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Mayor's Message-Cockburn Safer than Ever

One of the major issues that local residents regularly raise with me around the City is community safety and security.

Apart from constantly lobbying for more Police, your council has undertaken many initiatives to address these concerns, with one of our major strategies being the introduction of the Cockburn Community Security Service in December.

It was a busy first month for the service, which responded to a variety of incidents. These ranged from an incident, which resulted in the police making two arrests, extinguishing bin

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SECURITY
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Coolbellup and
Lakelands
shopping
centres, to
rescuing a
black swan in
distress.

Over the past four years we have successfully lobbied government to increase police numbers in our City. There are now more police in the City of Cockburn than ever before and be assured that we will continue to lobby for more.

Fighting crime is a partnership between the City and its residents. We have provided a quality community resource to help make our City a safer place to live and for this partnership to be truly successful we all need to play our part and utilise this great new service.

In this issue of Cockburn Soundings we have included a fridge magnet with the phone number for the new security service. I encourage you to put this magnet in a prominent place in your home and join us in the fight to make our community a safer place to live.

Contact Mayor Stephen Lee on (08) 9411 3401 or write to PO Box 1215, BIBRA LAKE D.C., WA 6965

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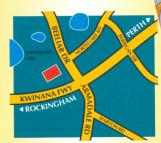
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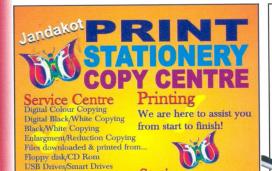
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Safer City Service Goes High-Tech

Safer City Officer Nick Deane is excited by the improved service he can now offer residents.

Using a 5 megapixel digital camera, Nick can now photograph your home valuables then burn your photos onto a compact disc. The new camera records amazing detail and can help to eliminate any questions your insurance company might have about the value and integrity of your your valuables engraved or marked

possessions. "I've been providing the Safer City Service for six year now," says Nick, "and we continually work on improving what we can offer. It's proven very popular because it inspires greater confidence among residents."

The Safer City Service is provided free to ratepayers by the City of Cockburn. In addition, you can have with an ultra-violet pen, your street number marked on the kerb and receive advice on security, safety and neighbourhood watch.

The service takes approximately three hours (depending on the amount of valuables that need to be marked) and can be booked by ringing Nick on (08) 9314 3001 and leaving contact details on the answering machine.

Coogee Beach Party

Sunday 20th March 10am-2pm

FREE FUN!

Sandcastle Competition Human Soccer Table **Bouncy Castle** Face Painter Ball Pond Special Effects Makeup Beat the Keeper Fire Brigade Water Slide Galleon Ship **Bucking Mad Cow** Sword Swallower Merry-go-Round Cyber Cycle Pillow Bash Kite Display Roaming Performers Food & Drinks



Your Free Fridge Magnet

Call the Cockburn Community Liaison Security Service Quick emergency response



Community Security Service

All Hours: 1300 653 643

24 hours a day 7 days a week

Committed to providing a safer community to the residents of Cockburn

Have you witnessed a crime?

Suspicious and illegal activities occur all calling your local police station, the too frequently.

When witnessing such an activity, many people assume someone else will report it or wait to discuss it much later with a friend or family member. However, reporting a crime immediately greatly increases the chance of the perpetrators being caught.

A new police call centre has been created to handle your reports of criminal activity. Rather than

call centre can despatch the nearest available unit regardless of which station it is from. There are also many more staff to assist you promptly and increase the response time. Try to provide as much information as possible to assist the police in their work.

Just remember, the number is not for life threatening emergencies or general enquiries. Fighting crime is in your hands!

REPORT IT EVERY TIME, AT THE TIME:

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Outrageous Holiday Fun for Teens

Every school holidays, the Youth Outrage School Holiday Program, gives teens a taste of adventure.

In the April school holidays there will be even more fun on offer for 12 to 16 year olds. Some of the exciting activities include Go-Karting, Adventure World, Archery, Golf, Movies, Sailing, Rock Climbing and Abseiling, amongst others. The program is fully supervised by qualified and experienced staff and teens can be picked up and dropped off at three handy locations.

