Snowcones and smiles at the Community Fair Photo: Courtney Holloway

# CELEBRATE NEIGHBOUR DAY AT THE COMMUNITY/FAIR

Good neighbours are vital to the fabric of any community, but with increasingly busy lives we often neglect building relationships with those living nearby. Participating in Neighbour Day is easy: just say g'day to the people living next door, or make a special effort to introduce yourself to the older residents in your street and anyone living alone. Swap telephone numbers for use in an emergency and help us build a safer, more connected community.

For Mosman Park residents it's easy to meet your neighbours on Neighbour Day – simply come down to the Town of Mosman Park's FREE Community Fair. Supported by Lotterywest, there will be an assortment of activities including live music, roving entertainment, a range of community stalls and lots of free rides and activities for the kids!

This year Community Fair goers have the opportunity to be part of the rambunctious celebration of recycling and music that is Junkadelic. Inspired by Mardi Gras/Calypso festivals and a myriad of musical forms, Junkadelic re-envisage 'Junk' as a resource for making instruments and break away from wasteful



trends, helping others to see what is possible with a lot of imagination and a little effort. Participants will have the opportunity to turning trash to treasure by making junk into musical instruments or join in a percussion and vocal workshop before the Junkadelic Big Band takes the stage at 4pm.

The fair will be held from **12pm – 5pm** on **Sunday 26 March** at Mann Oval, Lochee Street, Mosman Park.



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# TOWN NEWS



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# **LEADERSHIP** WITH DIVERSITY

The new management team for the Town of Mosman Park has now been confirmed, and for the first time ever there are now more women than men in leadership roles.



One of the first and most important orders of business for CEO Mark Goodlet, following his appointment in June 2016, was to recruit two new Executive Managers, and in so doing he chose Gabriela Poezyn (pictured above right) and Ms Bronwyn Rose (pictured above left) to head up the Planning and Regulatory Services team and the Corporate Services team, respectively.

Gabriela Poezyn brings to the Town of Mosman Park more than 20 years of WA-based local government experience in both statutory and strategic planning, including the past eight years at management level.

Bronwyn Rose is a Chartered Accountant and Certified Internal Auditor with 25 years of experience providing assurance and consulting services to state and local government. She has recently begun implementing a restructure of the Corporate Services team, sharpening the focus on the important functions of customer service and information management. They join Matthew MacPherson, the Town's Executive Manager Technical Services, who has been with the Town for 2 years now.

The Town's overall workforce is diverse. More than 52% of staff are women, with 60% at senior levels. Many staff members were born overseas, and at least one staff member – one of the Depot crew – is aged in his 70s and is setting an example for others. By also employing people with disability, the Town also has a strong record as an equal opportunity employer.

Mr Goodlet said he was pleased that the staffing profile of the organisation reflected the diversity of the community as a whole and that this diversity assists the Town in making decisions that reflect local values, experiences and expectations.

# **INTRODUCING RANGER BRAD**

#### Eagle-eyed residents may have already spotted a new face on the streets of Mosman Park, our new Ranger Brad!

Brad comes to us with his entire life spent in service of the community, first in the Australian Army, and then later as a Ranger. His friendly and approachable style is already winning high praise in the community, as he encourages good citizenship in the Town. In particular, he is keen to foster responsible pet ownership; proper and safe use of local streets, paths, cycleways and carparks; encouraging neighbours to get to know each other and look out for one another to build local connections and support networks.



Father of five daughters, Brad cycles all the way from Kwinana to Mosman Park and back each day, but still has lots of energy left to respond to residents' calls for help. In particular, Brad would like to hear from you if you witness illegal dumping and/or littering, lost animals or animal cruelty, camping on our beaches or in our car parks, abandoned vehicles, anti-social, suspicious or criminal behaviour including property damage and graffiti, and the lighting of fires.

To report such incidents, send an email to admin@mosmanpark.wa.gov.au or call 9384 1633, and if you see Ranger Brad or his casual Ranger colleagues out and about on patrol, don't be shy - stop and say g'day!

# LINEWS AUSTRA

the Town of Mosman Park 2017 Australia Day Awards from L to R – Rhonda Miller, Brian Millmore, is, and Sue Tinson on behalf of the Mosman Park Community Group with Mayor Ron Norris.

