

# What's Happening

A smiling woman with dark hair tied back, wearing a bright yellow jacket over a black top. She is standing outdoors with green foliage in the background. The jacket has a small logo on the left chest that says "ALKIMOS" and another on the right chest that says "WANNEROO".

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# Mayor's Message

Welcome to the first edition of  
*What's Happening* magazine for 2022.

As part of our Australia Day citizenship event I was very proud to present the City of Wanneroo Australia Day Awards to four of our amazing residents for their commitment to enhancing the City through their leadership and work in the community.

Cian Chase was recognised with the Charles Searson Australia Day Youth Award for his involvement with the Quinns Rocks Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade over the past four years.

The City of Wanneroo Australia Day Award was presented to Tapping resident Teresa Newton for her invaluable contributions as a volunteer with several local community, cultural and charitable groups.

Thomas Corcoran of Darch received the City's Australia Day Senior Award. The retired school principal volunteers at Ashdale Primary School where he helps Year 1 students with Assisted Reading.

The Patricia Giles Centre for Non-Violence Wandjoo Place Mental Health Committee collected the Australia Day Community Group Award.

I was delighted to officiate and had the notable honour of conferring citizenship on the most people in Western Australia on Australia Day at the ceremonies held at Peter Moyes Anglican Community School in Mindarie.

I would like to extend Council's congratulations to all of our new Australian citizens and award winners.

This March, we are celebrating Harmony Week with the return of the Wanneroo Festival – an exciting community event that showcases the City's rich diversity and valuable Aboriginal heritage.

More than 40 per cent of the City's residents were born overseas, which is a higher percentage than the whole of Greater Perth. I look forward to celebrating our City's vibrant cultural tapestry with food trucks serving up a delicious array of cuisines, traditional music and dances from across the globe, and a daring drone display.

To find out more about the festival, turn to page 8 or visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/featureevents](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/featureevents)

I hope you find this edition of *What's Happening* interesting, and I wish everyone all the best for a safe, enjoyable Easter period.

**Mayor Tracey Roberts JP**



## Neighbour Day

Did you know 27 March 2022 is Neighbour Day? Head to the [wanneroo.wa.gov.au](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au) to see what's happening in the City this Neighbour Day.

## We want to hear from you!

Do you have a story to share, or feedback for us? Get in touch with the team behind *What's Happening* by emailing [publications@wanneroo.wa.gov.au](mailto:publications@wanneroo.wa.gov.au)



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Acknowledgement of Country - The City of Wanneroo acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land we are working on, the Whadjuk people. We would like to pay respect to the Elders of the Noongar nation, past, present and future, who have walked and cared for the land and we acknowledge and respect their continuing culture and the contributions made to the life of this City and this region.





# Lest we forget: Anzac Day in the City

*Anzac Day is the day on which we remember service men and women from Australia and New Zealand who served and died in war and on operational service.*

Services will be held in several suburbs across the City of Wanneroo on Monday 25 April 2022, and members of the public are welcome to attend.

"Anzac Day has a very special place in Wanneroo's history and it is important that we reflect on the sacrifices our service men and women have made and continue to make," Wanneroo Mayor Tracey Roberts said.

"It is a time where we can pay our respects to those who fought in past conflicts and those who continue to protect our great nation."

## Anzac services across the City

*Events are subject to change. Please contact individual organisations for further details.*

### QUINNS ROCKS RSL

Quinns Rocks Sports Club, Tapping Way, Quinns Rocks

5.45am - Dawn service

7am - Gunfire breakfast

1pm-4pm - Two-up

Enquiries Jane Inglis 0476 783 767

### WANNEROO RSL

Memorial Park, Civic Drive, Wanneroo

5.50am - Dawn service & gunfire breakfast

6.30am - Parade

Enquiries Jack LeCras 9409 1014

### YANCHEP AND TWO ROCKS RSL

Splendid Park Pavilion, Yanchep

5am - Dawn service & gunfire breakfast

Yanchep National Park

10.30am - March & service

Enquiries Bill Jones 9561 2217



## City welcomes new citizens

*Over 550 people from 60 countries were welcomed as Australian citizens at the City's Australia Day citizenship event on 26 January.*

Citizenship recipients Johanna Weadick and Gavin Franey moved to Australia from Ireland in 2014 in pursuit of new life experiences for their growing family and better work opportunities.

"We decided to move to Australia for the warmer climate and the great outdoor lifestyle it offers most of the year. We also knew of other friends and family who had moved to Perth and could connect with in our community," Johanna said.

"The friendships we have made here will last a lifetime. We feel very lucky to live in Australia and look forward to the future and making more amazing memories."

