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April and autumn heralded the state governments decision on FRIARS and with that decision a lot of anguish for many residents in our council region. We are not surprised with this result, but we are disappointed.

The submission made by the City of Cockburn presented to the government carefully researched and aceived planning strategies as alternatives.

Community members put together another submission also suggesting alternatives and it is disappointing that there doesn't seem to have been any consideration given to either of these submissions or the alternatives offered.

Obviously within our region we have land which is already zoned for industrial use and further development within existing guidelines would be desirable for all concerned. However resumption of land from a considerable number of people who have elected a rural lifestyle is a totally unjust outcome.

The City will continue to oppose the FRIARS plan in its present form and encourage residents to continue lobbying the government through their local member, with their concerns.

As we go to print with this issue of Cockburn Soundings, the report and recommendations of the Douglas inquiry will be tabled in parliament. It is an important time for the City of Cockburn and we will keep you informed at all stages of the process.

The transcripts of the hearings are still available on the council's website. It is probable that the size of the report will preclude it being available from the website but you will be able to access a copy at either Spearwood or Coolbellup library and at the council administration office in Spearwood.

Iulian Donaldson

Chairman of the Joint Commissioners

### **EVENTS CALENDAR**

21st May (Sun) Tidy W.A. In May Day

9am - 1pm (Ph 9418 6651)

22nd May (Mon) FREE GST Seminar

6pm - 8pm

23rd May (Tue)

Bingo - Jean Willis Centre

'Eyes Down' - 12.30pm

23rd May (Tue)

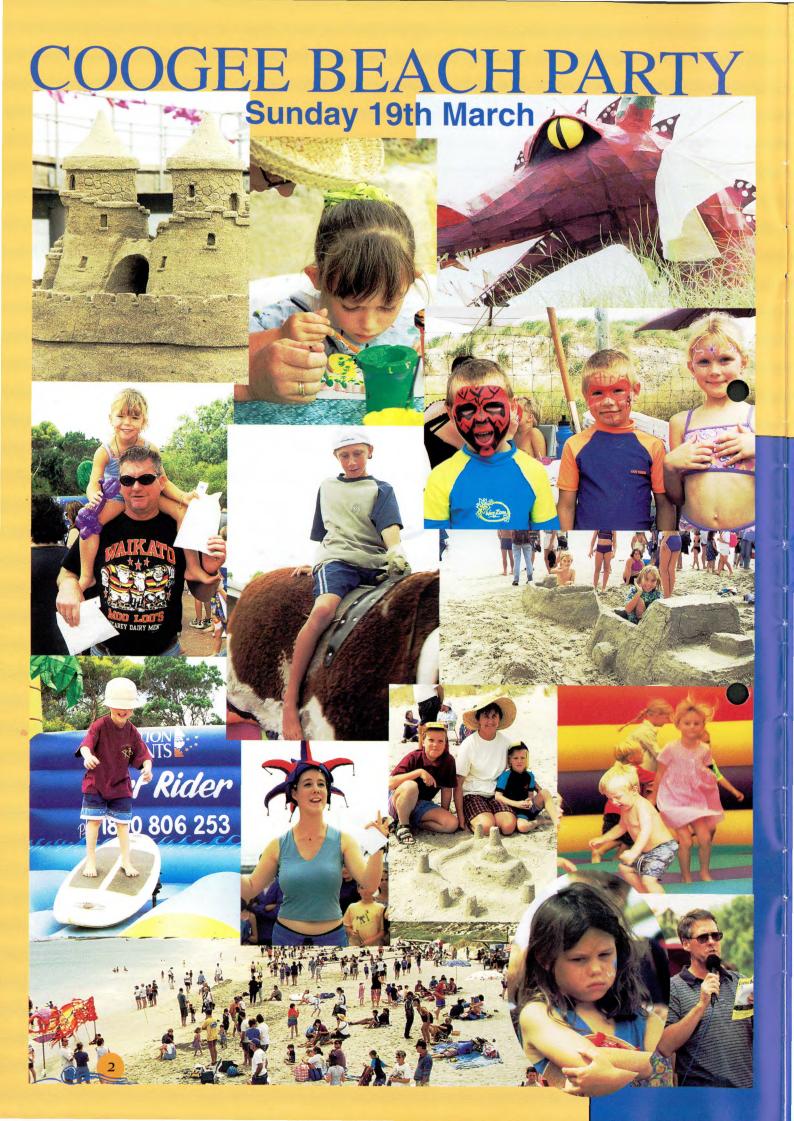
Cockburn Recreation Plan Meeting 7pm - 9pm

23rd May (Tue) SPECIAL Council Meeting

7.30pm

RING CO'INFO ON 9411 3553 FOR MORE INFO OR TO REGISTER YOUR EVENT

www.cockburn.wa.gov.au





### SUCCESS COMMUNITY DAY

Sunday April 2nd



### WHAT ARE COMMUNITY DAYS?

Community Days ... Why do we have them? You could be excused for thinking they're just for fun, especially if you look at these photos.