The young people attending the program find that some of the activities certainly challenge their personal limits. Some feedback includes, "Everything about the program is great", "Supervisors are easy to get along with and join in on the fun with us!" and "I had heaps of fun!". Roughly 85% of young people state that they wanted to attend the program for themselves and not because they were made to by an adult.

Register now for the April Outrage Program and information will be sent to you closer to the time.

For information please call Paul de Bruin, Youth Programs & Activities Officer on 9411 3582 or 0438 900 136 or email him at pdebruin@cockburn.wa.gov.au.

Streets Alive Reclaim the Streets



Watch

An exciting new initiative of Neighbourhood Watch to improve community safety and health by encouraging residents to form small walking groups

Join your neighbours for a leisurely walk (approx 1.5km) through your suburb followed by a FREE Sausage Sizzle.

Look out for walks in these areas:

6th March 2005 HAMILTON HILL— SOUTHWELL

13th March 2005 BEELIAR

3rd April 2005 SOUTH LAKE

10th April 2005 BIBRA LAKE

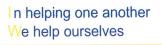
All walks commence at 9am for a 9.30am start















Val Oliver has been working in the community for the last twenty years. Being elected as Councillor for Cockburn's Central Ward means her capacity to help others has increased dramatically.

"Being a councillor is more than just casting votes at Council meetings. It's about being a bridge between the community and the Council. I believe that by listening more, councillors can be more effective spokespeople for their community. That's one of the reasons that the Havachat Lounge at the Coolbelup Shopping Centre has been so successful.

I wanted to provide a way for people to communicate their concerns in an informal way. There are many resources available to help people with all sorts of issues and I am in a position to provide information, support and guidance. I like to listen and understand where people are coming from, placing myself in their shoes. At the Havachat Lounge we can assist young mothers having problems with government agencies, for example. Housing issues are another big one. We have information for people of all

COUNCILLOR'S CORNER — Val Oliver

ages - teenagers to seniors. This service is entirely free so we support ourselves by holding monthly raffles.

I think the best thing about the Havachat Lounge is how it gives people who are lonely a chance to mingle. Women have said, "Val, before I met you I used to spend all day doing nothing and waiting for my family to ring. Now they complain that they can never get hold of me!" Being able to provide people with more opportunities to be involved and make friends means those solitary lives are a thing of the past.

As a retiree I can devote all my time to my work as councillor. Being the Council delegate for fourteen committees certainly keeps me busy! I also attend other boards and committees. The Disability and Aboriginal Advisory Committees are examples of progressive steps towards looking after muchneglected groups within our community. The Seniors need an Advisory Committee too. We still



Cllr Oliver (third from left) shares a cuppa at the Havachat Lounge

have a long way to go before these valuable members of society are looked after in the way they deserve. I've taken on a lot in my role as councillor for the simple reason of trying to understand how everything works. It's the best way to be able to help people. I enjoy being involved, and attend as many learning programs as possible. You can be assured it's all in your best interests."

Cllr Val Oliver is one of three councillors for the residents of Munster, Henderson, Wattleup, Beeliar, Yangebup and Coolbellup.
She can be contacted via email at voliver@cockburn.wa.gov.au or phone (08) 9337 1680.

Benefits Abound for Volunteer



Lisa Bullen (front) and Irini Georgas

After doing a lot of study, but still not finding satisfying work opportunities, Lisa Bullen decided to give volunteering a go.

Lisa hoped to learn some further skills that would increase her

possibilities of finding work.
"My first point of contact was with

Irini Georgas from the City of Cockburn Volunteer Resource Centre," says Lisa. "Irini was very easygoing, and told me that there were a lot of volunteer opportunities in Cockburn."