## Have you #Discovered Wanneroo?

*Follow @discoverwanneroo on Instagram or Facebook to discover all the best things to do, places to visit, events, hidden gems and community stories from right in your own backyard.*

Share your favourite local content by using #discoverwanneroo when you post your stories, reels and posts. If you see something you like, we'd love for you to like, comment and share with your friends and family from near or far.





# let's pool together

HELP US SECURE ADDITIONAL FUNDING  
FOR THE PROPOSED ALKIMOS AQUATIC  
AND RECREATION CENTRE (AARC)  
[wanneroo.wa.gov.au/alkimospool](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/alkimospool)



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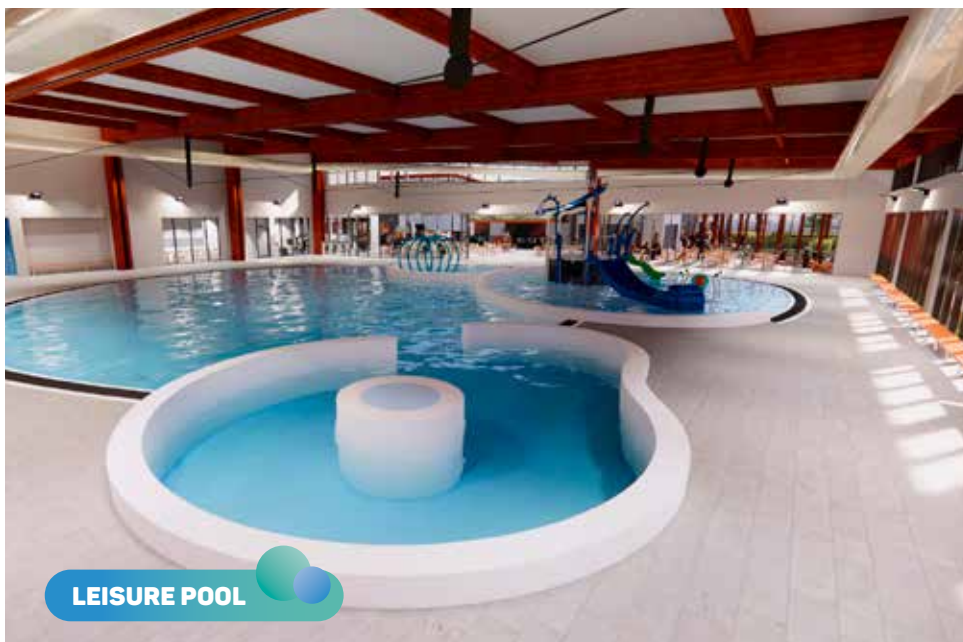
*We're calling for all residents and ratepayers to show their support for the AARC project to help ensure we can deliver the full scope of the facility.*

There is currently \$40 million allocated to the project, including initial funding commitments of \$10 million from the State Government and \$5 million from the Federal Government. The City is now looking to secure an additional \$30 million to enable us to deliver the full scope of the project.

The proposed concept design, which features indoor and outdoor swimming pools, gym and fitness facilities, a crèche, café, change rooms and a car park, has quickly garnered attention within the Western Australian swimming community.

Two-time Olympic swimmer Blair Evans said she is passionate about seeing the new facility open in Alkimos to give kids of the northern corridor the same sporting opportunities she had as a child.

"Having a local swimming pool for me was so instrumental in my entire swimming career," she said.



LEISURE POOL

"Being on the world's biggest stage is something I'm so proud of, but I wouldn't have been able to have that experience without starting where I did, being surrounded by so much support from my local centre and the staff who worked there.