But it's a great opportunity for you to get to know your neighbours, find out about what's happening in your area and to get the latest most up to date council information.

# COMMUNITY CHAT An Update on What's Happening

#### **TIDY WA IN MAY DAY**

Friends of Manning Lake Bushland are coordinating a clean up around Manning Lake and adjacent bushland. Come and join us on the day and help care for our reserve.

Sunday 21st May 9am to 1pm at Manning Park, Southern car park, Azelia Road, Spearwood.

You will need sturdy shoes and gloves.

For more information call Deirdre 94186651 or Teresa 9418 7321.

### **EQUAL ACCESS SERVICE**

The City of Cockburn is really pleased to be able to offer a dedicated telephone service to hearing impaired people. We have installed a TTY telephone and to access this service direct-dial

9411 3479

### FREE GST SEMINAR

The Coastal Business Centre, funded by GST Start Up
Assistance Office, is pleased to offer you the opportunity to attend a FREE GST Seminar for your business.

When: Monday 22nd May Where: City of Cockburn

Council Chambers

Time: 6pm to 8pm. Further Info call

### Phil Kemp on 9430 8569.

### **BINGO**

Alternate Tuesdays Next Game Day - 23rd May

"Eyes Down" is at 12.30pm for an afternoon of fun and games with raffles, prizes and FREE afternoon tea!

At the Jean Willis Centre Cnr of Healey & Redmond Rd Hamilton Hill

Ph: 9314 6363

#### **COUNCIL MEETINGS**

The City of Cockburn conducts Ordinary Meetings of Council on the 3rd Tuesday of each month commencing at 7:30pm.

Council meetings are open to the public and are held in the Council Chambers, located on the first floor of the Councils Administration Building on the corner of Rockingham Road and Coleville Cresent, Spearwood.

Future meetings are as follows: Tuesday 16th May Tuesday 20th June Tuesday 18th July Tuesday 15th August Tuesday 19th September

Members of the public are welcome & encouraged to attend.

### BEELIAR RESIDENTS ACTION GROUP

City of Cockburn has a number of Community and Progress Associations. These groups are formed by the local residents to tackle local community issues in their area.

The Beeliar Residents Action Group (BRAG) is now being formed in the Beeliar Heights area, which has the development name of Panorama Gardens.

BRAG has already been successful in securing funds from the City of Cockburn Community Grants Scheme to help get the Group established. The money will be used to cover costs such as incorporation, advertising, stationary, phone costs and the production of a newsletter.

The last community meeting they had attracted about 30 - 40 residents. The people who attended listed and prioritised the main issues affecting them as residents. Two main issues were Security and a Community Centre.

They will continue to meet the third Wednesday of each month at 7.00pm at the Sales Office. Though if attendance continues to be in the high numbers, this may shift to the Primary School.

Phone Yvonne on 9414 6301 for further information.

### CARING FOR THE ENVIRONMENT AND YOUR CAT

The City of Cockburn is lucky to have many bushland and wetland areas which support a wealth of native wildlife.

Unfortunately, many native animals such as bandicoots and possums, have drastically declined in number or been completely lost largely, due to predation by introduced animals particularly foxes and cats.

Small animals like insects, lizards, frogs and birds are vital ements of bushland and wetland ecosystems. Frogs and lizards provide food for bandicoots and native birds. Birds are pollinators of many

plants. Insects and other invertebrates are a food source, pollinators and they help breakdown wastes in bushlands.

It's estimated that about one in three Australian households have at least one cat, and studies have found that a domestic cat can kill about thirty native birds, reptiles and mammals a year.

"The future of many native animals in our natural areas relies on your responsible pet management". Together with feral cats, domestic cats have a great impact on our native wildlife. Cats also carry at least two diseases which severely affect many native animals.

The City of Cockburn has produced a pamphlet explaining some of the risks cats can have on the environment and some precautionary measures cat owners can take to minimise these risks.

For a copy of the pamphlet, phone the City of Cockburn Environmental Services Department on 9411 3444.

