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Losing

•John Butler (front centre) with Martin Pritchard from Environs Kimberley and the Save Scott Reef Coalition. Photo by Katherine Kraayvanger

by KATHERINE KRAAYVANGER

A DECADE after his performance to a crowd of 20,000 people at Fremantle's Esplanade Reserve helped derail a Kimberley Gas Hub, South Freo resident John Butler was back this week to protest a renewed push from the fossil fuel industry.

Butler was giving his megastar support to the Save Scott Reef Coalition, which is hosting a film and panel night at the Fremantle Town Hall on Thursday March 14.

Oil and gas giant Woodside

plans to drill near Scott Reef, 300 kilometres off the Kimberley coast, to open up the Browse gas field as part of its controversial Burrup Hub project.

Environs Kimberley strategy director Martin Pritchard says community backlash is "instrumental" to stopping the resource giant's gas project going ahead.
"This is the unknown jewel in

the crown of Australia's offshore reefs," Mr Pritchard said.

"There would be a national outcry if Woodside was drilling for oil and gas on the Great Barrier

"We need the same kind of response here."

The community event is a collaboration between the Save Scott Reef Coalition, which includes Greenpeace Australia and Pacific, the Conservation Council of WA, and Broomebased environmental organisation **Environs Kimberley**

Greenpeace Australia head of climate and energy Jess Panegyres says by drilling near the Reef, Woodside is risking "catastrophic" consequences for the reef.

Ms Panegyres she says is home to many species, including endangered green turtles and

pygmy blue whales.
"They want to put a new fossil fuel development in a biologically important area," Ms Panegyres

"It's unacceptable."

According to the Woodside website, the energy company has a history of "safe and reliable operations" off the Kimberley coast, including research into pygmy blue whales.

However, Conservation Council program manager Anna Chapman says Woodside is "one of WA's biggest polluters" and by drilling near Scott Reef will affect its

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Cock-adoodly-do

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by ANDREW SMITH Publisher

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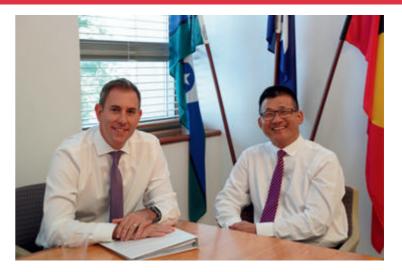
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Your Local March Update

Labor's Tax Cuts

The Albanese Labor Government is delivering a tax cut for every Australian taxpayer commencing on July 1. These tax cuts will deliver a bigger benefit for more Australians and are designed to provide bigger tax cuts for middle Australia to help with cost-of-living, while making our tax system fairer. Labor's legislation cuts two rates and lifts two thresholds and is the best way to provide more tax relief to more people and return bracket creep where it has the most impact. We want people to earn more - and keep more of what they earn. I am proud to support these tax cuts for our local community.



Women's Safety Roundtable

I was pleased to be joined early this month by the Hon Amanda Rishworth MP, Minister for Social Services. We had the privilege of hosting a roundtable focused on Women's Safety, with community representatives and first responders from across our Tangney Electorate. Our National Plan outlines what needs to happen to achieve the vision of ending violence in one generation, across four domains -Prevention, Early Intervention, Response, Recovery and Healing. Let us work together to make this happen.



Urban River Renewal

I'm incredibly proud to announce jointly with the Member for Burt, and the Member for Swan the delivering of the election commitment for the Urban Rivers and Catchments Program. The Albanese Labor Government's \$10 million investment will help better protect and preserve the Canning, Southern and Wungong Rivers. This initiative will help restore and revitalize habitats, ensuring that our local wildlife thrives and that future generations can cherish the same natural wonders that define our extraordinary electorates.



Lunar New Year with the Prime Minister

We were very lucky to be able to celebrate the recent Lunar New Year with the Prime Minister. This event held special significance for the Chinese community in Western Australia, and it marks the first time in over three decades that a Prime Minister has come to WA for this celebration. We were joined by my fellow Federal MPs and Ministers, Premier Roger Cook and WA State Parliamentarians, alongside Local Government Representatives. The evening was a reminder that, as leaders, we have a responsibility to foster an environment where every individual feels seen, heard, and valued. May we continue to build Australia as a country where diversity is celebrated, where opportunity knows no bounds, and where every Australian can feel proud to call this great land home.



Authorised by Sam Lim MP, ALP, 6 Aveley Street, Willetton WA 6155

Ball's m your court

by STEVE GRANT

A RESIDENT living opposite Hilton Park in Beaconsfield might finally get the fencing she's been demanding for years to stop the barrage of soccer balls banging into her house.

