



PepTalk

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Australia Day at Peppermint Grove

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Lesley Thomas, Rachel Thomas and Annie Fogarty

Residents enjoyed pleasant weather, a picture-perfect setting and a free community barbecue breakfast after eight new citizens were welcomed to the Shire, and the 2019 Australia Day Awards were presented to both a deserving individual and community group. Annie Fogarty, Executive Chairperson of the Fogarty Foundation was presented as Citizen of the Year 2019 while Lesley Thomas accepted an award on behalf of the Make New & Mend group for Active Citizenship – Community Group 2019.

The Fogarty Foundation was established by Annie and her husband Brett in 2000 to support and provide educational and leadership opportunities for young people across the spectrum of the WA community. The Foundation focuses on education as the most effective way to enable individuals to realise their potential and through them to drive positive change in our

community. For example, the UWA Fogarty Scholarship Program funds ten scholarships a year to students across a range of disciplines. The scholarships provide tailored programs that focus on developing transformative leadership skills so that the students will be able to make their mark in their chosen fields as leaders of the future.

The Make New & Mend group originated from a waste and recycling workshop held at the Shire in 2012 and this keen group of people aged between 13 and almost 90 years of age have met at the Shire's council chambers every Saturday since then. The aim of the group is to encourage and support local residents to engage in craft and mending for social and environmental reasons. The group has contributed to many community events including the Less is More Festival and children's workshops. New members and visitors are always welcome to their Saturday sessions.



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A message from the Shire President

Welcome to the Summer edition of PepTalk.

The 2019 Combined Councils' Australia Day ceremony was hosted by the Shire and held at Manners Hill Park. We enjoyed beautiful weather, a picture perfect setting and a free community barbeque breakfast.

We welcomed eight new citizens to the Shire and presented awards to our Citizen of the Year 2019, Annie Fogarty, and to Make, New & Mend group for Active Citizenship – Community Group.

I encourage you to read the front cover article about Annie's exceptional work with the Fogarty Foundation and the contribution it makes to education in the State.

The Council was very sorry to hear of the passing of Dr Neil Cumpston. Neil was a Councillor of the

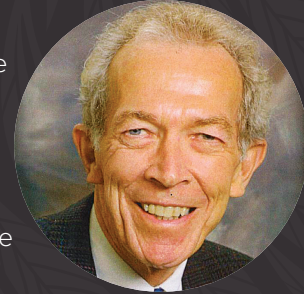
Shire from 1973 to 1998 including a period as Shire President.

He was an indefatigable supporter of Peppermint Grove and in his many years as a Councillor made a huge contribution to protecting the character, amenity and heritage of this community.

The Shire was very lucky that Neil and Beverley chose to make their home here. He will be sadly missed.

With best wishes,

Cr Rachel Thomas | Shire President



Carols by Candlelight

The 2018 Peppermint Grove Carols by Candlelight was a great success. The December evening provided hundreds of residents with the opportunity to catch up with friends and neighbours with their picnic baskets in Manners Hill Park.

Thanks to generous donations from local businesses, hundreds of raffle tickets were sold and the proceeds from this, as well as glow products, a sausage sizzle and song books, were all donated to the Balga Early Learning Centre through the Salvation Army.

The evening was opened by Shire President Rachel Thomas who welcomed everybody to the popular annual event and then it was over to the audience, who were led by the Mighty Camelot Choir and accompanied by the Salvation Army

Band. It was a fantastic night and as well as raising money for a great cause, it brought the whole local community together.

To help make next year's event a bigger and better success, the committee are looking for new and enthusiastic members to come on board. If you are interested in helping out in your local community and would like to meet other like-minded people in doing so, please contact the Community Development Officer, Vanessa O'Brien at cdo@peppermintgrove.wa.gov.au



Shire Strives to Save Centenarian Shade

Trees are iconic to the Peppermint Grove streetscape - even the name of the Shire is a tribute to the native local tree. Sadly, despite our best efforts, a century-old Moreton Bay Fig (*Ficus macrophylla*) that has stood tall on the corner of The Esplanade and Irvine Street for four generations is not looking good.



In an effort to preserve the tree, the Shire engaged specialist assistance from an arborist in 2017, and an update was provided in January 2019. The report recommended a suite of measures that were promptly implemented. Despite this, whilst the canopy on the eastern side is showing some new leaf growth, the continuing loss and thinning of leaves apparent throughout the rest of the tree unfortunately indicates an overall state of progressive decline.

It was the opinion of the arborist that the Fig's decline was due to natural causes, and was not caused by tampering, vandalism or signs of toxic substances within the tree. It is encouraging to note that the neighbouring Moreton Bay Fig appears to be thriving.

The Shire will continue to monitor this tree closely (as we do with all of our significant trees) and do whatever we can to extend its life so long as it is safe to do so.

