



Celebrations underway at the Wanneroo Showgrounds as 800 residents became Australian citizens at the largest ceremony in the nation on Australia Day.

The City of Wanneroo hosted the largest citizenship ceremony in the country on Australia Day, with 800 residents from 49 different countries receiving their Australian citizenship.

The event was officiated by Mayor Tracey Roberts and distinguished guests included WA Premier

Colin Barnett and Opposition Leader Mark McGowan.

**"As Mayor, I am extremely proud that so many people from across the globe choose to live in the City of Wanneroo,"** Mayor Roberts said.

"It is easy to see why we are the largest growing local government area, with 7,000 new residents each year."

This year's event featured special guest speaker Jenny Davis, recently announced as the 2016 Juniper Champion at the WA Seniors Awards in recognition of her ongoing work with Agelink Theatre, which she established in 1993.

The organisation provides intergenerational and interactive

theatre productions based on the oral histories and recollections of seniors.

The Wanneroo Scout Group treated guests to a delicious breakfast barbecue.

Winners of the Australia Day Awards were also announced, recognising City of Wanneroo residents who have made outstanding contributions to their local community.

**Charles Searson Australia Day Youth Award - Alicia Tavani**

A person under the age of 25 who has made an outstanding contribution to the local community.

**Australia Day Individual Award - Carmela Sinagra**

A person over the age of 25 who has made an outstanding contribution to the local community.

**City of Wanneroo Australia Day Community Group Award - The Two Rocks Yanchep Assisted Cancer Travels Inc.**

An outstanding local community group or event.

## Role of Government in service station approvals

Resident concerns about two new service station sites in the Wanneroo Town Centre precinct renews the focus on the role of the State Government's Development Assessment Panels (DAPs) in approving such developments.

The State Government in 2011 created Development Assessment Panels (DAPs) to determine certain

applications in place of previous decision makers, typically a local Council and/or the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC).

DAPs report directly to the Minister for Planning, acting as independent decision-making bodies.

As reported in local media last year the site on the corner of Wanneroo Road and Crisafulli Avenue is

contentious because the City, in its planning report to the North West DAP meeting, recommended the application be refused.

The DAP, however, approved the service station development.

Under recent Government changes to DAP Regulations the proponent was able to bypass Council as the decision-maker, because the

development had a value of more than \$2 million.

The other DAP-approved service station at 990 Wanneroo Road removed a condition proposed by the City. This would have imposed a time limit of 20 years on that particular usage.

Councils have no right of appeal against DAP decisions

Council Meetings	E-Waste drop off day	Community Funding	Food truck trial
<b>Council Briefing Session</b> Tonight - 31 January 2017 / 6pm	<b>Dispose of E-waste and cardboard</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">FREE</span>  Residents can dispose unwanted electronic items and cardboard for free at the City's E-waste and Cardboard drop-off day.  Visit our website for a full list of acceptable electronic items.	<b>Information sessions</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">FREE</span>  The City of Wanneroo Community Funding March round opens on 7 February 2017. Information sessions are available: <b>Wednesday 1 February</b> 10am-12pm Wanneroo Library and Cultural Centre <b>Thursday 2 February (Creche open)</b> 9.45am-11.45am Kingsway Indoor Stadium Visit our website for further information and to register.	<b>Enhancing the suburbs</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">TRIAL</span>  The City of Wanneroo is conducting a food truck trial across various locations in the City. The program will run until June 2017 in a number of strategic locations. Please visit <a href="http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au">wanneroo.wa.gov.au</a> for more information.
<b>Entries opening soon</b>	<b>Saturday 4 February / 8am-4pm</b> Ashby Depot (north entrance) 1204 Wanneroo Road Wanneroo Enquiries 9405 5000	<b>Live Work Play exhibition</b>	The City also has a feedback survey running for the trial period via <a href="https://surveymonkey.com/r/QBWH2P">surveymonkey.com/r/QBWH2P</a>
<b>2017 City of Wanneroo Art Awards and Exhibition</b> West Australian artists are invited to enter works and be in the running for \$16,800 worth of prizes.  City of Wanneroo residents only Entries open 6 February 2017, 9am All WA resident artists Entries open 13 February 2017, 9am You will need to  Visit <a href="http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/artawardsentryform">wanneroo.wa.gov.au/artawardsentryform</a> and fill in an entry form. Post a digital photo of your artwork online and submit payment of your \$25 entry fee. Entries close 7 April 2017, 4pm or on receipt of 230 submissions. <i>Late entries will not be accepted.</i>	<b>Wanneroo Recollections</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">FREE</span>  Based on parts of the book Live Work Play: Wanneroo Recollections, the exhibition offers an insight into what life was like for our Wanneroo pioneers.	<b>Connect Wanneroo</b>	 The Northern Suburbs Community Food Network is a group passionate about their community, healthy eating and fresh fruit and vegetables. They will be running a number of exciting projects for residents to participate. Enquiries 9405 5000
	<b>21 January to 18 February 2017</b> Monday to Saturday 10am-4pm The Gallery, Wanneroo Library and Cultural Centre 3 Rocca Way, Wanneroo Enquiries 9405 5920 <a href="http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au">wanneroo.wa.gov.au</a>	<b>Are you on board?</b> <span style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 2px;">SPEAK</span>  If you're tired of being stuck in traffic, want more time with your family and more local jobs, head to <a href="http://connectwanneroo.com.au">connectwanneroo.com.au</a> . Connect Wanneroo highlights the need for the state government to commit to funding the rail to Yanchep and extending the Mitchell Freeway immediately to Romeo Road, Alkimos and continuing through to Yanchep. Get on board at <a href="http://connectwanneroo.com.au">connectwanneroo.com.au</a>	<b>Community food network</b>  Students are back at school this week - please take care when driving in school zones.