Lisa decided that volunteering in an office environment would be most helpful for her, learning a lot of skills and getting a feel for how things really work in an office. Ironically, Irini needed office assistance at the Volunteer Resource Centre herself, so they agreed that Lisa would work with her at the centre. "I've been volunteering in the Cockburn Volunteer Resource Centre for a few months now," says Lisa, "and I can honestly say that this has been a constant learning curve for me. I'm loving every minute of it!" Lisa tells us she's really looking forward to volunteering in a team environment where she can learn new skills and continue to benefit the wider community.

Anyone who would like to volunteer in Cockburn can contact Irini Georgas on (08) 9411 3490 or email her at igeorgas@cockburn.wa.gov.au.





RATES NOTICES

Changes of Ownership and/or Address

Notice must be given in writing to Council whenever any person changes their address and/or sells or otherwise disposes of any rateable land. This can be either by mail, fax (08 9411 3568) or email (rates@cockburn.wa.gov.au) or visit our Council Offices to complete the necessary form.

Outstanding Rates

Ratepayers experiencing financial hardship in paying rates and charges should contact Council's Rate Section to discuss alternative arrangements on (08) 9411 3575. An administration fee of \$20.00 is applicable.

Rebates

Persons holding a Concession Card or Seniors Card are encouraged to apply for a rebate on their rates.

Seniors Act Up

When volunteer Joe McCabe came into the Cockburn Volunteer Resource Centre last May, little did he know that he would soon realise his dream of developing a seniors community theatre group.

Joe had been a performing arts lecturer and had always been interested in theatre. "Being a senior, I realized that after you hit a certain age, ordinary theatres just don't want to know you," says Joe. "They are more geared to youth. I knew I had to start something in senior theatre because I didn't want to feel redundant anymore."

The resulting Seniors Community Theatre group has lots of scripts that are senior oriented and Joe plans on doing workshops on all aspects of theatre. Eventually their productions will physically demonstrate that seniors are creative people with a bounty of life skills.

"The fundamental vision of the seniors theatre will be to improve the quality of life of older people in the community," says Joe. This will also broaden the understanding, appreciation and celebration of senior interests and issues. He is working together with Cllr Val Oliver, the Cockburn Volunteer Resource Centre and the Havachat Lounge in Coolbellup to involve as many seniors as possible.

Anyone who wants more information or would like to be involved can call Joe McCabe on (08) 9434 2365 or Val Oliver on (08) 9337 1680.

Win Prizes With Your Seniors Card

Seniors Card holders in Western Australia can now access even more benefits from their cards through the Seniors Card website.

Every month, Card holders who visit www.seniorscard.wa.gov.au can enter an exclusive competition for their chance to win fantastic prizes.

During February Seniors

Cardholders will have a chance to win a smorgasbord meal for two at Miss Maud's Restaurant in Perth. Runners up will receive mobile phone accessories, courtesy of Allphones.

The Office for Seniors Interests and Volunteering (OSIV) decided to host the competitions online to reflect the growing trend of seniors using technology. According to a recent survey more than a third of Western Australian seniors use the internet.

Cardholders have access to Government concessions and discounts from more than 600 businesses across Western Australia. For those without a card, Seniors Card application forms are available on the website or by phoning (08) 9328 9155.