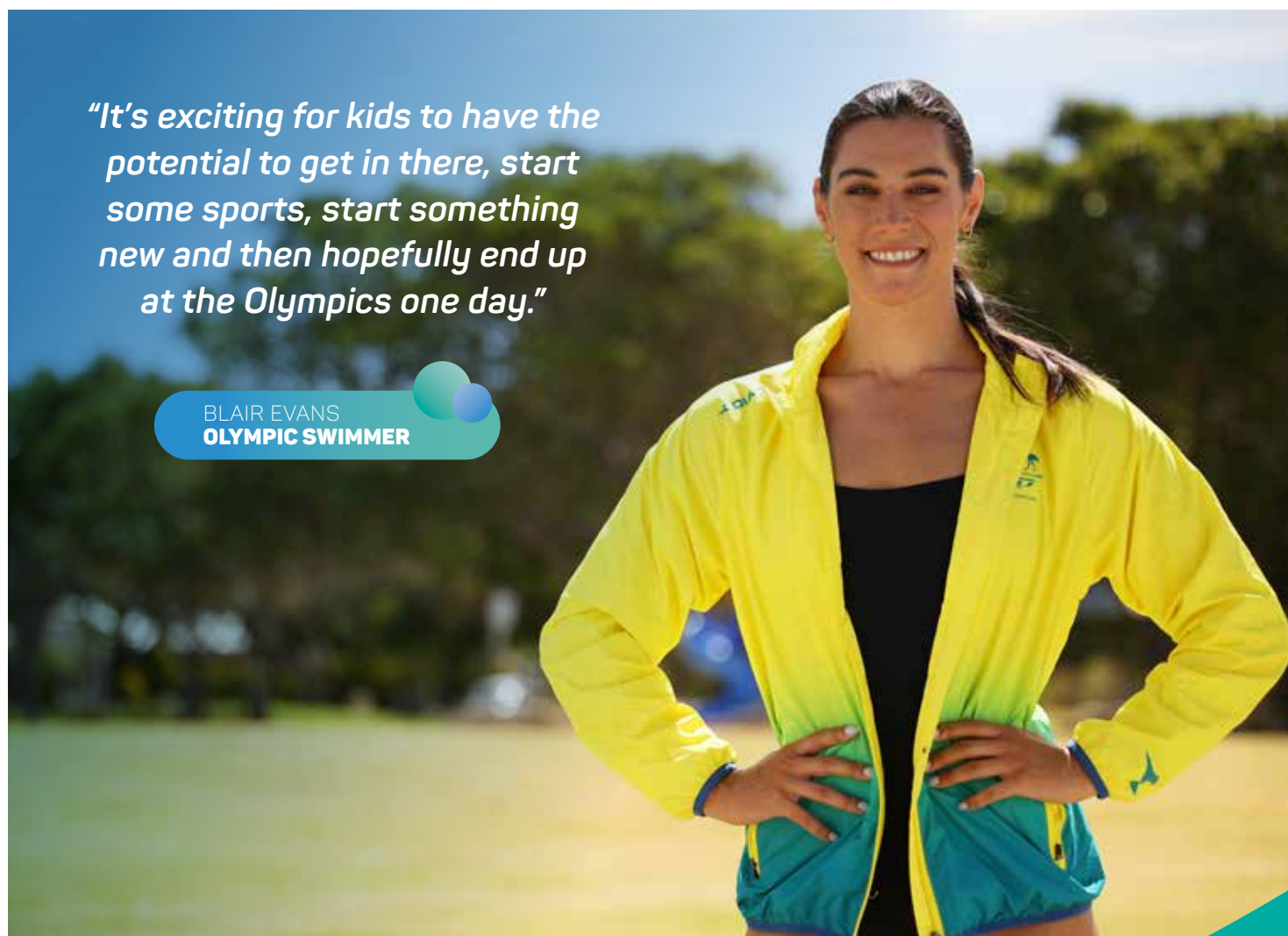
"It's exciting for kids to have the potential to get in there, start some

sports, start something new and then hopefully end up at the Olympics one day."

Show your support for the Alkimos Aquatic and Recreation Centre and help the City attract additional funding for the project by completing the short online form, available at [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/alkimospool](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/alkimospool)

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BLAIR EVANS  
OLYMPIC SWIMMER



# Project updates

## CCTV

*The City of Wanneroo has deployed three new mobile CCTV units to enhance safety and security for our community.*

The units will help combat antisocial behaviour and deter and solve crime in collaboration with local police.

Wanneroo Police Station officer in charge Senior Sergeant Mo Livingstone said CCTV was a proven antisocial behaviour and crime prevention measure and a valuable tool to help identify offenders.

"We work very closely with the City of Wanneroo and local residents to keep the community safe, and the benefits of this collaboration are further enhanced and supported by CCTV," Senior Sergeant Livingstone said.

"Being able to move the poles to different locations as needed is a welcome boost to our surveillance capacity in public areas to help create a safer environment for our community."

The City received a grant of \$100,000 from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries to fund the project.



## Wonambi Park, Wanneroo

*Wanneroo families have been enjoying the recently upgraded amenities at Wonambi Park.*

Children of all ages can make use of the new playground equipment which includes a cubby house, slides, balancing bridge, tunnel, sand play and monkey bars.

Other upgrades include barbeque facilities, scenic picnic areas and new seating, creating an inviting and inclusive outdoor space for the community.

The park upgrades are particularly meaningful for City of Wanneroo Pioneer Nancy Bannister (nee Crisafulli).

