

Bassendean and Eden Hill distributed by your Council Briefing S December 2012-January 2013 [ISSUE No. 85]

Season's Greetings

The Mayor, Cr John Gangell, the Councillors, the CEO and staff of the Town of Bassendean wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a happy and joyful New Year.

> From left: (standing) Cr Anne Brinkworth, Cr Gerry Pule, Cr Mike Lewis, Cr Kara Collins, Cr Jenny Carter and (seated) CEO Bob Jarvis and Mayor John Gangell.

Movies return to the BIC Reserve!

A new season of outdoor movies at the BIC Reserve will commence on Thursday 13 December, and continue on until 31 March 2013. Movies will be shown from Wednesday to Sunday each week, with some exceptions for the festive season.

The BIC Reserve is on the corner of Guildford Road and Wilson Street, Bassendean – behind the Bassendean Memorial Library.

For online bookings, or to check for program updates, go to www.moviesbyburswood.com. For general enquiries phone 0403 560 684.



December 2012		
Thu 13	Brave (PG)	
Fri 14	Mental (MA15+)	
Sat 15	Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted (PG)	
	No free passes	
Sun 16	The Watch (MA15+)	
Mon 17	Closed	
Tue 18	Closed	
Wed 19	Hotel Transylvania (PG)	
Thu 20	Dredd (MA15+)	
Fri 21	Frankenweenie (PG)	
Sat 22	Argo (M)	
Sun 23	Monsters Inc (G)	
Mon 24	Closed	
Tue 25	Christmas Day – closed	
Wed 26	Boxing Day Holiday screening	
	Diary of a Wimpy Kid 3 : Dog Days (PG)	
Thu 27	Looper (MA15+)	

Fri 28	Madagascar 3: Europe's Most Wanted (PG) No free passes
Sat 29	Twilight Saga: Breaking Down Part 2 (CYC)
Sun 30	Frankenweenie (PG)
Mon 31	New Year's Eve – closed
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Tue 1	Closed
Wed 2	Lady and the Tramp (G)
Thu 3	Bachelorette (MA15+)
Fri 4	Argo (M)
Sat 5	Skyfall (M)
Sun 6	Robot and Frank (M)
Mon 7	Closed
Tue 8	Closed
Wed 9	Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn Part 2 (CYC)
Thu 10	The Lion King (G)
Fri 11	The Perks of Being a Wallflower (CYC)
Sat 12	Pitch Perfect (M)
Sun 13	Celeste & Jesse Forever (CYC)

Gates open at 6.30 pm – Films start at 7.45 pm

Please check the website for films screening 14 January to 31 March 2013 – www.moviesbyburswood.com

(CYC) = Classification yet to be confirmed.

No Free Passes = Complimentary tickets not valid at these screenings.

Have your say! Review of the Town's Strategic Community Plan

IN 2005, the Town of Bassendean carried out an exhaustive public consultation process on the community's aspirations for what the Town should be in the year 2030. The result was the *Vision 2030 Community Plan* which spelled out a vision for how residents wanted to see the Town progress towards a brighter, greener, more prosperous and more inclusive Bassendean. This plan has guided the Council in its decision-making since that time and has been the principal source document for its strategic plans in the years since 2005.

The State Government now requires all local governments to have in place (by mid-2013) a 10-year Community Strategic Plan (to be reviewed regularly) to guide their more detailed planning processes for the future. A report card on how the Town has advanced the vision of the community since 2005 has been released and is on the Town's website. This self-assessment by your Council is the first step in the review of the *Vision 2030 Community Plan* and its transition to the required 10-year Strategic Plan.



To assist the Town in the review process, a review document (survey) is being sent to every household in the Town for your completion, or, if you wish, the survey can be completed on-line by visiting the Town's website.

Receipt of completed surveys will close on 19 December 2012. If you complete your hard copy of the survey, it can be delivered to the Town's Customer Service Centre or the Library in Old Perth Road. If you complete the survey on-line, it will automatically be registered and collated.

Please help us to review the Strategic Plan, and have your say.

Proposed Crown Reserve rationalisation Clarke Way/Reid Street project

AT ITS MEETING held on 28 August 2012, the Town resolved to consult the community and seek its views on the proposed closure of Crown Reserve 29948 Clarke Way/Reid Street, Bassendean. This closure will result in the relocation of play equipment and a new community facility being developed on Sandy Beach Reserve.



Reserve 29948: Clarke Way/Reid Street, Bassendean - Zoning map and aerial view.

What is being proposed?

