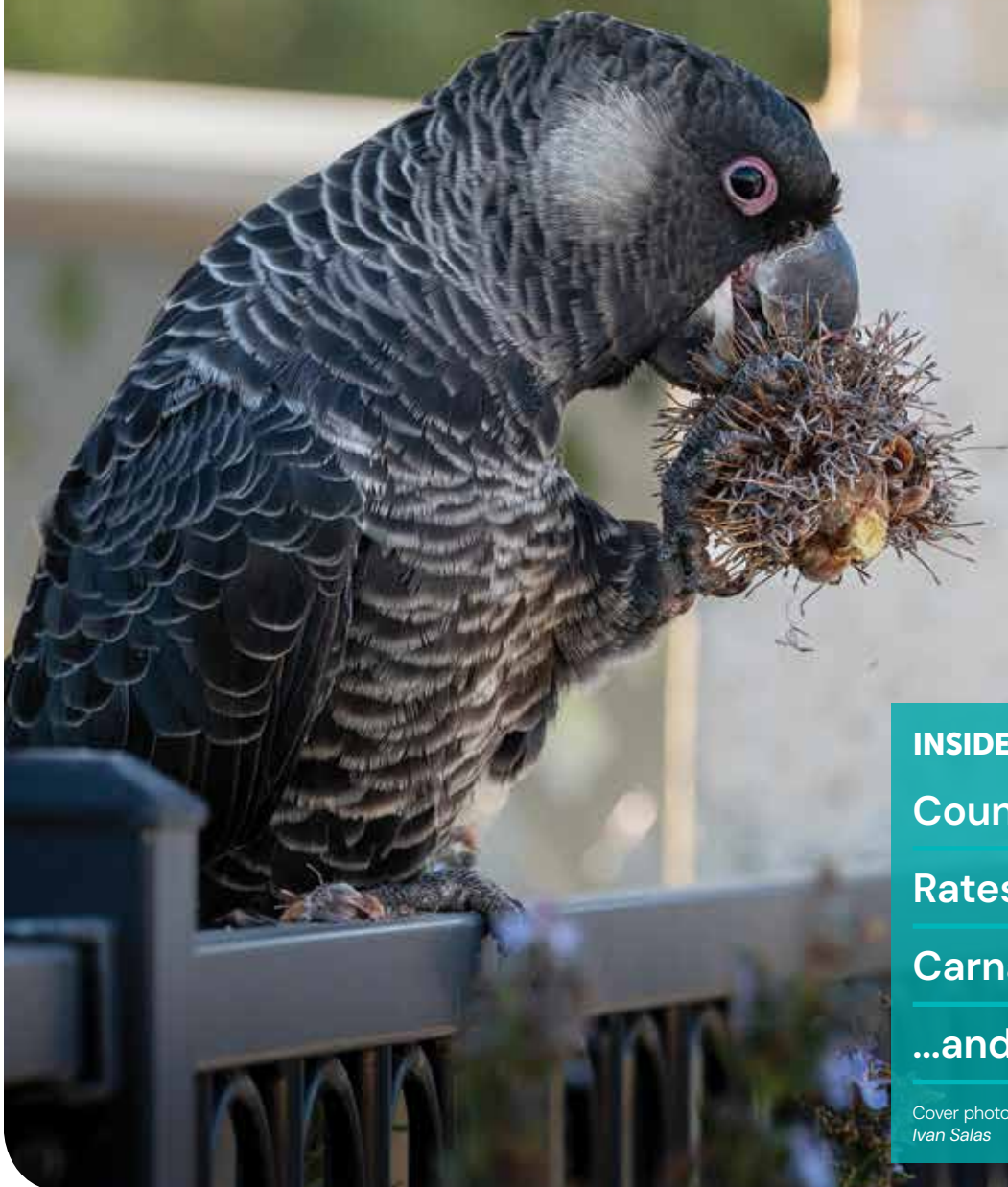


Spirit OF KWINANA

Makuru/Djilba Winter **2024**



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Cover photo: Carnaby's Cockatoos in Wellard. Photo credit:
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What an incredible start to the year it has been, with big changes afoot in Kwinana.