Patricia Lee lives on Jeffery Street, directly behind a set of goals on the complex's upper oval, and says her afternoons and weekends are regularly disrupted by the clang of balls hitting her garage and players hopping into her yard to retrieve their errant penalties.

She says it's been noticeably worse since

Perth Glory started leasing Hilton Park from Fremantle council, as the older players are more capable of clearing the road if a shot

on goal misses.

Ms Lee says while it annoys her, the bigger problem is safety; cars often turn quickly into Jeffery Street when there's a gap on Carrington and have little time to react to someone chasing a ball across the road.

"I've seen many cars having to come to a screeching halt when a child has been running across to chase a ball," she said.

"They come down the hill so fast and just don't have time to react.'

Fremantle council recently completed public consultation for a place plan covering Hilton Park, which includes a prominent map marker directly opposite Ms Lee's house showing a fence is in consideration.

But a City spokesperson said while they'd had several interactions with Ms Lee and advised her the situation would be resolved through the master planning processing, guaranteeing a fence that'll stop the balls isn't quite that simple.

Losing you

"This sanctuary for many endangered species is now under threat from Australia's

"We must have no new fossil fuel projects

biggest and most polluting oil and gas

to ensure the future of the reef and any

development," Ms Chapman said.

• From page 1 environment and climate.



 Patricia Lee says this goal is dangerous and needs a fence. Photo by Steve Grant

"Field alignment and orientation may change as well as parking around the perimeter of the park," the spokesperson

"We need clarity on this before we make a decision about the installation of any type of fence and the resident is aware of this

"We understand her frustration and it has been noted as part of the community engagement that we've been doing to develop the place plan."

Indigenous name

The plan also flags a new moniker for Hilton Park, with many people feeling neither the overall name - nor its overlyblokey facilities - has much meaning for the community any more.

"Some older club members are aware of the namesake for some of the buildings, but this knowledge has not transferred to younger club members and the general population," the precinct plan notes.

"Indigenous naming or dual naming, if it is deemed appropriate by local Elders, was highly regarded.

Existing parts of the park include the Alastair Mackay and Brad Hardie pavilions, and Ken Allen and Dick Lawrence ovals.

Other recommendations include relocating Peace Grove's gingko bilobas - seeded from a surviving tree after the Hiroshima nuclear blast - to a more prominent place, better signage and paths to make the park more navigable, and opening the Brad Hardie Pavilion toilets for non-club visitors so they stop having to go behind the

chance of a liveable climate."

Woodside's response to submissions about its Browse project acknowledges that the drilling will be very close to the reef.

But it says there are ways to drill to

"avoid" impacting the fragile environment.

That includes not placing any
infrastructure on the reef's shallow waters and "laterally deviated" wells to reach oil under the reef from the side.

"A detailed assessment of potential impacts from planned activities and risks posed by unplanned events or incidents has been undertaken, which included detailed modelling and assessment of aspects such as light emissions, noise emissions, PW discharge, cooling water discharge, hydrotest fluid discharge and drilling and completions discharges," the response said.

"The assessment of these aspects

concludes that with the planned controls and mitigation measures, no impacts to Scott Reef shallow water benthic communities and habitats from planned activities are predicted."

The event will be held at Fremantle Town Hall on Thursday, March 14, at 6.30pm.







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March for sacked journo

by KATHERINE KRAAYVANGER

MEMBERS of the WA media and arts community will be protesting in solidarity with journalist Antoinette Lattouf over her sacking by the ABC for posting about Gaza on social media.

Ms Lattouf was sacked in December, days after sharing a post from Human Rights Watch regarding Israel's war in Gaza on her Instagram story, including a caption stating the humanitarian organisation was "reporting starvation as a tool of war".

MEAA Members for Palestine Perth representative Maduvanthi Venkatesan says it is worrying Ms Lattouf is being "punished" as a journalist for reporting on the war.

"We really need to push back against this troubling culture of censorship and suppression when it comes to speaking out for Palestine," Ms Venkatesan said.

"Journalists shouldn't lose their jobs or their livelihoods for speaking the truth."

Ms Lattouf has lodged an unfair dismissal claim with the Fair Work Commission, after being asked to leave her fill-in position three days into a five day stint on a Sydney show.

Ms Lattouf said she was told by ABC management she "failed or refused to comply with directions that she not post on social media about matters of controversy during the short period she was presenting."

