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ANZAC DAY COMMEMORATIVE SERVICE

The Town of Bassendean will once again be supporting the Eastern Regional Sub Branch of the RSL in its arrangements for this year's ANZAC DAY Parade and Service.

The parade and service is an opportunity to demonstrate our respect for those who gave their lives in all wars, conflicts and peace operations and is also a chance for Bassendean to show its community spirit.

You are invited to come along to the Bassendean War Memorial, at the corner of Guildford Road and Wilson Street Bassendean, and join in the Town's Anzac Day Commemorative Service.

When: Monday 25 April

Where: Parade commences at 10.45 am

at the Bassendean Hotel carpark

Service: Commences at 11.00 am

at the Bassendean War Memorial

'The experience of Australians serving on the Western Front was one of mateship and courage forged in the face of intense fear.

The resolve of the Australian soldiers and their unity in hardship carried them through the conflict.'

Dan Tehan Minister for Veterans' Affairs



THE SPIRIT LIVES 2014 - 2018







Anne Brinkworth with Mrs Beatrice Chape (made Freeman in 1996) and Mrs Gwen Fenech OAM JP (made Freeman in 2009).

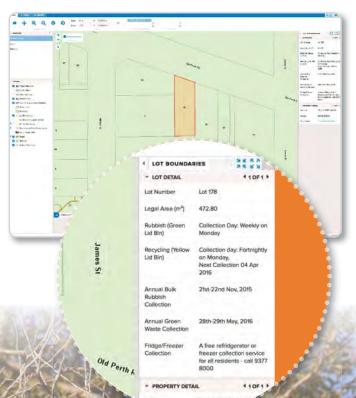
The Mayor, in bestowing the title, said that there was nobody more deserving of the honour of becoming a Freeman of the Town than Anne. Anne's 26-year commitment to the community of the Town of Bassendean, and her more than 50 years of volunteer work with the Australian Red Cross, make her a very worthy recipient.

Anne's awards include the Australian Red Cross Distinguished Service Award and the 50-year Laurel Wreath Medal. In 2012 the Department for Communities awarded Anne a 50-year Volunteer Service Award for her services to the Australian Red Cross. During her time as a Councillor of the Town Anne received the Western Australian Local Government Association's Meritorious Service Award in 2004 and the Distinguished Service Award in 2010 for her services to local government.

Although Anne is no longer a Councillor, she remains a volunteer for the Australian Red Cross and is involved with Council through community committees.

Online mapping now available

ONLINE MAPPING is now available to residents on the Town's website. The mapping includes information on properties, including the size of the lot, the zoning and information on Council's waste and recycling services.



Pension rate rebates for 2016/2017

AS PART OF the 2015/2016 State Budget, the State Government announced that from the rating year commencing 1 July 2016 the 50% concession allowed to eligible pensioners on local government rates would be restricted to a capped limit.

This change will result in the pensioner concession being administered in a similar manner to the concession currently available to eligible seniors.

Legislative amendments to the *Rates and Charges (Rebates and Deferments) Act 1992* were included in the *Revenue Laws Amendments Act* (Act No 27 of 2015), which received Royal Assent on 2 October 2015.

The pensioner rebate capped amount will be prescribed each year, consistent with the manner in which senior's rates caps are set every year. The gazettal of the capped amounts usually occurs in late June, prior to the commencement of the rating year.

The State Government has determined that the cap for the 2016/17 rating year will be \$750.

Public comment invited

Draft Urban Forest Strategy 2016–2026

The Town of Bassendean is inviting comment from the community on the draft Urban Forest Strategy 2016–2026, in accordance with Council resolution at the February 2016 Ordinary Council Meeting.

The urban forest in the Town of Bassendean consists of all trees and vegetation located within the municipal boundary and comprises all the trees, irrespective of whether the trees are in parks, river foreshores, bushland areas, along road verges or within the public realm of ownership in resident private gardens.

The Urban Forest Strategy 2016–2026 will secure the urban forest as a sustainable asset, which further contributes to the liveability of the Town and quality of life for all its residents.

A thriving urban forest should be seen as a desirable quality, supporting sustainable growth in population, property and industry and therefore the livelihoods, lifestyles and health of the entire community.



The draft Urban Forest Strategy 2016–2026 can be viewed online at http://www.bassendean.wa.gov.au/7_info_feedback/public_comment or in person at our Customer Service Centre or the Bassendean Memorial Library during business hours.

The closing date for submissions is 27 May 2016.



Bassendean Book Club: evenings at the library

The Bassendean Book Club, coordinated by Robyn, has proved to be so successful that we're now looking at the option of setting up a second reading group for an evening session.

The Book Club meets monthly to discuss a selected book title and there is a \$5.00 per month fee to cover the cost of the book.