On Australia Day 2017, hundreds of locals gathered at the Main Lawn of the Town of Cottesloe's Civic Centre where the combined Councils of the Towns of Cottesloe and Mosman Park as well as the Shire of Peppermint Grove, hosted their annual community celebration.

This year featured a very special guest, former captain of the Fremantle Dockers football club, Matthew Pavlich, attended in his role as an Australia Day ambassador. Many young (and not so young) fans took the opportunity to meet 'Pav', to have their picture taken with him and to thank him for his years of service to the Fremantle football-loving community. On the day, many confirmed their Australian citizenship, among which 19 are residents of Mosman Park who have come to us from the United Kingdom and the USA as well as more exotic locations such as the Philippines, Sri Lanka, Chile and Bangladesh. Mayor Norris officiated at the ceremony for the newlyaffirmed citizens and welcomed them to the community.

A highlight, as always, of the occasion was the announcement of the winners of the Town of Mosman Park's Australia Day Awards. The Citizen of the Year Award for 2017 was presented to Ms Rhonda Miller, who has nobly served as Chaplain at the Mosman Park Primary School since 2007. Her dedicated service over and above her school chaplaincy duties to students of Mosman Park Primary School and School for Deaf Children, as well as their parents and teachers has been exemplary.

The Citizen of the Year Award (Youth) 2017 was presented to Amy Brades. Amy is a positive and inspiring member of the Mosman Park community and has been an active member of the Mosman Park Youth Advisory Council since 2014, and has also taken on a leadership and coaching role in local junior sport, including netball. During that time she has volunteered her time at many community events, and is known for her willing spirit and ready smile. The award for Citizen of the Year (Senior) 2017 was presented to Brian Millmore. Brian was Chairman and an active committee member of the Mosman Park Community Men's Shed from 2013 onwards, and led many enhancement and improvements of the Shed in its interactions with the community and has imparted his wisdom and leadership to many members. He embodies the very spirit of the Men's Shed movement, and has devoted much time and energy to its preservation and enhancement within Mosman Park and further afield.

Finally, the Active Citizenship - Community Group of the Year Award 2017 was presented to the Mosman Park Community Group, accepted on their behalf by Sue Tinson, who herself is a former Citizen of the Year. The Mosman Park Community Group is a not for profit seniors club that has operated for 20 years - meeting weekly at the Alf Adams Pavilion in Mosman Park, offering members social and sporting opportunities for local seniors.

Congratulations to all of our new Australian citizens and to all of the winners of our Australia Day Awards for this year.



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# NEIGHBOURHOOD BARBEQUES

Neighbourliness is on the rise in Mosman Park as local residents get to know their neighbours and find out what Mosman Park has to offer through this year's Mosman Park Neighbourhood Barbeque series.

If you haven't made it to one yet, bring your own picnic or join us for a free sausage sizzle from **Spm to 7pm** at one of our two remaining Neighbourhood Barbeques:

2 March Gibbon Park

#### 23 March Centenary Park

For more information or to see how you can help with the barbeque scheduled for your local park, please contact the Senior Community Development Officer on **9383 6626** or email **dfauntleroy@mosmanpark.wa.gov.au** 

# **CHILD HEALTH**

Child Health Services for Town of Mosman Park residents are provided at the Peppermint Grove Child Health Centre located at The Grove Precinct, 1 Leake Street, Peppermint Grove. Clinic opening hours are Monday to Friday 8:30am-4:30pm, and they can be contacted on 9286 8669.

The Child Health Centre is located in The Grove Precinct, next to the Community Centre and Library. This centre is open **Monday to Friday 8.30am – 4:30pm** and offers universal child health checks and developmental assessments at 6-8 weeks, 3-4 months, 8 months and 18 months. The Town of Mosman Park in conjunction with Child and Adolescent Community Health runs a free immunisation clinic on the **1st Wednesday of every month** from **9.30am to 12.30pm**, in The Grove Community Centre. All childhood immunisations are available as per the WA Immunisation Schedule, are free and no appointment is necessary. For enquiries please call **9321 1312**.