Reserve 29948 is classified as a 20A Crown Reserve (meaning it was created when this area was first subdivided—circa 1950). The Town of Bassendean can purchase this reserve from the State Government for 5% of the value assessed by the Valuer General's Office. Following rezoning of the site to residential, Council can then sell the land (for residential purposes) and use the resulting funds for community and recreation purposes.

Why is this being proposed?

As part of the Town's goal to manage its land resources more effectively for the benefit of the community, a comprehensive review of all land holdings (both crown reserves and freehold land) identified this site as inadequate for recreational use.

Why the Clarke Way/Reid Street Reserve?

Reserve 29948 has major design flaws as a safe and secure recreation area. It is relatively small— 2036m²—irregularly shaped and is located between existing residential developments and a fenced drainage reserve. With limited accessibility due to its location there is poor passive surveillance over the property by the public. Furthermore, it is not large enough to sustain any greater intensification of use.

Reserves of this design would no longer be acceptable in contemporary subdivisions.

Where will the money be spent?

It is proposed that the funds will be used to develop the regional playground at Sandy Beach Reserve. This site has been identified in the Town's Play-Spaces Implementation Plan as being suitable to build a large scale playground.

How long will all this take?

Depending on the response time from the State Government, the process in securing freehold title to the reserve and subsequent re-zoning, generally takes about 12–15 months.

Community views and support needed

For this redevelopment project to move forward, the Town is required to consult with the community on the acquisition of the reserve and gain their support. Without clear support for the proposal, Council will not proceed.

Accordingly, Council is keen to seek the views of residents about the project. A letter has been circulated to all residents in the vicinity of the reserve, an advertisement has been placed in the Eastern Reporter (30 October) and information about it posted in the Bassendean Memorial Library inviting all members of the community to provide their comments.

Make your views known

Submissions can be made by picking up a feedback form from any of these places:

- www.bassendean.wa.gov.au, click on Reserve Rationalisation Clarke Way/Reid St Project
- Customer Service Centre, 35 Old Perth Road

• Bassendean Memorial Library, 46 Old Perth Road. When complete, scan and email your feedback form to info@bassendean.wa.gov.au, or drop it into a feedback form box located at the Customer Service Centre and in the Library.

Submissions close on 4 February 2013.



If you have any questions please telephone the Town on 9377 8000 or email info@bassendean.wa.gov.au.



New cat laws—are you ready?

THE STATE Government provided Parliamentary Assent to the *Cat Act* on 9 November 2011. The *Cat Act* law will be implemented in two phases, giving cat owners in WA a long lead-time to get their cats ready for the new laws. The first phase came into effect on 1 November 2012; and the second phase will be in force a year later. The law will require all domestic cats six months and older to:

- be sterilised;
- · be micro-chipped;
- wear a tag in a public place; and
- be registered with the local council it is kept in.

Your local veterinarian or the Cat Haven will be able to assist you with the sterilisation and micro-chipping requirements.

As from 1 November 2013, the law will be in full effect and cat owners found not to be compliant may face up to \$5,000 in infringements.



For further information regarding the requirements of the *Cat Act*, please provide your name, address and contact details by telephoning Customer Services on 9377 8000, during office hours, and the Town's Rangers will keep you informed of your obligations.

WANTED!

Photographs of our local War Memorial fallen heroes—soldiers killed in action and listed on the West Guildford (Bassendean) War Memorial (Face A)

If you have photographs, or know contact details of family and/or descendants, of the following fallen soldiers please contact the Local Studies Librarian at the Bassendean Memorial Library on 9279 2966 or email baslib@bassendean.wa.gov.au.

Any photographs loaned will be copied and returned in the condition in which they were loaned and all donations to the Local Studies Collection are required to have accompanying, signed authorising documentation.

Photographs are wanted of these soldiers:

Maurice Joseph Barry 1998 Alfred Baxter 1507 Fredrick Douglass Atlee Bowra Ernest Butt 599 Charles Edward Carter 7044A James Todd Chambers 5822 John Robert Christie 402 Herbert Charles Cruttenden 4766 George James Dobson 1640 Joseph Henry Elliott 6311 Joseph Henry Frobisher 3103 James Oliver Gemmell 1542 **Benjamin Pountney 1268** Thomas Egbert Hay 3345 George Honey 1291 Thomas Thomson Lockhart 3873 Arthur Gledhill 2915 John Joseph Harman 4065 Frank Heald 5831 Robert Birkett McWhirter 4678 Frank Ward Potter 4278 **Reginald James Price 8063** Irvine Pryde 1620 John Tregerthen Short 5790 Frank Eric Beck 2345 George McIntosh 5152 Stanley Chloride Short 3962

Service records of all men listed on the West Guildford (Bassendean) War Memorial can be viewed online at the National Archives Mapping Your Anzacs website.

