swim lessons cut

From page 5

"With more than 220,000 students participating in interim lessons this school year and more than 90 per cent completing full 10-day programs, these lessons are critical in building water safety awareness across the community."

But Mr Leaversuch said research conducted by Royal Lifesaving WA revealed many children were still missing out on lessons due to a range of barriers.

He said missing lessons during primary school had left some children unable to swim even 50m.

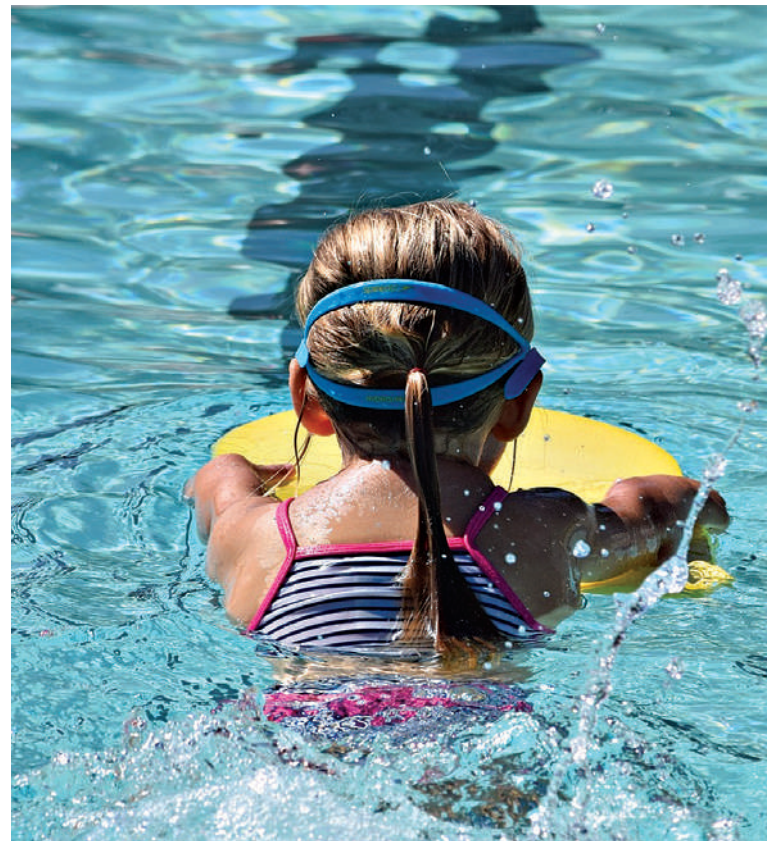
Issues including instructor shortages and logistical issues involved with swim lessons were being mentioned as possible reasons for the change from two weeks to one week of lessons for some schools.

Mr Leaversuch said the solution involved addressing several challenges including availability of a qualified workforce, expanding pool access, increasing mandatory in-pool hours and reducing financial and logistical barriers.

"In the lead up to the 2025 election, Royal Life Saving is calling for \$10 million in additional funding to coordinate the delivery of culturally inclusive swimming lessons in key communities currently missing out and directly support families struggling with cost of living pressures to find and access a program suitable for their needs (estimated at 5000 families each year)," he said.

"While these solutions require funding and coordination, they're targeted and based on emerging opportunities.

"Every child deserves the opportunity to learn to swim; it's a critical life skill."



# Kalamunda FOGO in perspective

from page 3.

"The suburb with the least general waste was Maida Vale with 15 per cent."

Cr Ritchie said it was worth noting the new red bin capacity would adequately cover the 18.9 per cent shown in the waste audit, and overall capacity of waste had actually increased.

"Fast forward to September/October 2024 and the FOGO journey in Kalamunda is just beginning," she said.

"For some residents with particular needs the new system would be challenging, especially for a smaller general rubbish bin with fortnightly collections.

"How have the other metropolitan local governments which have implemented FOGO over the past five years dealt with the same issues?"

