



MAYORAL COLUMN

Welcome to the Wanneroo Link, our fortnightly communication with City residents.

Local volunteer service recognised

Emergency services volunteers have been recognised for their service to the community and their units at the 2015 City of Wanneroo Emergency Services Volunteer Appreciation Function held last Friday.

Attended by members of the Two Rocks Marine Rescue, SES, Yanchep Fire and Rescue Service, Driver Reviver volunteers and representatives from local surf lifesaving clubs, the function acknowledged the efforts and contributions made by the emergency service volunteers to the City and its residents.

Mayor Tracey Roberts presented Volunteer Excellence awards to recipients who have contributed their time, skills and knowledge to their organisation to improve emergency service functions within the community.

"As a City we are so proud of all of our volunteers and host these events each year as a small gesture for the valuable service each and every one provides to our community," she said.

"I really do admire everyone who gives their own time to serve others - and certainly, we could not achieve all the work we do as a City without our volunteers."

Awards were presented to Stefan Bolz from Yanchep Volunteer Fire and Rescue Service, Ken and Anke Rowland from the Two Rocks Volunteer Marine Rescue Group and Dorrit De Nooy from the Wanneroo Joondalup State Emergency Service unit.

The City of Wanneroo values the services emergency services volunteers provide for the community and actively supports the units based within the City.

Acknowledging our volunteer firefighters

The City of Wanneroo said 'thank you' to our volunteer firefighters this month with a framed aerial photograph of the City's four brigades.

We have more than 180 active volunteer firefighters across the Wanneroo Central, Wanneroo Fire Support, Two Rocks and Quinns Rocks brigades who have just ended a tough fire season and have started prescribed burns in preparation for the next season.

Our brigades are busy all year round promoting public education programs at schools and community events and attending around 450 separate incidents a year.

Plants for Ashdale Primary School students

I had the pleasure of meeting the wonderful students at Ashdale Primary School when I visited to donate 20 native plants towards the school's Sustainably Friendly Play Area project.

The nature play area is enjoyed by many children and I was thrilled that we could support this great initiative that encourages children to be active outdoors.

The City is always happy to help where we can and especially in instances where schools rely on goodwill to run extracurricular activities.

Mayor Tracey Roberts JP



COMMUNITY DRIVES BUDGET

Community safety, infrastructure, roads works, parks, sporting amenities and active open space top the list of key projects in the City of Wanneroo's 2015-16 Budget.

The City has allocated more than \$81million to capital works projects in this budget.

Mayor Tracey Roberts said the community driven budget, adopted at a special council meeting this month, included new and continued funding for the Quinns/Mindarie, Pearsall/Hocking and Koondoola Community Centres and Yanchep Surf Life Saving Club totalling more than \$6million.

"Community infrastructure is vital to provide connections and social opportunities between residents, clubs and organisations," she said.

"Good transport infrastructure is also essential to healthy and sustainable communities which is why the City has allocated more than \$16million to roads in the budget."

Major road projects include almost \$4million for

the dualling of Connolly Drive between Neerabup Road and Lukin Drive, a \$510,000 upgrade to the Marmion Avenue/ Lagoon Drive/Peony Boulevard intersection and realignment of Old Yanchep Road from Pederick Road to Wattle Avenue.

The City is also continuing major works to Lenore Road in Wanneroo and has allocated \$240,000 for traffic signals at Cheriton Drive and Joondalup Drive in Carramar.

Another highlight of the City's budget is the development of the Yanchep Active Open Space/ ovals Master Plan which includes two senior size sporting fields, car park, amenities building, basketball/netball courts, play area, internal path network and floodlighting at a cost of more than \$3.5million. Works started on 12 June with the ovals available for use from about mid-2017.

Gumblossom Reserve (Quinns Rocks), Ridgewood Reserve, Wanneroo Showgrounds, Alexander Heights Park and Lake Joondalup Park will also share in \$1,194,000 for various projects.

WINTER PLANTING EVENTS

The City will hold a number of planting events at five locations across the City.

Participation is free, however registration is necessary. Please call 9405 5000. On the day, please bring gloves, a trowel, and a water bottle and wear sturdy shoes.

Sunday 5 July // 9am-12pm
Mindarie Park, Quinns Rocks

Sunday 12 July // 9am-12pm
Rufus Park, Madeley

Sunday 19 July // 9am-12noon Quinns Beach Bushland, Quinns Rocks

Sunday 26 July 2015 // 9am-1pm
Ashley Park, Tapping (National Tree Day)

For full details visit wanneroo.wa.gov.au

FREE

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council Meeting

Tonight 23 June // 7pm
23 Dundobar Road, Wanneroo

Meet the Mayor on the Road

Friday 26 June // 11am-1pm
Clarkson Library, 27 Ocean Keys Blvd
Bookings essential 9405 5654

Council Briefing

Tuesday 14 July // 6pm
23 Dundobar Road, Wanneroo



\$10
SESSION

KONGA
HAS ARRIVED AT THE
HAINSWORTH CENTRE

Tuesday evenings
6.15pm-7.15pm

29 HAINSWORTH AVE,
GIRRAWHEEN

A mash-up of Kickboxing, Cardio, Pop, Pilates and everything in between, Konga really has it all!

BOOKINGS NOT REQUIRED

WANNEROO AQUAMOTION

Please be advised the pools, spa, sauna, splash pad and outside grassed areas will be closed for maintenance and cleaning between **5-19 July 2015**. The gym, group fitness classes and creche will be open.