The second half of the year will see our Council Plan come together, to forecast the community's vision for the future.

I encourage you to share your vision for Kwinana's future, and submit an image for our digital time capsule which will create a visual mosaic of the community's vision.

The Kwinana Waste to Energy Facility is expected to come online soon to generate enough energy to power 50,000 homes from burning the City's waste, diverting it from landfill.

We are also getting ready for an incredible exhibition for NAIDOC Week, featuring stunning portraits of local community members.

Mayor's Message



Right now, we are in the midst of our annual Living Green series, which is always strongly supported by people living here, given that Kwinana is known as the City of Trees.

We are partnering with Murdoch University this year to provide more food and water sources for endangered Carnaby's cockatoos.

You can add your support for our local wildlife by taking part in a community planting day or even adding a few

natives to your garden like Leda resident Behrooz Eslam (page 8).

Pace Road is also undergoing a makeover but I encourage you to still visit the local businesses there and support the business which are still operating as usual throughout the three-month transformation.

Peter Feasey
Mayor of Kwinana

Makuru / Djilba

The Nyoongar seasonal calendar includes six different seasons in a yearly cycle.

Makuru is the coldest and wettest time of the year with more frequent storms in June and July and is also known as the Fertility Season.

August brings a mixture of wet days in Djilba with an increasing number of clear, cold nights and pleasant warmer days, known as the Season of Conception.



Street Meets

Celebrate community spirit! Your neighbourhood is more than just a place to live; it's a community, and a family. Kwinana recently celebrated Neighbour Day – Australia's annual celebration of community, encouraging people to connect with those who live in their neighbourhood.

Medina, Wandi, Apsley and Leda hosted some fabulous events! But it's never too late to host your own! Earn up to \$150 to host your community activities. Head over to the SmartyGrants portal to register for a Street Meet!



Find out more
kwin.city/3G7izMO

Kwinana Waste to Energy Facility

Kwinana's new Waste to Energy Facility is a sustainable solution to waste disposal, set to produce energy from the City of Kwinana's waste.

The facility will generate enough electricity to power 50,000 homes per year (38MW) and will divert more than 460,000 tonnes of waste from landfill.

This will reduce carbon emissions equivalent to taking 85,000 cars off Perth's roads.

Mayor Peter Feasey said the facility marked a significant advancement in waste management, aligning with the Strategic Community Plan and the City's Sustainability Framework.

"Costs are similar to traditional landfill methods, which ensures it is a cost-effective option for local governments," Mayor Feasey said.



"The Kwinana Waste to Energy Facility is situated in the Kwinana Industrial Area, enhancing the KIA's global reputation as an innovation and sustainability hub.

In addition to energy production, metals will be removed from remnant ash and the ash will then be reused to produce construction materials such as road base and civil blocks.



Alcoa Children's Festival

On March 9 about 14,500 people gathered on Calista Oval for the Alcoa Children's Festival on a beautifully warm autumn day. There were plenty of fun and thrilling rides and activities for children up to 12 years of age which were all for free thanks to the support of Alcoa, which marked its 21st year of involvement in the festival in 2024, and bp Kwinana Energy Hub.

Council Plan collects the community's vision

As Kwinana heads towards 100 years as a local government area, we want to know your future visions for the City in 30 years' time.

Having a specific vision, as outlined by our community, gives the City direction moving forward.

The City has an existing Strategic Community Plan but its forward-looking plan will be known as the Council Plan, setting out the long-term vision and aspirations of the Kwinana community.

Our Council Plan, like our current Strategic Community Plan, will outline the community's strategic priorities, vision, and desired outcomes for the future.

Mayor Peter Feasey said the City's Council Plan would guide all of the work the City undertakes.

"It will outline not only what the community would like to see, but specific strategies for how the City will achieve this vision," Mayor Feasey said.