A bench seat with a plaque honouring the pioneering Crisafulli and Spiers families, who once lived on properties adjacent to Wonambi Park, takes pride of place in the park and is the perfect spot for reflection.

The \$255,000 upgrade at Wonambi Park was fully funded through the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Program.



## Kingsway Netball Pavilion

*The Wanneroo Districts Netball Association (WDNA) community continues to benefit from upgrades to their facilities at Kingsway Regional Sporting Complex.*

Stage 1 works comprised a kitchenette, first-aid room, umpire and match official rooms, offices, toilets and meeting rooms.

Stage 2 works included change rooms, a commercial kitchen, a multipurpose hall, equipment store rooms and toilets.

More than 10,000 people, including players, spectators, coaches, umpires and officials, use the WDNA facility each week. According to WDNA President Yvette Thomson, during 2021 more than 1,000 netball teams used the courts and there is rarely a time when the clubrooms are not being used.



"The new offices have allowed our staff to settle in and work in a state-of-the-art facility, with room to move and plenty of much needed storage, but the most important benefit from the upgrade is the new toilet block and change rooms," she said.

Yvette said that in addition to being functional, the facility has been beautifully designed.

"To the best of our knowledge, we are the only complex with 57 outdoor courts in the world and we feel very fortunate to have use of such a beautiful facility," she said.

"WDNA is definitely the envy of other netball associations in Perth!"

The upgrades were completed with a budget of \$3.1 million, including \$2.6 million from the City of Wanneroo and a \$500,000 grant from the State Government's Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund.



## Belhaven Park, Quinns

*The Quinns Districts Junior Football Club (QDJFC) is one of several sporting clubs making use of the new facilities at Belhaven Park in Quinns Rocks.*

The \$1.4 million sports amenities building includes unisex changerooms, a kiosk and servery, first aid and umpires rooms, store rooms and public toilets.

While QDJFC's home ground is at Anthony Waring Park in Clarkson, eight of the club's 32 teams use Belhaven Park all-season for training, as well as the busy pre-season training period.

QDJFC President Dan Jezierski said the club appreciated having access to the facilities at Belhaven.

"Being able to use the new sports building at Belhaven has helped us a

lot, especially having access to storage space, which is very much needed," he said.

The City contributed \$500,000 and received a Community Infrastructure Grant of \$500,000 from the Federal Government, as well as \$400,000 from the State Government's Community Sporting and Recreation Facilities Fund to bring the project to fruition.



# AUTUMN EVENTS

2022

## CELEBRATE DIVERSITY AT WANNEROO FESTIVAL

*15 to 21 March 2022 is Harmony Week, a state-wide initiative that encourages us all to experience, explore and appreciate Western Australia's wealth of cultural, religious, linguistic and ethnic diversity.*

More than 40 per cent of the City of Wanneroo's population were born overseas, and 20 per cent of residents speak a language other than English at home, with the most common languages being Vietnamese, Afrikaans, Arabic, Gujarati, Filipino and Mandarin.

This year, we're celebrating Harmony Week with the return of the Wanneroo Festival, an exciting community event that showcases the City's rich

diversity, promotes multiculturalism and encourages inclusiveness within the community.

The event will feature food trucks serving up a delicious array of cuisines, traditional music and dances from across the globe, and a daring drone display to cap-off a wonderful evening.

The City is grateful to have received a grant of \$35,000 to help fund the festival



**Saturday 19 March 2022**

2pm to 9pm

Wanneroo Showgrounds  
Cnr Ariti Avenue & Wanneroo Road

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



## CITY FUNDING SUPPORTS POPULAR NAIDOC EVENT

The community enjoyed an afternoon celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and arts at the 2021 Outer North NAIDOC event in Merriwa on 19 November.

Delivered by the passionate Outer North NAIDOC Committee (ONNC), the event featured traditional performances and community stalls selling arts and crafts.

The ONNC received \$4,884 to deliver the 2021 event through the City's Community Funding program, and has since been successful in securing additional funding through the City's Flagship Funding program to help deliver the event for the next three years.

Tracy Tuari, Chair of the ONNC, said the funding was hugely beneficial in

helping the committee ensure that the work they were doing to celebrate First Nations culture could remain local.

"The purpose of the Outer North NAIDOC event celebration is to provide a safe, friendly, engaging and educational environment, where families and individuals can participate in fun and informative activities aligning with the NAIDOC theme that will assist in educating the community on First Nations Australia culture in a vibrant and interactive way, whilst creating a sense of connectedness between people of all nationalities living in the Northern suburbs," Tracy said.

