

# COCKBURN SOLUTION

OCTOBER 2016



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#### **TEDDY BEARS' PICNIC**





Performing live musical storytelling is Goldilocks and the Three Bears

Spring is the perfect time for a Teddy Bears' Picnic with this years event playing host to a range of new activities and entertainment including 'Kids of the World', an activity acknowledging the different cultures in our community.

The Murphy High School student band from Cockburn's Sister City, Mobile, Alabama will be performing live as well as Goldilocks and the Three Bears and The Lulus with musical storytelling.

Wednesday, 26 October 2016 10am - 1pm FREE Manning Park, Azelia Road, Hamilton Hill

#### Colour crazy Cockburn Rotary Spring Fair

Also coming up in October is the Cockburn Rotary Spring Fair on Sunday 30 October which will incorporate a colour crazy psycadellic theme. Get out of your comfort zone with renowned hypnotist Matt Hale, watch the pro wrestlers battle it out, check out loads of interesting stalls from local businesses and community groups, and everyone's favourite, sideshow alley and fireworks! See the event calendar on page 7 for more details.

cockburn.wa.gov.au/events



**Environment, History and Culture** 

Horse Racing in Cockburn.

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Your Rates are Due....

cockburn.wa.gov.au





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#### **COMMUNITY-WIDE**

Need help with your mobile phone? Want to download eBooks but find it confusing? The staff at Cockburn libraries can help you with a one-on-one, 30 minute tech-help session. Gain a basic introduction to:

- OverDrive ebooks & eAudiobooks
- BorrowBox ebooks & eAudiobooks
- Basic Word Processing
- Basic Email
- Basic Facebook
- Mobile phone help
- Tablet help



#### **Session times**

Coolbellup Library – Fridays: 3pm or 3.30pm Spearwood Library – Monday to Friday: 10am or 10.30am Success Library – Tuesdays and Thursdays: 10.30am or 11am

Sessions are limited to one session per week and 10 per year across the library service.

Register online at **library.cockburn.wa.gov.au** or phone: Coolbellup 08 9411 3830
Spearwood 08 9411 3800
Success 08 9411 3840



#### Halloween

Join us at Spearwood or Success Libraries on Monday 31 October from 6pm to 7pm, for a special 'Library after Dark' family Halloween session. Dress up and head to the library to see something spooky, magical or just plain hilarious. This event is free but bookings are essential. For details, visit

#### library.cockburn.wa.gov.au



#### **Study Stress**

Whether you're at university studying for your WACE (Western Australian Certificate of Education) or at primary school, you may be starting to feel a little anxious about your end of year exams. Cockburn libraries can assist through free WiFi and the availability of a place to study or meet for your group assignment. For useful tips, we have a wide range of stress management books and exam preparation guides.

#### **After Hours Access**

Success Library open until 7pm, Monday to Thursday Spearwood Library open until 8.15pm, Tuesdays and Thursdays. Both libraries are open all day Saturday. Visit **library.cockburn.wa.gov.au** for all library hours and to dind out when the library will be busy with children and group events. After hours help is also available, offering online encyclopaedias and journal databases for all your assignments and last minute clarifications.







#### **MAYOR'S MESSAGE**

As we leave our homes each day to engage in a myriad of activities, we give little if any thought to the dangers that present themselves on our pathways, cycleways and roads. Very few, if any people are not somehow affected by road trauma during their lifetime.

Despite a range of law enforcement measures, improved vehicle safety standards and world-class paramedic and health services, the number of injuries and deaths continue to increase with longlasting impacts on individuals and communities.

Preventative actions that everyone can take include:

- Being present and focused when commuting
- Reporting paths, cycleways or roads that are damaged

- Planning your journey including stops for longer travel, sharing the driving, staying within the speed limit and driving to prevailing weather conditions
- Avoiding distractions like phones and audio equipment
- · Avoiding drugs and alcohol.

By practicing respect on the road – for yourself, your family, friends and community – you will make a huge difference and may even save someone's life.

Next time you leave your home, please have due regard for yourself and others – life is short enough without bringing it to a premature end.

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#### **AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS - MAKE A NOMINATION**

The City invites you to nominate an outstanding individual or group for one of this year's Australia Day WA Citizen of the Year Awards. These awards celebrate the outstanding contribution that people make to our community.

