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The Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS) recently released their interim population growth rates for Western Australia and the Town of Kwinana is happy to report ongoing growth of 3.5%.

This puts Kwinana in the top 10% of Western Australian Local Governments and reinforces the widespread message that Kwinana will soon become a thriving metropolitan city.

With a current estimated population of 29,029 (as of June 2010) residents the Town is within reach of becoming a City which can only happen once the official census shows population at 30,000 or more.

Kwinana Mayor Carol Adams said the Town had been patiently waiting to reach the required population.

"Over the past couple of years we have been carrying out initial investigations into the changes that will come about and the benefits our community will receive once

we become a City," Mayor Adams said.

"An enormous amount of planning and organisation will be required as part of the transition, including a lot of community consultation so we are trying to get a bit of a head start."

As the 11th fastest growing community in the state (out of 139 local governments) the Town of Kwinana can look forward to a future of modern facilities with an abundance of retail shopping outlets and community based infrastructure, all the while remaining home to some of WA's most beautiful parks, wetlands and beaches.

A full snapshot of Kwinana's population predictions can be viewed on the Town's website under "About Kwinana".

More information on the future of Kwinana can be viewed on page 3.

DID YOU KNOW?

- *The Town of Kwinana is considered a National Hyper Growth Area – this means we are developing at twice the national average.*
- *Population forecasts have shown Kwinana will reach 70,000 residents by 2030 (that is more than double our current population!)*
- *In less than 12 months we will be home to over \$30 million of new and exciting infrastructure, including the Community Resource and Knowledge Centre and Youth Space.*
- *\$340 million is being spent on a new City Centre which will become a thriving meeting place and will be complimented by the soon to be re-developed Hub Shopping Centre.*



MAYOR'S MESSAGE

I am genuinely amazed at how quickly the first part of this year is passing us by; it feels like only yesterday we were celebrating the turning of the sod at the site of our new Youth Space on Gilmore Avenue.

But that was well over six months ago and since then we have celebrated a range of exciting developments in Kwinana including the progression of our Community Resource and Knowledge Centre, located adjacent the Kwinana Recquatic.

In the coming months there will be plenty of exciting announcements and updates regarding the Town Centre, including the plans for the future Hub Shopping Centre which we expect to be presented to Council for official sign off by the end of May.

Everyone should make sure they have photographic evidence of the current Town Centre as it will soon be unrecognisable.

The recent ABS statistics referred to on the previous page put us in good stead to reach city status in 2012 (in fact on our calculations we reached the magic 30,000 this month) and with community spirit at an all time high, I could not be happier with the direction in which Kwinana is heading!

On another note the Town of Kwinana in the 2010/11 fire season reported only 1% non-compliance with fire notices. This is a fantastic result and on behalf of Council I would like to thank all of our residents for their fire prevention efforts over the past few months.

A big thank-you also needs to be given to our dedicated fire and emergency services personnel and volunteers who have steered us through a relatively incident free fire season. One of the great qualities we have in Kwinana is a wonderful volunteer base.



In this new and improved edition of "The Spirit", we show off some brand new concept designs of the Wellard and Bertram Community Centres (page 5). Funding has been secured for the Wellard Community Centre and fingers crossed we are successful in the next round of Lottery West grants for the Bertram Community Centre.

Council is committed to providing this much needed piece of infrastructure in Bertram and will look for alternative means to secure funding if need be.

We have recently upgraded our corporate website (www.kwinana.wa.gov.au) so I encourage everyone to jump online and have a look as well. You will find plenty of news, events and other Council related information.

The Spirit of Kwinana exists to make sure you are aware of what your local council is up to. If there is anything that you would like to read about in one of the upcoming editions please email (admin@kwinana.wa.gov.au) or call us on 08 9439 0435.

We would love to know your thoughts and I thank you for your interest in the Kwinana community.

Yours in Kwinana,

Carol Adams
Mayor

HERITAGE CELEBRATION

In only its second year running, the annual Heritage Day is a celebration of Kwinana's rich multicultural heritage. Learn about the history of Kwinana whilst enjoying a relaxing day out with family and friends.

The event revolves around the newly named Smirk Heritage Site which includes three historical buildings: Soldier's Cottage, Smirk Cottage and the Museum (Industry Period).

Heritage Day offers an opportunity for the public to view historical collections, with guided tours run by the Heritage Group.

Themed activities will also be onsite to keep children entertained including an animal farm, bush poet and several interactive activities with a historical twist.

SUN 22 MAY 2011

11am to 3pm

SMIRK HERITAGE SITE
(BEACHAM CRESCENT, MEDINA)

Live!

KWINANA



MEET THE STRATEGIC PLANNING GROUP

With such massive population growth in the Town of Kwinana it is vital that particular importance is paid to planning and managing development in the region on a large and holistic basis.



The Strategic Planning Group has existed for several years and brings together a range of professional staff from the Town's administration. The team members range from strategic and statutory planners, engineers, finance and community development representatives, commercial managers and the members of the executive team.

The purpose of the group that meets on a fortnightly basis, or more often if required, is to study each major development and make recommendations to any third parties, identify where new developments need to occur and ensure that current and future populations are well serviced by community infrastructure, road and transport links, and other needs.