"It holds us accountable to our community's vision while ensuring we remain focused on the 'big picture'," he said.

The Kwinana community is growing and changing rapidly.

"This is why our Council Plan is so important," Mayor Feasey said.

"If you think back to Kwinana 30 years ago you would hardly recognise it today.

"We have transformed into a vibrant metropolitan City that boasts state-of-the-art facilities like nowhere else in the state.

"It is exciting to envision what can be achieved over the next 30 years as we head towards 100."

Help us paint a picture of what the future of Kwinana will look like, by uploading a picture of what the City of Kwinana means to you. All your pictures will come together as a digital time capsule to create a beautiful mosaic of the City of Kwinana.

Your thoughts will help us to shape the strategic roadmap and how we are going to get there.

Join us on Love My Kwinana, which is the City's engagement platform, to upload your images and contribute to shaping our future at lovemykwinana.com/council-plan

Colin Powers (left) and Sean Powers



Reinstating the Sean Powers Memorial Shield

The Kwinana Recquatic Centre's Ben Hewitt discovered a memorial shield in a storeroom and sought to find out more about it.

The sports supervisor learned the shield was in honour of Hope Valley's Sean Powers who unexpectedly and suddenly died on 12 May 2007, at just 21 years of age.

A passionate Futsal player and one of five children, Sean was playing up until two weeks before his passing.

Sean's brother Colin Powers told Ben that Sean was playing in a team with Colin and his older brother Matthew Powers until he began to feel unwell.

It wasn't until after his death that a coroner's report discovered Sean had in fact had leukaemia.

The family was keen to see the tournament reinstated, so Ben organised the event for January.

Three of Sean's brothers – Colin, Matthew, and William – took part in the 2024 Futsal competition with a total of eight teams participating on the Kwinana Recquatic's courts.

Winning team 'Tekkerlactico' was engraved in the Sean Powers Memorial Shield.

"Ben did a great job in organising the event, bringing all the teams together, paying tribute to Sean, and there was a great barbecue put on by the Recquatic after the event," Colin Powers said.

"Given the history of the event, it attracted quite a good crowd of spectators and there were a number of people from other teams that remembered Sean back from the days when he used to play.

...it is fitting to have our boy Sean remembered in a healthy pursuit to be enjoyed by fit and healthy young people

"Sean was an electrical technician and we both worked at the Kwinana Power Station together, where he was known for his laughter around the workshop," he said.

Sean's father Steve Powers said the family was happy to hear the Shield was reinstated.

"We are really happy to hear that the Memorial Shield has been revived, and it is fitting to have our boy Sean remembered in a healthy pursuit to be enjoyed by fit and healthy young people," Mr Powers said.

Ben's efforts to reinstate the tournament were recognised by the City of Kwinana at its first Town Hall meeting of the year for City staff.