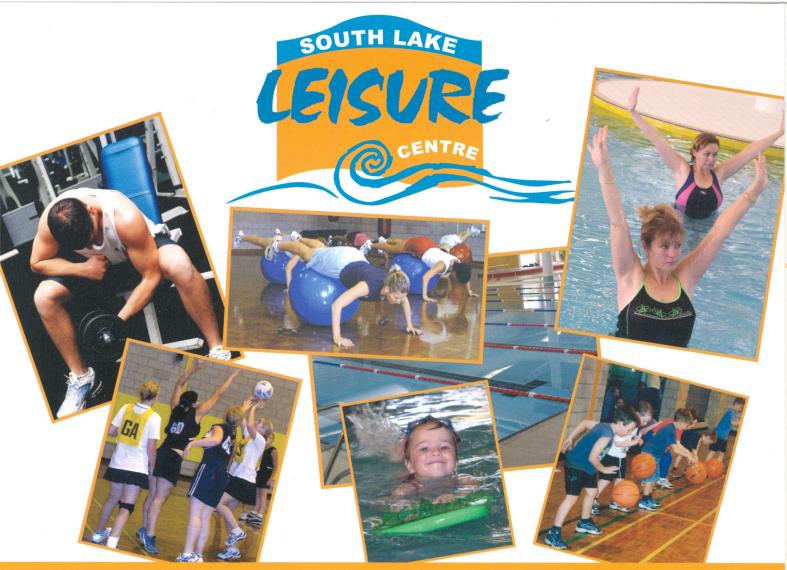


Bacteria Beware!

With temperatures soaring, cooling down in back yard swimming pools can be a welcome relief. But the hot weather brings a risk of bacteria and other nasties multiplying in pool water. The greatest concern is when pool water reaches 28°C or higher. At this temperature amoebic meningitis can survive and breed. It causes an inflammation and eventual destruction of the brain and brain linings and usually enters the body when water is forced up your nose (such as when you jump in the pool). It is recommended that pH levels are between 7.2 - 7.6, and that chlorine levels fall within the following parameters for both salt and chlorinated pools:

Pool without stabiliser Pool with stabiliser Less than 26 °C 1mg chlorine / litre 2mg chlorine / litre Greater than 26 °C 2mg chlorine / litre 4mg chlorine / litre

Test your water before the first swim of the day and adjust the chemistry levels if necessary. Repeat at least once again during the day. Paddling pools are not chlorinated so need to be kept in the shade and emptied out at the end of the day.



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Drop in and experience life @ South Lake Leisure Centre

Courses for fun & fitness

The South Lake Leisure Centre offers a variety of enjoyable personal development courses suitable for all adults. The Centre's Pilates, Yoga & Tai Chi programs promote a holistic approach towards maintaining general health and well being, by focusing on physical fitness and improvement, as well as emphasising the importance of emotional well being.

If you have been looking for a balanced means of achieving better muscle conditioning and strength, more flexibility, improved posture, balance and co-ordination, or reducing stress, then Pilates, Yoga or Tai Chi can help you. When practiced regularly these exercise methods will assist you to effectively maintain and promote both your physical and emotional well being.

For juniors, our sports and courses are a great way to learn and improve basic skills in a fun environment. Whilst our physical activity based courses are ideal for co-ordination, flexibility and fitness, we also offer activities promoting the creative mind!

Check out our ad in this publication for further details on both our adult & junior courses.

Ph: 9417 3003 email: leisure@cockburn.wa.gov.au

pool entry charges

\$3.70 Student (student card required) \$2.70 Family (2 adults, 2 children) \$11.00 Pensioner (Pens/Snr card regd) \$2.50 \$1.50 FREE Children under 5 Children under 5 must be supervised by a swimming adult

facility charges

| Swim-Spa-Sauna-Steam | \$6.90 |
|--------------------------------|---------|
| Pensioner-Swim-Spa-Sauna-Steam | \$5.80 |
| Gym & Swim | \$10.00 |
| Gym & Swim-Spa -Sauna-Steam | \$12.00 |
| Fitness / Aquarobic Class | \$6.70 |
| Club 50 Class | \$5.20 |
| Creche 1st child - 1.5 hours | \$2.40 |
| Creche 2nd child - 1.5 hours | \$1.30 |

Call the South Lake Leisure Centre n 9417 3003 to find out about our reat value membership packages nd multi visit passes.

Have a monster party with us!

We've just revamped our party packages and are now offering exclusive use of our Inflatable Pool Monster with our birthday parties. The inflatable can be hired for 1 hour for \$50, giving your kids exclusive use at their party.

There are no minimum or maximum numbers required to book a party at the South Lake Leisure Centre and we offer a selection of hot food, a lolly bag, soft drink and icy pole for each child in the party. If you book with a minimum of 10 children we'll throw in a Peter's ice-cream cake for free.