Volunteers Wanted

The Shire is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to ensure that Carols by Candlelight can be enjoyed by everyone in 2019 and beyond. Do you have a few hours to spare in the months leading up to Christmas? If you can see yourself working with a friendly, like-minded group of people to organise this much appreciated community event, please contact Vanessa O'Brien at cdo@peppermintgrove.wa.gov.au for more details.

Westcoast Community Centre

Westcoast Community Centre (WCC) has been a hub of community learning and activity in the area for over 25 years.

Situated in The Grove Library Precinct, WCC is committed to providing an eclectic range of learning and social opportunities to the local community. Dedicated volunteers work behind the scenes to deliver an engaging programme each term, including a range of arts and crafts, cooking demonstrations, opportunities for people to discover more about our beautiful city and its environs, and a diverse range of high profile speakers.

This term WCC is pleased to present Red Dog veterinarian, Rick Fenny, Journalist Patrick Cornish and former Governor of WA, Kerry Sanderson, amongst other fascinating speakers.

For more information or to enroll for any of the activities, please visit

www.westcoastcommunity.com.au



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Your Shire Councillors

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The Grove Library

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www.thegrovelibrary.net

The Grove Library Hours

Monday to Wednesday 9am - 6pm
Thursday 9am - 8pm
Friday 9am - 6pm
Saturday 9am - 4pm
Sunday 12noon - 4pm

Chapter 1 café hours

Monday to Friday 7.30am-3pm

Join Our Email List

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

Tech Help @ The Grove

The Grove Library can help with computer technology, from complete beginners to those struggling with a device or app.

Beginners can sign up for workshops held on Wednesday mornings, for a simple introduction to computers and the internet. Contact the library on 9286 8686 to check when the next course is starting.

For drop-in help with devices, e-books, applications and more, there are two options: Tuesday afternoons 4-5 pm with the students from PLC; or Friday mornings 10 - 12 noon with our tech help volunteers. No bookings required.



Kids Easter Egg Competition

Colour and decorate the Easter egg for a chance to win a yummy chocolate bunny or egg for Easter. Winners will be chosen on the most creative and festive Easter Eggs.

Competition is now open. Entries to be handed in to The Grove Library by Tuesday 16th April 6.00pm. Winners notified Wednesday 17th April.

Age Groups:

2 - 4 years • 5 - 7 years • 8 - 10 years • 11 - 13 years

A winner and runner-up will be chosen in each age group. Entry forms can be collected from The Grove Library or downloaded from The Grove Library website. Entrants must be Western Suburbs Library members.

April School Holidays

Chickens in the Library

By popular demand chickens will again be in the library for Easter!

Give the kids a front-and-centre view of the cycle of life and watch the chickens hatch and grow over the whole school holiday period; from egg to chicken.

The hatchery will be up and running from Monday 15th April.

Make your own wood wind chime

Join us for lots of fun making magical wind chimes with wood and beads. It sure will look beautiful swaying in the wind; and can be appreciated all year round.

Where: The Grove Library

When: Monday 15th April 2019

Time: 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Ages: 6 -11. Children under 6 are welcome if accompanied by an adult.

Cost: \$3, all supplies will be provided.

Places are limited - bookings are required. For more information or to book call the library on 9286 8686.

Easter story time by the river for kindy kids

Songs, stories, sun and chocolate; it's Easter story time at Perth's best river reserve!

Where: Keanes Point Reserve, Peppermint Grove

When: Tuesday 16th April

Time: 10.30am

Earth Day 2019 - craft afternoon

April is Earth Month at The Grove Library and we are excited to share Earth Day crafts. Kids can join us for a fun afternoon of cool crafts based on the theme of our unique and precious Earth.

Where: Community Centre

When: Tuesday 16th April 2019

Time: 1.30pm - 2.30pm

For ages 5 - 10 years old. Places are limited, bookings are required.

For more information or to book call the library on 9286 8686.



— What's On in Peppermint Grove —

Peppermint Grove Tennis Club

Want to learn how to play tennis, improve your game or get fit in a social environment? Come down and join in at Peppermint Grove Tennis Club! A wide range of tennis options are available for juniors, seniors and families wanting to play tennis and enjoy the physical and social benefits.



Tuesday Nights 7 - 8.30pm

For beginner and intermediate players involves coach facilitated warm up and three rotations of doubles play. **\$80/4 weeks.**

Wednesday Ladies Classes 9:15 - 10.45am

A good way to meet new people, socialise, have fun and improve your skills. Includes match play, cardio and technical tips.

\$30/session. www.primetennis.com.au

Saturday Social Play from 2pm

Welcomes non-members to come down and join in mixed social play with club members.