Child Health Nurses also hold a 'Drop in' clinic for new parents in the Community Centre every **Wednesday morning** from **9am to 11am**. Open to all parents (and children under 4) who would like to come and speak to a nurse and have any questions answered or have their babies weighed. Wednesday afternoons in the community centre are for New Parent Groups which are run in five week cycles and cover topics such as sleep settling, breast feeding and adapting to the changes and challenges of

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parenting. Targeted and specialist programs are also offered and run in the Community Centre on a periodic basis. These education programs are for parents who would like to learn more about getting their baby to sleep, how and when to introduce solid foods and toddler information sessions (12 to 18 months) on such things as toilet training, sleep, nutrition and understanding toddler behaviour. For more information about these programs please phone **9286 8669** or **9347 6900**.

# MOSMAN PARK REELS IN FISHING WASTE TO PROTECT WILDLIFE

The Department of Parks and Wildlife's fishing line project "Reel It In" has hooked another Council into its initiative focused on reducing fishing waste in the Swan Canning Riverpark.

The Town of Mosman Park has recently installed purpose-built fishing waste bins at Mosman Bay jetty and Garungup Park jetty. Parks and Wildlife Manager of volunteers and community, Jason Menzies, said the project has been growing in strength and the participation of the Town of Mosman Park was great news for Riverpark wildlife.

Mr Menzies said Reel It In was already making an impact - in three years the community had helped to remove more than 44km of fishing line. "The community and riverside Councils have really become involved in this project," Mr Menzies said. "On top of the large amount of fishing line we have removed from the Riverpark, another 7,600 hooks and sinkers, 6,600 bait bags and 18,000 pieces of general rubbish have been disposed of correctly."

Town of Mosman Park Mayor Ron Norris said the health and safety of Riverpark wildlife were at the heart of the Council's decision to get involved in the project. "Reel It In is a simple solution to make our the Swan River safer and more sustainable." Mavor Norris said. "As a Council with river frontage, it is our duty and responsibility to strike the right balance between offering opportunities for fishing and protecting and preserving our precious air and water borne creatures." The Town of Mosman Park is now looking for local volunteers to assist with emptying the fishing line bins through the Department of Parks and Wildlife's River Guardian's Program.

For further information or to register your interest, please contact Jason



Menzies at the Department on 9219 9999. Volunteers are also needed to assist with our annual Clean Up Australia Day event, which this year will be held at Chidley Point Sunday 5 March, co-hosted by the Mosman Bay Sea Scouts, Western Earth Carers and Friends of Mosman Park Bushland groups. Visit cleanupaustraliaday.org. au/Chidley+Point

# MIXED WASTE COLLECTION

Mixed Waste (household junk and prunings) will start from 7am on Monday 10 April 2017. Residents can place rubbish out on the verge for collection NO earlier than 10 days prior to the scheduled pick up. Each street will be serviced once; therefore any late placement of waste will not be accepted.

#### DOs

- Separate the junk from green waste
- Make two separate piles of waste, one for JUST green waste and one for other waste
- Ensure that small, loose junk items are placed in containers that will be disposed of
- Ensure that large appliances (refrigerators, washing machines and dryers) have their doors removed
- Dismantle all large waste items (larger than 1.5 metres in length) for easy collection by our trucks

#### DON'Ts

Please DON'T put out

- Rubble, concrete or building materials
- X Asbestos or cement products
- × Paint, chemicals or motor oil
- × Batteries or flammable liquids
- × Herbicides
- × Pesticides
- 🗙 Mattresses
- × Food waste
- × Tyres Large vehicle parts

Don't deposit any waste AFTER 6am on the day of collection as it will not be picked up

Please note the next collection of **GREEN WASTE** will begin on **19 June 2017**. For further details, call **9384 1633** or visit our website: **mosmanpark.wa.gov.au** 

# EASTER RUBBISH COLLECTIONS

Over the Easter period, there will only be one change to the regular rubbish collection service.

On **Good Friday, 14 April 2017**, those bins that are normally collected on a Friday will be collected on the following day, **Saturday 15 April**.

If your bin is not emptied or goes missing, or if you have any other interruptions to your rubbish collection service, please call Suez on **9418 5577.** 





# LESS IS MORE FESTIVAL

The Less is More Festival is a free familyfriendly festival that brings community members together for a day of skillsharing workshops and presentations covering topics such as waste, sustainability, gardening, cooking and lifestyle.

Hosted and presented by Earth Carers volunteers and friends from around Perth, and now in its sixth year at the Grove Library, the Less is More Festival is a chance to inspire, connect, learn and celebrate.

When: Saturday 1 AprilWhere: The Grove Library and Community CentreCost: Free!