"Given the impacts of COVID-19 and all of the delays and restrictions



brought about by this, the event provided an opportunity for the community to come together and enjoy culture including high calibre musicians, dance and art alongside food, kids activities and community partners."

The City of Wanneroo is proud to support eligible local community groups and organisations through its Community Funding Program.

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



# FOOD TRUCKS, MARKET STALLS AND MORE

## 12 MARCH – THE MARINA SWIM

Hosted in the clear and calm waters of Mindarie Marina, swimmers will be able to experience open water swimming within the safety of the marina. The Marina Swim has several different events to choose from, including the 1.25km City of Wanneroo Swim Classic, making it an event for the whole family to enjoy.

Register at [themarinaswim.com](http://themarinaswim.com)

## 17 MARCH – 2022 WANNEROO BUSINESS EXPO

The Wanneroo Business Association are bringing a buzz to Mindarie this March! Join the local business community for a busy day of networking and building connections, with over 500 attendees expected through the doors. For more information, visit [wba.asn.au](http://wba.asn.au)

## 9 APRIL – YANCHEP TWILIGHT MARKETS

Looking for a great gift, a nifty knick-knack or some of the freshest produce sourced from local growers? Then search the stalls at our twilight markets to grab a bargain. Yanchep's Old Nursery Park is the setting for this relaxed affair, so pick a spot on the grass and bask in the live music and late summer vibes. For more information, visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/events](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/events)



All events are subject to change in line with State Government public health and safety measures. Please visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au) for details.







Heritage Advisor Sooz at Cooper's Lime Kilns in Mindarie.

**What's Happening sat down with the City of Wanneroo's Heritage Advisor, Sooz, to talk about local heritage and why it's so important.**

**What does a day in the life of a Heritage Advisor look like?**

Heritage is such a huge part of the City of Wanneroo and my role reflects this.

The City's State Heritage Listed properties, Cockman House and Buckingham House, are managed by a team of staff, including myself and volunteers. The houses are both Museums, so the Museum team look after the objects, the Heritage Education Team look after the programs and events, and I liaise with all stakeholders for the maintenance and preservation of the houses and surrounding landscaped precincts.

I also oversee heritage grant applications and submissions for heritage awards, but by far the biggest part of my role is as an advisor to the City and community on heritage sites. I am currently project lead for the review of the City's Local Heritage Survey.

**What is the Local Heritage Survey and what does it mean for our City?**

The WA Heritage Act requires local governments to identify places of cultural heritage significance through a local heritage survey (LHS).

Heritage surveys provide the base information for local heritage planning to achieve consistency, strategic direction and community support, and are periodically subject to review and update. As community involvement is critical in this review, public consultation is a key component.

The City is invested in the preservation of its heritage. With the constant growth through the northern corridor, protecting heritage places built by our pioneering community is hugely important. Recording them in the LHS is the first step in this process.

# Five minutes with...

## Heritage Advisor Sooz

**So what comes next for this project?**

The review involves a two phase community engagement process. Phase one focused on inviting the community to nominate new places for assessment and potential inclusion into the heritage survey, adding comments to any new nominations, and providing feedback and comments on existing heritage places. These nominations and feedback are currently being assessed, and will soon be presented to Council for consideration.

Phase two of the community engagement will focus on gathering community feedback on the

drafted version of the review. This consultation will open in June 2022, so be sure to keep an eye out on the City's website and Facebook page.

This community engagement will then be summarised in a final report that will be provided to Council for endorsement.

**What is your favourite heritage site within the City?**

There are 26 lime kilns recorded throughout WA and Wanneroo is home to 15 of them.

For more information on the City's Local Heritage Survey, visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/heritage](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/heritage)

## Autumn at Cockman House and Buckingham House

Bring heritage to life this autumn by visiting the City's two heritage homes, open to the public each Sunday from March to May. Explore these heritage gems at the heart of Wanneroo:

**Buckingham House** is located at 10 Neville Drive, Wanneroo.

**Cockman House** is located off Ancestor Retreat, Woodvale Drive, Woodvale.

Visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au) to find out more.



## Noongar seasons Djeran (April-May)

In the Noongar seasonal calendar, Djeran season marks an end to the really hot weather and the return of cool nights and dewy early mornings. The winds also change, with light breezes changing direction from south easterly to south westerly. Many flying ants can be seen cruising around in the light winds.

Djeran is a time of red flowers, especially from the red flowering gum and the summer flame. As you travel around Perth, you may notice the red 'rust' and seed cones forming on the sheoaks. Banksias start to display their flowers, providing nectar for many small mammals and birds.



