

# Spirit

OF KWINANA

SEPTEMBER  
2019



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## MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Spring has sprung and it's a perfect time to get out to one of our Biodiversity Month activities. If you haven't before, why not take in the beautiful array of flowers present at our annual Wildflower Walk or learn how to identify pesky weeds in your own backyard.

Council has been busy over the last quarter, working with City Officers to determine how best to allocate sufficient funds to meet community requirements over the next twelve months. The budget process, and making these tough decisions is one of the most challenging parts of the work that we do as elected members, but nonetheless it is an important part of our role as a councillor.

Which brings me to the importance of the upcoming Local Government election, to be held on Saturday 19 October 2019. I strongly encourage you to make your vote count and to choose the candidate you trust to represent your needs on council. Voting is easy, as it is via a postal vote, and allows you to play your important role in our democratic system. More details are available on the facing page.



As for the fun side of my job, I have been very pleased to present numerous awards to community members of late, including a very well-deserving Lyrik Young Person of the Year, Caliesha Edney. Read on to find out why she won the award and to discover more about all of the great community activities we are celebrating in the City of Kwinana.

**Mayor Carol Adams OAM**

## THE CITY OF KWINANA PRESENTS

## THE CITY OF KWINANA COMMUNITY CONCERT 2019



**The City of Kwinana's annual Community Concert returns in 2019 featuring the *Perth Symphony Orchestra*. Keep an eye out for the full event details closer to the date!**

Saturday, 7 December, 5.30pm

Calista Oval, Gilmore Avenue,  
Kwinana

Free Community Event

**PERTH  
SYMPHONY  
ORCHESTRA**

## SAVE THE DATES!

Annual Christmas  
Lolly Run

25 December  
2019



Australia Day  
Celebration

26 January  
2020



Children's Festival

7 March  
2020



## MAKE YOUR VOTE COUNT THIS ELECTION

2019 is a Local Government Election year with this year's election occurring on Saturday, 19 October 2019.

Local Government Elections play an important role in our democratic system and are an excellent opportunity for people to contribute to, and be involved in their local community. All eligible electors are encouraged to vote to ensure they have a voice in choosing the best people to represent their community.

Voting is easy, with election packages posted to all electors around three weeks before Election Day. The packages are to be returned by post and to be received prior to 6pm on Election Day. The count commences at 6pm that same day with the results available later that evening.

Residents are also encouraged to ensure that their enrolment details are up to date, with the electoral roll closing at 5pm on Friday, 30 August 2019.

Any electors who have aspirations to represent their community still have the opportunity to nominate to become a candidate for the 2019 City of Kwinana Local Government Election. The nomination period commences on Thursday 5 September 2019 and closes on Thursday, 12 September 2019 at 4pm. Any interested persons can visit [www.elections.wa.gov.au](http://www.elections.wa.gov.au) for more information or to nominate.

For more information about the City of Kwinana election or to view candidates profiles visit [www.kwinana.wa.gov.au/our-council/local-government-elections](http://www.kwinana.wa.gov.au/our-council/local-government-elections).



## KWINANA'S PURPLE BENCH Honours Victims of Family and Domestic Violence

City of Kwinana, in partnership with the Women's Council for Domestic and Family Violence Services (WA), has installed a purple bench to act as a visual reminder of the prevalence of domestic and family violence. It is permanently located at the entrance of the Kwinana Recquatic. If you or someone you know needs help please contact the Women's Domestic Violence Helpline: 1800 007 339 or Men's Domestic Violence helpline on 1800 000 599.

## COMMUNITY AWARDS

The City of Kwinana likes to recognise hardworking and dedicated community members who help make Kwinana a better place. Awards presented throughout the year include the Martin Waudby Leadership Award, Sportsperson Awards, Volunteer of the Year Award and Citizen of the Year Awards. To nominate a member of your community, visit the website: [www.kwinana.wa.gov.au](http://www.kwinana.wa.gov.au) and search for 'awards and recognition'.

## ONE BIG WEEKEND OF GARAGE SALES



19+20 OCTOBER 2019

# BEING BUSHFIRE PREPARED



Choose your bushfire plan  
[www.dfes.wa.gov.au/firechat/Pages/default.htm](http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/firechat/Pages/default.htm)



Fill out our quick questionnaire to help you decide whether you want to leave early or stay and defend in the event of a bushfire.



Prepare yourself this bushfire season by walking around your property and assessing potential risks, look for items likely to burn or areas where embers could start a fire (e.g. gutters).

