

Seniors Week November 2024

The Shire of Peppermint Grove, Towns of Cottesloe & Mosman Park collaborated once again to offer a fun filled week of free activities for Seniors Week which was jam packed with activities.

They ranged from Seniors Morning Tea with two forms of entertainment, a film screening of 'The Sapphires' at the Heritage Theatre Cottesloe, one day of Hearing Tests by Connect Hearing, Prime Movers Exercise Classes, a Sundowner Special at The Heritage Club Lounge Cottesloe, Zumba Classes,



Bones n Balance Classes, an Active Aging Workshop, Improve Your Health Workshop as well as a full day of Foot Assessments by The Foot Clinic.

To ensure there's no disappointment for Seniors Week 2025 make sure you book the activities which interest you the most in plenty of time.

Make a note in your diary to call the appropriate numbers as soon as you see the promotional material at The Grove Library and on the council websites around October.



Bay View and Keane Street Parking

Work is anticipated to start in the winter months to improve the parking for Manners Hill Park and the Tennis Club users along Bay View Terrace and in Keane Street from Bay View Terrace towards The Esplanade. The current parking arrangements will be formalised with kerbing and sealed bays. Some of the old/dying peppermint trees will be replaced.

Road Network Traffic Review

Over a number of years the Shire has undertaken traffic counts on the Shire roads to assess vehicle volumes, crash data, movements and speeds. The most recent survey is being provided to residents, with the survey covering all streets in the Shire.

The survey is available on the Shire's website. Concerns are sometimes raised about speeding vehicles, however it is interesting to note that the survey actually shows that the speed of vehicles across most streets has reduced over a 10 year period.

Foreshore Management Plan

The Shire is in the process of developing a management plan for the Foreshore Cliffs, from the bottom of Leake Street to the top of The Esplanade at Bindaring. The plan will outline the key areas that the Shire needs to manage in this area, including bushfire management, cliff safety, vegetation and fauna management and ensure safe access for the community. A survey seeking community feedback is available on the Shire's web page or through our Facebook page.

Please note the survey closes 21st April.



Memorial Wall Official Opening

The Memorial Wall official opening at the foreshore was held Thursday 14th November 2024.

Shire President Karen Farley marked the ceremonial event by cutting the ribbon along with Sacha Chiaramonte a shire resident who initiated the idea

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of creating a memorial space within the Shire in memory of his daughter Olympia.

To find out more, please refer to the Shire's website: www.peppermintgrove.wa.gov.au for details and an application form.

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The Grove Library

1 Leake Street
(adjacent to the Council Office)
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The Grove Library Hours

Monday – Thursday 9am – 6pm
Friday 9am – 5pm
Saturday 10am – 4pm
Sunday 12noon – 4pm

Join Our Email List

Get advance notice of new books and upcoming events for adults by sending a request to: library@thegrovelibrary.com



Parents and Carers Join Us for Rhyme Time at the Grove.

Rhyme Time is a fun, early literacy programme especially developed for children from birth to 2 years of age.

There's always lots of singing, rhymes and reading.

Stay afterwards and enjoy a coffee and chat with other grown-ups, with toys for the babies. This is a drop-in event...No bookings required.

Baby Rhyme Time & Story Time details as follows:

Where: The Grove Library

11 months of the year: February through to December

When: Monday and Thursday

Time: 9:30am and 10:30am

Running time: 25 minutes

Easter Egg Colouring Competition 2025

Launched Saturday 8th March.

Winners announced Monday 14th April.

Colour and decorate an Easter Egg for a chance to win a delicious Chocolate Rabbit for Easter. Winners will be chosen based on the most creative and festive Easter Eggs.

Entries will be available online and in The Grove Library.



Egg Hatching Program 2025

From: Monday 14th April – Thursday 24th April 2025.

"Chickens in the Library" over the whole April school holidays. With colouring pictures available, it's a fun time for the kids watching them grow.

School holidays are never boring at The Grove library.

If you have a current Grove Library Card, you can join us for lots of fun

and entertainment during the school holidays.

If you need more information, please email Stewart our Youth Services Librarian and ask to be added to the email list or request further information: sfarley@thegrovelibrary.com

All events require bookings, so when you receive your email, please be quick to book a spot to avoid disappointment. Emails are sent out 2 weeks prior to the school holidays.



Trident Kids Club 2025

Hey kids it's time! Pick up a Trident Club Card from The Grove Library.