More information on **9384 4003** or **lessismorefestival.com**.

# EARTH CARERS COURSE

Join the growing community of Earth Carers in the Western Suburbs and learn how to live with less waste! On the Earth Carers course you'll enjoy touring waste and community facilities and finding out about what happens to different types of waste.

You will learn practical skills like composting and decluttering plus other tips help you make good waste practices normal in your family and neighbourhood. The next free course starts Wednesday 10 May and runs for five sessions on Wednesday evenings and Saturday mornings. Everyone is welcome.

Where: Venue TBC

**RSVP:** Bookings essential. Please register for the course via our website **earthcarers.org.au**, or call **9384 4003** 

# **COUNTING COCKYS**

The seventh Great Cocky Count (GCC), WA's biggest survey for Carnaby's Black-Cockatoo, will be held on 9 April 2017. Each year, volunteers count Carnaby's at night-time roost sites across the southwest of WA.

#### HOW YOU CAN HELP!

Register to monitor a roost site on **9 April 2017**. There are several hundred sites to monitor, so your help is invaluable. Registration forms are available at: **www.birdlife.org.au/projects/carnabys-black-cockatoo-recovery**. Registrations close 2 weeks before the event (on **Sunday 19 March**).

#### **REPORT A ROOST SITE**

Help us to identify more roost sites (night-time resting places) for both white-tailed and red-tailed black-cockatoos! This helps to identify the locations of critical roosting habitat and this data increases each year.

#### SPREAD THE WORD

Use your networks to spread the word about the GCC. Facebook, Twitter, email, and word-of-mouth are all great ways to encourage people to get involved. For more information contact us at greatcockycount@birdlife.org.au

The 2017 Great Cocky Count is funded by Perth Region NRM through the Australian Government's Caring for our Country program.

# Local Native Plant Subsidy Scheme

Purchase up to **eighty plants per household at the subsidised price of \$1.50 each** from APACE Nursery, 1 Johannah Street North Fremantle (proof of residency required).

- 1 to 27 May
- Open 7.30am to 3pm weekdays
- Open 9am to 12pm Saturdays









# **PROJECTS IN FOCUS** WATCH THIS SPACE

Recently the Leighton Battery Heritage Site underwent preservation works, targeting issues such as concrete cancer, along with other upgrades and repairs with thanks to a successful grant from Lotterywest.

These works were part of an ongoing partnership between the

**Royal Australian Artillery Historical Society of WA** (**RAAHSWA**) and the Town of Mosman Park, as part of an in-depth site master plan to conserve the site's significant heritage value. The Town is very thankful for the dedication of the RAAHSWA volunteers, and we are looking forward to continuing to work with them in our combined efforts to preserve and enhance the site for future generations. On 30 January, Premier Barnett visited the historic site, met with local volunteers Don Rae, Curator & Special Projects Coordinator, and David Carter, President of RAAHSWA, who took the Premier on a tour of the facility and explained how the grant funding would be put to good use.

The Town has completed the community consultation stage on the concept plan for the **Monument Hill Revitalisation Project**, or perhaps better known as Buckland Hill, which drew a consensus about the need to consider this space's future amongst not only the local Mosman Park area, but within the greater western suburbs and metropolitan region. This site is an iconic landmark with important historical and geostrategic significance not just for Mosman Park, but for Perth as a whole. Together with the local residents and project stakeholders the Town has refined the draft model presented to the community in late 2016 to enhance this stunning community asset that deserves careful



preservation so that it can be enjoyed by the wider community.

River narratives and tales of our past underlies the new **Chidley Point public art piece** presented to the Town by esteemed West Australian artist, Tony Jones. Tony spent the early years of his childhood as a Mossie local and with many fond memories exploring the bushland around his family home, overlooking the Swan River at Chidley Point.

The **old Scouts Hall** on the corner of Wellington and Solomon Streets is set for a revamp, according to local scouting group, the Mosman Bay Sea Scouts. The project will see the hall restored to its glory days and offer a meeting place for local community organisations, youth groups and volunteers alike. Expect to see many good turns and happy deeds in this part of Town!

And last but not least, late last year the **Swan Canoe Club** was successful in receiving funding from Lotterywest towards facility upgrades to provide ramps and a wheelchair lift in order to create a universally accessible club house. This new initiative will see paddling and riverbased water activities become available to more members of our community including local organisations such as Rocky Bay.