The great thing about our pool parties is that no matter what time of year it is, it's always summer inside the South Lake Leisure Centre. With ample warm water space, great play features for the kids and our fantastic monster pool inflatable, the kids are sure to have a great time.

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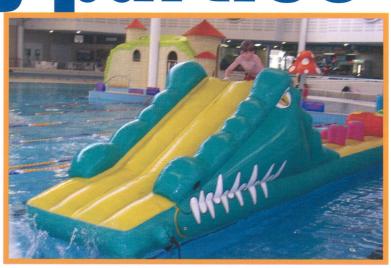
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- Begin any proposed construction (even simple garden sheds)
- Erect new front fences or rebuild old ones within the front setback
- Fill in or excavate a site for building works
- Build a retaining wall
- Construct a swimming pool or spa
- Make alterations or additions to a strata title building

Commencing building without a Building Licence from Council's Building Department is illegal and may subject you to prosecution.

If you have any questions regarding building or illegal structures, please contact Council's Building Department on (08) 9411 3595 or email building@cockburn.wa.gov.au.



What's the Problem with Footpath Parking?

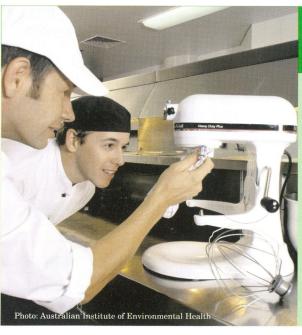
It's tempting to park on the footpath, particularly when it's so convenient. But is it worth it when you consider the cost?

There are two reasons why Cockburn City Council take this matter very seriously. Firstly, pedestrians such as children, the elderly and the disabled rely on the footpath to safely take them where they are going. When a vehicle blocks the footpath, these pedestrians are forced to move onto the road to get past. This is dangerous for both the pedestrians and the other road users who may hit them. Not a pleasant thought!

Secondly, the City of Cockburn has

allocated funding to upgrade existing footpaths and to develop new paths in areas that still need them. This funding comes from the rates that you pay. When footpaths are damaged by heavy vehicles, as seen in the photographs, the Council has to spend its money on repairing the damage instead of improving the facilities of your City.

With this in mind, if residents notice regular parking on the footpath in their area, it is a worthwhile community initiative to take the registration number of the offending vehicle and report it to the Council. And next time you're tempted to park on the footpath....don't!



Free Food Handler Training Sessions!

The City's Health Service will launch a new component to the Health Services Safe Food Program this February.

Regular food handler training sessions will be provided by the City's Environmental Health Officers at the City's Administration Building, with an open invite for all food industry personnel employed within the City of Cockburn to attend.

Places will be limited for each session so register your interest for the March sessions by calling Health Services NOW on (08) 9411 3589.

The training session will provide a basic introduction to food safety and hygiene practices and provide a base that individuals can build on so as to satisfy the "Skills and Knowledge" requirements of the Food Standards Code.

Next Session:

Monday 21st March at 2:30pm or Tuesday 22nd March at 6pm



RESIDENTIAL GREEN WASTE COLLECTION

Information leaflets with full details will be delivered between the 9th and the 11th February.

Area 1

Hamilton Hill, Coolbellup **21st February**

Area 2

Leeming, North Lake, Bibra Lake, Jandakot, South Lake **28th February**

Area 3

Coogee, Munster, Spearwood, Wattleup (west of railway line) 8th March

Area 4

Yangebup, Beeliar, Atwell, Success 14th March

Rural properties in areas not listed here can expect a collection to be arranged some time in September.

Enquiries can be made to Leanne on (08) 9411 3543.

Green waste should not be placed on the verge any more than 10 days before your area's collection date, or it could result in a fine.



