

Australian Heritage Festival Celebrations

The City of Wanneroo is celebrating the 2018 Australian Heritage Festival with events and activities to showcase the City's rich cultural history.

On Sunday 6 May visitors flocked to Buckingham House for an afternoon of hands-on heritage fun, learning some old fashioned cooking skills and stepping back in time at the Old Wanneroo Schoolhouse.

Other upcoming events include Noongar bush tucker walks on the shores of Lake Joondalup to learn how local Noongar people use plants for bush tucker and medicines, and olive oil workshops at the Wanneroo Regional Museum in a nod to the City's market gardening past.

Cockman House, the City of Wanneroo's oldest remaining residence, opens its doors to visitors every Sunday afternoon.

Built by James Cockman and completed in 1860, Cockman House holds a special place in Wanneroo's history as the home of one of its earliest settler families.

Visitors can pack a picnic to enjoy on the beautiful grounds and play some old fashioned games including quoits and skittles.

No visit would be complete without a tour of the historic building to gain a fascinating insight into the lives of the pioneering Cockman family.

Mayor Tracey Roberts said the State Heritage Registered building has been in the City's care since 1987, operating as a museum since 1989.

"Cockman House provides a fantastic opportunity for people to see what life was like in the Wanneroo district during the late 1800s and early to mid-1900s," Mayor Roberts said.

"The City is extremely proud of its pioneering history and Cockman House serves to remind us about the hardworking families who helped establish the City of Wanneroo as we know it today."



Cockman House is the City's oldest remaining residence.

Sundays at Cockman House
Sunday afternoons / 2pm-5pm
Cockman House, Ocean Reef Road, Woodvale

Free entry but a gold coin donation is appreciated. Suitable for all ages.

For more information about heritage in the City of Wanneroo, phone 9405 5920.

Place for Commemoration and Reflection



Artwork - Merging for Peace by Mehdi Rasulle.

The City of Wanneroo is now home to a lasting tribute to those who served in the Vietnam War, with the Peace Park at Koondoola Park.

Construction of the memorial was recently completed and was officially opened on 29 April, as part of the Vietnamese Community in Australia (WA Chapter) Black April commemoration.

Wanneroo Mayor Tracey Roberts welcomed the Koondoola Peace Park as a place for quiet reflection, as well as a space for commemorative community events.

"The City of Wanneroo has a very strong connection to the Vietnamese

community and is proudly home to a large number of Vietnamese people, so it was very important to honour those involved in this significant part of history," she said.

The centrepiece of the memorial is a symbolic public artwork which references the Battle of Long Tan and represents the past, the coming together in the hardship of war and the future, living together in a harmonious community.

Created by Quinns Rocks artist Mehdi Rasulle, the artwork is 3 metres high and 2 metres wide, and features panels of corten steel and aluminium to represent Australia and Vietnam.

Vietnam's national flower - the lotus - sits on top of the sculpture, symbolising that something good and beautiful can come from the dissolution of war.

"The artwork is complemented by beautiful landscaping, providing a place for quiet reflection and contemplation for anyone in our community," Mayor Roberts said.

"I whole-heartedly thank the Koondoola Peace Park working group, which included members of the Wanneroo Sub-Branch of the RSL and Vietnamese Community in Australia (WA Chapter) for their valuable contribution to this important project."

Rabbit vaccination (RHDV)

Public notice

PETS

Residents are reminded to vaccinate their pet rabbits against Rabbit Haemorrhagic Disease Virus (RHDV) ahead of a targeted release this spring.

The virus specifically targets wild rabbits but can also affect domestic rabbits. It does not affect humans or other animals.

The Australia Veterinary Association recommends vaccinating domestic rabbits at 10-12 weeks of age, followed by an annual booster and health check.

To further protect pet rabbits from possible RHDV1 K5 infection, owners should also ensure animals are protected through appropriate housing.

For further information please visit:

- Department of Agriculture and Water Resources
www.agriculture.gov.au/animal/health/rabbit-haemorrhagic-disease-virus
- Australian Veterinary Association
www.ava.com.au/rabbit-callicivirus



Community Art Awards

Exhibition opens soon

FREE

This exhibition showcases local artists and those from the wider WA arts community. Entry is free and most artworks are for sale.

Saturday 12 May to Friday 22 June

Monday to Saturday 10am-4pm
The Gallery, Wanneroo Library and Cultural Centre, 3 Rocca Way, Wanneroo

wanneroo.wa.gov.au/artawards



Council meetings

Council Briefing

Tuesday 22 May / 6pm

Council Meeting

Tuesday 29 May / 7pm

All meetings are held at 23 Dundobar Rd, Wanneroo



Community groups

Enhance the knowledge and skills of your community group. Visit wanneroo.wa.gov.au/communitygroupworkshops

FREE

Kingsway Indoor Stadium

Special May offer

SAVE

Simply purchase a 10 class group fitness pass for \$99 (\$85 concession) and you will receive a free Gym bag*.

Includes gym bag, towel, singlet, cooling towel and drink bottle.

Kingsway Indoor Stadium
130 Kingsway, Madeley
Enquiries 9408 1920.

*Conditions apply.



Community safety

Keep an eye out

LOOK

We have a shared responsibility to look after our environment. Be vigilant and keep an eye on your local parks and reserves by reporting any health and safety issues to the City on 9405 5000 or any suspicious behaviour to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.



Wanneroo Aquamotion

Indoor pool closure

AQUA

Temporary closure of indoor lap and leisure pools - **Saturday 12 May to Wednesday 30 May**, reopening **Thursday 31 May**

Excludes spa, sauna, splash pad and program (hydrotherapy) pool.

We apologise for the disruption, however it is vital that preliminary investigative work for re-tiling is carried out.

Enquires 9405 5999.



Library Tech Classes

Upgrade your skills

FREE

Learn how to navigate your way around the latest technology.

Our libraries offer free training programs so people can learn basic computer skills.

Visit wanneroo.spydus.com or contact your local library for information.



Did you know?

Buckingham house was built between 1880-1890. As well as being home to John and Amelia Buckingham and their seven children, it was later resided by other prominent Wanneroo families including the Ashby family and George Tapping.