Details about the above projects can be found on our website, **mosmanpark.wa.gov.au** 

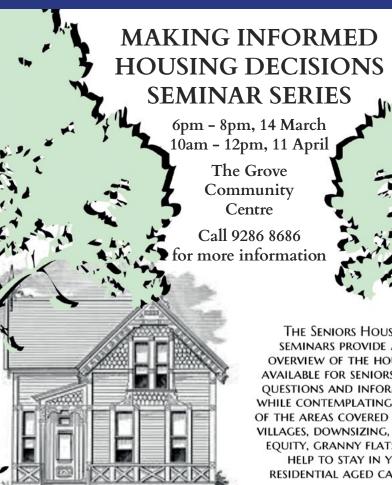


#### Westcoast Community Centre Inc

Community Room, Grove Library Precinct Cnr Leake St & Stirling Hwy, Peppermint Grove

Westcoast Community Centre Inc. are always welcoming new members. Term 1 of 2017 has already begun, so for those who would like to learn more about this group, pick up a brochure from The Grove Library, or from the Administration Centre at the Town of Mosman Park. The group organise weekly walks, interesting talks by guest speakers, visits and shared dining experiences, as well as a book and poetry group which are enjoyable outings and ideal opportunities to meet other members and make new friends.

For more information, contact the Secretary on **9286 8676**, send an email to **westcoastcommunity@gmail.com** or visit **westcoastcommunity.com.au** 



THE SENIORS HOUSING CENTRE SEMINARS PROVIDE AN ESSENTIAL OVERVIEW OF THE HOUSING OPTIONS AVAILABLE FOR SENIORS, COVERING KEY **OUESTIONS AND INFORMATION TO ASK** WHILE CONTEMPLATING CHANGES. SOME OF THE AREAS COVERED ARE: RETIREMENT VILLAGES, DOWNSIZING, ACCESSING YOUR EQUITY, GRANNY FLATS, SERVICES AND HELP TO STAY IN YOUR HOME. RESIDENTIAL AGED CARE AND MORE.

#### HOME SECURITY REBATES NOW AVAILABLE

#### The Town of Mosman Park has introduced a new community safety initiative: the Home Security Rebate Scheme.

The new program supports residents in taking a proactive role in deterring home burglaries within the Town by offering a rebate to subsidise the cost of installing home security devices such as intruder alarms. CCTV cameras, security screens for windows and doors, sensor lights, keyed window locks and door deadlocks. Rebates of up to \$200 per application (or \$250 for Pension

#### EYES ON THE STREET

Have you noticed the "Eyes on the Street" signage on the Town's depot vehicles lately? The "Eyes on the Street" program is a WA Police community safety initiative managed by the Crime Prevention and Community Liaison Unit and is an intelligence gathering program which recognises that workers in the area are in the best position to witness and report suspicious or criminal

or Health Care Card holders) will be provided for new installations of the above devices when purchased and fitted by a licenced security agent (or electrician for sensor lights).

More information and copies of the application form are available to download on the Town's website, from the Council administration building, or by contacting the Town's Senior Community Development Officer, Danelle Fauntleroy, on 9384 1633 or email dfauntleroy@mosmanpark.wa.gov.au

behaviour. If our workers see anything suspicious or witness a crime, they are able to fill out the Eyes on the Street form and send it through to Crimestoppers.

You too can help keep Mosman Park safe and report any suspicious behaviour to Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000 or phone your local police station on 131 444.



# PARDON ME, PRIME MINISTER...

Harbour Theatre's 2017 season opens with a very funny farce: Pardon Me, Prime Minister delivers a classic style of British comedy with a heavy dose of raised eyebrows and suggestive innuendo.

The production is a fun and frivolous poke at the world of politics, led by Prime Minister George Venables (played by Alan Morris) and his puritanical chancellor, Hector Cramond (played by Tom Rees), on the eve of revealing the budget to the nation. With a vision to stampout immorality and depravity, Venables intends to destroy debauchery, to tax entertainment and crush cheap, sinful bingo halls into oblivion. Enter exotic dancer Shirley Stringer (played by Mona Afshar), whose shocking ties to Downing Street force even the PM into dutiful submission.