Economic Development Plan 2012–2017 Setting the business agenda for the Town of Bassendean

UNLIKE MOST other Local Governments of a similar size, Economic Development has always been a pillar of the Council's strategic plan. The Town has maintained an active and positive engagement in the economic welfare of the commercial activities across the Town and has recognised that not only does the commercial area have a significant slice of the Town (about 20% is zoned commercial or similar) but a prosperous commercial sector generates a prosperous local community—which generally is a happier community.

New Economic Development Plan endorsed

At its July meeting, Council endorsed the new Economic Development Plan for the Town. This plan will guide the support, investment decisions and overall engagement in economic growth through until 2017. Created from consultation through surveys and workshops the plan touches on a diverse range of issues, including:

- supporting home-based businesses;
- encouraging Town Centre rejuvenation;
- on-going economic development marketing;
- integrated planning & development; and
- effective education, re-skilling and retention.

Additionally, the plan embraces the key global issues of climate change and the emerging digital economy and sets out actions that can be done on a local level.

Key focus areas

Overall there are nine key focus areas, each with a number of actions emerging from them.

With that many actions, we had to make it easier to understand and get a clear picture of where the Town is headed. Accordingly, we created a pamphlet that focuses purely on those activities and projects we are tackling this financial year. Projects that we are dealing with include: holding a Town Centre charrette as part of our Town Centre Rejuvenation drive; carrying out Digital Mapping of the Town as part of the Digital Adaption priority; developing a Welcome Pack for business as part of the Support, Engagement and Advocacy section; and investigating putting banners or flags for the markets on the light poles in Old Perth Road.

Some of the activities which will be taking up our time are: engaging with redevelopment plans for the shopping centre and development of 85 Old Perth Road; collaborating with local business associations and chambers to boost networking; buy local campaigns; supporting the Railway Museum in developing their visitor profile; and building knowledge/awareness of digital innovations.

The business website **www.bassendeanmeansbusiness.com.au** is full of current information for local businesses. In addition to offering downloads of the new Economic Development Plan and the ED Annual Action Leaflet, you will find information on courses and the latest on cost savings for businesses and Federal and State government initiatives.

Visualisation of 85 Old Perth Road.

Sustainability tips

Follow these top tips to ensure your garden survives the summer heat!

TOP TIP# 1 – Mulch, mulch, mulch! If you haven't learnt it by now you have got to get out there, do the right thing and cover any bare soil and garden beds with a rough, coarse mulch to stop the soil drying out and your plants suffering. Mulch can slash your water loss by up to 70%.

TOP TIP# 2 – **Top up your wetting agents.** Sad as it is even the best wetting agent will only last 2–3 months and so you may need to reapply now. Remember the 'finger test'—if the soil is not wet 2 cm down half an hour after watering you have a water repellency problem.

TOP TIP# 3 – Feeling blue? Go green! Nothing beats getting out under cooling natural plants when the heat is getting you down. Find a shady spot under an iconic Aussie tree or sit out in the garden in the evenings. Visit www.actbelongcommit.org.au for more information about mentally healthy communities.

Giving people with disabilities a sporting chance

DO YOU have or know someone with a disability? Are you interested in trying a new sport or activity but not quite sure where to start? Well, great news! The Town of Bassendean Seniors and Disability Services team is here to help with the Bassendean Inclusive Communities Project.

Joining a local sport or recreation club is great! It helps keep you physically active, helps you meet new friends, and develops skills that you didn't even know you had! Luckily, the Town of Bassendean has many wonderful clubs across a number of sports and activities, including cricket, AFL, bowls, soccer, circus skills, and many more. They all do a wonderful job of helping to keep our community physically active.

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TOP TIP# 4 – Shade, shade, shade! Remember if the sun hits a surface or wall at this time of the year it is going to heat up so break that insidious cycle. Shade cloth, scatter rugs, shade sails anything will do and they will all help to keep you and your home cooler.

TOP TIP# 5 – Water early or water late. There is a reason why watering is banned between 9.00 am and 6.00 pm it just isn't very efficient. Most of the precious water applied at this time will be lost on a hot day before it gets to your plants' roots.

TOP TIP# 6 – Grow longer lawns. Add one or two centimetres to your lawn's length by raising the height of your mower blades. It will keep the soil cooler and reduce moisture stress and water loss.

However, if you have a disability joining a mainstream club can sometimes be a bit daunting. It's not always easy to know where to start and who to talk to, especially if you're the 'new guy'.