New Life for Yangebup Lake

Conservation volunteers have been planting rushes along the shores of Yangebup Lake in a revegetation program designed to bring back birdlife to the lake. Since the 1930's, development in the area has caused water levels to rise to the point where rushes and other plants have drowned. "Wetland birds rely on an in-lake habitat to build their nests and protect them from predators," says Dave Bright, the City Officer responsible for the revegetation program. "Although visitors may see birdlife around the lake, they are not nesting permanently and come from other nearby lakes." Thanks to the volunteers, birds will now have suitable habitat to nest permanently, and residents will enjoy a more vibrant and sustainable eco-system in the future.

Be involved in similar projects through Conservation Volunteers Australia. www.conservationvolunteers.com.au

Save Money, Save the Planet



The City of Cockburn is pleased to offer two award-winning programs where residents can learn how to reduce energy consumption, save money and benefit their planet.

The GreenHouses program is divided into three stages aimed at helping the community reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The water-wise stage is being held in February and Cockburn residents are invited to participate in a community seminar on practical ways to save water, energy and money. Last year 200 participating households saved 53.5 tonnes of greenhouse gases in just five months, saving an average of \$80 each on their energy bills. This amazing result won The GreenHouses program the SGIO Western Australia Environment Award for Energy Efficiency.

The seminar will be held on February 21st from 7pm to 9pm at the Lesser Hall, Spearwood. Residents can also access the information online at www.greenhouses.org.au or request an information booklet be mailed to them.

Want to learn even more about responsible living? The Living Smart course teaches participants the same vital skills and much more over a ten week period. It is unique in that it combines environmental skills with lifestyle and community, creating solutions for a quality life now and in the future. Participants will learn how to save money on electricity, water and gas bills, how to improve indoor air quality, about biodiversity and how to live happier, healthier lifestyles.

Living Smart was developed in response to people's desire to live more sustainable lives and is open to Cockburn and Canning residents. The course will be held on Thursdays from 7pm to 9pm, starting March 10th, at the Cockburn Wetlands Education Centre. Residents wishing to enrol should call the Cockburn Wetlands Education Centre on (08) 9417 9460.

All enquiries should be directed to the Greenhouse Education Officer, Esther Duffy, on (08) 9316 3988 or email greenhouses@smrc.com.au.

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Be Sure You are Entitled to Vote!

To be able to vote at the upcoming Council elections, your name MUST be on the Council Electoral Roll currently being prepared.

You should be automatically enrolled for your residential address, but if you own more than one property in the District, you may be entitled to vote in more than one Ward Election.

Check with our Rates Department, on (08) 9411 3475, on your eligibility. Registrations to be included on the Roll close on FRIDAY 18 MARCH, 2005.



Local Government Elections 2005



Are you interested in being Mayor or a Councillor of the City of Cockburn?

Elections will be held in the City of Cockburn on 7 May, 2005 for the following vacancies on Council:

MAYOR 4 year term
East Ward 1 Councillor 4 year term
West Ward 2 Councillors 4 year terms
Central Ward 2 Councillors 4 year terms

The terms of the incumbent Mayor and five Councillors expire at that time.

If you are interested in Council affairs and are thinking of nominating for one of these positions, Council is hosting a seminar to provide information to prospective new Elected Members.

Details of the seminar are:

DATE:

Saturday 19 March, 2005

TIME:

10.00am-4.00pm

PLACE:

Cockburn City Council Reception Room,

Coleville Crescent, Spearwood

The session is free of charge to Cockburn electors and a light lunch and refreshments will be provided.

Please complete the form below and return it to Council by TUESDAY 8 MARCH 2005.

| I, of | Please cut out and return this form to: |
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| (NAME) | "Registration 2005 |
| | Elections Seminar" City of Cockburn |
| (ADDRESS) | Reply Paid Permit No. 2 PO Box 1215 |
| wish to register for the City of Cockburn Elections Seminar | Bibra Lake |



Harvest Lakes Community Centre Open for Business

Atwell residents can now take advantage of the brand new community centre at Harvest Lakes. A choice of three hire rooms (the 92 person hall, the 52 person child activity room and the 24 person meeting room) means the centre is suited to a large variety of needs. The

child activity room is proving very popular for birthday parties, with kitchen facilities, fridge, outside sinks and a fenced off playground.