## Bushfire Preparation Toolkit

[www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/fire/bushfire/BushfireManualsandGuides/DFES-Fire-Chat-Bushfire-Preparedness-Toolkit.pdf](http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/fire/bushfire/BushfireManualsandGuides/DFES-Fire-Chat-Bushfire-Preparedness-Toolkit.pdf)

## Prohibited Burning Period

During the prohibited period, which begins on 1 December each year and ends on 31 March the following year, no permits will be issued and burning is not permitted anywhere within the City.

## What is a Fire Danger Rating?

If you are in a bushfire risk area you need to know what the Fire Danger Rating (FDR) is for your area, monitor local conditions and keep informed.

Understanding the FDR categories and what they mean to you will help you to make decisions about what to do if a bushfire starts.

The FDR is based on the forecast weather conditions and gives you advice about the level of bushfire threat on a particular day. When the rating is high, the threat of a bushfire increases.

Fire Danger Ratings	<a href="http://www.emergency.wa.gov.au/#legend">www.emergency.wa.gov.au/#legend</a>
Check the ratings in your area	<a href="http://www.emergency.wa.gov.au/#firedangerratings">www.emergency.wa.gov.au/#firedangerratings</a>
Bushfire Survival Guide	<a href="http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/fire/bushfire/Pages/bushfiresurvivalplan.aspx">www.dfes.wa.gov.au/safetyinformation/fire/bushfire/Pages/bushfiresurvivalplan.aspx</a>



# A friendly reminder that your rates are due

## Save a tree by going paperless

For more details visit [www.kwinana.wa.gov.au](http://www.kwinana.wa.gov.au)



- Total Fire Ban Information Line: 1800 709 355
- Department of Fire and Emergency Services: [www.dfes.wa.gov.au](http://www.dfes.wa.gov.au)
- Emergency alerts: [www.emergency.wa.gov.au](http://www.emergency.wa.gov.au)

## DOGS AND CATS OF KWINANA

We love seeing your pets out and about in the City, but don't forget to be a responsible pet owner! If you're in a public place, please ensure you have proper control of your pets and use dog exercise areas correctly.

### Dog Exercise Area Locations

Kwinana has a range of authorised dog exercise areas located throughout the City, where you can exercise your dog without a lead, provided the dog is under supervision and effective control. Discover the full list of dog exercise areas on the City's website today [www.kwinana.wa.gov.au](http://www.kwinana.wa.gov.au).

### Pet registrations open Friday, 1 November 2019

If you are a resident please remember pet registrations can be renewed online by heading to the City's website.

Select 'Pay It' from the right-hand menu and select either cat or dog registrations.

For more information visit [www.kwinana.wa.gov.au](http://www.kwinana.wa.gov.au)



### Is your pet microchipped?

Your pet must be microchipped to be registered with the City. If your address or contact details have changed, you've moved out of the area or if your pet has passed away, please let the City know so we can update our records accordingly.



Call our friendly Customer Service team on **9439 0200** or email [customer@kwinana.wa.gov.au](mailto:customer@kwinana.wa.gov.au) with the details of your pet, including residential address.

### Responsible Cat Ownership

Are you a cat lover/owner? Please remember; all cats over the age of six months are required to be sterilised, micro-chipped and registered before 31 October each year. Once registered, cats are required to wear a current registration and identification tag. This will help us identify and return your cat to you if they become lost.

To find out more visit [www.kwinana.wa.gov.au](http://www.kwinana.wa.gov.au).

## BRIGHT FUTURES CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Bright Futures Children's Services Aboriginal Resource Officer, Fran Windon, was proudly named Kwinana Aboriginal of the Year in July at the NAIDOC Week opening ceremony in Kwinana. The award was sponsored by Moorditj Koort, Medina Aboriginal Cultural Centre and the City of Kwinana.

Fran facilitates the Bright Futures Children's Services Moorditj Kulungar My Time Playgroup for local Indigenous families and their children and is a highly valued member of the community.

The group, run in partnership with Ngala, allows parents to play alongside their children, as well as gain access to other community agencies for information and advice regarding child health, child development and childcare options. The service helps prepare Indigenous children for school. Families

who come along get to spend special time with their child and enjoy a shared lunch. All kin and carers are welcome and the service provides transport from home to playgroup and return if required.

For more information, or to request transport to the playgroup, contact Fran on **9236 4120** or just drop in. Fran would love to have a yarn with you.





## WEAVING AMONGST THE WILDFLOWERS

September is the International Month of Biodiversity, which promotes the protection, conservation and improvement of biodiversity both within Australia and across the world.

To celebrate, the City's annual Wildflower Walk will be complemented by an interactive 'open air' gallery, featuring weavings by Noongar artist Janine McAully Bott.