# Sustainability in the City

## How green is your verge?

*Did you know that each year, the City of Wanneroo plants approximately 3,000 new trees in parks, streetscapes and residential verges? Or that the City offers a free verge tree planting service every winter?*

Planted trees are watered by City staff for a two-year establishment period and maintained by the City for life. There are several species to choose from including Agonis (Western Australian Peppermint), Melaleuca (Paperbark), Callistemon (Bottlebrush) and Eucalyptus (Gum tree).

To green your verge in 2022, head to [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/vergetreerequest](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/vergetreerequest) before 30 April. After this date, requests will be added to the 2023 planting schedule.



## Sustainability workshops

### *Looking to live a more sustainable lifestyle?*

Learn how to make a change or pick up a new skill in this series of free workshops that cover everything from preserving food, starting a worm farm, composting and propagating plants.

#### **Autumn workshops: Modern Cloth Nappies**

Did you know that a baby uses around 3,000 nappies in their first year? Young and expectant families are welcome to join us and learn about modern reusable cloth nappies for newborns and toddlers at these FREE workshops.

Thursday 17 March / 11am / Girrawheen Library

Wednesday 13 April / 11am / Wanneroo Library

Wednesday 18 May / 11am / Yanchep Two Rocks Library

All of our upcoming sustainability sessions are free, but bookings are essential. To find out more and to book, visit [wanneroolibraries.eventbrite.com.au](http://wanneroolibraries.eventbrite.com.au)

## The Great Recycling Challenge

*Once again, our friendly community waste education officers will hit the streets as part of the City of Wanneroo's Great Recycling Challenge. The household education campaign urges residents to 'recycle right' to be in the running for a share of prizes.*

Two thousand households across the City will be randomly chosen to take part in the Challenge between March and April, and will receive a letter explaining the program. Members of the City's Waste team will conduct simple visual checks of selected kerbside bins and provide feedback on tags left on bin handles.

Mayor Roberts said the City is committed to improving waste management but needs the community's help.

"I hope that the households selected to take part will embrace the Challenge and see it as a fantastic opportunity to improve their waste sorting habits and protect the environment," she said.

"The City's new garden organics service has a contamination rate of less than one per cent, which is incredible. The cleaner we make our waste streams, the better the outcomes for our community and our planet."

Participants in the 2019 inaugural Challenge reported pride in seeing



their neighbour's waste behaviours improve as more and more bins received smiley faces across the course of the program.

Visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/recycleright](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/recycleright) for more information.

## WALGA Energy contract

*The City has committed to change energy supply for 32 high energy using sites to 100 per cent renewable within three years, through a new energy contract, facilitated by WALGA.*

The new contract will ensure the City is well on the way towards not only achieving, but exceeding the emission reduction targets set out in the Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Strategy. The uptake of 100 per cent renewable energy at these sites by the 2024/25 financial year is set to reduce the City's emissions by 4,813 tonnes of CO<sub>2</sub>-e.





# What's on at the libraries?

## BEE HOTEL WORKSHOPS

We all know that our environment is buzzing with bees, but how much do you know about the vital role they play in our ecosystem?

In this workshop, you'll explore the fascinating behaviour of our native WA bees and learn how to create a bee hotel; the perfect destination for these important little creatures.

Thursday 21 April / 10.30am / Girrawheen Library

Thursday 21 April / 2pm / Wanneroo Library

Friday 22 April / 10.30am / Clarkson Library

Friday 22 April / 2pm / Yanchep Two Rocks Library

FREE, bookings essential

## BABY AND TODDLER DEVELOPMENT SESSIONS

Discover all the latest certified information about sleep routines, nutrition and child safety for your baby or toddler at these interactive sessions, run by child experts from the Ngala team.

These free sessions are perfect for all caregivers, including parents, grandparents and other guardians.

Monday 14 or 21 March / 9.30am / Wanneroo Library

Friday 25 March or 1 April / 9.30am / Clarkson Library

Friday 22 or 29 April / 9.30am / Wanneroo Library

FREE, bookings essential

[wanneroolibraries.eventbrite.com.au](http://wanneroolibraries.eventbrite.com.au)

## SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

Join thousands of bookworms across the country for National Simultaneous Storytime this May.

The annual event promotes the value of reading and literacy for young minds, with the whole country tuning in to share a story in the same week.

This year, children across Australia will be reading *Family Tree* by Josh Pyke, a sweet children's book celebrating families and people who care.

City of Wanneroo libraries will be hosting special story sessions between 17 and 20 May, where kids, parents and families can celebrate growing up, nature and learning by planting a seedling in a pot to take home.