That's where we come in. A 'Count Me In' initiative, the Bassendean Inclusive Communities project makes it easier for people with disabilities to join a new club, by reducing some of the uncertainties.

It does this by connecting members (or 'buddies') of local sport and recreation clubs to people with disabilities to help them transition into a safe, fun and suitable sport and recreation environment of their choosing. The buddies act as guides, mentors and a 'friendly face' while participants get used to their new surroundings.



So if you, or someone you know, are interested in joining a club, get in contact with the Seniors and Disability Services' office on 9279 6588 today!



coming events

Carols by Candlelight

Featuring the Combined Districts Concert Band, guest artists, kids' choir and puppets.

Date:	Saturday 22 December 2012	
Time:	7.30 pm—9.00 pm	
Venue:	Success Hill Reserve, Seventh Avenue,	
Cost:	Free entry and parking	

Food, drinks and ice creams available.

Carols by Candlelight is a great community event that celebrates the festive season rejoiced in song. The Carols are set in the beautiful surroundings of the Success Hill Reserve and organised by the Bassendean Church of Christ.

Bassendean.

Simon Kelly

Big Bamboo

Australia Day

The Town of Bassendean presents Australia Day Celebrations. The free event features live entertainment with Simon Kelly and The Big Bamboo— and the fireworks!

When:Saturday 26 January 2013Where:Ashfield Reserve, Guildford Road, AshfieldTime:5.00 pm - 9.00 pm

Simon Kelly and The Big Bamboo are Perth's premier chameleon calypso quasi-jazz 5-piece white reggae band. They're a blend of psychedelic pop, reggae, rootsy folk, bluesy ska and demented country with subtle African and reggae rhythms.

Location and parking

Ashfield Reserve is adjacent to the Ashfield Station, so why not catch the train?

Lighten the load—pack one bag, bring a rug (not chairs) and reduce your load! Walk or take the train. If coming by car, why not car pool? Parking is available adjacent to the event for a \$3 donation.

Proudly supported by 98.5 Sonshine FM who will provide a special live broadcast of the evening's entertainment and exclusive fireworks soundtrack.



For more information go to www.bassendean.wa.gov.au

A great success

Seniors Week is an important event which allows the community to acknowledge and thank seniors for the contributions that they make to society. This year's Seniors' Week saw the biggest turnout ever. Seniors' Week is about giving all seniors an opportunity to come out, meet new people, get active and have fun, and this year the Town of Bassendean offered a wide range of activities to fulfill these aims.

A wide variety of activities

This year's celebrations started on Sunday 11 November with the opening of Seniors' Week and the Remembrance Day Ceremony. A lovely ceremony was enjoyed by all who attended.

On Monday the Dance-a-thon was as popular as ever and the community walk had a great turnout as always. The Bassendean Senior Citizens' Association hosted a concert that saw the Western Australian Academy of Performing Arts students entertain everyone with their amazing talents. Wednesday was the Anglo-Indian themed Multicultural Seniors' event, which included a range of fantastic entertainment, in particular the cooking demonstration. Friday's Melody Club Gala Day was a chance for everyone to stretch out their vocal cords and sing along with many of their favourite songs and enjoy entertainment from the Guildford Grammar students and the Wembley Entertainers. The week concluded on 17 November with the Come N' Try day at the Bassendean Bowling Club.



And many thanks!

The Town would like to thank all the seniors who attended the events over the week. A big thank you goes out to all the volunteers who helped out during the week, and in particular, the members of the Seniors' Week Coordinating Committee who once again organised a fantastic week for the local senior citizens.



Eyes on the Street

LOCAL GOVERNMENT is unable to act on matters that involve criminal activity as its law enforcement powers are limited to breaches of its local laws and Acts of Parliament that directly provide powers to Local Government.

If you see any suspicious activity which you believe is criminal, contact Crimestoppers on 1800 333 000 or Police general enquiries on 131 444.

Graffiti on private property fence-lines abutting public land (footpaths, parks and reserves, and laneways) can be reported directly to Council's graffiti removal hotline on 1300 798 143. The Town endeavours to have graffiti removed within 24 hours, but this can only happen if residents report graffiti promptly.

Council officers also report suspicious activities to the Police and you can assist us with this "eyes on the street" activity.



Unique goods to suit all pockets!

Old Perth Road Markets has become a mecca for those seeking unique handcrafted goods with lots of variety to suit all pockets. Here are profiles of three of our very popular stalls.

Earlsferry Sculptures

Martin Jaine from Earlsferry Sculptures is a master craftsman who has created a range of stunning metal sculptures to delight and intrigue you. Each piece is crafted from reclaimed materials.