Robyn has agreed to help with the initial setup but the evening club will need a new coordinator.

The plan is to meet once a month on a Tuesday evening from 6pm to 8pm, with details to be decided by the club members.

Would you like to join?
If so, please register your interest by emailing the library on baslib@bassendean.wa.gov.au or by phoning the Library on 9279 2966.

There is an upper limit of a dozen people and we're hoping for a fantastic response! We'll even provide coffee and biscuits for the inaugural meeting!

NAY MAINESS BOOK SAVELING From Tuesday 10 to

(during Library opening hours)
Our shelves are overflowing with
lots of lovely books and we have

Tuesday 17 May 2016

to make way for more.

There's no way of telling
How much we'll be selling

20c-\$2.00 tops— It's cheaper than the shops.

Come in for bargains galore!

More ways to get lost in a book.. elibrary at Bassendean Memorial Library

The Bassendean Memorial Library has eBooks, eMagazines and eAudio books available for download from the Library website.

The links are located on the top banner of our Home page: just click and follow the instructions!

The digital library never closes, you don't have to return the borrowed items as they simply expire at the end of the loan and there are no fines for late returns! You do need a computer, a tablet or a mobile phone to use the collection.

Digital Media Collection is a state-wide program available to every public library member residing in Western Australia and is provided through the State Library of WA and Local Government.

eBooks – select from a comprehensive collection of fiction and non-fiction, supplied via Overdrive;

eMagazines – hundreds of titles to choose from via Zino; and **eAudio** – select from a large collection of fiction and non-fiction titles supplied by Bolinda.

Cyril Jackson and Daylesford House: the Man and his Mansion

Sir Cyril Jackson, foundation Chairman of the West Guildford Road Board, was also the first Director-General of Education and lived in the Daylesford Estate for six years. His house is on the State Heritage Register.

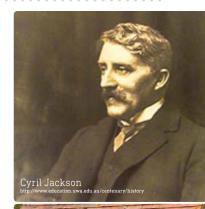
Learn about his background, achievements in education while in Western Australia, and why his house is heritage listed. Cyril Jackson Senior Campus and Recreation Centre are named in his honour

The Annual Library History Lecture will be presented by Janet Megarrity on Wednesday 15 June 2016 at 7 pm at the Bassendean Memorial Library and will make use of information in the Local Studies Collection. Light refreshments will be provided. Seating is limited.



Please RSVP for catering purposes on 9279 2966 or

email baslib@bassendean.wa.gov.au







Above: Cyril Jackson's grave at St Peter's Church in Limpsfield, Surrey, England.





Old Perth Road Markets

go green...

On Sunday morning, 24 April, stalls will appear for the first of our fabulous Old Perth Road morning markets for this year.

Ride your bike to the markets where a special free valet service will be provided to ensure that your bike is kept safe while you enjoy the sustainable, family friendly, creative vibe at the market.

The first 40 bike riders will receive a free \$10 market voucher to spend on the day.

On the grassed area you'll find the Cyril Jackson Senior Campus (CJSC) ArtsHouse team talking about the ArtsHouse Garden project, as well as running a Clay Relief Printing activity for kids and selling lots of herb and vegetable seedlings.

CJSC created ArtsHouse last year and have been working with the community to develop a community garden. ArtsHouse is a creative space for artists of all kinds to share ideas and skills with students and the wider community. The garden itself contributes to the spirit of the project, delivering an awareness of the nutritional, social and physical benefits of the natural environment while connecting with artists and students who use the studio space.



Clay Relief Printing will take place in two

For more information go to www.facebook.com/groups/CJSCArtsHouse/.

stages. At the 24 April markets, kids can press leaves, shells and other natural pieces into clay. Stage two will take place the following weekend. During the morning of 1 May at the ArtsHouse Garden, kids can paint their own artwork to take home. There'll be inspiration for gardeners too with some planting and opportunities to get your hands dirty.





'Consider our kids' bin stickers

The Town of Bassendean, in conjunction with WALGA's Roadwise program, encourages residents to participate in the 'Consider Our Kids' program to raise awareness of drivers to reduce their speed in built-up areas.

Speeding drivers have been identified as a main contributing factor in road related deaths and serious injury in Western Australia. The Road Safety Council of Western Australia is committed to reducing the speed of vehicles on our roads and continues to conduct regular community education campaigns targeting speed.

The 'Please Slow Down, Consider Our Kids' stickers are designed to be placed on the side of wheelie bins. The stickers act as a deterrent from speeding by providing a visual reminder to drivers to reduce their speed. As they are only displayed on bin collection days, it reduces the chance that drivers will become accustomed to them.

If you would like to obtain a waste bin sticker, please contact the Town's Customer Service Centre on 9377 8000 during office hours.