Riding to school gets the red carpet treatment

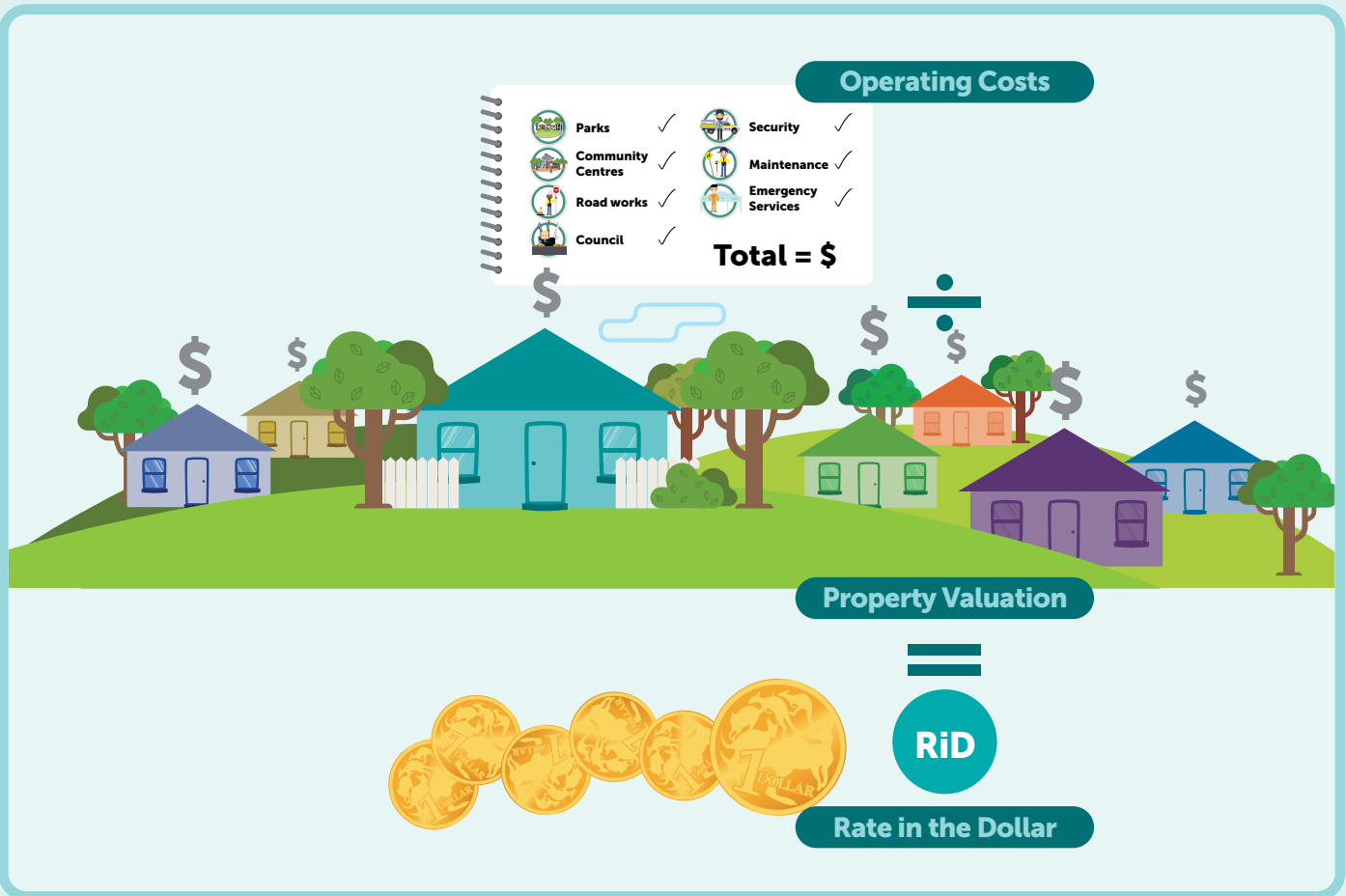
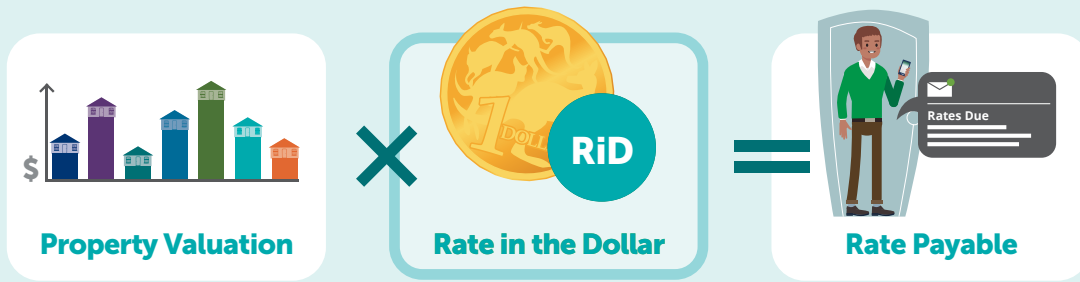
The City supports local schools to promote active travel among their school communities. Walking, riding or scooting to school has many benefits including improved physical and mental wellbeing, reduced traffic congestion, extra eyes on the street, and contributes to a more sustainable environment.

