

Old Perth Road Twilight Markets

This Christmas Old Perth Road will be a feast of delicious wafting aromas, colours, laughter and music. The paperbark trees will shed their technicolor cardigans and be decked with fairy lights to kick-off our Twilight Markets!

As the summer returns at last, the gorgeous crochet sleeves will be wrapped up until next winter and the street trees will be adorned with twinkling lights instead. On Saturday 21 December, bring along family and friends for a balmy evening of enjoyment when the street will come alive with an exciting variety of stalls and entertainment, enticing you to mingle, meander and kick back.

For the warm summer months of December, February and March (we take a break in January) our markets will become twilight markets and be held on a Saturday evenings from 5.30 pm. Just around the corner, Movies by Burswood will be back too.

While planning is well under way, let us know what you like to see at the markets? We are pretty active on the social media front.



You can find the latest information and make suggestions and comments here: www.facebook.com/OldPerthRoadMarkets; or here: www.facebook.com/ReNewOldPerthRoad

Do you want to have a stall?

Why not? Check out the web site and complete a Registration Form www.oldperthroadmarkets.com.au

You can also subscribe to the weekly email update to keep informed on business activities and the Re-New Old Perth Road program here: www.bassendeanmeansbusiness.com.au

Don't forget to vote!

Local Government elections will be held on Saturday 19 October.

The Town of Bassendean conducts its election by postal voting, so keep a look out for your envelope when it is delivered by Australia Post. Electoral envelopes can be delivered to the Customer Service Centre up to Friday 18 October and to the polling station at 35 Old Perth Road, Bassendean, on Saturday 19 October, between 8:00 am and 6:00 pm.

Voting system

The voting system will be first past the post and will require electors to **place a tick** against the candidates of their choice, up to and including the number of vacancies—for Bassendean it is a **maximum of 3 ticks**.

Remember—your vote counts!

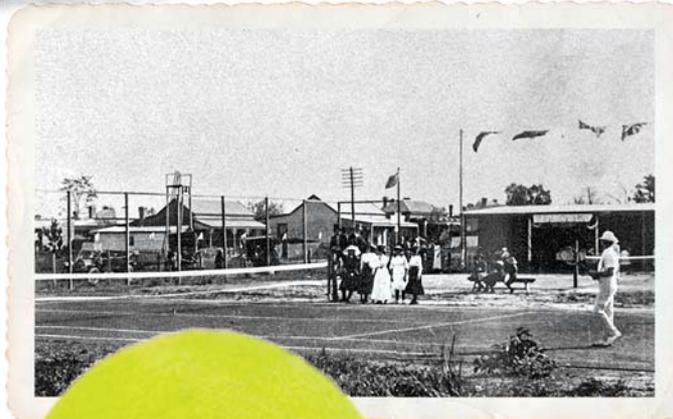
We are excited about this summer so market-lovers get ready to spice up your life this December at the first of our Twilight Markets.



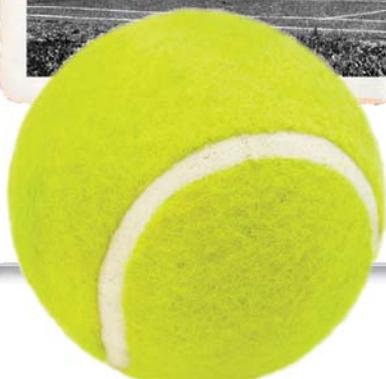
Remembrance Day Commemoration Service

A MEMORIAL service to commemorate Remembrance Day will be held on Monday 11 November at 11.00 am at the Town's War Memorial in Old Perth Road, Bassendean.

This service is a chance to reflect on those Australians who fought and those who lost their life during times of conflict.



Opening day in 1913.
Photographs courtesy of the
Bassendean Memorial Library's
Local Studies Collection.



Bassendean Tennis Club turns 100 years old

This year is the centenary of the Bassendean Tennis Club, formerly the West Guildford Tennis Club, which was opened in 1913.

To celebrate, Bassendean Tennis Club is having an open day on Sunday 3 November starting at 1.00 pm. This will include an afternoon of events with an 'exhibition match' of people dressed in period costume playing with wooden tennis racquets, a traditional afternoon tea, displays of photos of the club 'then and now', and a schools poster competition. There will also be tennis for everyone, whatever your skill level.

All past Club members are invited to the event. Anyone interested in helping celebrate the centenary is welcome, particularly potential members who would like to try the facilities and find out about playing social or competitive tennis in Bassendean.