There are four award categories, including:

- · Citizen of the Year
- Citizen of the Year Youth (under 25 years of age)
- Citizen of the Year Senior (over 65 years of age)
- Active Citizenship Group/Event.

The winning nominee of each category receives a framed certificate and a gift voucher to the value of \$300. The person who nominates the winner in each category also receives a prize to the value of \$100.

The awards will be presented at a special Australia Day Ceremony on 26 January 2017.

#### **Online Nominations**

All nominations must be received by the City of Cockburn by 31 October 2016.



Australia Day WA
Citizen of
the Year

To view the criteria and complete an online nomination form, visit:

citizenshipawards.com.au/nominate

#### **Postal nominations**

To submit a postal nomination, print and complete the nomination form at:

citizenshipawards.com.au and post it to:

City of Cockburn Australia Day Awards PO BOX 1215 BIBRA LAKE DC WA 6965

For more information contact 08 9411 3444.

# COMMUNITY PERCEPTIONS SCORECARD 2016

#### **Key indicators**

76%

Overall satisfaction with the City as a governing organisation — above the national index score

81%

Overall satisfaction with the City as a place to live

#### **Scorecard results**

This annual survey provides an insight into how the City of Cockburn's services are perceived by the community.

The City uses these results to evaluate and adjust its priorities and programs.

This survey is conducted by an independent consultant, using a random representative sample of residents across all Cockburn suburbs.

#### What you say we do well

The City of Cockburn is performing above average in terms of community satisfaction for the areas listed below in comparison to other local governments:

- » Library services
- » Playgrounds, parks and reserves
- » Festivals, events and cultural activities
- » Sport and recreation
- » Services for families
- » Services for people with disabilities
- » Sustainable practices
- » Conservation and environment
- » History and heritage
- » Customer service
- » Community buildings, halls and toilets.

#### What we do best

- » Waste and verge waste removal
- » City newsletter Cockburn Soundings
- » Cockburn Central development
- » Access to housing.









#### What are we doing in these areas?

#### 1. Traffic

The City is working on managing traffic congestion and supporting alternative means of transport, particularly around Cockburn Central and other activity centres.

A more robust transport network will include the development of cycleways, better promotion of alternative transport paths and lobbying for State and Federal funding for improved transport infrastructure.

In particular, the City will continue to lobby the State Government to fund the Armadale Road Bridge, which would link Armadale Road to North Lake Road and ease congestion surrounding Cockburn Central.

Other significant projects underway or in the design stage include:

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and Berrigan Drive intersection

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#### 2. Streetscapes

The community has stated that they want more tree coverage in the City. This includes along our streets, in public open spaces and on private property.

There is also much support for preserving as much of our natural environment as possible and carefully managing our natural assets including the coastal area, banksia woodlands and the wetlands.

#### 3. Local area development

Examples include:

- » Park upgrades in Atwell, Munster and Hamilton Hill
- » Landscaping and planting of trees on Coolbellup Avenue
- » Ongoing streetscape improvements in Hamilton Hill
- » Building Bibra Lake Regional Playground
- » Installation of the Coogee Maritime Trail.

#### 4. Security

The City will continue to provide a safe and secure environment for its community.

This will include the security of all infrastructure, maintaining a security patrol service and ensuring coordination with State Government services responsible for law and order.

#### **COCKBURN ARC CHARGES AHEAD**

If you have driven through Cockburn Central recently, you may have noticed that the development of Cockburn ARC (Aquatic and Recreation Centre) is taking shape.

The development site is a hub of activity with over 150 workers onsite every day. At the end of August, the centre was 70 per cent complete.

You may also have noticed a strange alien type object at the top of the tower. That is the first part of three water slides, each offering a different experience for the young and young at heart.

#### Keep up to date

To receive updates, visit the project website **cockburnarc.com.au** and sign up to the monthly newsletter. The website also includes photos of the

development, both inside and out, as well as time-lapse and aerial videos. You can also follow Cockburn ARC on Facebook at facebook.com/cockburnarc



# STORY BY COCKBURN FAMILY DAY CARE, LIVING SERENELY

Over the past few weeks, Living Serenely Family Day Care has been suffering from bird fever.

"I run a family day care from my home and look after four pre-school aged children. We see the birds peering over the fence watching us eat our morning tea, and flying by as we stroll down the footpath during our regular walks around the neighbourhood.