### **CHANGES TO COCKBURN BUS SERVICE**

Transperth, in partnership with Southern Coast Transit, is in the process of completing a substantial upgrade of bus services in the Rockingham area, and these changes have affected the bus services in the Cockburn area.

Some of the changes that have occurred as part of the upgrade include:

- New bus service route 920, between Fremantle and Rockingham, which has replaced the 113, 119 and 120 services. The new service has limited stops, including new stops on Gilmore Avenue, specific stops at South Fremantle, Hamilton Hill, Spearwood, Munster and Wattleup. The latest type of air conditioned low floor accessible buses are used on the new route.
- The 166 route, Perth to Rockingham route, has been renumbered to 866 and has been improved to City Link standard.
- The 116 route has been adjusted to travel via Gilmore Avenue, and the new Kwinana Hub shopping centre.
- Route 117 has been replaced by a combination of routes 126 and 168, and route 115 has been renumbered 168.
- A new bus station will be built opposite the Kwinana Hub Shopping Centre, which will replace the existing Kwinana Bus station, and this has necessitated major changes to the local "feeder" routes serving the Kwinana area.
- Local routes will be better coordinated with Perth, Fremantle, Rockingham and Booragoon routes to minimise waiting times for transferring passengers.

The revised and enhanced network will operate seven days a week, and the practise of employing different "combination" feeder routes during the evening and weekends has been discontinued.

Overall, the altered and new services will run more often during the day, and weekend and public holiday services should be dramatically improved.

For further information regarding timetables and routes please contact Christine Morrow at Transperth on 9320 9552.

# LIBRARY WEEK at SPEARWOOD LIBRARY

15th - 20th May

#### Monday 15th May

11am - 12noon

#### Is Rover Bonkers?

Meet Gloria Down and canine friend Joel for a demonstration of basic dog obedience. Gloria will also speak on choosing the right dog for your family and pet care.

#### Saturday 20th May

10.30am

#### Tots 'n Pops

Storytime and activities especially for children and their male carers.

### Friday 19th May

10.30am - 11.30am

#### **Morning Tea With Friends**

Join authors George Russo & Anthony Evans for morning tea and a chat about their books. George will also speak on his friendship with Christopher Milne, more commonly known as Christopher Robin from the A.A Milne's classic, *Winnie the Pooh.* 

Special certificates for young children and babies who join the library during Library Week.

### **COOLBELLUP PUBLIC LIBRARY**

Australian Library Week & Family Week Family Fun Day

Date - 20 May, 2000

Time - Saturday 9.00 am to 4.00 pm

#### Events -

Come and join us in celebrating Australian Library Week and Family Week (WA). The theme for Family Week is Me, We, Family and the theme for Library Week is Libraries - Here for the long run. Which is exactly the theme of our Family Day at Coolbellup - Libraries and Families - Here for the long run. The library will be open all day and there will be fun filled activities for families to enjoy, including magicians, storytellers, farm animals, face painting, horizontal bungee and a parenting talk. There will also be a roaming fiddler, bookstall of family, parents and children's books, and prizewinners for the colouring competition. The day will end with a small afternoon tea in the library.

Where - Coolbellup Public Library

Cost - It's all FREE!!

Thanks to - Coolbellup Public Library & The Cockburn Family Support Service

Contact - Vicki Tkacz on 9314 1675

Everyone is welcome to come along and join in the fun.





# PROMOTING EXCELLENCE WITHIN THE CITY OF COCKBURN

The City of Cockburn are holding a series of workshops providing training & information to community/sporting groups & organisations in City of Cockburn.

The next workshops are as follows:

#### THE LEGALITIES:

#### INCORPORATION/CONSTITUTIONS

Date: Wednesday 24th May 2000

Time: 7:30 - 9:30pm

Topics:

\* Why Incorporate?

Your Legal Responsibilities

\* The Incoporation Process

\* Constitutions - New and Used

\* Aking Changes to Constitutions

#### FUNDING/SPONSORSHIP/FUNDRAISING

Date: Wednesday 7th June 2000

Time: 7:30 - 9:30pm

Presenters: Healthway, Alcoa, Lotteries & City of Cockburn

**Topics Covered:** 

\* Funding - What is available?

\* Funding Applications

\* Sponsorship - What sorts of activities are sponsored?

\* How does a sponsorship relationship work?

\* Servicing your sponsor - What you need to know and do.