Four local schools hosted Ride To School Days in March and April with

each event featuring a red carpet, roaming photo booth, free fruit and prizes provided by the City of Kwinana. Parents were encouraged to travel with their children and join the fun, with free coffee waiting for them at the end of their trip. There were many happy and proud faces, as well as some fantastically dressed up bikes and scooters!



How your rates are calculated



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It's nearly that time of the year again, rates time! Have you ever wondered how your rates are calculated?

Calculating the amount of rates everyone in the City should pay is a pretty complex task. Local Governments calculate the rates to be paid on your individual property by using the following formula: property valuation multiplied by the rate in the dollar (RiD) = rates payable.

Firstly, the City calculates the rate in the dollar (RiD) by determining its own

operating costs, which includes the cost of labour, or jobs, the cost of materials, such as light fittings and gardening equipment, the cost of running programs and events and providing support services to the community.

Then the City divides its operating costs, which it tries to offset by seeking funding from other sources such as the State or Federal Governments, by the value of all the 'rateable properties' in Kwinana, which calculates the rate in the dollar (RiD).

The value of the rateable properties in Kwinana is determined by Landgate, of the WA State Government, who values the total properties in the City of Kwinana and calls this the 'Gross Rental Valuation' or GRV. This valuation is reviewed every three years, with the last valuation occurring on 1 July 2023, which is used to help calculate the share of rates to be paid by each landowner.

The property valuation, or GRV, is then multiplied by the rate in the dollar (RiD) to calculate the rates payable for each property.



Supporting Carnaby's Cockatoos

The City of Kwinana is collaborating with the Keep Carnaby's Flying: Ngoolarks Forever project to develop a Community Action Plan that will help our much-loved Ngoolarks, or Carnaby's cockatoos, to survive and thrive in the region.

Funded by Lotterywest, the project is embedded with science and aims to get the community involved in various stages.

The City will be provided with mature trees to plant in strategic locations to

provide more food trees for the iconic but threatened Carnaby's cockatoos.

It will also strategically place water sources, similar to the bird waterer installed by the City on Council Green in 2021, close to known roost sites to prevent heat stress.

Details of the remaining events can be found on the Living Green event page.

Further information about Murdoch University's Ngoolarks Forever Project can be found at keepcarnabysflying.org.au.

SPIRIT *Spotlight*

Good Sammy's textile verge collection

Results of Good Sammy's textile collection for Wellard, Leda and Calista were encouraging with residents donating more than 10,000kg of preloved items in three weeks.

An average of eight percent of households participated in the service.

Wellard's standalone participation rate was 12 per cent with more than 6500kg donated in the first week.

More than 90 per cent of items donated were of good quality, resulting in an estimated 161 tonnes of avoided carbon emissions.

Clothing formed the largest proportion of donated items at 69 per cent, five per cent was manchester including towels and cushions, and seven per cent was accessories and shoes.

The next textile verge collection is expected to be held in March next year.



Immersive exhibition celebrates NAIDOC Week

An immersive exhibition will take place during Kwinana's celebration of NAIDOC Week celebrating the 2024 theme 'Keep the fire burning! Blak, loud and proud'.

The exhibition will feature stunning portraits of local community members taken by Kerry-Anne deKlerk, gathered in honour of the Medina Aboriginal Cultural Centre's 50th anniversary. The exhibition will also feature a series of local truth-telling oral histories to listen to, and gorgeous artworks provided by Fremantle Press from the pages of a children's book called

Nedingar: Ancestors. This book was authored by Isobel Bevis, who is a program coordinator at Gilmore College for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Education, and illustrated by Leanne Zilm as a lyrical dual language picture book as a celebration of Country and family. The exhibition will be held at Ken Jackman Hall within the Darius Wells Library and Resource Centre from 24 June to 29 June, opening from 10am to 4pm Monday to Friday, until 7pm on Thursday 27 June, and 9am to 2pm on Saturday 29 June.