Each time you come into the library you collect one sticker on your club card. When your card is full bring it to the counter to collect a spot prize.

A club that rewards years 1 to 6 and students for reading.



Story Time at the River – Easter Egg Hunt

Where: Manners Hill Park Pavilion

When: Tuesday 8th April 2025

Time: 10.30am – 11.30am

Ages: Preschool and lower

Join us for songs, stories, sun and chocolate; it's Easter Story Time at Perth's best river park!



Facebook and Instagram

The Shire has new Facebook and Instagram pages, so you can now follow us for regular updates.

Carols by Candlelight 2024

On Sunday 8th December in Manners Hill Park our Peppermint Grove community gathered once again in support of The Salvation Army Christmas Appeal. Residents dug deep and bought raffle tickets for their chance to win some incredible prizes.

As is the tradition the evening commenced with the bagpipes, this year played by siblings Zeke Richie from Scotch College and Jasmine from PLC. Shire President Karen Farley welcomed everyone to the event, Reverend Sam Song recited a prayer and Jenny Simpson our MC commenced the evening.

Throughout the night a chorus of familiar Christmas carols were sung by The Mighty Camelot Choir accompanied by the Balga Community Band.

The Shire is extremely grateful to our dedicated volunteers Janice Rooney and Julia Hayes whose assistance has been invaluable over the last 3 years in sourcing and organising an array of raffle prizes from local businesses. Unfortunately, both Janice and Julia have both stepped down from their volunteer positions to dedicate their time to other things, therefore, if anyone is interested in volunteering and helping with our annual Carols by Candlelight please contact Penny directly on 9286 8620.

For 2024 the grand total raised was \$3361 for The Salvation Army's Christmas Appeal.

Thank you to all the local businesses who participated in giving quality prizes and especially to our amazing Peppermint Grove community for their incredibly generous support.



From L to R: Janice Rooney, Karen Farley & Julia Hayes



Save the Date – Peppermint Grove Community Day

Planning for the Shire's inaugural "Peppermint Grove Community Day" is underway. This is scheduled for Saturday 25th October as a breakfast at the Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club. The morning will be all about Peppermint Grove, including the presentation of Citizen and Community Group/event of the year awards, naturalisation ceremony, a meet and greet of the Shire Councillors and executive staff including meeting the new Shire Councillors following the local government elections the week before and thanking councillors retiring for their services. More information will be sent out closer to the event on how to register for this free event.

Keane Street

Keane Street was named after Edward Vivian Harvey Keane (1844 – 1904). Born in England, Keane was apprenticed to railway contractors William Dargan, Peto & Betts and became a civil engineer. He emigrated to Victoria in 1876 and then to South Australia where he married Lilla Rebecca Wharton White in 1877.

Four of the most famous Peppermint Grove families were subsidised by the unique hardwood forests of the South-West. Arriving in Perth in 1882, Keane established a building company and made many strong friendships with Perth's most influential men, including John and Alexander Forrest.

The year he arrived in Perth, he successfully tendered to build sections of the Guildford to York railway and in 1895, the extension of the line from Bunbury to Boyanup, and from Geraldton to Walkaway. Keane's company built the Fremantle Town Hall and the Perth Cathedral.

In 1893 he bought 16 acres of land from the original syndicate that subdivided John Butler's 250 acres, costing around £127 per acre. His purchase included Butlers Hump, which was promptly renamed Keanes Point. Atop a hill with a panoramic outlook, Keane built his single storey Cappoquin House, named after his homeland in Ireland, a grand home whose beautiful gardens became a well-known showpiece. Whilst the house was called Cappoquin by the family, the property was always known as Keanes Point.



Edward Keane and grand daughter sat outside Cappoquin House

Keane's fortunes turned and he resigned as mayor in 1892 for health reasons. After a decade of controversy and severe financial and physical hardship, Keane died in 1904 aged just 60. Cappoquin House was used as a rehabilitation home for returned servicemen after WW1 and later in 1936 became the Clubhouse of Royal Freshwater Bay Yacht Club.

Keane Street is said to be the first road formally laid in Peppermint Grove because of Edward Keane's decision to build a direct link from the Perth-Fremantle Road (Stirling Highway) to his home at Keanes Point. This made access to the Cottesloe train station easier than ferrying goods across Freshwater Bay to access Claremont train station.