In recent years the Strategic Planning Group has developed and managed the \$340 million Town Centre revitalisation program, monitored and provided feedback and requirements to the many private land developers, instigated the rejuvenation project underway in Medina, advised the government and other parties involved in the new port developments and many other major projects.

At present the group is heavily involved in the negotiations regarding the redevelopment of the Hub Shopping Centre and the State Government/Satterley "Challenger Precinct" development just south of the Town Centre.

kwinana NAIDOC WEEK

27 JUNE - 3 JULY

Celebrations will take place in June and July to recognise the culture of our local Nyoongar people and all members of the community are encouraged to attend.

In the lead up to NAIDOC Week local schools will learn about indigenous culture through creating large banners representing the Six Seasons.

Monday 27 June, 10am-2pm

Launch of NAIDOC Week

Koorliny Arts Centre, Sulphur Road Kwinana

The Opening Ceremony will take place at the Koorliny Arts Centre, this will include the Albert Windie Art Exhibition, a smoking ceremony, indigenous dance, storytelling and traditional bush tucker to share. The Six Seasons banners project will also be launched.



Other Events

Wednesday 29 June **Children's Celebrations**, Apex Park
Thursday 30 June **Netball Challenge**, Kwinana Recquatic
Thursday 30 June **Beat Ball**, Kwinana Recquatic
Friday 1 July **Youth Event**, Calista Oval
Saturday 2 July **NAIDOC Ball**, Medina Hall
Sunday 3 July **Football Carnival**, Calista Oval

Further information on NAIDOC Week events can be found at www.kwinana.wa.gov.au > **what's new** > **events**

TOWN CELEBRATES COMMUNITY ROLE MODELS

The Kwinana community gathered on the council lawns earlier this year to celebrate Australia Day and to recognise the recipients of the Town's annual Community Awards

Congratulations to the below winners and nominees whose contributions help make Kwinana one of the friendliest and most welcoming communities in WA.

Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Award **STEVE TREEBY**

Steve has been a member of the Mandogalup Bushfire Brigade for many years. Steve coordinates a team of volunteers, trains new members and has to constantly be available for callouts.

Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Award for Under 25 **ZEE MARINCOWITS**

Zee was the instigator of the 'Gilmore Cares About Cancer' project which aimed to raise awareness and funds for the Cancer Council through Gilmore College.

Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Award for Group or Event **RETURNED & SERVICES LEAGUE**

KWINANA SUB BRANCH

The Kwinana RSL has coordinated and conducted community services in Medina since 1956. The sub-branch volunteers have worked tirelessly with support from the Town of Kwinana resulting in the upgrade of the Town's Memorial Gardens, and installation of the Town's first war monument.



Above: Steve Treeby receives the Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Award



Above: Bryan Corker from Kwinana RSL receives the Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Award (Group/Event)

The following people also received awards during the event:

Kwinana Leadership Award - Roy Kemp

Kwinana Volunteer of the Year Award - Jessie Bailes

Kwinana Young Persons, Art, Culture and Entertainment Award - Ellen Brookes

Nominees:

John Cadman, Derrick (Bill) Frankling, Robyn Jackson, Zara Fletcher, Gordon Buckley, Pat Gamage, India Martin-Cogger, Daniel Philip, Jasmyn Hillier, Derek Local, Kwinana Home Support Service, North Parmelia Junior Media Group, Kwinana Festival Committee



NEW COMMUNITY CENTRES ON TRACK

Community Centres in Wellard and Bertram are being progressed, with individual community reference groups having been recently set up for both. Feedback to the initial designs has been very positive.

The Wellard Village Community Centre is being built on the corner of Runnymede Gate and the Strand and construction is set to commence in the next couple of months. The two-storey building will include a range of multi-purpose activity rooms, a kitchen, crèche and playground and is jointly funded by the Town, the Village at Wellard Joint Venture and Lotterywest.

The Bertram Community Centre, to be located opposite the new IGA on Johnson Road, is also well progressed and final funding is currently being sought. The single-storey centre will also have multi-purpose rooms, but in addition will have consultation space for community health workers and an outside performance courtyard.



Above and Below: Wellard Community Centre (Artist impression)



Bertram Community Centre

TOWN CENTRE LIVING COMING SOON

Nicheliving Kwinana recently announced house and land packages from \$289,000!

Nicheliving
kwinana



Located on Meares Avenue the Nicheliving Kwinana development will signify the beginning of Town Centre living and will provide owners with direct access to a thriving metropolitan location.

Nicheliving Kwinana will offer a lifestyle choice within a quality, contemporary, architecturally-designed residential community.

Available in 4 and 3 bed configurations in single and loft designs. Every home features beautiful colour schemes, tasteful decor, quality fixtures and finishes.

To find out more call Nicheliving today on 9483 0000 or visit www.nicheliving.com.au

LIVE! KWINANA IN 2011

Live!

KWINANA

The Town is pleased to announce the 2011 Live! Kwinana calendar of events.