Protesting against the party's policy line, Shirley's presence wreaks havoc at Number 10, fast unravelling the very future of the nation, along with a few undergarments or two. Niceties and normality give way to nudity and naughtiness, and when the twisting plot reaches its unforeseen ending, the play also becomes - as you might expect fantastically farcical.

Filled to the brim with action and energy Pardon Me, Prime Minister provides a fabulous funny start to 2017. March 10, 11, 12 (matinee), 13, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19 (matinee). All shows commence at **7.30pm** except matinees which start at **2.00pm**. To book, visit taztix.com.au or call 9255 3336. For further information please visit harbourtheatre.org.au

## **A NIGHT WITH KATHY LETTE,** HOSTED BY AUTISM WEST

#### Autism West is delighted to announce we will be hosting a night of insightful discussion with visiting author, Kathy Lette, on 9 May 2017.

A pioneering voice of contemporary feminism and author to numerous bestselling books including *Puberty Blues*, Kathy is an active ambassador for a number of organisations including Women and Children's First and the

White Ribbon Alliance, and is mother to a son who has Asperger's Syndrome. Kathy will be discussing her latest book, *Best Laid Plans*, an exploration of the challenges faced by parents of children on the autism spectrum once they grow up, shining a light on a previously undiscussed subject.

Join Autism West for a night guaranteed to entertain and inform.

For additional information and booking information contact Autism West at **assistant@autismwest.org.au** or **9383 6123**.

NATIONAL TRUST AUSTRALIAN HERITAGE FESTIVAL

# **STORIES OF THE PAST, VOICES OF THE FUTURE:** LOCAL HISTORY CONFERENCE

As part of the 2017 National Trust Heritage Festival, we have teamed up with The Grove's Community History Library to bring you the Mosman Park, Peppermint Grove and Cottesloe stories that shaped our communities and provide participants an opportunity to learn first-hand with the basic tools anyone can use to capture and tell their own story. Full event program and speakers will be announced in late February.

When: Friday, 5 May 2017

Where: Community Centre, The Grove Library

**Cost:** \$15 (Full-day incl. lunch and refreshments); \$5 morning/afternoon session.

Bookings can be made online via the Town's website, in person at The Grove Library or the Town's Administration Centre, or by following the links at **thegrovelibrary.net.** 

For further information, please contact the Town's Community Development Officer, Haylie Clark, on **9384 1633** or email **hclark@mosmanpark.wa.gov.au** 



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WE'RE BETTER TOGETHER



# WHAT'S ON @ THE GROVE

Time to renew your membership of the Grove Library? Currently 3,055 residents of Mosman Park are enrolled members. If you are new to Mosman Park, or haven't visited the library for a while, we'd love to count you in!

The Grove Library offers:

- Free membership join in person or on-line
- Open seven days a week
- 5,000 new books and other resources purchased each year
- Thousands of e-books available for free exclusive to library members
- Storytimes and baby rhyme times
- Historic photographs, documents and oral histories pertaining to Mosman Park
- WIFI, computers, printers, scanners and photocopiers
- Home delivery service for disabled or frail aged people
- Small and large meeting rooms for hire
- In-house café, lounge areas and lovely gardens to enjoy!

Find us at: 1 Leake Street (opposite Cottesloe Central) Peppermint Grove, or visit on-line at **thegrovelibrary.net** 

Want to know what's coming up at the Grove? Follow us on Facebook facebook.com/thegrovelibrary

Join our email list for advance notice of events and new books: email **library@thegrovelibrary.com** with your contact details and what you are interested in.

Don't forget to join in the fun of songs, sun and chocolate at Easter Story Time by the River, at the Keane's Point Reserve at **10.30am** on **Tuesday 11 April and Friday 14 April 2017**. Parents are welcome to grab a coffee, BYO brunch and join in all the hippety hoppety Easter joy. Did we mention there will be an Easter Egg Hunt?

# Mosman Park



Come along to Mosman Park Playgroup for fun and friendship. Your child can play with other children while you get to know other parents and carers in your community.

As a member, you have access to:

A range of quality toys, crafts and play equipment ~ Special events and activities ~ An air conditioned indoor playroom ~ A covered and fenced outdoor area ~ A fully equipped kitchen ~ Discounts to a variety of baby and children's stores.

Mondays and Tuesdays Thursdays 9:30-11:30am (casual play) 9:30-11:30am (pre-kindy program)

The pre-kindy program is designed for children aged 2+ years. For a small additional fee, your child can enjoy arts, crafts, stories and singing with a qualified early childhood facilitator.