#### PROMOTION/MARKETING/EVENTS

Date: Wednesday 21st June 2000

Time: 7:30 - 9:30pm Topics Covered:

\* How to get the best out of your local media - editorial space, community announcements & ads.

\* Marketing your event - the how, what, where, why & when.

\* Promotion - the little things that work

\* Those hidden extras that make things possible

\* Your budget - what can you afford, what can you beg,

borrow or steal?



All Workshops will be held at the City of Cockburn Meeting Rooms.

Booking are essential: Call 9411 3432

### PUPPIES ... PUPPIES!

Early in April City of Cockburn rangers were called out to Hamilton Hill to pick up a stray dog. When Ranger Belinda arrived to pick up the dog it was obvious that she was heavily pregnant. After an examination, a local vet confirmed that she was not only pregnant but that the arrival of at least six puppies was imminent.

When the dog (who has been nicknamed Gypsy) was not claimed the rangers were faced with a difficult choice. Euthanasia would mean not only the death of dog with a beautiful friendly nature but also the death of the unborn puppies.

A call for help went out of the City's email system asking if anyone would be willing to temporarily house the dog while she gave birth and the puppies until they were old enough to be weaned. Environmental Health Officer, Joanne Abbiss volunteered, and a collection from staff raised funds to subsidise expenses.

Now we are looking for homes for the six puppies and also (mum) Gypsy. The puppies will not be vaccinated or wormed; that will be the new owners responsibility but the City will reduce the registration fee for the period through to the 31<sup>st</sup> of October to only \$15. Total cost of the puppies will be \$25 and the cost of the Mum will be \$35.



Anyone interested in having one of these cuddly little balls or the beautiful placid-natured mum, call the Rangers Clerk, Joanne on 9411 3403.

### SAFER CITY PROJECT FIGHTING CRIME

A community needs survey conducted throughout the City of Cockburn highlighted several issues as of extreme inportance to the community - Crime & Safety regarded as the highest.

The City of Cockburn susequently acted on this and the Safer City Project was born.

The first stage in the project involves a Safer Seniors campaign, including an Identification Program whereby aged homeowners and people with disabilities are provided with various means of identifying their property.

This free service differs from other programs in that a trained officer attends a home byappointment to do the ID marking for the customer.

Nick Deane has a police clearance, is the Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator and is our man for the job.



Nick Deane
Making our community a safer place

Nick will mark, identify and record valuables that previously could not be marked by using engraving, UV markers and using a digital camera, Nick will provide the homeowner with photographs of property such as jewellery and antiques on a standard floppy disc.

Nick will also carry out a home audit whereby he will check home safety features & identify any hazards throughout the home. He will make recommendations on how to reduce the hazard & will refer the homeowner to appropriate people to help with any areas of risk eg. Neighbourhood Watch, Police Crime Prevention, Safety House or even Rotary for fire alarms.

If the first stage of the Safer City Program is successful then the service will be offered to the wider community starting with crime hotspots and expanding from there.

Any Senior citizens or residents with disabilities who would like to have Nick visit their home, phone, Safer City on **9314 3001**.

# WHAT ARE YOUR RECREATION NEEDS? Have Your Say!

We want to know what you want - what you recreation needs are and what they will be.

Come along and have your say, so that your opinions are incorporated in the City of Cockburn Local Recreation Management Plan.

#### **Details**

Date:

Tuesday 23rd May 2000.

Time:

Start 7pm sharp, 9pm finish.

Place:

Cockburn Civic Centre Lesser Hall

### Goals and Objectives

The objective is to attain the community's perceptions and values towards recreational services, programs and facilities within Cockburn.

Major areas of interest that the research must identify are -

- Trends of recreational usage
- Priority of recreational usage
- Effectiveness of City's recreational provision (includes facilities, reserves, services &programs)
- Quality of City's recreational provision
- Community's recreational needs and are they being met?
- Community's expectations of recreational provision from the City
- Community's views on the provision of future recreational services, programs and facilities
- · Participation in recreational activities
- Most commonly used facilities, reserves etc..



If you would like to know more, talk to Andrew Ward on 9411 3438.

### ENVIRONMENTAL UPDATE

### STRANO JOINED BY STRATFORD



Kirsty Stratford is the latest addition to the City of Cockburn's well respected Environmental team.

Kirsty comes to the City straight from a Western Mining, based about 400km from Kalgoorlie.

Needless to say, the lifestyle at the City of Cockburn appealed to Kirsty after living in

mental issues throughout the City of ckburn and is excited about working with

Kirsty is currently completing her Masters in Environmental Government and Local Law. It was this course which first interested Kirsty

Kirsty can be contacted at the City of Cockburn on 9411 3441.