The Sydney-based journalist has sued the national broadcaster on the grounds that the termination was unlawful, and



Antoinette Lattouf. Photo: Instagram

that she had been cleared to post about accurate information from a reputable source such as Human Rights Watch.

The ABC also reported on this information using the same source.

In her claim to the Fair Work Commission, Ms Lattouf said management at the public broadcaster did not abide by its own enterprise agreement.

According to the agreement, employees should be "advised in writing of the nature of the alleged misconduct", which Ms Lattouf claims she was not.

Ms Lattouf is also claiming she was stood down because of

her race, as she is of Lebanese descent. The ABC has denied this claim.

Ms Venkatesan said Ms Lattouf had "made a huge sacrifice" for speaking out about the conflict, which is why the MEAA group is protesting in solidarity.

"As a woman of colour, and as an Arab woman, she took on a great deal of risk to do that," she

"We can't let her bare that alone."

The protest was due to be held yesterday (Friday March 8) at 8am in Wellington Square, East Porth

Annual General Meeting of Electors (AGM)

We invite City of Melville residents to the City of Melville Annual General Meeting of Electors (AGM) to receive the *Community Annual Report 2022-2023*.

Date: Monday 25 March 2024

Time: 6.00pm

Venue: Conference Room, City of Melville Civic Centre,

10 Almondbury Road, Booragoon and live-streamed via Zoom.

In line with our sustainability policy, limited printed copies of the *Community Annual Report 2022-2023* will be available at the meeting. You can pick up a copy at our libraries and the City of Melville Civic Centre or read it online at www.melvillecity.com.au/annualreport

The AGM and SME will both be delivered in an in-person and livestream format.

We welcome your questions on both meetings. Questions need to be submitted by **12noon Monday**, **18 March 2024**.

To submit a question, register for the live-stream or in-person attendance, and view the most up to date information about the meetings, visit www.melvillecity.com.au/AGM and www.melvillecity.com.au/SME

Gail Bowman Chief Executive Officer

Special Meeting of Electors



We invite City of Melville residents to the City of Melville Special Meeting of Electors (SME)

Date: Monday 25 March 2024

Time: 7:30pm

Venue: Conference Room, City of Melville Civic Centre,

10 Almondbury Road, Booragoon and live-streamed via Zoom.

To consider the following request signed by 377 electors:

(A) The February 2024 Rescission Motion signed by the Mayor and 4 other Councillors to rescind Council's April and July 2023 decisions to convert 100% of the City-owned land at 13-15 The Esplanade and 64 Kishorn Road, Mt Pleasant; and 50-52 Kishorn Rd and 23, 29 and 31 Moreau Mews, Applecross ("Sites") into public open space.

(B) Whether the Mayor and Councillors who signed the said Rescission Motion lodged by Cr Scott Green for decision at the 20 February 2024 Ordinary Meeting of Council, and subsequently withdrawn, acted with due care and diligence to ensure that the reasons cited in the Rescission Motion were true and accurate, and would not bring the City into disrepute; and whether the Mayor considered that the late publication of the Rescission Motion in the Agenda late on Friday 16 February 2024 would prejudice the wider community in being able to engage with the City as to their views.

(C) Whether the conversion of the Sites to parks are an integral part of the Canning Bridge Activity Centre Plan ("CBCAP") and Vision; a vital component of the Review of the CBACP submitted to the WACP in 2023; and would contribute towards to the goal of providing walkable public open space within 400 metres or 5 minute walk of every dwelling; and provide green linkages for the community to mitigate against the urban heat island effect of high rise development; and numerous other social, health and economic benefits.

The dawn of Bon

by STEPHEN POLLOCK

RISING local star Lee Tiger Halley has landed the role of Bon Scott in a film about the singer's turbulent early life in

The Kid from Harvest Road will be shot entirely in Fremantle and focus on Scott's troubled but creative teenage years in the 1960s, long before he became lead singer of AC/DC and went on to enjoy global success.

"I was truly inspired by his charismatic character, but what interested me most was his early life, not the caricature we all know on stage," says Stephen Belowsky, who co-wrote The Kid from Harvest Road.

"The teen who walked the streets of Fremantle... this is a love letter to Fremantle and Bon reimagined through the eyes of the author.'

Scott will be played by Fremantle lad Lee Tiger Halley, who recently enjoyed breakout success as August "Gus" Bell in the Netflix coming-of-age mini-series Boy Swallows Universe.

Ironically the 18-year-old studied drama at John Curtin College of the Arts, where Scott once attended before dropping-out

Halley has appeared in the award-winning children's series *Crazy Fun Park*, and his modellike looks are on the front cover of Honeybee, a novel written by Freobased author Craig Silvey.