"All of these, similar to Kalamunda, have the opportunity for residents with special requests and needs to purchase a second bin.

"For most, this is for a second general waste bin, for others a second recycling or FOGO bin.

"In Kalamunda, 123 additional general waste bins and 44 bins under exceptional circumstances have been delivered.

"Also, 11 additional recycling and eight additional FOGO bins have been delivered.

"All councillors are acutely aware that any extra cost is not desirable, however for 67 cents per day for an extra bin and 40 cents a day for those with special circumstances, the cost is hopefully manageable.

"This seems a preferable and more equitable way of dealing with these requests, rather than all ratepayers facing a waste cost increase to cover these requests.

"Each of the local governments has had similar issues raised and these matters and/or petitions brought to their councils.

"In response, none of the other local governments changed ei-



ther the capacity of the general waste bin or the frequency of collection.

"I have great faith that if the hundreds of thousands of residents in these local governments have adapted to the changes, then our 68,000 residents, with their exceptional community mindset, will rise to the challenge."

## eye on crime

# Parkerville fatal crash investigation

**MAJOR crash investigation section officers are seeking information regarding a fatal crash in Parkerville on Tuesday, November 26.**

WA Police said about 5pm, a white Hino light truck and a white Hyundai Elantra sedan, collided at the intersection of Great Eastern Highway and Brooking Road in Parkerville.

The 96-year-old male driver of the Hyundai Elantra sustained serious injuries and was conveyed by ambulance to St John of God Hospital Midland where he later died.

The 48-year-old male driver of the Hino truck was conveyed to Royal Perth Hospital as a precaution.

Major crash investigators are urging anyone who saw the crash, or sighted either vehicle travelling in the area prior to the crash, or who has any information relating to this crash, to contact Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or online at [www.crimestopperswa.com.au](http://www.crimestopperswa.com.au)

Dash-cam or mobile phone vision relating to this crash, can be uploaded directly to investigators via this link: <https://wapf.au.evidence.com/axon/community-request/public/seriousaccidenttruckvcarparkerville>

If you or anyone you know has been affected by a road crash, contact Road Trauma Support WA on 1300 004 814.

Police want anyone with information regarding the above incidents to call Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000 or you can make a report online at [www.crimestopperswa.com.au](http://www.crimestopperswa.com.au)



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**INVITE TO COMMENT - PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO CHILD CARE PREMISES - 40 (LOT 72) MARLBORO ROAD, SWAN VIEW**

The Shire of Mundaring has received an amended application for the Child Care Premises at 40 Marlboro Road, Swan View.

This application seeks to amend the permissible hours during which the outdoor play spaces for the child care premises can be used. Currently these spaces are permitted to be used from 8.30am to 5.30pm, the applicant is now proposing to amend the hours of use to be from 7.30am to 5.30pm.

Documents regarding this proposal are available to view at the following locations:

- Shire's Administration Building (7000 Great Eastern Highway, Mundaring)
- The Shire's website (Public Consultations section): [www.mundaring.wa.gov.au](http://www.mundaring.wa.gov.au)

Submissions on the proposal can be made until 4.00pm on 17 January 2025 via post or email:

**Post to:** Shire of Mundaring, 7000 Great Eastern Highway, MUNDARING WA 6073

**Email:** [shire@mundaring.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@mundaring.wa.gov.au)

Any further information can be obtained by contacting the Shire's Planning Services on 9290 6740 or via [shire@mundaring.wa.gov.au](mailto:shire@mundaring.wa.gov.au)

**Jason Whiteaker**  
 CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



**Public Notices**

**INVITE TO COMMENT- EDUCATIONAL ESTABLISHMENT 340 ROLAND ROAD, PARKERVILLE (PARKERVILLE CHILDREN'S HOME)**

The Shire of Mundaring has received an application for an Educational Establishment at 340 Roland Road, Parkerville.