The local residents nominate many of the activities and Program Coordinator Tanya Linford is carefully choosing activities that are different from those of the nearby Atwell Community Centre. Sporting groups will enjoy the ultra modern changing rooms, kitchen/kiosk and of course the playing oval that is shared with the adjacent Harmony Primary School.

Both the Community Centre and Harmony Primary School have been built with an eye to the future. Designed to be naturally comfortable all year round, the centre uses far less energy and water than other buildings of its type. North-facing windows with well-designed eaves let winter sun stream in and keep the midsummer sun at bay. Rainwater is used to flush the toilets and greywater (from the hand basins and troughs) is used to water the gardens. Tours explaining the features of the centre will be run several times a year, so call the City of Cockburn to register your interest.

The City of Cockburn offers generous subsidies for not-for-profit groups to encourage use of the rooms, and the one-off function rates are very reasonable. All enquiries can be made to Tanya Linford on 0418 941 588 or at tlinford@cockburn.wa.gov.au .



What's on at Harvest Lakes Community Centre

| Activities | Contact | Day | |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Harvest Lakes | Tine Benette 9414 6247 | Mondays Tuesdays | 9 - 11am 9 - 11am |
| Rhee Tai Kwon Do | John Brew 9414 5543 | Mondays & Wednesdays | 6 - 8pm 6 - 8pm |
| Speech Therapy | Genelle Hood 9455 3927 | Wednesdays (by appointment) | 9 - 5pm |
| Atwell Scout Group | Jenny Sewell 9414 5641 | Tuesdays | 4 - 8.30pm |
| Grace Gospel Community Church | Danny Wocjik 9498 5416 | Alternate Fridays & Sundays | 7 - 9pm 9 - 12pm |
| The Key Stage Company | Kathy Jenkins 9455 2226 | Thursday & Saturday | 4.30 - 8pm 9 -1pm |
| Therese Pitman - Soul Intentions | Therese Pitman 9414 6407 | Thursdays | 6.30 - 9.30pm |
| After School Care & Vacation Care | Beth Townend 9337 8746 | Mon- Fri | 3 - 6pm (8 - 6pm Vac Care) |
| Harvest Lakes Community Assoc | Brian Foster 0409 523 876 | Last Tuesday per month | 6.30 - 9pm |
| Open Clinic | Wendy Hegarty 9414 6304 | Tuesdays only, 10-12 | No appointment required |
| Atwell Family Support Services | Linda Sharman 9414 6011 | By appointment | |
| Cockburn Financial Counselling | Anne Hawkins 9414 6302 | By appointment | |

Community Calendar

Spearwood Community Association

A new and vibrant group of people dedicated to improving Spearwood and the quality of life of the people who live and work in the suburb. Meetings to be held March and April. Times are yet to be decided, but will probably be Tuesday evenings.

Venue: Alternative School, 370
Rockingham Rd, Spearwood.
Contact: Jane on 040 033 6317 or

j.hawdon@ecu.edu.au

Cockburn Netball Club Inc

Established in 1960 the club registers over 20 Junior and Senior teams each year. The teams participate in the Fremantle Netball Associations League on Saturdays commencing from May, finishing in September.

Call the Club Secretary for Junior and Senior netball registration and training dates.

Venue: Bakers Square, Mortlock St Hamilton Hill. Contact: Melanie Rainey, Club Secretary, (08) 9417 7487 or 0418 817 335 See your community group events printed here!

Call Marina on 08 9411 3483 or email mgreaney@cockburn.wa.gov.au



Reading Rocks @ your Cockburn Library

Story Time @ Your Library Fun for 3 to 5 Year Olds!

Storytime is a special time for you and your preschooler. Participating in storytime encourages a love of reading and stimulates kids imaginations.

Each week during the school term we explore an exciting new theme. This term you can... explore under the sea, be a pirate, roar like a dinosaur, and much more!