Education, Training and Youth Affairs and Environment Australia.
The Green Corps Team were: Amy Ballard, Stephanie Johnson, Carrie Delfs, Aimee Holt, Oriana Latapiat, besph Veitch, Chantelle Paul, Ben Davey, Luke Jones & David Kowaleff.
This picture was taken at the end of the project - some of the team were not present.

# IT'S ALL HAPPENING IN ATWELL...

# ATWELL FAMILY SUPPORT SERVICE



Paula Watters

Atwell Family Support Service is a free and confidential service which offers support to families, individuals and community groups in the form of practical assistance, informal counselling or information, arranging group activities and linking people to other available community resources and support networks.

The Service also assists in developing new community resources and networks.

The Atwell Family Support Service is based at the Atwell Parklands Community Centre. The service is provided to families in the suburbs surrounding the Atwell Parklands Community Centre and within the City of Cockburn, specifically South Lakes, Banjup, Beeliar, Atwell, Jandakot, Bibra Lake, Success, Wattleup, Henderson and Yangebup.

Paula Watters, a qualified social worker, is the co-ordinator of the service. Paula has strong ties with the City of Cockburn, having been connected to the area for many years.

For further information about the service, please contact Paula on **9414 6011**.



### NEIGHEOURHOOD WATCH AND SAIFETY HOUSE ACTIVE IN ATWELL

Parents throughout Atwell and Banjup can rest easy when sending their children to school thanks to a committee of residents who have brought the Safet House and Neighbourhood Watch programs to their community.

Gillian Anderson, secretary for the Safety House committee, said it the programs will be up and running within weeks. "We already have 50 applicants to become Safety Houses. Each of these are interviewed, assessed and cleared by the police before they can become an official safety house."

"As soon as the police clearances are received we will begin our education program throughout the community, starting with a school assembly, at the Atwell Primary School, on June 20th to educate the children about Safety Houses and how to use them. We will hopefully have a couple of the West Coast Eagles at the assembly and the school choir will sing."

Anyone interested in becoming a Safety House representative, or for more information on either the Neighbourhood Watch or the Safety House program, phone Gillian Anderson on 9414 5178.



LtoR: Steve Portelli (Member of the Safety House Committee), Gillian Anderson & Sandra Tilley (Members of Atwell Safety House Committee).



If you have an infant aged between 4 months and 21/2 years, you owe it to them to find out about the South Lakes Leisure Centre Parent-Child classes at the Parent Information Evening on Tuesday 16th May 2000, at 6.30pm.

The staff at South Lakes Leisure Centre know how important it is to ensure that you and your child have the knowledge and experience to help yourselves in any water environment.

They know it is important for parents to share this learning process and to be 100% satisfied that they are enrolling in the right program to ensure their child receives the highest quality teaching available.

The information evenings are fun, informative and will help you to understand more about the classes, what activities are done and why.

e, nationally accredited and recognised, Parentchild classes are endorsed by the Royal Life Saving Society and Swim Australia. All teachers hold Austswim Teacher of Swimming and Water Safety qualifications.

Parent-child classes teach water familiarisation, breath control, submerging, independent swimming, climbing out of the water and bonding.

The classes teach you to understand your child's reaction to the water, and how to encourage and stimulate their learning process through songs, praise, rewards, perseverance and patience.

Fun activities such as singing, playing with toys, blowing bubbles and games ensure that you and your child will have a great time while learning techniques such as kicking, breath control, propulsion and jumping in and climbing out the pool.

The children are taught how to use the pool wall to make their way to the stairs, how to float on their back and how to balance in the pool using the stairs.

While the classes cannot 'drown proof' your child, it has been recognised that children who are happy and confident in the water will often be able to think themselves out of a difficult situation and are less likely to panic.

It is never too soon to begin teaching your children, as the younger the child, the more readily they accept the water giving them a head start for basic swimming skills.

Phone the South Lake Leisure Centre on **9414 3003**, and book for the parent information evening on Tuesday 16th May at 6.30pm.

### **REMINDER: You Can Still Swim at South Lake!**

The South Lake Leisure Centre's indoor pool is undergoing extensive refurbishment, but don't worry you can still participate in all your usual activities.

A creative solution has enclosed

the outdoor pool in a self-supporting marquee AND don't worry ... the water is WARM! In fact those who have sampled it say it's wonderful.