The proposal relates to the restoration and repurposing of existing buildings with associated works. The school is proposed to have 50 high-school aged students and 10-12 staff within its first year of operation, with numbers increasing to approximately 90 students and 17-20 staff by 2030

Documents regarding this proposal are available to view at the following locations:

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**Have Your Say**

**Proposed Residential Aged Care Facility - 20 Champion Road, Lesmurdie**

The Western Australian Planning Commission is seeking public comment on a significant development application for a residential aged care facility with 81 beds at 20 Champion Road, Lesmurdie.

The application can be viewed at [haveyoursay.dph.wa.gov.au/lesmurdieagedcare/](http://haveyoursay.dph.wa.gov.au/lesmurdieagedcare/) or in person by appointment at the Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage, Level 2, 140 William Street, Perth. Contact [SDAUconsultation@dph.wa.gov.au](mailto:SDAUconsultation@dph.wa.gov.au) or 6551 9450 for an appointment. Plans can also be viewed at the City of Kalamunda offices, 2 Railway Road, Kalamunda weekdays from 8.30am-5pm.

Submissions can be made online or posted to: Department of Planning, Lands and Heritage, State Development Assessment Unit, Locked Bag 2506, Perth WA 6001.

Submissions close **20 January 2025**. Late submissions may not be accepted.

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**CITY OF SWAN**

**NOTICE OF PROPOSED LEASE OF LAND SECTION 3.58 OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1995**

**PROPERTY:** Kitchen 3, 8-12 Stafford Street, Midland WA 6056

**LESSEE:** Masala Food Lab Pty Ltd (ABN 85 673 418 838)

**ANNUAL RENTAL AMOUNT:** \$13,650 plus GST including Outgoings per annum

**VALUATION:** \$13,650 plus GST and Outgoings per annum

**PURPOSE:** Commercial Office

**TERM:** One Year

Submissions, in writing, addressed to the undersigned, may be lodged on or before 23 December 2024

**Stephen Cain**  
 Chief Executive Officer  
 City of Swan  
 PO Box 196, Midland, 6936



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**ECHO Notice Board**

**Upcoming Events**

• **World Vision Mundaring and Hills** support group holds its monthly stalls on the second Saturday of the month in the Woolworths Mall in Mundaring.

For more information call Suzanne on 0452 075 371 or Kryssie on 0431 570 985.

• **CWA Kalamunda** meets on the second Friday of each month at 10am on Central Road, Kalamunda behind Aldi, look for the blue tree. Go along to join in the fun and meet new friends.

• **Mundaring Garden Club** meets every second Tuesday in Mundaring. The annual program includes entertaining guest speakers who present on a wide range of topics. Presentations are followed by morning tea in the club café. For more information call the secretary on 0414 303 985.

**Noticeboard is for non-profits and community groups advertising free/low cost events/programs. Entries must be emailed to editorial@echo-news.com two weeks before the event.**



**Woofers of the week**

Tiffany is a three-month-old German shepherd cross. She is eager to learn, very sweet and will be a beautiful companion. She is vaccinated and microchipped but is too young to be sterilised. Costs apply. Contact Bakers Hill Dog Sanctuary on 9574 1438.



## Midland Guildford seniors beat Melville



Midland Guildford B grade players Kristin McLeod and Justine Hayward-Janney.

### JOSHUA MCKENZIE

**MIDLAND Guildford Cricket Club senior female sides and a number of junior teams were the focus of the matches played during this weekend.**

The female A grade played Melville at home and after losing the toss were asked to bowl first.

Elle White was the standout bowler with 4-8 from four overs, while Shay Manolini (2-4 from four overs) and Holly Catania (2-31 from four overs) also made important contributions.

They would restrict their opponents to 9-64 from 20 overs before beginning their chase with Naomi Dattani (19 runs not out from 29 balls) and Chloe Piparo (17 from 11) producing a strong opening stand.