For further information, or to RSVP for catering purposes, please contact Kathryn Kerry on 9377 1462.

Coming events

Bendigo Bank Seniors' Week 2013

Date: Monday 11 November to Friday 15 November 2013

Events to be held at various times and venues.

The Town of Bassendean is pleased to offer a range of fun and exciting events for the community during Seniors' Week. The events for the week include a variety of physical and cultural events for the whole community.

Cost: Free entry—some events have limited tickets, please contact Recreation & Cultural Services at the Town of Bassendean to arrange tickets.

Seniors' Week 2013 is supported by Department of Communities and Council on the Ageing.



Centenary of Pickering Park Picnic

Sunday 1 December 11.00 am–4.00 pm

The Centenary Picnic is to celebrate a Gala Day held in Pickering Park in December 1913.

Pickering Park was once one of the most significant places for recreation in Bassendean and this event will give you the opportunity to experience a style of community event that you probably haven't experienced.

So bring the family down and celebrate with a picnic, 'old school' sack races, egg and spoon races, and other such picnic style events.



Community Groups Notice Board update

Due to the popularity of the 'Community Groups Notice Board' we are relocating it to the Town's website at www.bassendean.wa.gov.au (see link on the right-hand side of the home page).

This free service will be enhanced by not having the same space restrictions—we can now fit in all the notices all of the time and each organisation will be able to expand on their details or even include web links.

The Notice Board will be updated regularly so why not add it to your Favourites to stay in touch with what's happening in our community?



Keen on Halloween

For a second year the Town of Bassendean Youth Advisory Council will be running 'Keen on Halloween' on 31 October 2013.

Enclosed within the *Bassendean Briefings* is a 'Keen on Halloween' sticker which you can stick on your letterbox on the night to let your neighbours know that you are open for 'trick or treating'.

This year the Youth Advisory Council is also running a 'Spookiest Letterbox Competition'. Dress your letterbox up and make it the scariest it has ever been. The scariest letterbox will win an iPad. Participating residents must register at www.keenonhalloween.com.au.



For further information about 'Keen on Halloween' contact the Youth Development Officer on 9279 2329 or visit www.keenonhalloween.com.au



Now that summer is coming it's time to look after your pool

DROWNING is the most common cause of preventable death for children aged 0–5. Over the past five years 16 toddlers have drowned in Western Australia. For every drowning death, it is estimated that 10 children are admitted to hospital following a near-drowning incident (160 children over the past five years).

In Western Australia, domestic swimming pools are the most common site in which drowning for children aged 0–5 occurs with 94% of drowning incidents at locations in and around the home. Of the 94%, 31% occurred at a relative or neighbour's home. These tragic incidents can be significantly reduced if we all:

- are aware of the potential hazards of water in our everyday life;
- use simple prevention methods; and
- learn the life-saving skill of resuscitation.

Causes of accidental drowning

Most drownings occur where there is no barrier between the residence and the pool area or because the barrier is defective.

The rules and regulations

All private swimming and spa pools that contain water that is more than 300 mm deep must have a compliant barrier installed that restricts access by young children to the pool and its immediate surrounds.

What is required?

A building permit is required under the *Building Act 2011* and the *Building Regulations 2012* prior to installing, constructing or altering swimming and spa pool barriers, including windows, doors and gates that provide access to a swimming or spa pool area. A building permit is also required for the construction of swimming and spa pools.

Whilst a portable wading pool, that does not contain water that is more than 300 mm deep, does not require a mandatory child safety barrier, parents and carers need to be aware that these types of pools are still a constant source of danger to young children.

The role of the Town of Bassendean

The Town of Bassendean is responsible for issuing building permits for swimming and spa pools and their associated barriers. The approval process not only ensures that the building and barrier standards are satisfied, but that the structures are registered with the local government so that periodic inspections of the installed barrier can occur—generally once every four years.

Are there penalties for non-compliance?

Owners and occupiers are responsible for ensuring that any fence or barrier restricting access to a swimming or spa pool is maintained and operating effectively. If you do not comply with the *Regulations* and the Standard, you risk the lives of young children as well as facing substantial fines.

This information is based on the publication *Rules for Pools and Spas* published by the Department of Commerce Building Commission.



Stallholder profile: Michelle Page

MiMelts—natural soy candles

I have always loved candles! They are so versatile and suit any occasion.