So there are still swimming lessons and water aerobics and

the public are invited to come and sample the water.

Of course none of the normal indoor activities have been affected by the closure. Ring the Centre for further information on 9417 3003.

# COMMUNITY GRANT MEANS A HAPPIER PLAYTIME FOR STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

Koorilla Primary School are the proud owners of newly installed playground equipment suitable for students with a disability.

The playground equipment features handrails, ramps and other accessories which make it accessible to students with disabilities.

Mr Rob Dedman, Koorilla Primary School Principal, said the new playground has proven very popular with the students. Ms Sharni Graham, Principal of the Koorilla Ed Support Centre agreed, saying "the new equipment encourages students with disabilities to join in the playground activities with other students".

Koorilla Primary School wrote to the City of Cockburn applying for funding for the playground equipment. Through the Community Grants Program, the City of Cockburn was able to put \$2000.00 towards the site costs for the playground equipment.

Watching the joy on the students faces as they played on the equipment after the grand unveiling on the 27<sup>th</sup> of March, truly made the money spent well worthwhile.



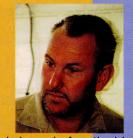
"The Grand Opening"
27th March 2000
L-R: Shani Graham, Principal of
Koorilla Ed Support; Tamara
Czabotar, Ed Support Captain;
Eric Shaddick, Primary School
Captain; Linda Wittaker, P&C
President; Rob Avard, Manag
Community Services,
City of Cockburn.



Koorilla Primary School students testing out the new playground equipment which is suitable for students with disabilities.

### HAIR TODAY .... GONE TOMORROW!

### **Employee Loses Hair For A Good Cause.**



Mark Jones before the big chop!

The Cancer Foundation of Western Australia launched "Me No Hair Day" on Thursday April 6th, 2000.

The Foundation sent out a challenge - Go Bald & raise money for research into mens cancers.

Mark Jones, a valued employee for the City of Cockburn, took up the challenge and braved the clippers in an effort to do his bit for men's cancer research.

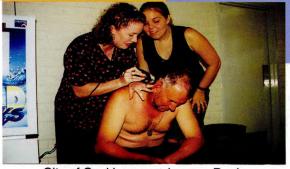
Jonesy kept a brave face throughout the ordeal, although a slight quiver was noticed when the razor was presented to the honourary hairdressers!

was presented to the honourary hairdressers!

However, Mark survived, not even

However, Mark survived, not even a nick to show for his bravery. First in line to get his head shaved next year, Mark encourages everyone to support this important cause.

For details about 'Me No Hair Day' Phone Freecall 1300 65 65 85.



City of Cockburn employees; Paula Johns & Mia Collard play 'hairdresser for-a-day' on the quivering client.



AHHHHH!

Jonesy tries to remember
this is all for a good cause!!

# HEALTHY LIVING..

It's a fact of life these days that at sometime we may come across a syringe. Whilst the risk of catching HIV, Hepatitis B or C is very low as the viruses do not survive very long outside the human body, a needle prick can be a nasty and frightening experience. So what should you do?

It is important to treat syringes with the utmost care and tell your children to never try and pick them up. If they find one they should immediately tell an adult.

If you find a syringe, don't be alarmed -

- \* Pick up the syringe by the plunger end, never the point end.
- \* Place into a container with a secured lid ie; plastic bottle.
- \* Place container into a bin.
- vise local council where you found it.

#### DO NOT

- \* Try to replace the plastic protective cover.
- \* Touch the sharp end.
- \* Let children touch or play with the syringe.
- \* Unecessarily carry it around.
- \* Place syringes into toilets or stormwater drains.
- \* Place needles and syringes into glass or aluminium cans.

If you are still concerned about the removal of a needle or syringe, advise the City of Cockburn Health section on **9411 3595** and someone will assist in the removal ASAP.

#### SMOKE FROM DOMESTIC FIREPLACES

A Perth haze study by the Department of Environmental Protection and CSIRO found that incorrectly operated wood heaters were the source of Perths haze (along with vehicle emissions).

Haze is significant threat to the communities health, seen as a factor causing respiratory problems. However there are some measures we can take to help minimise the effect our fireplaces are having on our health:

- \* Avoid using green firewood. The sale of green firewood has been banned.
- \* All new wood heaters must comply with AS4013, which are more efficient, effective and produce less smoke. Check for attached ID plate.
- \* Store wood undercover & keep dry. Only burn well seasoned wood.
- \* Burn Bright get fire as hot as possible before adding bigger logs to reduce the smoke. Start with kindling and air control knob on full. Don't overload with logs, just gradually add wood as needed. Aim to have bright swirling flames and red glowing embers with little to no smoke coming out of the flue.
- \* Do not shut down flue overnight. Let fire burn down overnight. Insulated houses will keep in the heat until the morning.
- \* Clean chimney / flue regularly.