The walk will be guided by members of the Murdoch branch of the Wildflower Society. Wildflowers you are likely to see as part of the spring flush of flowers include species like the Milkmaids (*Burchardia Congesta*), Swan River Myrtle (*Hypocalymma Robustum*) and a great variety of native orchids including Donkey Orchids, Spider Orchids.

Our featured artist Janine will be there on the day from 10am weaving a special piece which represents the local environment. Walkers are encouraged to sit down and have a chat to her as she weaves. This is a great opportunity to see a different interpretation of the various artefacts found in the bush.

### Weaving Amongst the Wildflowers:

Sunday 15 September 2019  
10am to 12pm

Sandringham Park, Nottingham Parkway, Orelia (starting point), a loop walk.

The walk will be followed by a morning tea for people to share their experience and make connections.

As part of Biodiversity Month the City will also be holding:

### Weed ID Workshop

If you have ever wondered what weeds are growing in your backyard or local bushland area, this is the workshop for you. This hands-on workshop, will show various techniques for identifying plants from old school plant keys, to various online resources.

Date	Saturday 7 September 2019
Time	9am to 12pm
Location	Casuarina Wellard Community Hall

### Nightstalk

This guided tour will take you through the reserve to discover the local wildlife.

Suggested for ages 5 and above.

Date	Friday 20 September 2019
Time	6pm
Location	Lyon Road Reserve, Wandí – Meet at Mimosa Court Gazebo.

## GROW IT LOCAL

### Grow It Local

A celebration of backyard, balcony, community and window-sill farmers growing, sharing and eating locally grown foods.

For more information [www.growitlocal.com](http://www.growitlocal.com)



## CITY SUBSIDY TAKES FLIGHT AGAINST FERAL PIGEONS

The City of Kwinana is providing a subsidy of up to \$250 (per property) towards eligible measures to control feral pigeons.

Feral pigeons are considered a nuisance and could potentially pose a risk to human health. Pigeon infestations can potentially spread to neighbouring properties if pigeon control measures are not taken by property owners.

The City has introduced a Feral Pigeon Management Program (including education, compliance and control measures) following receipt of a number of bird-related nuisance complaints. The subsidy scheme, which forms part of the control measures, provides financial reimbursement to residents and property owners who carry out pigeon proofing and trapping on their premises.

To make an application for the Feral Pigeon Control Subsidy, visit the City's website at [www.kwinana.wa.gov.au](http://www.kwinana.wa.gov.au) or for more information, please contact the Environmental Health team on 9439 0475.

## FIGHT THE BITE

Have you seen Fight the Bite signs around your local parks?

Spring marks the peak of mosquito breeding season. The City of Kwinana has installed these signs at more than 30 parks and reserves, to remind everybody to take preventative safety measures and avoid being bitten by mosquitoes.

- **Cover Up** – wear long, loose-fitting, light coloured clothing, covering as much of the body as you can.
- **Repel** – When you're outdoors and mosquitoes are present, apply insect repellent containing DEET (diethyltoluamide) or picaridin evenly to exposed skin.

At home, you can also help to stop mosquitoes breeding by cleaning up through the following ways:

- Empty out or discard containers and rubbish that may hold water.
- Keep swimming pools well chlorinated, filtered and free of dead leaves.
- Clean out roof gutters to prevent water from pooling.

**Protect yourself from mosquito bites**



# FIGHT *the* BITE



**WEAR LONG,  
LOOSE-FITTING  
CLOTHING.**



**USE INSECT  
REPELLENT.**



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



## KWINANA BEACH COASTCARE NEWS

The Kwinana Beach Coastcare Group conducted a clean up and planting day at Kwinana Beach on Saturday 29 June.

The Coastcare program calls on members of the public to help address environmental issues along our beautiful coastline.

June's activity saw 1000 new plants installed along the coastal reserve, planted by more than 50 volunteers. The City of Kwinana field crew, and in particular Tim Scott, supported the Perth NRM and City of Kwinana Coastcare Program Manager Kathleen Broderick in managing activities and guiding local volunteers.

"Planting in the area is an important contribution to making the park a more attractive place to visit, as well as enhancing habitats for wildlife," Kathleen said.

All members of the public are encouraged to participate in future events, which are posted to the City's Facebook page and [whatson.kwinana.wa.gov.au](http://whatson.kwinana.wa.gov.au). Kids are welcome and participants are provided with gloves, spades and plants, as well as food and drink.

## BEN SIGNS

The Beach Emergency Numbers (BEN) system (named in honour of fatal shark bite victim Ben Gerring) is a coding system that provides specific location information in an emergency. The signs are easily identifiable at the beaches in Kwinana but also at over 600 other beach areas from Geraldton to Esperance.