A couple of years ago, I decided to dip into this passion of mine by making my own. Rather than using the paraffin wax (derived from petroleum) I discovered EcoSoya which is 100% vegetable and is created with pure natural soybean oil. Natural soy wax burns cleaner, cooler and is biodegradable which makes it great for our environment! The wicks I use are pure cotton with a paper braid.

I enjoyed making them and thought that it would be a great idea to start a small business, so I did!

Every candle is hand-made and poured by me. There are over 50 fragrances and essential oils to choose from, in a variety of sizes in glass jars and tins. I also have a range of candle accessories and soy melts. My daughter Jordan is my chief tester, advisor and marketing guru. We are a terrific team!

I would love to open up a candle store but for now I will continue to keep all the candle lovers happy at the Bassendean Markets! Like us on Facebook and follow us on Instagram and keep an eye out for www.mimelts.aradium.com



Rangers Corner

For dogs ...

Recently, the *Dog Act* was amended and registration fees for dogs have changed. The following new fees are applicable and are due to be paid by 31 October in the year of expiry.

	Standard Fees per dog		Concession Fees per dog	
	1 Year	3 Years	1 Year	3 Years
Unsterilised Dog	\$50.00	\$120.00	\$25.00	\$60.00
Sterilised Dog	\$20.00	\$42.50	\$10.00	\$21.25

In early October 2013 the Town of Bassendean will be sending out renewal forms. By law, all dogs must be registered to the Local Government Authority where they live. If you have unregistered dogs, then please contact the Town of Bassendean Rangers.

The State Government is currently considering a *Dog Act Amendment Bill* and should this be passed, there will be a number of changes to the *Dog Act* and its regulations. The Town will provide further information regarding the proposed *Dog Act Amendments* as it comes to hand.

... and cats

As of 1 November 2013 the new *Cat Act 2011* comes into effect. That means that all cats over the age of 6 months must be microchipped, sterilised and registered to the Local Government Authority where they live.

Your cat will also be required to wear a collar and registration tag at all times to ensure it is easily identifiable and can be returned to you if it gets lost.

The new *Cat Act 2011* is about encouraging responsible pet ownership and reducing the number of unwanted cats in the community and the number of cats that are euthanased each year.

The State Government has finalised and gazetted the prescribed fees for Cat Registrations and they are as follows:

Standard Fees per cat			Concession Fees per cat		
1 Year	3 Years	Life	1 Year	3 Years	Life
\$20.00	\$42.50	\$100.00	\$10.00	\$21.25	\$50.00

As of 10 October 2013, the Town will be accepting and processing registrations in order to allow people to complete their responsibilities by the 1 November 2013 deadline.

Please note that infringements may apply if owners do not comply with the requirements after this deadline.



If you would like more information regarding dog or cat issues, please call the Rangers on 9377 7480 or check out the information provided on our website: www.bassendean.wa.gov.au.



Adopt-a-Tree Program

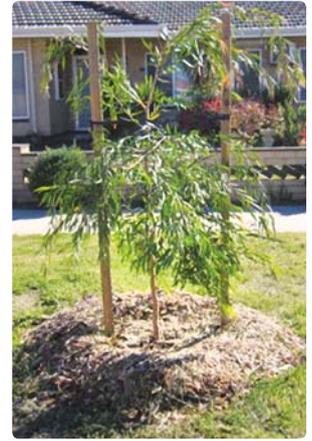
IF THE TOWN has recently planted a street tree adjacent to your property or there is an established street tree in your street that needs some care, the Town has initiated an Adopt-a-Tree Program and is calling on residents, businesses and groups in the community to work in partnership with the Town to care for approximately 8600 street trees. Anyone in the Town of Bassendean community can register as a tree adopter.

Street Trees contribute to the amenity, aesthetics and sense of place for the residents of the Town and with our drying climate street trees are increasingly vulnerable over the long hot summers.

Tree adopters can assist trees by:

- monitoring and reporting any changes in the tree's condition;
- removing weeds to within 1 metre of the trunk;
- providing the tree with one good watering per week; and
- recognising that the verge adjacent to your property is an important water supply area for the street tree.

This summer the Water Corporation will be imposing water restrictions. Watering at the base of your adopted street tree is permissible; however please refer to the current watering restriction requirements at www.watercorporation.com.au/save-water/watering-days.