Free, booking essential. For times please visit [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/libraries](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/libraries)



# What's on at the Wanneroo Gallery?



Susan Hoy, Quinns Beach Cottage after Australia Day 2007.

## ART AWARDS AND EXHIBITION

Visit the Wanneroo Gallery to see the inspiring and innovative works currently on display as part of the rescheduled City of Wanneroo 2020 Art Awards and Exhibition.

The exhibition features a range of wonderful works from talented Western Australian artists in categories including Painting, Sculpture, Works on Paper, and Photo, Film and Digital Media.

### Exhibiting until Thursday 14 April 2022

Wednesday to Saturday / 10am-4pm

Closed Sundays and public holidays

The Gallery, Wanneroo Library and Cultural Centre  
3 Rocca Way, Wanneroo WA 6065

## SAVE THE DATE:

'Let me be Myself' The Life Story of Anne Frank.

The Wanneroo Gallery will once again host this iconic travelling exhibition that connects the personal story of the Frank family with the important historical events of the time.

Now updated, the exhibition culminates with contemporary stories of discrimination and exclusion, giving voice to today's youth from various backgrounds and with diverse identities.

### Exhibiting from 4 May to 5 August 2022

10am to 4pm Wednesday to Saturday

(Closed Sunday and public holidays)

The Gallery, Wanneroo Library and Cultural Centre  
3 Rocca Way, Wanneroo



## Autumn fun at Aquamotion

*The weather may be cooling down, but there's no need to worry, as you still have time to bring the family down for a run across Aquamotion's inflatable obstacle course.*

The obstacle course will be up and running from 1pm to 3pm every Sunday until 10 April 2022.

While you're here, have a splash around with your little ones in the leisure pool, heated to a toasty 29 degrees year-round. The kids will love the wonderful water fountains and are guaranteed to have a bucket load of fun.

Find out more at [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/aquamotion](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/aquamotion)



## Junior clinics are back at Kingsway

*Our popular junior clinics are returning to Kingsway Indoor Stadium for term two.*

All your favourite sports are back, including basketball, soccer, netball, badminton, tennis, cheerleading and acrobatics, plus we've added timeslots to make sure we can cater for even more participants, following the increased demand we saw last term.

Did you know that our amazing coaching team is spearheaded by Wayne Simmons, one of the best junior basketball coaches in the state? Wayne brings a wealth of knowledge and experience with him and has put together a fantastic program that will help your child learn new skills, improve their abilities and have heaps of fun along the way.

Head to [wanneroo.wa.gov.au/kingsway](http://wanneroo.wa.gov.au/kingsway) to register for the autumn Junior Clinics.



# Freemen of the City

*Did you know there are five men and women who have received the title of Freeman of the City of Wanneroo?*

The title of Freeman of the City is an honour bestowed upon individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to the local community, Australia and humanity through their personal endeavours and commitment.

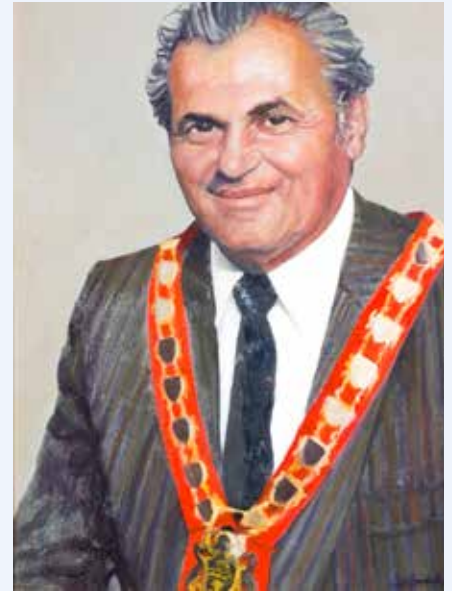
Read on to learn more about our Freeman and the incredible contributions they have made to the City.

## NICK TRANDOS

Nicolas (Nick) Trandos OAM JP, was born in Kafalari, Greece in 1934. When Nick was four years old, his father Dimitrios immigrated to Australia to find a better life for his family, however it would be 11 years before Nick, together with his mother and brother, joined Dimitrios in Wanneroo. Nick completed his schooling and began working in the family's vegetable garden business. This early experience in the family business led to a lifelong interest in the market gardening industry, with Nick going on to serve as President of the WA Market Gardeners' Association for 25 years.