Keep an eye out for the signs and take note of the unique number identifying your location so you can accurately report the location of any emergencies via 000. Please note – if the sign is turned around to show that the beach is closed, please stay out of the water for your own safety.

SharkSmart Website has up-to-date information on BEN sign installation and shark activity - [www.sharksmart.com.au](http://www.sharksmart.com.au).



## LOCAL SMALL BUSINESS FEATURE

Kwinana has a large number of small, independent businesses, many of which are based in people's homes. The City sat down with Rebecca Grant from Falls Prevention Physiotherapy, based out of Wandi, to hear about her story.

### Tell us about your business?

It comes as no surprise that Perth has an ageing population and people want to remain living in their own home. One of the biggest risks to people over 65 are falls in their home, but most of these are preventable. So, I began a mobile home-visiting physiotherapy business focussed on reducing clients' risk of falling through personal and environmental factors.

While based in Wandi, I travel to homes all over Perth to meet with clients. A thorough assessment will determine risk factors, and I will then develop tailored exercise programs to promote strength and balance, as well as making recommendations about changes in their homes, which can lower the risk of a fall.

Each plan is developed after a thorough in-home consultation and followed up with a second visit to run through their personalised action plan.

### Do you have any advice for people working from home?

Time management is really important to running a business from home, so setting time aside for the administration tasks is a priority.

For more information on Falls Prevention Physiotherapy, go to their website at [www.fallspreventionphysiotherapy.com](http://www.fallspreventionphysiotherapy.com) or call Rebecca on 0481 167 748.



The City has information for small businesses and runs many events with the Small Business Development Corporation throughout the year. For more information, please go to the Business Development section of the City's website.

If you would like your small business to be profiled in the next issue, please email [invest@kwinana.wa.gov.au](mailto:invest@kwinana.wa.gov.au).

## YOUTH SHINE AT 2019 LYRIK AWARDS

The Leadership, Youth and Respect in Kwinana (LyriK) award ceremony was held at Koorliny Arts Centre on Friday, 21 June 2019 to celebrate the achievements of young people in Kwinana. The program has been running since 2006 and is sponsored by Alcoa and Coogee Chemicals.

The LyriK Award category winners for 2019 are:

Djai Hunter	Achievement 10 to 14
Chloe Pavlov	Achievement 15 to 18
Kai Best	Inspiration 15 to 18
Madeleine Walsh	Leadership 10 to 14
Micah Walker	Leadership 15 to 18
Miggy DeGuzman	Mateship 10 to 14
Cassandra Palermo	Mateship 15 to 18
Billy Boyd, Aoxuo Li	Respect 10 to 14
PCAC Guys and Dolls Cast	Teamwork
Kai Best	Progress Award
Caliesha Edney	Young Person of the Year

### LyriK Young Person of the Year Award 2019 winner – Caliesha Edney

Caliesha Edney is a Year 12 student at Gilmore College. She is a role model to other Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal students in demonstrating the importance of embracing extra-curricular opportunities to improve future career prospects. Congratulations Caliesha!



## PHOTO COMPETITION

### My Kwinana local history photography competition

The City of Kwinana wants your photos! Happy, reflective, historic, artistic, active, funny or sad – any snap could win you a great prize! Under the theme of 'My Kwinana', we want to know what Kwinana means to you. What makes you proud to live here? What do you want people to know about this place and the people who live here?

Your image must address the theme of 'My Kwinana'. For the purposes of this competition, 'My Kwinana' is defined as any place, person or thing that you feel plays an important role in your life in Kwinana. It must have been taken within the City of Kwinana, but could have been taken at any time during or prior to 2019. It may also be accompanied by an optional description of up to 250 words outlining why this thing, person or place is important to you. Entries are open from 1 October to 4 November via the City of Kwinana website – [www.kwinana.wa.gov.au](http://www.kwinana.wa.gov.au). Entries will be included in a photography exhibition in the Darius Wells Library and Resource Centre, and will go into the running to win one of four great prizes!






## WHAT'S ON AT KWINANA RECQUATIC?




### MEMBERSHIPS:

Family, Couples, Junior and FIFO memberships available!  
Enquire today!