If you would like to register and Adopt-a-Tree, please refer to the Town of Bassendean website at www.bassendean.wa.gov.au and click on Information & Feedback > General Information Sheets > 'Trees-Adopt-A-Tree Program'. Alternatively email mail@bassendean.wa.gov.au or telephone on 9377 9000.

Rangers Corner

Notice to all Landowners and Occupiers

Fire Break Notice

Bush Fires Act 1954

The Town undertakes annual fire inspections to ensure all properties comply with the *Bush Fires Act 1954* and the Council's Fire Management Practices.

Prior to 31 October 2013, properties of all sizes within the Town of Bassendean shall be cleared of combustible material from the whole of the land.

All combustible material is to be slashed or mowed to ensure that it is no longer than 10 cm in height from 31 October 2013 until 31 March 2014.

Living trees, shrubs, plants under cultivation and maintained lawns are excluded from the clearing requirements.

Any variations in the standard of firebreaks are to be the subject of a specific request to the Town's authorised Firebreak Inspector and any such variation shall be for one year only.

The penalty for failing to comply with the *Bush Fires Act* is a modified penalty of \$250 or a fine of up to \$5000 by the court.

The owner of the property in default is liable whether prosecuted or not, to pay the cost of performing the work directed by the required date.

Please note that the Town of Bassendean's Local Laws prohibit the burning of foliage or bush without the Town's prior consent.



If you wish to make enquiries concerning this, please contact the Council's Ranger Service on 9377 7480 for an evaluation of your land.



Volunteer Resource Centre:

Bassendean Community Transport Service

Did you know that the Town of Bassendean provides a Community Transport Service to its residents? This service is staffed by a dedicated team of volunteer drivers and administration personnel. Priority of access is given to residents in genuine need of transport and who are unable to make alternative arrangements.

Community Transport is currently recruiting volunteer drivers and office volunteers. If you think you have what it takes to join our team of dedicated volunteers making a difference in the community please contact Shanel on 9377 2191 for further information.

With two 7-seater vehicles, one transporting residents outside the Town of Bassendean and the other within the Town and surrounding suburbs, the service provides transport for residents to go:

- to medical appointments (within the Town as well as Swan Districts, Royal Perth, Sir Charles Gairdner and Shenton Park Rehabilitation Centre);
- shopping (Bassendean Village and Morley Galleria);
- to social events and outings (Melody Club etc.); and
- visiting relatives/friends.

About the service

- Community Transport Service is open to all Town of Bassendean residents, with limited or no transport of their own and is only restricted by the capacity of the vehicles.
- Priority is given for medical appointments.
- Appointments need to be confirmed 48 hours (two days) prior to any appointment.
- The service operates Monday to Friday from 8.30 am to 3.30 pm (excluding public holidays and Christmas break).
- The service is free, however a small donation towards running costs is welcomed.



If you would like to find out more, feel free to give the Community Transport office a call on 9377 2190, or pop in to speak to one of the very friendly volunteers who coordinate the service at the office at 50 Old Perth Road from 9.00 am to 1.00 pm weekdays.



Volunteer Resource Centre:

Bassendean Volunteer Centre's got a new website!

Visit www.bassendeanvolunteer.com.au to learn more about the wonderful world of volunteering!

No matter what your skills, interests or availability—a day, week, month or a year—there is a volunteer opportunity to suit you. With hundreds of positions in your area let us help you find out more about how you can make a difference in your community. Have fun, meet new people, learn new skills, gain life experience, and keep mentally fit.

Unleash the volunteer in you!



Contact the Volunteer Centre Co-ordinator for more information on 9377 2191 or visit www.bassendeanvolunteer.com.au

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Council Calendar

SATURDAY 19 OCTOBER	Local Government Elections	
MONDAY 21 OCTOBER	Special Council Meeting: Swearing in of new Councillors	6.00 pm
TUESDAY 22 OCTOBER	Ordinary Council Meeting	7.00 pm
THURSDAY 24 OCTOBER	Youth Advisory Council Meeting	5.00 pm
WEDNESDAY 30 OCTOBER	Cultural Development Advisory Committee Meeting	6.00 pm
WEDNESDAY 13 NOVEMBER	Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting	5.30 pm
TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER	Ordinary Council Meeting	7.00 pm
THURSDAY 28 NOVEMBER	Youth Advisory Council Meeting	5.00 pm
WEDNESDAY 4 DECEMBER	Access & Inclusion Committee Meeting	10.00 am

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'**

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