Celebrations are held earlier in Kwinana to allow people to attend NAIDOC Week celebrations (7 July to 14 July) in other parts of Perth.



Isobel Bevis



Local Elder Doris Getta

Ngook Boorn Mia-Mia artwork

The City worked with Noongar researcher and writer Cass Lynch, contemporary artist Amanda Bell, and the local community, on an artwork at Ngook Boorn Mia Mia / Honeywood Pavilion.

As the City's first dual-named building, the artwork explores the importance of language and how it connects us to the past, present and future.

The artwork consists of two-components.

Cass Lynch, after extensive engagement with the community,

developed a poem written in Noongar and English.

This poem will be available to be listened to at the site on an audio unit known as a U-turn because you turn it to make the sound play.

On this U-turn there will also be a QR code that links to a short film about the

project, the poem, and further information on the artwork. This aspect of the artwork is expected to be installed in June. Amanda Bell's work has recently been installed on the pavilion.

It is a striking neon work that reflects and speaks to the poetry.

The work is a combination of text and a hand-drawn mapping of the wetlands across this area.

The artwork has been funded through the City's internal percent for art policy for new development.



Bat boxes support microbat populations in Henley Reserve

Nightstalk leader Joe Tonga was thrilled to discover microbats using one of a handful of bat boxes installed in Henley Reserve.

Several designs were hung on the trees to research the preferred options for the Reserve's population of microbats.

Mr Tonga retrieved a Gould's Wattled Bat from the box to show participants of a recent nightstalk.

"Bats usually roost in hollows in old trees, and feed on a variety of insects, particularly moths and beetles," City of Kwinana Environment Officer Angela Jakob said.

"Due to their reliance on tree hollows for roosting, it is important to have old trees in the landscape for habitat.

"As trees age and die they are able to produce hollows suitable for nesting and roosting for a variety of species.

"Where these are no longer available, bat boxes can assist to supplement their habitat." she said.



Behrooz's garden brings all the birds to the yard

Transforming grassed or bare verges into native havens for local flora and fauna is Leda resident Behrooz Eslam's passion.

He made over his own verge in just few years, mostly using tubestock sourced using the City of Kwinana's seedling subsidy.

The seedling subsidy is offered in May during the Living Green series held by the City each year, providing native seedlings at a subsidised rate from the Australian Native Nursery on King Road.

This year, a native verge garden workshop was also held during Living Green to inspire and educate residents ahead of the popular subsidy's release.

Mr Eslam said he started the transformation five years ago.

"I had a bobcat take 10cm off the soil, then I topped it with soil conditioner, cardboard and a heavy mulching to prevent grass regrowing," Mr Eslam said.

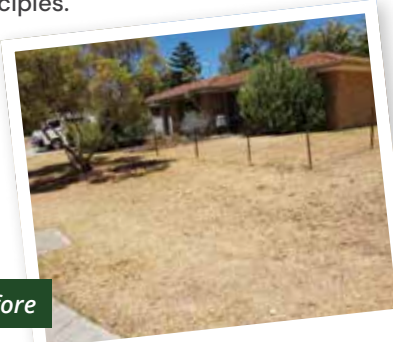
"I didn't do much planting the first year but then put in an extra verge tree requested from the Council, a Red Gum, and hand-watered all

the seedlings to build connection with the people living here, just to have a chat which helps to protect my own property from possible break in and I encourage them to grow their own where they can."

Due to being on a corner block, Mr Eslam needs to keep certain plants trimmed to allow for driver visibility and pedestrian access, but the garden is providing a wealth of food for local wildlife while cooling his home and improving the aesthetic appeal of his street.

"I have about 25 species of birds visit, including Carnaby's cockatoos which just recently came to feast on the banksia for the first time," Mr Eslam said.

"There are about 200 plants here, and the whole property, out the front and back, is based on permaculture principles."