They are all unique and range from flowers that never die to spheres that never move. There are also metal spiders in all sizes and beautiful metal webs to hang on a wall.

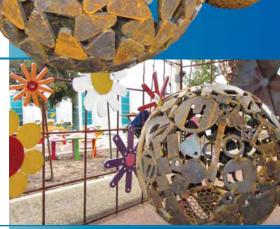
Martin takes private commissions for one off works to grace your home or office and works out of his studio in beautiful Earlsferry House, Bassendean. A true local artist.

Spice Fetish

Just over three years ago Glen Jordan from Spice Fetish immersed herself in the world of gourmet spices. In the beginning there was lots of experimenting, cooking and tasting and learning about Middle Eastern and Asian blends.

After she perfected these blends she immersed herself into Australian bush tucker! Think of bush tomatoes (hand-picked by Aboriginal women in the arid regions of central Australia) with their wonderful caramel flavour, the lemony fragrance of lemon myrtle, the rich fruity peppery flavour of Tasmanian pepperberries and Australian native thyme which has a fragrance far stronger and fresher than the regularly cultivated varieties. Glen's two special blends, 'Red Dirt' and 'Bush Lemon', are classic Australian blends which can be used for all sorts of dishes. 'Red Dirt' is named after the red dirt of Kalgoorlie and the Kimberley and 'Bush Lemon' is named after our beautiful Western Australian bushland.

Sourced from the very best quality spices, Glen works with the indigenous communities. Glen also provides fully tested recipes so that you can get started using the products straight away.





Maison Saint-Honoré

Alex Luis-Van-Seng and Jacques Saint-Alme who run Maison Saint-Honoré are Frenchmen who now call Perth home.

They make beautiful macaroons in an astonishing array of flavours and colours—orange, pistachio, coconut, chocolate, strawberry and rose are just some of them.

They also make canelé —small pastries with a caramelised crust outside and custard-like inside—a delight from Bordeaux flavoured with rum and vanilla. The origin of canelé dates back to the 1500s when the nuns of the convent of Annonciades started manufacturing these little French cakes, with flour from the docks, rum coming from the islands and the egg yolks which had been leftover from the egg white fining of the famous wines of Bordeaux.

You can enjoy Canelés de Bordeaux for breakfast, afternoon tea, and dessert or with coffee. These cakes keep perfectly for 4-5 days in an airtight container in the refrigerator.

But beware! You have to get in early to secure these delicacies because they sell very, very quickly.





Festive Season business hours

Council Offices

The Council Offices at 35 & 48 Old Perth Road, Bassendean, will be closed from 3.00 pm on Friday 21 December 2012 to re-open at 8.30 am on Wednesday 2 January 2013.

Bassendean Memorial Library

- The Bassendean Memorial Library will:
- close at 3.00 pm on Friday 21 December;
- be open on Saturday 22 December from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm; and
- be closed from 1.00 pm on Saturday 22 December to re-open at 9.00 am on Wednesday 2 January 2013.

Bassendean Youth Service

The Bassendean Youth Centre will be closed from Friday 14 December 2012 to Monday 7 January 2013.

Rubbish Service

All bins will be serviced on their usual days during the Christmas and New Year periods, with the exception of the public holidays listed below:

If your normal collection day is:	Your bin will be collected on:
Tuesday, 25 December 2012	Wednesday, 26 December 2012
Tuesday, 1 January 2013	Wednesday, 2 January 2013

Any rubbish collection questions or comments should be directed to Cleanaway on 9449 3353.

The Red Hill Waste Management Facility at 1094 Toodyay Road, Red Hill, will be closed on Christmas Day, Tuesday 25 December 2012, and on New Year's Day, Tuesday 1 January 2013. The facility can be contacted on 9574 6235.

Ranger Services

During the festive season, Ranger Services will operate from 7.00 am to 9.00 pm, except on Christmas Day when you may leave a message and a Ranger will call you back the following day.

Are you looking to study in the New Year? -

THE CYRIL Jackson Senior Campus in Reid Street, Bassendean, is your local school for people over the age of 16. The campus offers courses which will help you prepare for university or for further training or employment in an adult learning environment.

Enrolment appointments for 2013 will take place on Monday 7 January. Please call 9379 5122 for an appointment with a Course Adviser. If you wish to speak with someone about your choices before then, please contact the Deputy Principal, Anne MacDermott, on 9379 5142.

Semester One commences on Monday 4 February 2013.