Ruby York scored 19 from 13 to help the side to chase the target with five wickets remaining and 9.3 overs to spare.

In the match played by the female B grade against Wanneroo, the side was also asked to bowl first after losing the toss.

Kiara Smart (3-18 from four overs) and Taryn Schuster (2-15 from four overs) were the biggest contributors to the bowling ef-

fort that restricted their opposition to 9-101 from 20 overs.

Lily May-Lyndon (37 from 39) and Justine Hayward-Janney (20 not out from 19) were the top scorers as the team chased down the target with six wickets in hand and 32 balls remaining.

The female U17 side managed a victory against Wanneroo in their latest match.

Sharna Abbott took three wickets for 16 runs from four overs while Zoe Tickner took 2-11 from three overs in the win.

They restricted their opposition to 6-112 from 20 overs, before chasing the target in 17.5 overs with Rebekah Farr being the top scorer with 32 from 18.

The side was 6-68 before contributions from Tiffany Exell (13 not out from 17), Caitlin Beck (15 from 12) and Zoe Tickner (11 not out from 11) helping to secure the victory with three wickets to spare.

Both the male U14 and male U13 were defeated by Bayswater Morley with few standout performers in either of the sides.

There will be a number of matches played this weekend with some teams finishing games while others begin a new round of fixtures.



The U11 team were excited to make it to the grand final.

## Hills Raiders U11 girls take on state champions

**THE Hills Raiders U11 girls team made the grand final in division two of last weekend's Basketball WA Fuel to Go state championship tournament.**

The girls set a fierce and fast-paced tone from game one, playing a total of five games over the weekend.

The team got through the semi-finals with a nail-biting two-point win

against the Eastern Suns to tackle the Cockburn Cougars in the grand final game.

They stormed into the grand final and showcased impressive defensive play and great overall teamwork, but ultimately lost the championship game by 12 points, but still came away from the tournament with new skills and an exciting start to their 2024 WABL season.



Teamwork was one of the girls' strengths.



Their semi final win made the U11 girls the Raiders' most successful team of the competition.

## Local Real Estate

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## Greenmount home a mix of modern and classic

**THIS Greenmount home built in 1958 comes with four bedrooms, two bathrooms, three toilets, a large open living/activity space, and a studio-granny flat with a kitchen.**

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Two carports and undercroft storage

keep the family vehicles safe and sheltered.

It has all the modern conveniences yet retains all the character from its time and oozes that special charm that can't be recreated in a newly built home.

The kitchen has an island bench with plenty of storage room behind the neatly renovated pantry cabinets and cupboards.

There is a main bedroom with built in robes and an ensuite with such modern flair, it'll be difficult to believe the house was constructed before the 60s.

All main rooms have fully ducted reverse cycle air conditioning to keep inhabitants cool during the warmer months if the shade from the canopies isn't enough.

Eight solar panels and the solar hot wa-

ter system with 300L of storage also helps keep price down and score points on making the home more environmentally friendly.

Located on the high side of the road, residents have a lovely view overlooking the beautiful gardens in the leafy suburb of Greenmount.

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ing, a home business, or a creative space for music and art.

The home is fully updated and ready for takers to make their own and create cherished memories.

You'll miss home as you pass the purple jacaranda blooms greeting visitors at the driveway and wish you were still enjoying life behind the doors of the blue and white house at the top of the rise.

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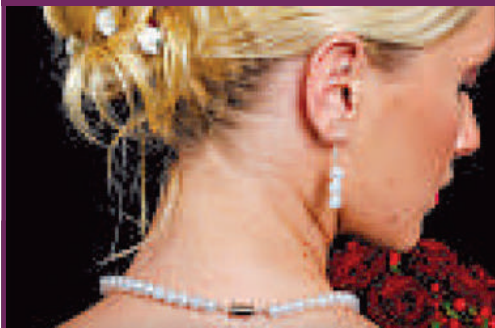
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