Before



To participate in community planting days, visit kwinanwa.gov.au/livinggreen



Kwinana Recquatic

Welcome to the start of your health and fitness journey.

Welcome to Kwinana Recquatic!

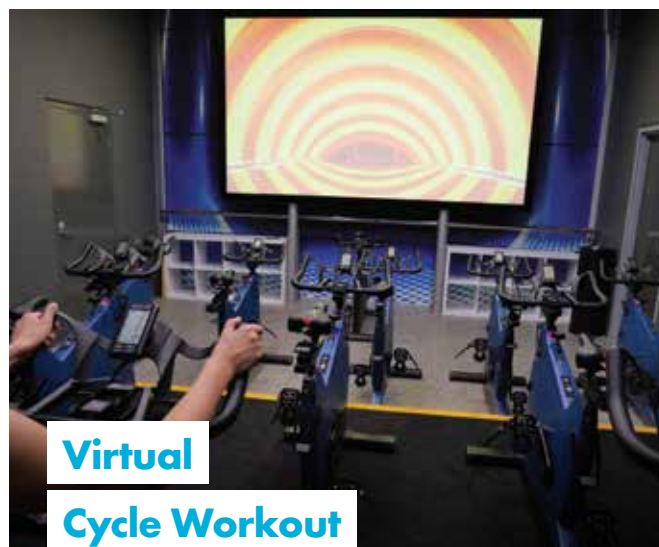
No matter what kind of member you are, we have everything you need to kick start your health and fitness journey!

With four unique health and fitness spaces, we have what you need to reach your goals, whether it be group fitness, functional training, body building or wanting to build new relationships with your local fitness community.

It's all here and we can't wait for you to join the family with no lock in contracts. Find out more www.recquatic.com.au



For more information call [9236 4700](tel:92364700), email recquatic@kwinana.wa.gov.au or visit our Facebook page [/kwinanarecquatic](https://www.facebook.com/kwinanarecquatic).



Virtual Cycle Workout

The Recquatic has introduced state-of-the-art cycling equipment by BODY BIKE.

We are now the first metro facility to host Les Mills Virtual in the spin studio.

These new OceanIX editions also use recycled plastic sourced from commercial fishing nets.

To view the timetable visit the Recquatic website.



Kwinana Swim School

Kwinana Swim School provides swimming lessons for children from three months of age through to adults. Classes are 30 minutes long and run mornings and afternoons during the school term. Our swimming instructors are experienced and fully qualified and aim to get the best swimming potential out of you or your child. Holiday swim programs are also available, allowing for an intensive format that reinforces techniques and builds on skills.

Sports Stadium Hire

Do you need a place to train, enjoy a social game with friends, let the kids burn off some energy or challenge your family to a basketball, netball, soccer, badminton, volleyball or even pickleball game? Bookings are essential. Please contact the Recquatic directly on [9236 4700](tel:92364700) for same day availability or email recquatic@kwinana.wa.gov.au for all court hire requests, costs and availability.

Junior Programs

We have a range of programs available to keep the little ones active and engaged in physical activity.

TUMBLING TOTS
(1-2 years)

JUMPING JUNIORS
(3-4 years)

MULTI-SPORTS
(5-12 years)



MONDAY EVENING
mixed five-a-side soccer

TUESDAY EVENING
mixed seven-a-side netball

WEDNESDAY EVENING
ladies seven-a-side netball

FRIDAY MORNING
ladies seven-a-side netball

Adult Team Sports

Are you looking to get active in a fun and social environment? Why not nominate a team for one of our social sports competitions?

THE LIGHTHOUSE GIRL SAGA

Koorliny Arts Centre promises plenty of entertainment

An inclusive and welcoming space, Koorliny is the perfect community arts space with something for everyone!

Moving into a busier time of the year, the centre is thrilled to present a variety of different events.

Following on from an incredible sold-out musical concert from Australia's very own Marina Prior in May, we also have one of Australia's most successful singer-songwriters Beccy Cole coming to perform at Koorliny this October.