Further info, phone the City of Cockburn Health Dept. on 9411 3595.

# HAVE YOU GOT THE TICK?



AMCOR Fibre Packaging Canteen Adventure Club Child Care Baker's Delight - Phoenix Park S.C. **Black Forest Catering** Black Magic Food Stall Café Phoenix Cockburn Cement Canteen Cooper and Hammond Lunch Bar **Excelsior Chinese Restaurant** Gallery Restaurant Glen Iris Child Care Centre Gold Medal Meats - Phoenix S.C. Happy Fortune Chinese Take Away Illawong Village Kid's Corner Child Care Lakeland High School Lakeside Recreation Centre Lenard's Poultry - Phoenix S.C. Little Woodpeckers Day Care Luscious Lunches Mistys Coffee Lounge New Market Lunch Bar & Takeaways Phoenix Primary School River Rooster - Coolbellup Ave Rocky Road Café Teddy Bear's Corner Child Care Villa Dalmacia Nursing Home Wattleup Lunch Bar Wendys

The FoodSafe package is now available in Chinese, Indonesian, Thai and Vietnamese.

Phone Joanne Abbiss City of Cockburn 9411 3450

### ARTISTS WANTED.

### **Youth Art Project - Painting Bus Shelters**

#### Wanted

Young People Schools Youth Groups

- \* To paint local bus shelters,
- \* Work with Artist to create designs & paint local bus shelters.

To register your interest or find out more please call **Cassandra on 9411 3433** 

#### Wanted

**Artists** 

- With a background preferably in painting large areas/murals and good design skills.
- Able to work with children & young people
- Demonstrated workshop experience
- Ability to work outside and near traffic & busy roadways.
- Able to relate to general public.
   Phone Cassandra on 9411 3433

### **YOUTH MAG: Re-Generate**

Cockburn Youth Services produces a youth mag - Re-Generate - with the help, of course, of a diligent, wacky group of souls who mindlessly give up their time to gather interesting bits & pieces to make the magazine. If you are interested in joining the committee who put it all together, call Susanne on 9414 9055 or 0417 173 614.

We need more contributions from YOU out there - letters, drawings, short stories, poems, reviews, funny things that have happened to you that would give others a laugh...almost anything really. Don't worry if you think it's too gruesome, black or off the wall. We'll decide if it's OK...so put something in.

Send to Youth Services, PO Box 1215, Bibra Lake 6965, hand it into Council at reception, or give it to a Youthworker or a YAC member.

### **MEET VANESSA...**

Vanessa Castlemain is the latest addition to the City of Cockburn, as the Youth Services Co-Ordinator.

Vanessa comes to the City of Cockburn with a wealth of experience and enthusiasm to match.



She is a registered psychologist and lives locally with valuable community knowledge.

Vanessa aims to continue with an innovative youth program to address the needs of Cockburn.

Vanessa is available at the City of Cockburn on **9411 3447**.

### Youth Advisory Council

### 4 VACANT SEATS 13 – 20 years

The YAC aims to represent the aspirations, views and needs of young people, and participate in issues and projects for the betterment of young people in Cockburn. The council meets once a month for full Youth Advisory Council meetings and in between on subcommittees working on the various projects.

If you are between 13 – 20 years and would like to apply for a vacant seat, please complete the following:

- Write no more than a page on why you would like to join the YAC, what you believe you could bring to the committee and what you'd like to do in the community for young people.
- Please include your name, address, phone, age, school or education institution or employer (if applicable).

#### Send your application to:

Youth Services Co-ordinator, PO Box 1215, Bibra Lake 6965.

### APPLICATIONS CLOSE: Wednesday 24th May

The Cockburn YAC would like to encourage young people 16-20 to apply.

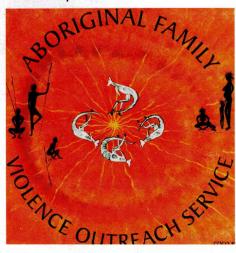
### **Aboriginal Family Outreach Service**

Moorditj Yoka Aboriginal Family Outreach Service has moved into the Coolbellup Community Centre in Cordelia Avenue, Coolbellup.