I recently borrowed a Bird ID toolkit from Cockburn Library to fuel the children's interest in local birds. The children were very excited about the items in the toolkit and couldn't get enough of looking through the binoculars – for them that was the coolest item in the toolkit!



Serene's little bird watchers learning about Purple Swamphens

Using the binoculars, we were able to observe how the Purple Swamphens used their long claws to hold onto and eat reeds. Using the toolkit's picture guide, we talked extensively about the names of the birds within the area," said Serene, a registered family day care educator with the Cockburn Family Day Care Service.

The Bird ID toolkit is available for loan from Cockburn Libraries and contains:

- Mini-twitchers bird ID flipbook
- Shorebirds ID booklet and bird ID logbook
- Binoculars
- Set of 10 bird call CDs for hundreds of species
- Brochures including a Cockburn map
- Australian birds field guidebook
- Bird ID toolkit

You can find out more about the Bird ID toolkit and other terrific resources available from the Cockburn Libraries at cockburnlibraries.com.au and the Cockburn Wetlands Education Centre at cockburnwetlands.org.au

Serene is a family day care educator registered with the Cockburn Family Day Care Service.

You can find out more about Serene's work at **livingserenely.com** 



#### **COCKBURN EVENTS**

#### cockburn.wa.gov.au/events



#### Sustainability Workshops

cockburn.wa.gov.au/environment or call 08 9411 3444

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**Get Wild About Wetlands** 

Family holiday program cockburn.wa.gov.au/environment

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Native ARC, Bibra Lake

Holiday program education@nativearc.org.au



Cockatoo Kids Club (CKC)

Free for CKC members, non-members \$15 adminassistant@nativearc.org.au or call 08 9417 7105

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**Bushfire Preparedness and Resilience Workshop** 

Banjup Community Hall, Banjup Bookings are essential at customer@cockburn.wa.gov.au or call 08 9411 3444

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Cockburn Living Smart at Bibra Lake

Cockburn Wetlands Education Centre, Bibra Lake Registration fee \$80 / \$40 concession livingsmart.org.au

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**Garage Sale Trail** 

Free tour of all the sales! garagesaletrail.com.au

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Spearwood Library Giant CD and DVD Sale

9am – 12noon Spearwood Library, Spearwood

9 NOV **Worm Farming Community Workshop** 

6pm – 8pm Beeliar Community Centre, Beeliar customer@cockburn.wa.gov.au or call 08 9411 3444 15 NOV Recycle Right

Free community bus tour of the SMRC to see what happens to your waste customer@cockburn.wa.gov.au or call 08 9411 3444

#### **Other Events**

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Bibra Lake Fun Run (NEW DATE AND TIME)

9am Cnr. Gwilliam and Progress Drives cockburn.wa.gov.au/bibralakefunrun

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Teddy Bears' Picnic 10am – 1pm

Manning Park, Azelia Road Hamilton Hill 30

Cockburn Rotary Spring Fair

11am – 8pm Manning Park, Azelia Road, Hamilton Hill

#### **School Holiday Events**

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Cockburn Libraries – Holiday Activities library.cockburn.wa.gov.au

Cockburn Youth Services – Holiday Program cockburn.wa.gov.au/youthservices

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SEPT OCT

History Mystery at Azelia Ley Museum 10am – 1pm

Register on 08 9418 6648

**3-7** 

Get Wild About Wetlands Native ARC Program
Register on 08 9411 3444

Cockatoo Kids Club

September/October School Holidays



6km timed run 6km family walk

» Race starts 9am, Sunday 23 October

» Corner Gwilliam and Progress Drive



cockburn.wa.gov.au/bibralakefunrun | 9411 3444



# PROPOSAL FOR FREMANTLE TO TAKE HAMILTON HILL AND NORTH COOGEE

A 'Greater Fremantle Proposal' has been submitted by a small group of residents who are recommending that the City of Fremantle extend its boundary to include Hamilton Hill and North Coogee.

#### **Reasons NOT to proceed**

There are strong economic reasons not to proceed for residents of Hamilton Hill and North Coogee:

- Cost to ratepayers to split the two suburbs
- Hamilton Hill is the historic hub of Cockburn, with the war memorial at Memorial Hall built by the pioneers of Cockburn
- Loss of weekly recycling collection service
- Loss of trailer passes
- Loss of security service CoSafe

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#### **Have your Say**

Write to the Local Government Advisory Board by 13 October 2016 and advise them why you do not support the Greater Fremantle Proposal to extend its borders over Hamilton Hill and North Coogee.

Visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/together for further information.

#### **Attend a Public Meeting**

Attend the public hearing on Wednesday 5 October 2016 at 7pm, Progress Hall, PCYC, Paget St, Hilton. The Local Government Advisory Board will be in attendance to listen and respond to your views.

#### COMPLAINTS ABOUT ROAMING CATS

In recent months, the City has experienced a significant increase in complaints about roaming cats.

By confining your cat within the parameters of your property, you are protecting them from motor vehicles, fights with other cats, contracting the fatal feline AIDS virus and other infections, losing them and disturbing your neighbours.

#### Are cats happy indoors?

Yes, however you must provide for their basic needs. Contrary to popular belief, cats do not need to be outside in order to exercise.

By the age of six months, all cats must be microchipped, sterilised, registered and wear a collar and registration tag. To assist, the City offers a \$50 subsidy to sterilise your cat.



### **Spring Into Action**

@ South Lake Leisure Centre!

No joining fees on direct debit memberships! Choose your options;

- » Gym
- » Pool/spa/sauna/steam room
- » Group fitness classes
- » Aqua fitness classes



Offer valid 11 October to 6 November 2016. New members only.

TRAIN - PLAY - LEARN - ENJOY cockburn.wa.gov.au/sllc



T: 9411 3355



#### PET REGISTRATION SEASON

Responsible animal ownership starts with registering your pets. Having your dog or cat registered will assist in finding your pet if it becomes lost or injured.

Next month is the start of pet registration season. All dogs need to be registered with the City from the age of three months, and for cats, from six months of age.

Annual registrations cover the period from 1 November 2016 to 31 October 2017, regardless of the date that you register your pet. Registration periods are available for one year, three years or for the entire life of your pet.

#### **New registrations**

To register your dog and/or cat, visit **cockburn.wa.gov.au/onlinepayments**, or visit the Council Administration Building at 9 Coleville Crescent, Spearwood.

For a list of registration prices and subsidies available for pensioners visit: cockburn.wa.gov.au/rangers

#### Renewals

Owners of pets already registered with the City will receive a renewal notice in the post. Renewal payments can be made online, by phone, by post or in person at the Council Administration Building.



#### **ENVIRONMENT, HISTORY AND CULTURE**



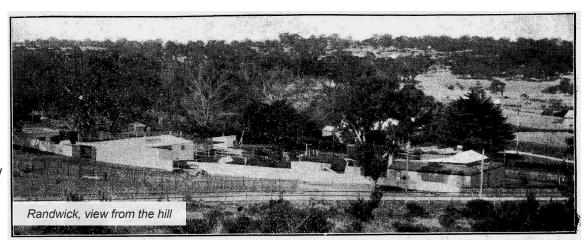
# HORSE RACING IN COCKBURN

The Cockburn coastline has played host to many horse races since the earliest days of European settlement.

Early settlers held a pony race beside the beach at South Fremantle in 1833, complete with stands, food stalls, and

entertainment - quite an accomplishment for a colony only four years old! Though the main racing industry developed closer to Perth, settlers in the Cockburn area entertained themselves with a number of local meets. In the 1880s a racecourse was marked out at Woodman Point, and in the 1890s Walter Powell developed his Coogee Hotel racecourse. These races became a fixture of the Fremantle-Cockburn society for decades.

In the early 1920s, famous ex-jockey Jack Marks built Randwick Stables on Rockingham Road in Hamilton



Hill, taking advantage of fertile soil to grow feed, and the nearby beach to exercise the animals. The following thirty years, a lively training and racing culture with stables owned and run by prominent racing names such as F.W. Johnson on Forrest Road, and A.W. Cooper nearby, as well as a host of smaller stables owned by Fremantle businessmen.

Randwick Stables is still standing on Rockingham Road and the legacy of horses exercising along South and CY O'Connor Beaches remains to this day.

#### COMMENT ON COCKBURN

The City's aim is to provide a supportive and coordinated approach to community participation in Council's decision making processes. As such, you are invited to comment on a range of current and future projects via our 'Comment on Cockburn' online platform. Comment on Cockburn allows you to be informed and involved in the decision making process for a range of important City projects and policies.