Lions' Christmas cakes and puddings are now available from the Bassendean Memorial Library, the Bassendean Bowling Club, Westpac & CBA-get in quick before they all disappear!

Council Calendar

TUESDAY 18 DECEMBER Ordinary Council Meeting	7.00 pm
TUESDAY 22 JANUARY Ordinary Council Meeting	7.00 pm
TUESDAY 5 FEBRUARY Tree Consultative Committee Meeting	7.00 pm
WEDNESDAY 6 FEBRUARY Audit & Risk Management Committee Meeting	11.00 am
WEDNESDAY 6 FEBRUARY Local Emergency Management Committee Meetin	ng 1.00 pm
THURSDAY 7 FEBRUARY Cyril Jackson Physical Centre Management Committee Meeting	8.30 am
THURSDAY 7 FEBRUARY Local Studies Collection Management Committee Meeting	9.30 am
WEDNESDAY 13 FEBRUARY Children & Family Services Committee Meeting	7.00 pm

Justice of the Peace office

The Town of Bassendean provides a Justice of the Peace document witnessing centre at the Bassendean Memorial Library at 46 Old Perth Road, Bassendean on Wednesdays from 10.00 am to 12 noon. A Justice of the Peace can witness official documents, administer an oath or affirmation, and take an affidavit.

'recognising our **past celebrating** the **now creating** the **future**'

Town of Bassendean

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Community Groups' Notice Board



Bassendean Arts Community Located 1 Surrey St, Bassendean

Fibrant Group – fibre and textile artisans. All welcome – Thursday mornings. Contact Joyce: 0423 185 263. Web: www.bassendeanartscom.com Merry Xmas and Happy New Year to everyone and look out for exciting projects in 2013.

Ashfield Sports Club

The ASC manages a team in the Football West All Flags State League Division One competition. To build on previous success the club offers more by fielding teams in the Ladies, Amateur and Junior leagues. Players and assistance required at all levels. Also the home for Ashfield ladies darts and Swan Districts Softball Clubs.

Interested in being part of the Ashfield SC family? Contact the club at ashfieldsc@iinet.net

Swan Districts Softball Club

Training Wed. evenings and fixture games on Sat. Based at Ashfield Sports Club. A great social club with a mind-set of giving back to players with low club fees and social events throughout the season. Contact Michelle Morys on 0439 433 499 or michelle.morys@mosaiccc.org

Bayswater Toy Library

Now located at large, child-friendly premises in Embleton. Over 1000 toys available to borrow. New members welcome! Ph: 0412 235 803 or visit www.bayswatertoylibrary.org.au

Bassendean Historical Society (Inc)

Reconnect with your Community! We meet on the last Thursday of each month at 7.00 pm, at 1 Surrey Street. New members welcome. Phone Lesley on 9279 9058 for more information.

Bassendean Walking for Pleasure Group

We meet each Monday morning 9.00 am in and around the Bassendean area. Also Monday and Wednesday 6.15 pm, and Saturday morning 8.00 am. We walk for approximately 1 hour. Phone walk leaders Dawne and Bill Power on 0220 6000 or context Town of Decomdoon

9378 6006 or contact Town of Bassendean Recreation & Cultural Services on 9377 8000. All very welcome.

Humpty Dumpty Toy Library

Borrow from a large variety of good quality toys, puzzles and games designed to support children's development and promote learning through play. Altone Leisure Centre. Saturday 10 am-midday. 9377 6181 or humptydumptytoylib@gmail.com

Bassendean Senior Citizens and over 55s

50 Old Perth Road, Phone 9279 1944 Office Hours 10.00am–1.00pm Mon–Fri Membership only \$12 per year. Regular weekly activities plus Picnics, Afternoon Teas, Door Prizes and monthly Bus Trips, Events and Concerts. We also have an Over-55's Dining Group which meets once a month. For more information contact our office.

Bassendean Community Playgroup

Playgroup for children aged 0–6 years meets each Monday morning in the hall of St Mark's Church, off Parker Street, 10.00 am–12 noon. Phone Tracy on 6278 2930.

New members welcome. See us on facebook at Bassendean Community Playgroup.

Living Smart Bassendean

Learn about living more sustainably and meet likeminded locals. Meet first Wednesday each month 7–9 pm meeting room at the Bassendean Library. Contact Rebecca Benson becbenson@hotmail.com 0404 399 893 or Noala Degasperis ntj@iinet.net.au 0409 295 100

Woodbridge Fencing Club

at Alf Faulkner Hall, Mary St, Eden Hill. Practice a unique sport in a fun yet sporting environment. Catering to all levels, in all 3 weapons, from age 9 up—all gear provided. Training Thursdays 7.30–9.30pm during school terms.