Location: Alf Adams Pavillion on Solomon St behind Mosman Park Primary School Email: mosmanparkpg@gmail.com; mob: 0402 668 086; find us on

#### GET ACTIVE **WITH** LOCAL HISTORY

Are you keen to indulge your love of local history, or to inspire it in your children or grandchildren? Then why not check out two new fabulous Activity Sheets created by the very talented Sindy Dowden, Mosman Park's Community History Librarian at The Grove Library.

Sindy has put together a fascinating interactive set of history and heritage based questions and puzzles that will get you and your youngsters out and about and discovering more about our Town's recent past, including learning more about the many factories that once operated in our Town, as well as the meaning behind our place names and other local secrets. There are also clues to our indigenous heritage and about our local native flora and fauna.

To obtain a digital copy of the Activity Sheets (two to choose from), visit the Town's website at **mosmanpark.wa.gov.au** or you can pick

up a printed copy either from our Administration Centre on Memorial Drive, or from The Grove Library.



# YAC MEMBER SPOTLIGHT: LYDIA ATTWOOLL



# How long have you been a member of the YAC?

I am now in my 3rd year as a YAC member.

# What do you want to do when you graduate from high school?

At present I am considering the area of health science. I enjoy working with people and I am interested in health, wellbeing and sports.

# What's something people don't know about you?

I have my bronze medallion and I am an active member of North Cott Surf Club

and I assist with under 8s every week.

# What is the best thing about being part of the YAC?

YAC is great because I have had the opportunity to meet so many interesting young people around my age who are passionate about helping the community. I have also been lucky to be part of many YAC events; including Ampfest, YACtivate, Halloween at the Grove and Stomp (just to name a few!). YAC has opened up so many opportunities for me, such as being awarded the Youth Encouragement Grant last year.

# How has the YAC helped you develop as a leader?

The YAC has helped me develop my communication skills, improved my decision-making, and given me the opportunity to work as a team member and participate in managing events.

Why should young people in the Mosman Park community join the YAC? YAC is a fun way to meet young and older people in Mosman Park. Being part of YAC is rewarding and strengthens the Mosman Park community. It provides opportunities and teaches one new skills that are valuable and help build character.

The Mosman Park Youth Advisory Council (MPYAC) comprises young people aged between 12 and 25 who live, work, or study in Mosman Park or are already an active member of the Mosman Park community. These young people initiate and develop programs and are part of the decision making process for the needs of young people in the local and broader community.

For further details on how you can get involved, contact Danelle Fauntleroy, Senior Community Development Officer on **9384 1633** or email: **yac@mosmanpark.wa.gov.au** You can also find the MPYAC on Facebook by visiting **www.facebook.com/MPYAC** 

# SPORT & RECREATION **MASTER PLAN**

The Town has recently selected a contractor to develop a Sport & Recreation Master Plan.

This plan will assess current and future demand and available resources to develop priorities and strategies that will shape the future direction of sport and recreation within the Town. While the final document should be compiled by June, our contractors will be contacting community groups, clubs and members over the next few weeks as part of their information gathering. Stakeholder engagement will take place in numerous formats including community workshops, group interviews, electronic surveys and focus groups.

Should you have any questions or feedback, please contact Danelle Fauntleroy on **9383 6626** or at **dfauntleroy@mosmanpark.wa.gov.au** 

# SUMMER FUN MAKES BIG NEWS

A series of wonderful activities for the many young people who live in our Town were well attended and thoroughly enjoyed during the school holidays, with two events making the front cover of The Post newspaper.

The events included a mystical night of star gazing at Mann Oval, run by Astronomy Education Services; as well as a Children's Discovery Walk at the Cooling Ponds; and workshops where our youth learned about fashion up-cycling and first aid. The highlights were sessions where youngsters honed their skills in LEGO creations (run by Brick Dojo) and a Sandcastle building session at Chidley Point, run by Sandsculpture WA. Sincere thanks to those who organised these opportunities for our residents, and to the many locals and their parents who came out to support them.

Check out our website **mosmanpark.wa.gov.au** and future editions of the Town News for details about more activities throughout the year!



