



MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Mayor Tracey Roberts JP

I hope you had a safe and enjoyable Easter holiday spent in the company of family, friends and loved ones. I wish everyone a successful start of the new school term.

I am looking forward to taking my regular 'Meet the Mayor' sessions on the road, to coincide with the City's Council Meetings being held at Koondoola Community Centre on 7 May, and Yanchep later in the year.

I regularly make myself available to meet with residents to hear what's important from the community. If you'd like to meet with me on location, please call 9405 5440 to arrange a meeting.

Commemorating Anzac Day

Marking the anniversary of the first major military action fought by Australia and New Zealand forces, a number of Anzac Day services were held across the City of Wanneroo.

Thank you to our local RSL chapters for organising such symbolic events and allowing me the privilege of attending and speaking at both the Wanneroo and Yanchep services on the day. It filled me with great pride to see thousands of members of our community attend and honour the sacrifice of those who have fought and given their lives for our country. We also acknowledge and thank those who protect us today both here at home and the men and women currently serving overseas.

Discover your best self

After months of extensive pool and amenity revitalisation, the renovated pools at Wanneroo Aquamotion reopened to the public on Friday

26 April. There are facilities for the whole family including indoor and outdoor lap and leisure pools, on-site crèche and splash pad for the children and a spa and sauna to wind down after workouts.

To celebrate the re-opening, Wanneroo Aquamotion is holding a free Family Fun Day on Sunday 5 May from 1-5pm. Everyone is invited to come along and see the facilities for themselves, meet the team, take a look around and try out everything on offer for free. There will be a bouncy castle, face painting, food trucks, a coffee van and free ice-cream.

Community Art Awards and Exhibition

The annual Community Art Awards and Exhibition will open to the public this Saturday 4 May. The exhibition showcases 230 artworks in the categories of painting, works on paper and sculpture. Each year I am inspired by the wonderful artworks submitted by local residents and the wider WA



Mayor Roberts with the Aquamotion team.

community and I encourage everyone to visit the Gallery over the next few weeks to see the depth and breadth of their talent.

The exhibition will be open at the Wanneroo Gallery, Wanneroo Library and Cultural Centre, until Friday 14 June. Don't miss the next edition of Wanneroo Link to learn about the winners of this year's \$16,800 prize pool.

Young leaders of tomorrow encouraged and supported



Mayor Roberts with Hannah (16, Joseph Banks College), Aiden (15, Butler College), Carly (14, Irene McCormack Catholic College), Shavelle (17, Yanchep Secondary College) and Isabelle (10, Quinns Beach Primary School) at the Quinns Mindarie Community Centre.

Dozens of young minds from across the City of Wanneroo have taken part in workshops designed to shape our next generation of community leaders.

Aged 10 to 18, 66 primary and secondary students from nine

schools took part in Youth Leadership Forums at the Quinns Mindarie Community Centre and the Wanneroo Civic Centre on 8 and 10 April. The workshops covered topics including the importance of teamwork, different leadership styles and goal setting.

The forums were designed to empower young people to recognise issues, ideas and concerns in their local community, as well as gain valuable leadership experience by identifying innovative and creative solutions. City of Wanneroo Mayor Tracey Roberts said the events formed a key part of the City's Youth Plan 2018/19-2020/21.

"It is important for local government to promote and cultivate leadership skills in young people at a grassroots

level, in addition to encouraging engagement with their local community," Mayor Roberts said.

"It was inspiring to see so many of our young people attend these Forums and further their understanding of what it means to be a strong community leader."

Each school was invited to develop a project in one of five categories – environment, safety, advocacy, health and inclusion – and was paired with a Community Advisor who offered coaching and mentorship.

Seed funding, elevator pitches, developing a vision board, outlining a project's limitations and researching their specific area of interest were popular topics with the young leaders.

Students from Irene McCormack Catholic College were concerned about the health and wellbeing of their peers and wanted to develop a way for people to anonymously ask for advice and support.

"Everyone goes through a phase when they need help, and it [mental health] does not get spoken about often enough," Irene McCormack Catholic College student Kaleb (16) said.

Forum participants will spend the coming months working on their proposed community action projects, before presenting the outcomes to the Mayor, Elected Members and key community stakeholders at the Youth Leadership Showcase on Wednesday 4 September 2019.

Dementia awareness

Info session

FREE

With almost one in 10 people over 65 living with dementia, and a growing rate of early onset, the chances of you or someone you care about being affected are high.

This one-hour information session presented by Dementia Australia will help with understanding dementia, including types, signs and symptoms, as well as learning how to support someone living with dementia and looking after your brain health and memory.

Thursday 16 May / 3pm-4pm
Yanchep Two Rocks Library
Lisford Avenue, Two Rocks



FREE

2019 COMMUNITY ART AWARDS & EXHIBITION

4 May to 14 June 2019

Wanneroo Gallery, WLCC
10am-4pm, Monday to Saturday

Share your story

WRM

The Wanneroo Regional Museum is designing a new exhibit dedicated to those who have migrated to Australia and now call the City of Wanneroo home. If you would like to be featured, we would love to hear from you!

Complete the online form by visiting wanneroo.wa.gov.au/migrationstories

For more information, contact the Wanneroo Regional Museum on 9405 5920 or email museum@wanneroo.wa.gov.au



Council meetings

MEET

Council Briefing

Tonight 30 April / 6pm
Civic Centre, Dundobar Road

Meet the Mayor on the Road

Tuesday 7 May
Bookings essential: 9405 5440

Council Meeting on the Road

Tuesday 7 May / 7pm
(Deputations held prior from 6pm)

Koondoola Community Centre
90 Koondoola Ave, Koondoola