For further info sms/call Jesse (President) 0438528 887, or Wally (Treasurer) 0403 894 041. Love to see you there!

Helena River Jazz Band

Join the fun at our sessions in the Bassendean Community and Seniors Hall, Old Perth Road (two minutes from the station). Dance or simply relax and listen to the band in a warm and friendly atmosphere. Door prize. Refreshments available at only \$1 per cup. Further enguiries—ring 9379 8071

Hope to see you there!

Swan Bassendean Weight Watchers

A member of Weight Watchers Federation Inc. WA. Meet at the RSL Hall, Kenny Street, Bassendean 6pm on Tuesday evenings and welcome new members. A low cost community based group promoting healthy eating and lifestyle with support and encouragement of others. **Pop in and say hello.**

Sahaja Yoga Meditation

Freely available to anyone with a genuine desire to know the true self, with a quest to evolve to a higher level of awareness, understanding and enjoyment. Tuesdays 7.00 pm-8.30 pm, Bassendean Library. Contact Diana: 9279 7314 or email: selentin@westnet.net.au

Northern Saints Basketball Club

invites players from 7 to 17yrs to join one of our mixed teams. Altone rec centre in Beechboro, Saturdays and 1hr training during the week. Phone Peter on 0417 974 179.

Tuesday Dance Group

Join in the fun Tuesdays at the Bassendean Community Hall from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm. Dancing to CD music you can experience Ballroom, Latin and New Vogue dance styles. A great way to exercise, meet people and practice your dancing. Contact Lynne on 9377 5392.

Bassendean Primary School Playgroup

Sessions run Tuesday and Thursdays 9–10.30 am Room 15, Bassendean Primary School. New members welcome. Contact Tammy McEwan 0419 049 922

Bassendean Bowling Club

Community Bowls Every 2nd Sunday of the month. Cost \$10.00 pp (includes lunch). Phone 9279 1949 for more information.

St Mark's Benefit Op Shop

St Mark's Anglican Church—new and second-hand clothing, bric-a-brac. Open 9.30 am–12 noon, Mon to Sat. Benefit Op Shop also open on Market Days with special cakes and preserves stall in Church Hall.

Epiphytic Cacti & Hoya Society of Australia Inc.

Meetings held 3rd Sunday of the month (Jan–Nov) 1.30 pm–4 pm at Bassendean Community Hall, Old Perth Road. Join like-minded gardeners and enjoy a social afternoon over refreshments after the meeting. Contact Rex: 9342 7563 or Alf: 9444 6694.

Voices of the Valley Choir

welcome new members to a friendly, no auditions choir, conducted by enthusiastic professional musician. Contact Dianne: 0407 145 580 or 9454 8181.

Arthritis Support Group

The Arthritis Support Group holds passive exercise. New members welcomed. Further enquiries: 9279 9382.

Bassendean Preservation Group

We're propagating and planting out habitat for the endangered iconic Carnaby's Black Cockatoos. Join us! For more info email:

For more into entant skipmcpharlap@bigpond.com

Bassendean Cricket Club New members wanted. Training: Jubilee Reserve Eden Hill, Tuesdays

and Thursdays. **Contact Mick Ashe on 0403 427 677.**

Bassendean Wider Vision (Inc)

Over 50s group catering for those looking for something other than arts, crafts, sports, etc. Guest speaker each week followed by socialising over tea and biscuits. Non-political, non-sectarian and non-profit making. Wed from 10.00 am to 12 noon. New members welcomed. Enquiries Doreen: 9296 8994 or Neville: 9275 1272.

Bassendean Caledonians Junior Soccer Club

Places available for Boys 14/15 and girls 15/16. For more information phone Helen 0407 111 240 or Ken 0410 795 144.

St Mark's Badminton Group

Join this group of ladies for a morning of social badminton. 9.30 am–11.30 am Tuesday mornings, St Mark's Hall. Contact Coral on 9279 3107

Volunteers Centre

Volunteers are the heartbeat of the community. We help connect residents to volunteering in a wide range of activities. We are also here to help promote organisations and clubs to the community. If you are looking to volunteer or for volunteers, please phone 9377 2191 and talk to Audrey or Colin.

Lions Club of Bassendean (Inc).

Est. 1991, meets at the RSL Hall, Kenny Street, Bassendean 2nd and 4th Wed each month at 7 pm. Phone Clive Brown 6278 2237

Men's Shed Project

Opportunities to volunteer for a local project, with carpentry, boilermaking, painting skills, etc. A few hours each week is all that's required.