Choose from:

-  **BRONZE** – entitles you to one option from Gym *or* Group Fitness *or* Aquatics
-  **SILVER** – entitles you to two options from Gym *and/or* Group Fitness *and/or* Aquatics
-  **GOLD** – entitles you to all three options Gym *and* Group Fitness *and* Aquatics + complimentary Crèche

### WHAT'S ON 4 KIDS?

-  **KINDYGYM:** (1 to 5 years) Wednesdays OR Thursdays, 9.30am to 10.15am (1 to 3 years), 10.30am to 11.15am (3 to 5 years)
-  **KWINANA KIDS PLAY AND LEARN:** (3 to 4 years) Mondays, 9.30am to 11am
-  **MULTISPORTS:** (5 to 12 years) Fridays, 4.30pm to 5.30pm
-  **FITCLUB:** a fitness program for 8 to 11 year olds. Wednesdays 4pm to 4.45pm
-  **BASKETBALL SKILLS CLINIC:** children will learn the skills and rules of Basketball. Saturdays 8.30am to 9.15am (5 to 9 years), 9.30am to 10.30am (9 to 12 years)

For further information please contact the centre on **9236 4700**, or visit us at **recquatic.com.au**.

### WHAT'S ON 4 ADULTS?

-  **KWINANA ACTIVE PARENTS:** Assists mums or dads to strengthen relationships with their newborns through exercise and bonding experiences. Involves land-based exercises, followed by exercise and relaxation in our Hydrotherapy Pool. Wednesdays 11am to 12.30pm. Babies up to 6 months.
-  **BASKETBALL SCRIMMAGE:** An informal league for players wanting to play a game. Players turn up each week and work out their own teams and umpires (not a competition). Saturdays 8.30am to 12pm (16 years +).

### KWINANA SWIM SCHOOL

Courses are available for babies (from three months), school aged children, adults and those with special needs.

Term Four 2019 commences Monday 14 October 2019. Re-enrolments 23 September 2019, new enrolments 1 October 2019.

-  **AQUA PLAYGROUP** – A relaxed non-structured play session in our 34 degree Hydrotherapy Pool. Ages 1 to 4 years. Tuesdays 9am to 9.45am.
-  **OCTOBER SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM** – Nine day program commencing 1 October until 11 October 2019.
-  **LAP IT UP** – a swimming program focusing on fitness and fun. Suitable for participants who are Level 7 and above. Tuesdays 5pm to 5.45pm and Fridays 5.30pm to 6.15pm.

### VACATION CARE

The service provides a wide range of diverse and child-focused programs, including excursions, incursions, art and crafts, sports, swimming and outdoor play at Kwinana Adventure Park. Ages 5 to 12 years. Monday to Friday, 7am to 6pm (excluding Public Holidays). \$70/day. Approved provider for Child Care Subsidy – no additional charges for excursions or incursions. October Program available from 1 October to 11 October 2019. Enrolments open 9 September 2019.

## Notice board

### Library - eTip

Do you know how to protect your personal information? Many online services require you to provide some personal information in order to use them. Before giving your details, you should think about what can be done with the information and assess whether you are still happy to provide them with information such as full name, address, phone numbers, email address, passwords, and bank details. For advice on protecting your personal information, visit [www.esafety.gov.au](http://www.esafety.gov.au).

### Upcoming Waste Collections

Area		Bulk Waste and Whitegoods/ Metals	Greenwaste
1	Put out waste	7-8 Sept	9-10 Nov
	Pick up commences	9 Sept	11 Nov
2	Put out waste	21-22 Sept	16-17 Nov
	Pick up commences	23 Sept	18 Nov
3	Put out waste	5-6 Oct	23-24 Nov
	Pick up commences	7 Oct	25 Nov



If you need an interpreter, call TIS National on 131 450.

### Upcoming elections

Vote for your council representation.

Keep an eye on your letterbox and remember to return your vote before Saturday 19 October 2019.

### eNewsletters

Want to keep up with the latest news and events in the City of Kwinana? Sign up for the City's eNewsletters today to have updates delivered straight to your inbox. Visit [kwinana.wa.gov.au/about](http://kwinana.wa.gov.au/about) to sign up today.

### Looking at downsizing?

Are you of retirement age and looking to downsize your home? If you'd like to live in a close-knit community at an affordable price, Banksia Park Retirement Estate may be just what you're looking for.

Two and three bedroom independent living villas available from just \$200,000.

**Banksia Park Retirement Estate**, 18 Sawyer Road, Calista (offsite Office located at Unit 10, 45 Chilcott Street Calista), phone: 9419 5485, email: [village@kwinana.wa.gov.au](mailto:village@kwinana.wa.gov.au), web: [www.kwinana.wa.gov.au/seniors](http://www.kwinana.wa.gov.au/seniors)



### eRates registration

Your rates are due - go paperless today! Sign up for rates eNotices at [kwinana.enotices.com.au](http://kwinana.enotices.com.au)

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