Watch your child's imagination soar each week. Every session is carefully planned with amazing picture books read by experienced storytellers, fun rhymes and songs to sing, and a simple craft for your little one.

Story Time runs for 30 to 45 minutes. The sessions are fun and relaxed, and afterwards there is plenty of time for children to select their own books to take home.

You are welcome to come along and join in the fun at one of these great sessions

| Coolbellup Library | Spearwood Library | Success Library | |
|-----------------------|----------------------|--------------------|--|
| | 10.30am on | | |
| 10.30am | Tuesdays & | 9.30am Fridays | |
| Wednesdays | Fridays | With your | |
| With your | With your | storyteller Karen. | |
| storyteller Sam | storyteller Sam | | |

Share the world of books and reading with your child at Story Time.



The lights are in on the extension to the new John Carcione wing of the Spearwood Library. Over the next few months watch this space blossom into a colourful and vibrant hive of activity and fun for kids of all ages.

Spearwood Library Book Club

Are you open to new experiences?

Spearwood Library's Book Club welcomes new members who want to change their reading habits. "The Book Club is a great way of broadening your horizons. You'll be reading books that you wouldn't necessarily have chosen yourself," said Adult Services Librarian, Luba Kambourakis. "It's also a marvellous way to make new friends who share an interest in books, learning and enthusiastic discussion." The highlight of last year's meetings was a visit from local author, Kim Scott, who talked about his book "Benang" and fascinated the group with his personal insights. It is planned to include more guest visitors this year to engage the group in lively debate.

This year the group will also be writing short reviews and distributing them through the library so that other library members can benefit from their reading experience.

The Book Club meetings are held at Spearwood Library from 6.30pm – 8pm on the third Monday of each month and the cost is \$5 per month for the hire of the books. Contact Luba on 9411 3493 if you would like to attend.

Coming Soon

- Co'Info's new easy-to-use database where you can search for information on clubs and organisations, click on a map to see where it is and open its homepage if it has one. Finding community information will now be so much easier!
- Harmony Week in March will be a tasty treat as Cockburn Libraries will indulge in cuisine from other nations and discovering the techniques used in creating these wonderful dishes.
- The kids are only just back to school yet Sam, our Youth Service Librarian, is busy plotting the April School Holidays. Although she's not giving away too many secrets she does state that it will be our sparkliest, shiniest and most dazzling programme yet!
- Pain Management Workshops in April.

Further details will be available from the libraries closer to all events.

Voluntary gold coin donations for Tsunami Relief Appeal welcomed at these events

SOMMUNITY FUN DMYS!

26th February

SPEARWOOD

MacFaull Park
Pomfret Road



12th March

YANGEBUP

Nicholson Reserve
Swallow Drive

Community Fairs 3pm – 6pm

Buster the Fun Bus
Foam Water Slide
Face Painters
Human Soccer Table
Climbing Wall
Juggling Workshop
Animal Farm
Bouncy Castle
Merry-go-Round
Pillow Bash
Jungle Obstacle
Food

PLUS an awesome

display of ancient firearms by The Black Powder Club at 6pm

Tribute Concerts 7pm - 9.30pm

SPEARWOOD

"The Fab Four"

Support acts

"Tom Jones" & "Elvis"

YANGEBUP

"ABBA"
Support acts

"Neil Diamond" & "Kylie"

ENQUIRIES: BEV NELSON (08) 9411 3535

More FREE events for the whole family:

Sunset Concert

Sunday 20th February 6:00pm Manning Park Music Shell, Davilak Ave, Spearwood

Bring your dancing shoes and enjoy "The Sixties Revival Show".

Film Night

Drinks

Friday 11th March 6:00pm Manning Park Outdoor Cinema, Davilak Ave, Spearwood

Great family entertainment with "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban" (PG).

Coogee Beach Party Sunday 20th March 10:00am - 2:00pm

Coogee Beach & Reserve area

Free rides, activities and displays. Match your skills in a fun soccer goal kicking contest. Build a sandcastle and win prizes!