Contact Project Coordinator, Ted Lawrence 9377 3987 or gypsyted@iinet.net.au

Kinetica Circus Arts

Beginner's circus classes for youth and adults in the Cyril Jackson Recreation Centre. Learn aerial silks, trapeze, acrobatics and more!

Contact kinetica.cdt@gmail.com for more details.

Broadway II Band Afternoon Tea Dance

Join us for an afternoon of live music, dancing and companionship at the Bassendean Community Hall, Monday and Friday from 12.45 pm to 3.30 pm. Public holidays included (except Good Friday). Admission \$5.00 per person. Ladies requested to bring a plate. Lucky Spots and Door Prizes awarded throughout the afternoon.

Contact Mrs Gwen Fenech on 9279 2756.

Bassendean Cultural Advancement Group

A spokesgroup for the Aboriginal Community in the Town of Bassendean. Help us to work on issues affecting Aboriginal People in the Town: Culture – Health – Sport – Children – Education – Training – Employment. New members welcomed. We can make a difference together. Contact Lynette on 0421 560 047.

Ashfield Community Action Network For coming events contact Lucy Bromell on 0402 257 965 or visit www.ashfieldcan.info

AshfieldCAN supports positive community initiatives to improve or promote Ashfield as a great place to live. We welcome anyone who would like to join us. **Neighbourhood Watch** in Ashfield meets at the Ashfield Sports Club.

For details contact: Verna Schreuders: 9279 3157

Scrapbooking & Stamping Club of WA

Third Sunday of the month, 2.00–6.00 pm, Small Hall, Bassendean Council Offices, 48 Old Perth Road. Cost \$80 per annum or \$45 for 6 months or \$8 per month.

Contact Violet: 9295 5498 or Julie: 9378 3276.

Bassendean Tennis Club

invites the community to join in social play every Wednesday at 9.00 am, Friday at 7.00 pm and Sunday at 2.00 pm. New members and visitors welcome. Located at the Guildford Road end of Hamilton St. Check the website for more details www.bassendeantennisclub.com or call Kathryn on 9377 1462.

St Michael's Playgroup

0 – kindy, Parents, grandparents and carers welcome. Tues 9–11 am during school term. \$10/term + Playgroup WA 2012. Craft, shared fruit break, story time and much more. Bring a piece of fruit, water bottle and sun protection.

Part of the Community for over 25 years. Jennifer 0415 186 338

Community Weight Loss Challenge 8 week course, fun and support, \$\$ for Biggest Loser! Call Anne-Kit on 0412 711 775

Bassendean Al-Anon

Bassendean 'Hope For Today' on Sundays 6.00 – 7.30 pm at Bassendean Community Hall, 48 Old Perth Road (entry at rear). No charge. For information and help phone 9325 7528 or www.al-anon.alateen.org/australia/wa.html

Bassendean Junior Cricket Club

Players welcome from 5–17. Phone Kylie 0409 102 063 or email bassendeanjcc@gmail.com for details.

Bassendean Melody Club Inc. Invitation

Join us to enjoy fellowship and singing along to the golden oldies. Venue: Bassendean Community Hall Time: Fridays 10.00–11.45 am (except Christmas break and Good Friday) Cost: 50c or gold coin on 1st Friday of month. Contact Helen Barber on 9299 6742.

Rotary Club of Swan Valley welcomes new members interested in community service. For information on Rotary or on our short-term

Youth Exchange to New Zealand, contact Noel Allan on 9377 2277 or 0412 410 420.

Bassonovas Community Samba Drumming Group

Learn Brazilian percussion in a fun easy way—no experience necessary! Call Bassendean Recreation & Cultural Services on 9377 8051 or check website: http://sites.google.com/site/bassonovas/

The Railway Museum Bassendean Volunteers Wanted

It's fun! Could you help greet visitors to our museum? Sell tickets? Keep exhibits tidy? Maintenance/handyman/gardening?

136 Railway Parade Bassendean. Phone 9279 7189. bookings@railheritagewa.org.au

Casa Mia Montessori Playgroup

Fostering children's love of learning. Enrol now. Tue. and/or Wed. 9.15–11.15 am. Email: bassendean.montessori.playgroup@gmail.com

For an opportunity to promote your organisation's activities.

Call us on 9377 8073 between 9.00 am-12.00 pm Monday to Thursday or leave a message with our Customer Service Centre on 9377 8000.

The close-off date for the next issue is 17 January 2013. Space is limited, so please keep text to a minimum.

To the best of our knowledge, information provided here is correct at the time of printing. You are advised to contact the relevant organisation/club direct for confirmation.