Get involved at comment.cockburn.wa.gov.au

#### Berrigan Drive upgrade

The City will upgrade Berrigan Drive from Kwinana Freeway to Jandakot Road.

The \$7 million project involves:

- Extending Berrigan Drive for 700 metres
- · Changing the roundabout into traffic lights
- · Making improvements to Dean Road
- Construction of a carriageway on Pilatus Street for 1.7 kilometers

Council and its contractors will ensure that access is available at all times.

For more information, visit comment.cockburn.wa.gov.au

# Comment on Cockburn

#### **Phoenix Revitalisation**

The City has proposed to upgrade and beautify Rockingham Road between Phoenix Road and Coleville Crescent, and wants to know what you think.

The Phoenix Town Centre stands to be transformed into an attractive and welcoming environment for the community with road works being undertaken in the next 12 months.

The concept plan proposes to reduce Rockingham Road to one lane in either direction between Coleville Crescent and Phoenix Road. This will slow traffic, improve safety and create a green tree-lined street befitting of a town centre. Proposed work includes:

- Bike lanes
- Improved landscaping and paving treatments
- Improved public safety by rationalising vehicle access movements
- A roundabout system to safely manage business access
- New 50km/h speed limit





#### YOUR RATES ARE DUE

Your 2016-17 rates were due in full or by instalments on 2 September 2016. If you have not received your rates notice, contact the City. If you chose the instalment option, a reminder notice will be sent to you before the next instalment due date of 4 November 2016. Interest will accrue daily on overdue accounts.

If you are unable to pay your rates, you are encouraged to make regular weekly, fortnightly or monthly payments. Direct debit forms are available at cockburn.wa.gov.au/directdebit

#### Receive your rates electronically

To register to receive your annual rates notice and instalment reminders by email, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/erates

Please keep your rates notice in a safe place as replacement copies incur a fee of \$20.

For all rates enquiries, contact Rates Services on 08 9411 3444 or email rates@cockburn.wa.gov.au





#### **DISC GOLF COMES TO COCKBURN**

The City has recently installed a disc golf course at MacFaull Park on Pomfret Road in Spearwood.

The nine-hole course is open to the public with instructions displayed on a sign at the park.

For information on how to purchase discs, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/recreation





#### **COUNCILLORS' CORNER**

#### Cr Steve Portelli

Safety check the front of your home.

Too often I see people not aware of the potential hazards caused by overgrown vegetation on their street verges.

The first 1.5 metres from the kerb should be free of obstructions with vegetation no higher than 600mm. Keep in mind that small children and animals may cross your verge and should do so with ease.

Shrubs and trees beautify your home, but please take care to ensure that you maintain passive surveillance onto the street while receiving maximum benefits from your landscaping.

Assess your own street verge, particularly the surrounds of your driveway to ensure your home is safe. We can all do our bit to make our City safe.

For more information and tips, visit cockburn.wa.gov.au/verge

#### **Cr Carol Reeve-Fowkes**

Many of you will be aware of the intention of a small group of residents who want to take Hamilton Hill and North Coogee to prop up Fremantle. As your Deputy Mayor, I will fight to protect you from this greedy 'land grab' as I believe you will be worse off under this un-costed, ill-conceived whim. I urge you to ask Fremantle the tough questions. What will Fremantle do for you? How will you be better off? You won't get a straight answer, nor a promise on anything.

It is important that you know that Cockburn totally rejects this proposal and that you understand that your future rates may not be spent in your home suburbs but are likely to be used to fix up Kings Square.

Ask yourself where am I better off? The answer is clearly Cockburn! See page 8 for how to have your say. A Reachtel phone poll (2016) re-confirmed that the vast majority of residents are absolutely dead against ever being part of Fremantle. I hear the silent majority, loud and clear and will fight to protect you to the bitter end from this unjustifiable unacceptable takeover bid.

Let the fireworks begin!

### CITY OF COCKBURN WARD BOUNDARIES

West Ward: Coogee, North Coogee, Hamilton Hill, Spearwood
East Ward: Atwell, Aubin Grove, Banjup, Cockburn Central, Hammond Park, Jandakot, Leeming, South Lake, Success
Central Ward: Beeliar, Bibra Lake, Coolbellup, Henderson, Munster, North Lake, Wattleup, Yangebup



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