Producer Tim Duffy says Halley was their first choice for the role, because he had the same "magnetism" as Scott.

"Writer Stephen Belowsky has done a deep dive on most of the available materials on Bon Scott, but has also taken a few artistic liberties to capture the essence and evolution of Ronald 'Bon' Scott,' Duffy told the Chook

"Ĥis early life on the streets of Freo was particularly interesting, because it shows all the threads that eventually wove into the artist and character we came to love and admire as Bon Scott.

'Stephen [Belowsky has always been an AC/DC fan and has been writing various versions of the story for many years.

Turbulent

"Locations include the old port, the streets of the old town and certain iconic period appropriate houses and buildings.

Scott's teenage years were colourful: In 1963 he spent a short time in Fremantle Prison's assessment centre and nine months at the Riverbank Juvenile Institution for various crimes including escaping legal custody, having unlawful carnal knowledge and stealing 12 gallons of petrol.

He also attempted to join the Australian Army, but was rejected for being "socially maladjusted".

But it was also a time of great creativity – he formed his first band The Spektors, which later became The Valentines

The film will be directed by co-writer David Vincent Smith and production is slated to start early next year with "no objection from Scott's estate.'

And just for the record - Duffy and Belowsky's favourite AC/DC track is Whole Lotta Rosie.

News of the movie was met with excitement by Hells Bells, WA's longest-running AC/DC tribute band.

Founder and rhythm guitarist Mal Osborne hopes the film shines a light on the real Ronald Belford "Bon" Scott and answers some questions about his formative

"Why did his family move to Australia in 1952 at the age of six? How was life in immigration centres at the time? What helped shape him into becoming a rebel without a cause? How did he see his role as a drummer and back up singer in his early bands, The Spektors, The Valentines and Fraternity?" Osborne says

"He was a comedian, entertainer, depressive, as well as a prodigious drug-taker, serial womaniser (he once visited two women giving birth to his children in the same hospital at the same time) heroic punch-happy drunk, poetic lyric writer.

"A man who loved the company of strangers yet yearned for a simpler life with the love of his life.

How did Bon reconcile his true self with what was expected of him as his larger-than-life persona took over? What degree did this affect his risk taking that led to that fateful night?'

Tragically, Scott died in 1980 aged 33 from acute alcohol poisoning in London.

Osborne says Scott was a one-of-a-kind personality in the world of rock and roll, and will be remembered as one of the great frontmen.

"His ability to write poetry with cheeky double entendre meanings, raspy voice, and unforgettable



from Harvest Road.

stage presence made him a legend in the music industry," he says.

"Bon embodied rebellion," charisma, and a devil-may-care attitude that endeared him to fans around the world.

"He was labled 'socially maladjusted' and had a reputation for living life on the edge.

"He might take care of your schoolyard bully for a couple of bucks (dirty deeds, done dirt cheap) or he might steal your girlfriend when you're not looking, or would he?"

Osborne says Problem Child, sang by Scott on the album Dirty Deeds Done Dirt Cheap, is probably his favourite AC/DC song to play.

"It comes in early like a quick left and is just so dynamic. ..that is the feel of AC/DC-

flat to the floor, take no prisoners."

If you can't wait until the movie comes out, then get your AC/DC fix when Hells Bells play the Gosnells Hotel on March 28.







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· Rebecca Prince-Ruiz was inducted into WA's Women's Hall of Fame.

Freo trio WA's newest famers

by KATHERINE KRAAYVANGER

FREMANTLE resident Rebecca Prince-Ruiz, Plastic Free July founder and director of the Plastic Free Foundation, was due to be inducted into the Western Australian Women's Hall of Fame yesterday (Friday March 8) for her work addressing global plastic pollution and sustainability.

Ms Prince-Ruiz is also director at Containers for Change, has been a Churchill Fellow since 2015, and was awarded the Order of Australia Medal last year for "services to conservation and the environment".

Ms Prince-Ruiz says she is "overwhelmed" at her induction into the Hall of Fame, which she says is an achievement shared with everyone who has contributed to better incorporating sustainability into their lives.

"The amazing spread of Plastic Free isn't testament to me," Ms Prince-Ruiz said.

"It's testament to the thousands and millions of people that have taken part, and done the work, and are making a difference."

Ms Prince Ruiz says she will accept her place in the Hall of Fame to "shine a spotlight" on the progress that still needs to happen to invest in sustainable practices worldwide, and to eliminate the unnecessary use of single-use plastic

"I think that this work has really shown that what we do does make a difference," she said.