Nick has been an active member of the Wanneroo and Joondalup communities since 1960, when his work in local government began. He served a total of 24 years as a Council Member from 1960 to 1966 and again from 1970 to 1988. He was the Shire of Wanneroo's last President and the former City of Wanneroo's first Mayor. During his time in local government, Nick founded the Olympic Kingsway Sports Club and was President of the club from 1966 to 1968 and again from 1996 to 2005.

In 1988, Nick was awarded the Medal of the Order of Australia for community service and named as the City of Wanneroo's first Freeman. That same year, Nick retired from local government but he remains well remembered in the community as a man of great vision and community spirit.



*Nick Trandos, Linda Van Der Merwe.  
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*William (Bill) Marwick, Linda Van Der Merwe.  
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## BILL MARWICK

William (Bill) Marwick OAM was born in York in 1939, before moving to Wanneroo with his wife Bernice in 1973.

In 1974, Bill and Bernice started Wanneroo's first newspaper, The Wanneroo Community News, in partnership with another local couple. The paper quickly became a valuable forum in which local community groups and the then Shire of Wanneroo could advise residents and ratepayers of council services and activities. Over the years the publication evolved, eventually becoming The Wanneroo District Times and then The Wanneroo Times.

A Wanneroo Councillor from 1988 to 1994, including a term as Mayor, Bill served on many committees and groups including the Wanneroo Lions Club, Warwick Scout Group, Wanneroo Chamber of Commerce and the Wanneroo Rotary Club. He founded the Wanneroo and Districts Historical Society in 1989 and was President for 16 years.

Bill has been involved in interviewing and recording oral histories of many pioneering families in the Wanneroo and Joondalup areas. He has written two books, Stories of Old Wanneroo and The Times of Wanneroo.

In 2004, Bill was named an Exemplary Citizen by Lions Clubs International for community service. That same year he was made a Freeman of the City of Wanneroo for community involvement and his work recording the region's long history.

## MARGARET COCKMAN

Born in 1931, Margaret Cockman OAM has lived in Wanneroo for her entire life. Margaret comes from one of the City's founding families and her old family home, Cockman House, is now one of the City's museums.

Margaret has dedicated many years of her life to the local community, including more than five decades working in local government until her retirement in 1996. Without Margaret, many associations and community organisations in the cities of Wanneroo and Joondalup would not exist.

Over the years, Margaret has been actively involved in, and even founded, several groups including the Wanneroo Country Women's Association, Wanneroo Agricultural Society and Wanneroo and Districts Historical Society. Margaret also co-authored and researched the book *The Story of Wanneroo* with Guy Daniel in 1979.

Margaret was recognised for her community work in 1990 when she received the Medal of the Order of Australia and again in 2001 when she was awarded the Centenary Medal. She received the title Freeman of the City of Wanneroo in 1995 for her work in service of the community since 1946.



*Margaret Cockman, Linda Van Der Merwe.  
Acquired 2005, Oil on Canvas.*



*Ruth Reid, Linda Van Der Merwe.  
Acquired 2005, Oil on Canvas.*

## RUTH REID

Ruth Reid AM, CIT WA was born in 1921 and is well known for her life-long involvement with community service, including during her time at Government House when her husband Professor Gordon Reid AC served as WA's 26th Governor from 1984 to 1989.

Ruth has dedicated over 50 years to volunteer work, supporting community groups and organisations including Save The Children, WA Reconciliation Advisory Group, St John Ambulance, the Blind Institute, Foster Carers' Association, Safety Houses Association, Autism Association of WA and Camps for Kids. Ruth was awarded a Member of the Order of Australia in 1998 and named Western Australian Citizen of the Year in 2000 for her work in community service.

In 2013, Ruth was announced the winner of the Lifetime Contribution to Volunteering Award presented at the WA Volunteer of the Year Awards.

## GRAHAM EDWARDS

Graham Edwards AM was born in Kalgoorlie in 1946. Graham was raised in the small mining community of Mt Ida and became a fireman for Westrail when he was 16 years old. He served in the army during the 1960s and 1970s and was wounded twice in Vietnam, the second time losing his legs to a land mine.

After discharge from the army and a period of rehabilitation, Graham spent ten years with the Commonwealth Public Service in Defence, Veterans' Affairs and the Vietnam Veterans' Counselling Service. He has served the community for many years, including as a volunteer with organisations in the City of Wanneroo, and as a member of State and Federal Parliaments.

Graham is well known for his tireless work in relation to veterans and his ongoing support of many advocacy groups and community organisations, including Wheelchairs for Kids.

Graham was awarded the title Freeman of the City of Wanneroo in 2008 and was made a Member of the Order of Australia in 2012.



*Graham Edwards, Linda Van Der Merwe.  
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