For those who have not heard, Live! Kwinana was launched in 2010 in an effort to consolidate and better celebrate the wonderful community spirit present in Kwinana.

In response to last years launch the Town saw record attendance at our events as well as a vast increase in interest across the board.

The Live! name is reserved for our grandest and most memorable celebrations of the year so be sure to note the below events in your calendar, they are not ones to be missed.

Further information on these events and the Live! Kwinana initiative can be found at

www.livekwinana.com.au



CALL FOR SPONSORS!

The Town is currently seeking community sponsors for the Live! initiative as well as the individual events listed on this page.

A range of different sponsorship packages are available and can be tailored to suit the needs of your organisation.

For more sponsorship information call 08 9439 0289.

**HERITAGE
CELEBRATION**



**22
MAY**

**CHILDRENS
PARTY**



**11
OCTOBER**

**FESTIVAL
& FAIR DAY**



**22
OCTOBER**

FREAKFEST



**22
OCTOBER**

PETSCAPADE



**13
NOVEMBER**

COMMUNITY NOTICE BOARD

ARE YOUR ELECTORAL ROLL DETAILS UP TO DATE?

With local government elections coming up in October 2011, all residents are asked to ensure their details are up to date and that, if eligible, they are enrolled to vote.

Forms are available from the Council Administration Centre, from the Western Australian Electoral Commission (telephone 132 326) or you can check and change your details online at www.waec.wa.gov.au

The election will be carried out as a postal vote, meaning that you will receive your ballot papers in the mail and will be given various options to return them. You are encouraged to vote, however it is not compulsory to do so in a Local Government Election.

Four seats on Council will be contested on 15 October. For people interested in running for Council, further details will be advertised in the coming weeks with nominations opening on 1 September 2011. For more details visit www.waec.wa.gov.au

UPDATES DIRECT FROM THE CEO

The recently revamped Desk of the CEO publication provides a brief overview of the more significant external meetings, events and functions which Town of Kwinana CEO Neil Hartley attends on a regular basis.

To sign up visit www.kwinana.wa.gov.au > What's New > Desk of the CEO

COMMUNITIES & INDUSTRIES FORUM (CIF)

A forum for communication between industry and the community.

Tuesday 7 June, 5:30pm
Tuesday 2 August, 5:30pm

Forums held at the Kwinana Recquatic
Further information: www.kic.org.au

UPCOMING GREENWASTE COLLECTIONS

Important: please do not place junk waste items out for this collection.

13 June (Area 1)
Medina, Calista and Orelia

20 June (Area 2)
Leda, Parmelia and Wellard west of the railway line

27 June (Area 3)
Anketell, Bertram, Casuarina, Hope Valley, Kwinana Beach, Mandogalup, Naval Base, Postans, The Spectacles, Wandi, Leda and Wellard east of the railway line.

For further information and requirements for Greenwaste collections call us on 08 9439 0200 or visit our website: www.kwinana.wa.gov.au > Property & Development > Waste and Recycling > Green & Hard Waste

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL EDUCATORS

Bright Futures Family Day Care are seeking before and after school educators who want to work but keep the middle of their day free.

As a licensed Out of School Hours Educator you will look after school aged children and will be able to offer access to Child Care Benefit at a reduced fee to clients.

Call the Bright Futures Family Day Care office on 08 9236 4120 for more information.

COMMUNITY PLANTING DAYS

This year community planting days will kick off early, with the first scheduled for Saturday 14 May at Lake Magenup. Meeting at 9am at Wandi Resource Centre car park (off DeHaer Rd, Wandi).

The second planting day is hosted by Coastcare and will be held on Saturday 4 June, meeting 9am at Wells Park car park, Kwinana Beach Rd.

This is a great opportunity to get out into your local bushland areas and meet locals who are keen to protect and enhance our native vegetation.

For details on additional planting days call an Environment Officer on 08 9439 0200.

YOUTH SERVICES UPDATE

Mentoring

Youth Mentoring applications now open!

Kwinana's Youth Mentoring program aims to match young people with mentors interested in facilitating their personal and professional development.

The program works with young people between the ages of 10-18. Applications for both mentors and mentees are open until 20 May.

LyriK Awards

Nominations now open!

There is still time to nominate a young person in Kwinana for a LyriK award. Nominations for the current awards round close 27 May. For further details visit www.lyrik.com.au

The LyriK program is generously sponsored by Eclipse Resources, Coogee Chemicals, Alcoa, BHP Billiton and the McCusker Charitable Foundation.

FREE FOOD SAFETY TRAINING

The Town recently launched I'M ALERT, a free online food safety training program available to all members of the community.

The I'M ALERT training program is designed to assist food handlers in improving their skills and knowledge in food safety and hygiene.

Free and unlimited access is now available at www.kwinana.imalert.com.au

For further information call a Town of Kwinana Environmental Health Officer on 9439 0200.

LIBRARY NEWS

The Kwinana Public Library is pleased to announce the introduction of two new online resources:

Ancestry Library Edition (only available by physically visiting the library).

Gale Popular magazines database

To access most of these resources visit www.kwinana.wa.gov.au > Facilities and Locations > Library & Information Services > Online Services



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