It is a free service to families and individuals living within the City of Cockburn, whose lives are affected by family violence.

Funded by Family & Children's Services and the City of Cockburn, the agency is unique Cockburn in that it provides culturally appropriate support, information, advice and counselling to Aboriginal women and their families.

The Co-ordinator Shirley Voss says the aim of Moorditj Yoka, which is Noongah for 'strong woman', is to assist women to develop increased knowledge and skills thereby enabling them to be more informed of their options. In this way women can become more self-determining and independent.



Shirley has been very busy since the agency started in December 1999. By canvassing other relevant organisations and actively working in the Aboriginal community. Shirley is developing a steady client base, consisting of women, their partners and their children.

An Outreach worker will shortly be appointed to further enhance the services already provided.

Plans to run workshops and regular programs for women are currently underway and will soon be advertised locally.

Shirley also invites members of the community to help form a Network Committee as the finds community input a valuable asset.

Anyone wishing to contact Moorditj Yoka, can by phoning Shirley on 9331 5795 or email shivoss@cockburn.wa.gov.au.

### Local Art Attracts Attention...

Attract is a non-profit organisation, promoting the sale of original Western Australian artwork, primarily through retail stores.

The idea is to actively advertise and market original works coordinated into individual rooms with the stores own furnishings and manchester.

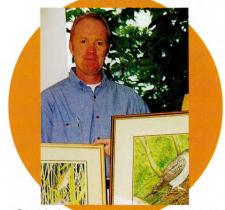
Although well known artists have been able to hang their works for sale in retail stores for some time now, this opportunity was not readily available to unknown or new artists, nor was the work actively marketed.

Three women - Debra Lane, Sue Spurling and Mary Thomas, all Fine Artists and Graphic Designers, formed the Association from the offer by Peta Gilbert - the proprietor of the bedding department at Harvey Norman, O'Conner, to provide wall space to accomodate the exhibitions.

John Blakely is a local artist from South Lakes who is involved with Art Attract. He is a painter in watercolours and specialises in Australian birdlife. His paintings are very detailed & seem to jump from the canvas, a brilliant image of Australian birdlife.

Johns works are being exhibited, for sale, at Harvey Norman, O'Connor until the end of June.

For further information on Art Attract or John Blakey phone Debra Lane on 9414 9412.



South Lakes artist, John Blakely

### **IMM CHALLENGE**

The Institute of Municipal Management each year conducts a Management Challenge. Individual councils are invited to put together a team of six people who are then pitted against other councils in a day-long challenge.

This year the City of Cockburn team included: Joanne Abbiss (Environmental Health Officer), Robert Avard (Manager, Community Services), Carolyn Button (Customer Service Manager), In summing up the results the IMM said whilst it is a competitive event and a winner must be declared the primary purpose is for management skill development and to provide participants with a live learning opportunity.

There is some advance preparation required but most of the action takes place on the day. Team members barely get a chance to think as they are faced with one demanding management issue after another in a fictitious council.

The team is judged on:

- their preparation
- how they perform as a team
- the results of the task
- how the team performs under stress and
- how they interact with the other teams.



Andrew Cullen (Manager, IT Services), Dennis Doak (Environmental Health Officer) and Jemma Rock (Human Resource Officer).

And they performed well coming in third in the state.

The City of Cockburn's team performed very well overall and extremely well in a couple of areas. One was a joint presentati with the Kalgoorlie-Boulder team on "Giving Effective Feedback".

The team was also congratulated for acting well as a team & being supportive of each other & reacting well under stress.

### **Foundation Day Function**

The City of Cockburn will again be holding a Foundation Day Luncheon on Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2000 and eligible residents are invited to attend. To be eligible for an invitation, you must be;

A resident who has been & is still living in the City of Cockburn for a continuous period of 50 years.

Or

An ex-Road Board Member or ex-Councillor still living in the District of Cockburn or still owning property in the District.

If you are eligible & would like to attend this function please write to the Chief Executive Officer, City of Cockburn PO Box 1215
Bibra Lake WA 6965

People invited to the 1999 function need not apply.

### THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA

It is appropriate that in this year 2000 we are celebrating 25 years of the Australian Honours system.

The Australian honours system rewards the outstanding achievements and contributions of extraordinary Australians in a diverse range of fields and areas of endeavour.

It is about recognising those people in the community whose service and contributions have had the effect of making a significant difference to Australian life or, more broadly, to humanity at large.

New nomination forms have been released for the Order of Australia. Copies of the forms are available at the City of Cockburn Offices.