For intermediate + players. **\$15/week.**

The Club welcomes new members and offers a variety of membership options which can be viewed at www.pgtc.com.au



This Month at SHINE

FREE Community Aged Care Options Talk - Thursday 21st March

A FREE talk on the range of community aged care options available, including an overview of the Commonwealth Home Support Program and Home Care Packages. Please book your place today on 9253 5555. **Time: 11am - 12pm.**

Weekly Shopper Bus - Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

SHINE's shopper bus provides a door-to-door shopping experience, including assistance with carrying heavy shopping bags. Shopping destinations include, Claremont Quarter (Tuesday), Cottesloe Central (Tuesday), Mosman Park (Thursday) and Floreat Forum (Friday).

Weekly Exercise Classes - Tuesday, Thursday and Friday

SHINE's exercise classes provide the opportunity to keep active and improve your strength, balance and wellbeing. Tuesday, Thursday and Friday morning classes offer a range of exercise programs for all abilities, including a seated class (Friday).

Cost: \$10 Friday: \$5

Family Movie Night

Mark this in your diary - a family movie night under the stars at Peppermint Grove Tennis Club!



The movie will be the very funny 'Johnny English'. Gates open at 5.30pm.

**Friday 29 March
Peppermint Grove
Tennis Club
From 5.30pm**

For more information:
E: pgtc.movie.night@gmail.com

Heart Foundation Walking Groups

Save the date! The annual Heart Foundation Walking Groups' Morning Tea will be held on Friday 5 April.

There will be a change of venue this year and all walkers are asked to bring a friend.

If you already belong to a walking group, would like to join a walking group or already walk independently, you are welcome to come along.

Friday 5 April

For more information:

Vanessa O'Brien
P: 9286 8600

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Free First Aid course for the over 55s

A free St Johns First Aid course for Peppermint Grove over-55s will be held on 9 April from 10am - 12noon at the Alf Adams Pavilion in Mosman Park.

**Tuesday 9 April
Alf Adams Pavilion,
Mosman Park
10am - 12pm**

For more information:

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Public Information Session:

Freshwater Bay Erosion Control Project

Freshwater Bay has long been a popular recreation area used by families, walkers, swimmers, dog owners, divers, stand-up paddle boarders, recreational boaters and people just wanting a pleasant shady place to sit or read a book.

In recent years a section of the Freshwater Bay foreshore near Leake Street has become badly eroded and remedial work is required to preserve the foreshore and minimise further damage.

The Shire is pleased to announce it recently secured State Government funding through a Riverbank grant from DBCA to undertake important works in this section of Freshwater Bay aimed at addressing erosion and other related issues.

Specific actions include construction of a limestone headland to slow down sand loss, revegetation works, realignment of the stormwater drainage system, and reinstatement of the beach. As a guide, similar works have been completed recently at the South Perth foreshore to good effect. Reflecting our shared stewardship in this matter, this will be a 50/50 funded



NB: Drawing is an artist impression only and is not to scale.

project between DBCA and the Shire, with construction commencing in the coming months.

If you would like to find out more about this project, a public information session will be held on the foreshore at the bottom of Leake Street on Tuesday 2 April 2019 commencing at 5.30pm. Elected members, senior staff, engineers and DBCA representatives will be in attendance to explain the scope of the works. Residents are welcome to attend, ask questions and learn more about this exciting project.

New water main for Johnston Street

The Water Corporation proposes to construct about 1 kilometre of new water main on Johnston Street, between Stirling Highway and Bay View Terrace, in Mosman Park.

The new water main will replace ageing infrastructure, first installed between 1914 and 1933. Once complete, this work will help prevent future bursts and leaks in the area.

In late 2018 Water Corporation completed work to locate existing underground services including gas, telecommunications and electricity. This has resulted in all the markings on Johnson Street. The work is required to complete the design of the new water main.

Construction is currently planned to start next summer in 2019/2020 and will take about two months to complete. Further information about this work will be provided closer to the time.

This work forms part of the Corporation's Pipes for Perth program, aimed at improving the security and reliability of our metropolitan water supply. For more information about the Pipes for Perth program, visit www.watercorporation.com.au/PipesforPerth.

Bulk waste verge collection

While the Shire tries to be as accommodating as possible with this service, for a variety of reasons we **cannot** accept the following items:

- ❌ Gas bottles
- ❌ Vehicle parts, tyres or batteries
- ❌ Paint, liquids of any description, oils, flammable materials, acids or solvents
- ❌ Poisons, pesticides, medicines or other hazardous material
- ❌ Asbestos
- ❌ Food waste
- ❌ Building materials, cement or cement products, bricks, sand, rubble, plate glass etc.
- ❌ Mattresses or bed bases

Dates for upcoming verge collections:

• 8 April 2019 • 26 August 2019 • 9 December 2019

For more information on waste services please visit www.peppermintgrove.wa.gov.au/council/council-services

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