Sandy Beach Reserve, Bassendean Sunday 1 May 2016 8.30 am – 11.00 am

Cooked breakfast for a gold coin donation. Treasure hunt, competitions, fun and games for all the family.

Bring your dog or just yourself!







In 2015–16 the Town will plant an estimated 350 trees on verges, parks and reserves throughout the Town.

More trees will be planted throughout June this year, taking the total number of trees planted, over the last two years, to over 650. If you would like a free street tree to be planted by the Town of Bassendean on the verge adjacent to your property, please contact our Customer Services Centre on 9377 8000 before 29 April 2016.

Adopt-a-tree Registration

A number of residents have recently applied to have trees planted on their verge and have submitted a registration to adopt their verge tree through the Town's 'Adopt-a-tree' program.

Anyone in the Town of Bassendean community can register as a tree adopter. Adopters can care for a street tree (or several trees) in one or more ways. They can observe the street tree and report any changes to the Town of Bassendean, remove weeds from around the base of the tree and water the tree.



If you would like to adopt a street tree, please contact the Town by email at mail@bassendean.wa.gov.au or phone 9377 9000.

Quiet mosquito season

The mosquito population has been a little sparse this season, which is predominantly due to the wetlands, Ashfield Flats and Bindaring Park, drying up. This is consistent throughout the East Swan Region with the Cities of Swan, Bayswater and Belmont reporting the same findings.

When wetlands are dry, the mosquito breeding cycles are naturally restricted. As a result, there is less breeding and fewer and smaller treatments are required. However, although the breeding has been restricted due to the lack of stagnant water present, the leftover mosquito eggs from previous breeding can survive the dry conditions and cannot be killed with larvicide. It is very possible that there are millions of eggs sitting dormant on the dry wetlands. This means that when there is a rise in the local tide height and enough water floods the wetlands, hatching of these eggs will be stimulated and breeding will commence.

Monitoring of the wetlands will continue on a weekly basis to ensure any breeding is identified and treated. It is important to note, that the quiet season is predominantly due to Mother Nature's interference and not solely as a result of the Town's Mosquito Treatment program.

Residents are still reminded that mosquitoes do breed in containers in backyards as well as road drains.



If you have been experiencing high mosquito populations at your home, please contact the Town's Senior Environmental Health Officer on 9377 8000 to discuss.



Funding is currently available for incorporated community and charitable organisations as well as educational institutions to apply to the Town of Bassendean's Community Events Sponsorship Program.

The aim of the program is to enable eligible organisations to facilitate and stage events that will contribute to the overall quality of life of residents and to provide an approach for facilitating community development within the Town of Bassendean.

Eligible applicants can request sponsorship up to a maximum of \$1000 for a range of community events, such as: community picnics, all-ages events, Youth Advisory Concerts, Open days and celebratory days (such as Christmas).



For more information, please contact one of our Officers in the Recreation and Culture Unit on 9377 8000 to express your interest.

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Council Meetings Calendar

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TUESDAY 26 APRIL Briefings Session Ordinary Council Meeting	5.00 pm 7.00 pm
FRIDAY 29 APRIL Youth Advisory Council Meeting	5.00 pm
WEDNESDAY 4 MAY Disability Access & Inclusion Committee Meeting	10.00 am
THURSDAY 5 MAY Local Studies Collection Management Committee Meeting	9.30 am
TUESDAY 10 MAY Municipal Heritage Inventory Review Committee Meeting	6.00 pm
WEDNESDAY 11 MAY Bassendean River Parks Management Committee Meeting	10.00 am
TUESDAY 24 MAY Briefings Session Ordinary Council Meeting	5.00 pm 7.00 pm
FRIDAY 27 MAY Youth Advisory Council Meeting	5.00 pm
WEDNESDAY 1 JUNE Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting	3.30 pm
THURSDAY 2 JUNE Perth Airports Municipalities Group Committee Meeting	5.00 pm
TUESDAY 7 JUNE Liveable Town Advisory Committee Meeting	7.00 pm
WEDNESDAY 8 JUNE Audit & Risk Management Committee Meeting	5.30 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.

Graffiti removal

If you notice any graffiti in the Town contact Graffiti Force on 1300 798 143 or email info@graffitiforce. com.au to have it removed. For more information about what areas can be treated or to view the Graffiti Information Sheet, please go to our website.

Community Groups' Noticeboard

Do you want to know more about activities and services available in our local area? Check out the Community Groups' Noticeboard on the Town's website at www.bassendean.wa.gov.au, via the 'Community Noticeboard' link on the right side of the home page.

To start advertising your group or service on the Noticeboard contact 9377 8000 or mail@bassendean.wa.gov.au.

Reader-friendly compatibility formats of this document are available on the Town's website.