For music and food lovers, the ever-popular Morning Melodies continues monthly with a one-hour concert and sit-down morning tea (first Friday of each month).

Two Midweek Music concerts are also programmed for the second half of the year with the amazing Basiliros (Frank Sinatra and Dean Martin tribute) coming July 24th and Dean Misdale appearing in October.

For the visual artists, Koorliny offers its popular 'Wine and Art' paint canvas workshops at various dates throughout the year as well as our brand new 'Bubbles and Botanicals' sketch experience.

The centre also offers a range of community classes and meetups from TK Dance, Wellard School of Music, Lifespan Dance, Bel Canto Performing Arts, Kevin Hawthorne Ninja School, Choir for the People, Befriend and more.

The friendly new team at Koorliny Arts Centre can't wait to see you at an event soon and hope you enjoy the experience.

For more information visit koorliny.com.au, call us on 9467 7118 or pop in for a friendly chat during box office hours.

5 June

The Lighthouse Girl Saga
War drama

11 & 12 July

Sista Girl
Yirra Yaakin's

26 June

Akmal
Comedian

23 & 24 August

Night Night
Theatre experience

15 September

Arj Barker
Comedian

Youth Forum

The Kwinana Youth Advisory Council (KYAC) planned and delivered the City's first Youth Forum at Koorliny Arts Centre, bringing 130 students from four schools together.

Students developed their leadership skills, pitched their ideas to City staff, and shared their design for Kwinana's future.

Gilmore College, Peter Carnley Anglican Community School, The King's College and SMYL Community College were involved in the day in March.

The forum even put the upcoming Council Plan to the young participants for their input and were encouraged to join the KYAC as the youth voice to Council.



Seniors confront elder abuse

Pop down to Kwinana Marketplace and have a chat to older Kwinana residents who are raising awareness about Elder Abuse. World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) is commemorated on 15 June each year. On this day people are encouraged to make a united stand against all forms of abuse against older people in our global communities.

Wednesday 12 June 2024
10am to 2pm
Kwinana Marketplace

Befriend Community
activities

Contact: Inger
0478 500 950

LOOKING FOR
SOMETHING
TO DO?

Kwinana Senior
Citizens Centre

kwinanaseniorsclub@gmail.com
or drop in Mondays from 9am

Rotary Club
of Kwinana
0417 904 419

Beginners outdoor
Fitness for People aged
50 years+
Contact: Nikita
9439 0271

Pace Road carpark upgrades

Transforming the Medina Pace Road Shops Carpark has commenced, with works expected to be complete in July. We're working to give our neighbourhood centre a fresh face, preserving our trees, and enhancing safety and accessibility. Your favourite shops will stay open for your pleasure throughout, and alternate parking will be available along Pace Road and at Medina Hall Carpark. Stay updated with us at kwin.city/3PPGKoD.

Before



Update



City Noticeboard

Roof and gutters

Don't forget to keep your roof and gutters free of debris, as accumulated leaves and twigs can block gutters and pose a fire hazard.

Toddler Town Creche

Available for children aged eight weeks to five years, the Toddler Town Creche at the Darius Wells Library and Resource Centre is open Monday to Friday, 9am to 12pm and provides a safe and caring environment for your child while you use the facilities within the Centre. Places are subject to availability. Bookings can be made online via spacetoco.com/space/darius-creche or phone 9236 4321.

Healthy Lifestyles in Kwinana

Healthy Lifestyles in Kwinana offers free community group fitness classes and cooking workshops for various ages and abilities.

Find out more

kwinana.wa.gov.au/community/health,-safety-and-security/healthy-lifestyles/health-and-activity-resources

SpacetoCo

Planning your next event or workshop and looking for the perfect venue? Why not book one of the City's halls or facilities for hire! At various locations throughout the City and with a range of amenities on offer, there is something to suit everyone. Our online booking system, SpacetoCo allows you to submit a booking 24/7. Check it out today!

Find out more about the halls and facilities for hire

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