



## MAYORAL COLUMN

WELCOME TO THE WANNEROO LINK, OUR FORTNIGHTLY COMMUNICATION WITH CITY RESIDENTS.

### TRI-CITIES ALLIANCE GOES TO CAPITAL

The Mayors and CEOs from the Cities of Joondalup, Stirling and Wanneroo united at Parliament House in Canberra to highlight the massive economic potential of the three Cities. The Tri-Cities Alliance delivered an important message to federal politicians about the need for government funding to support infrastructure and job creation.

Our presentation provided politicians from all sides of government the opportunity to learn about the priorities of the growth coast, which is experiencing rapid population increases, that places pressures on transport links and infrastructure.

It is vital we continue to be innovative and strategic in our planning for the future of our thriving region.

### CELEBRATING OUR VOLUNTEERS

Community Services and Conservation volunteers were recognised for their efforts at the Bridgeleigh Reception Centre on Friday 26 February.

From teaching children about our nature reserves to helping the elderly with shopping, our volunteers work tirelessly to help make the City of Wanneroo a better place.

Volunteers Renee Solomon, Roy Bastick and Heather Chester were awarded with the City's Volunteer Excellence Award for their invaluable contributions.

### WOMEN IN LEADERSHIP

I have been invited to speak at the upcoming 3rd Annual Women in Leadership Western Australia Summit.

This summit will provide an opportunity to encourage women to reach their full potential and overcome challenges they may face. I will be speaking about resilience, diversity and personal development.

At the City of Wanneroo, I am proud there are a number of pathways specifically for women to allow them to develop, contribute and lead at all stages of their careers.

### A YEAR IN THE MAKING EXHIBITION

A Year in the Making exhibition, managed by Art on the Move, will launch on 15 March featuring a unique jewellery collection from 12 local jewellers, created over 12 months under 12 different themes.

This intricate jewellery exhibition will showcase some of the community's best work and will be held at the Wanneroo Library and Exhibition Centre from March 15 to April 16 on Tuesday to Friday from 10am-4pm.

### MULTIPLE LANGUAGES AVAILABLE ON CITY'S WEBSITE

The City of Wanneroo's website is now available in multiple languages including Vietnamese, Afrikaans and Arabic.

The City recognises how multicultural our area is and we hope these new changes will make online accessibility that little bit easier.

**Mayor Tracey Roberts JP**



Citizenship and Multicultural Interests Minister Mike Nahan, Mayor Tracey Roberts, President of the WA chapter of the Vietnamese Community Association Dr Anh Nguyen and WA Labor Leader Mark McGowan at the TET Festival.

## TET CELEBRATIONS DELIGHT THE COMMUNITY

THE VIETNAMESE NEW YEAR TET FESTIVAL WAS HELD ON 12 FEBRUARY AND MANY MEMBERS OF THE LOCAL COMMUNITY ATTENDED THE FESTIVAL.

The beautiful Wanneroo Showgrounds hosted the ceremony, and family and friends came together to reflect on, remember and respect ancestral heritage. At the end of the evening, fireworks lit up the sky.

"This important date on the lunar calendar is a time of vibrant celebration for Vietnamese people and there was a great turnout to the local events," Mayor Tracey Roberts said.

"Our Vietnamese residents involve themselves significantly in our community, initiating a number of different programs for the benefit of all."

The City of Wanneroo worked very closely with Dr Anh Nguyen, President of the WA chapter of the Vietnamese Community Association, to bring this event to the local area.

This year is the Year of the Monkey in the Vietnamese lunar calendar. The monkey is a symbol of intelligence and wealth and also represents people who are enthusiastic, sociable and innovative.

It was the eighth time the festival was held in Wanneroo and a great opportunity to share cultural heritage and promote multicultural understanding.

People from the non-Vietnamese, wider community, were also encouraged to join the celebrations and had a great time sharing in the entertainment, cultural shows and ethnic foods.

### MEET THE MAYOR ON THE ROAD 2016

Friday 4 March // 11am-1pm  
Clarkson Library  
27 Ocean Keys Boulevard  
Appointments - 9405 5654

### COUNCIL MEETINGS

**Council Meeting**  
Tuesday 1 March // 7pm  
**Council Briefing**  
Tuesday 22 March // 6pm  
Both meetings held at  
23 Dundobar Road, Wanneroo



### COMMUNITY ART AWARDS 16 & EXHIBITION

#### CALL FOR ENTRIES

WA artists are invited to enter works and be in the running for \$16,800 worth of prizes. Entries close 8 April 2016, 4pm or on receipt of 230 valid submissions.

To enter, please visit  
[wanneroo.wa.gov.au/artawardsentryform](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/artawardsentryform)

### STOP. SWAP. SLEEP

Ensure your safety on the roads this Labour Day with a coffee stop at the City of Wanneroo Driver Reviver Caravan.

**Monday 7 March 2016**  
**9am-3pm**  
INDIAN OCEAN DRIVE,  
GINGIN (5kms north of Breakwater Drive, Yanchep)

**FREE**



**RETROREWIND**  
FEATURING *The Vintage Collective Markets*  
Saturday 12 March // 1pm-5pm // FREE  
Yanchep National Park [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/retro](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/retro)

### COMMUNITY FUNDING ROUND NOW OPEN

The latest Community Funding program is now open and is scheduled to close on Tuesday 29 March 2016.

Community groups are encouraged to visit our website and read about the program to determine whether their project or event is eligible for funding.

For more information, please visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/communityfunding](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/communityfunding)



### VERGE TREE PLANTING

The City offers this service to all residents and businesses. There are a variety of trees to choose from, with planting occurring over the winter months.

For more information or to submit a request, visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au) or call the City on 9405 5000.

Requests need to be submitted by 30 April 2016.

**FREE**