# BIKE WEEK

Bike Week ends with a bang at this year's Mosman Park Community Fair on Sunday 26 March with bike maintenance workshops and a second chance for those of you who missed out on entering in last year's very successful 'Pimped out Pushys' decorated bike competition. Pimped out Pushys is open to all ages, so get creative and bring along your two-wheeled masterpiece on the day to win one of four fantastic prizes on offer. Further information on the Pimped out Pushys decorated bike competition is available on the Town of Mosman Park website or by contacting the Community Development Team on 9384 1833 or email community@mosmanpark.wa.gov.au

# CALLING ALL YOUTH!

Come down to the McCabe Street Skate Park and have a go at skateboarding, or learn new tricks – these workshops hosted by Skateboarding WA are for young people of all ages and all levels of experience. Skateboards and safety equipment provided.

When: Monday 10 April 2017Time: 10am to 12pmWhere: McCabe Street Skatepark in Mosman Park

All skateboards and safety equipment provided. Registration forms are available at **skateboardingwa.com.au** or contact the Community Development Team on **9384 1633** or email **community@mosmanpark.wa.gov.au** 

# KEN WALKER, 100 NOT OUT

One of Mosman Park's most loved residents, Ken Walker, celebrated his 100th birthday on 24 January 2017 at a celebration hosted by the Mosman Park Sub-Branch of the RSL.

Present at the happy occasion were Ken's children, grandchildren, great grand children and great-great grandchildren, and as always, Ken's loving wife Dorothy was by his side.

Marking this remarkable milestone, Ken received tributes and gifts from the RSL and from the Town of Mosman Park, presented by Mayor Ron Norris. Other tributes Ken received included a congratulatory letter from Queen Elizabeth II. Upon receiving this letter, which included a photograph of Her Majesty, Ken told The Post that he considered returning the favour. "I said to Dorothy, 'I am going to send a photograph back to Liz and say look, Lizzie, have a look at mine," Ken said. "But Dorothy said I couldn't do that."

Born in Forrest Street, Subiaco, on January 24, 1917, Ken says reaching a century is pure luck, but credits his good health to his unconventional but enjoyable diet. "I just eat everything most people say you shouldn't. I like ice cream, cream, I drink milk and I eat choccies," he said. "I was just an ordinary bloke who just enjoyed life, roared around and went to dances when I was young and got in trouble – but we didn't smash things in those days. "And we had lots of girlfriends."

As well as the many fun times of his youth, Ken like many thousands of his generation, answered the call to service



and with six of his mates enlisted in World War Two, as flight mechanics in the RAAF in 1941. They joined the 14th fighter squadron at Camden in NSW, thinking (as did many of their comrades) that they would be home by Christmas. In his always cheeky style, Ken added: "nobody said which Christmas!"

On his return to WA after the war he got a job with the railways, where he rose to the rank of Bus Inspector before spending a decade farming, and working as a mechanic before retiring in 1977 to care for his first wife. The Walkers now live in Mosman Park at the Dorothy Genders Village in McCabe Street and now have five great-great grandchildren.

Ken, who served as former president of the Mosman Park RSL branch, is also its oldest member, regularly attends ANZAC Day and Remembrance Day services at the Town of Mosman Park, and is an example to all of the importance of family, service and of maintaining one's sense of fun and humour as the secret to long life.

Interview courtesy of Post Newspapers.

Lest We Forget.

# **ANZAC DAY**

# Join us at the Town of Mosman Park for ANZAC Day with a Gunfire Breakfast and Commemoration Service.

The Rotary Club of Mosman Park-Cottesloe in conjunction with the Mosman Park Sub-Branch of the Returned and Services League (RSL) are hosting a Gunfire Breakfast at the Alf Adams Pavilion, Solomon Street, Mosman Park on Tuesday 25 April, commencing at 7.30am. The breakfast will be followed by the ANZAC Day Commemoration Service in Memorial Park, on the corner Bay View Terrace and Memorial Drive, Mosman Park at 10am. Seating will be provided and an Auslan interpreter will be translating the service. This commemorative service is conducted by the Town of Mosman Park in conjunction with the Mosman Park Sub-Branch of the RSL to commemorate the service and supreme sacrifice of Australian men and women who have represented our nation in conflicts in our region and around the world.

This year marks the centenary of one of the most brutal battles of The Great War, the Battle of Ypres, in Belgium; a battle in which several of our local diggers, whose memories are recalled in Memorial Park, fought so bravely.

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