"The changes that we're making in our own lives, when we all make change together, it does add up."

"I feel like that's a message of hope that that people need to hear."

The 2024 Inductees were due to join the Hall of Fame at a ceremony marking International Women's Day.

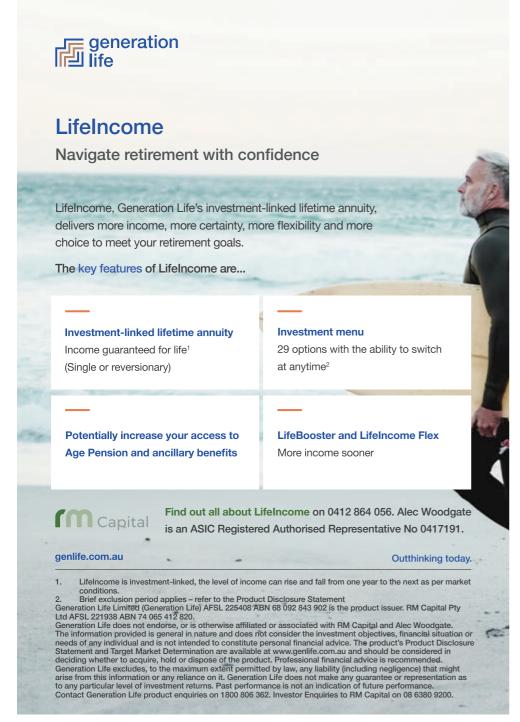
Other Famers include Melville resident Lorraine Hammond, who is an associate professor at Edith Cowan University's School of Education and has worked in the areas of literacy, high-impact instructional teaching, and learning difficulty development. Prof Hammond was also a recipient of the Churchill Fellowship in 2002 and worked on the Kimberley Schools project in the northwest. She received an Order of Australia for her service to education in 2019.

Engineering

Fellow inductee Carolyn Oldham is a former professor at the University of Western Australia School of Civil, Environmental, and Mining Engineering. Prof Oldham has a diverse background in several disciplines including research into transport processes and environmental chemistry. She is a champion of women academics in engineering and is involved in programs addressing gender equity and is also a Fremantle resident.

Carol Dooley is also an inductee this year, as the first female International Ship Master from Western Australia. Capt Dooley's career spanned several other roles in a heavily male-dominated industry, including Foreign-Going unlimited ship master, pilot and marine manager. She has also worked as the director of the Board of the Australian Maritime College at the University of

A photographic exhibition of all 2024 inductees will be touring WA over the next few weeks. A digital version of the exhibition was due to be be displayed on the tower at Yagan Square for IWD.





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Where art thou, Freo?

THE fantastic Sculptures at the Beach started in Cottesloe and reminded me that the Sculpture at Bathers show, that would have been on around the same time, was cancelled this year, due to lack of sponsorship.

The organisers claim it is only a one-year hiatus, where they regroup, but I have my doubts the popular Bathers Beach show will return.

I fear it will silently disappear, like the great international FotoFreo photography festival did

So what is left for Fremantle, the City of Arts, when media commentators believe public art is an expensive luxury that is no longer essential and viable during these difficult economic times?

Fremantle has always been quite poor and average when it comes to public art.

We had hoped that the percentage for the arts would see substantial and iconic new artworks in our port city, but sadly that has not been forthcoming.

The planned large Aboriginal artwork for Walyalup Koort has also not been realised, due to lack of funding.

The wonderful Numbat art disappeared from Henderson Street, as did the two large murals on the Myer building, when those buildings were demolished. Fremantle's public art is poorer for that.

After the outstanding first Biennale, with the amazing yellow circles all along High Street, there has been community



criticism
that some
of the art on
offer is quite
pretentious
and not of high
standards, so
maybe the
team there
need to have
a good hard
look and

regroup as well.

They are getting a lot of financial sponsorship, so they have to concentrate on making it an art event that is not elitist, but has something for everyone.

Whilst the Fremantle
Arts Centre constantly has
outstanding exhibitions, the
same can not be said for the
Moores Building Contemporary
Art Gallery in Henry Street.

Far too many of the shows there are disappointing and that is a real shame, because it is a

great space.
PS Art Space in Pakenham
Street has some outstanding
shows, but a few average ones as
well, so how to lift the standards
in that amazing space to great
exhibitions always?

The long-established Japingka Gallery in High Street never disappoints and has been showing stunning Aboriginal art for more than three decades.

The Fremantle Chamber Orchestra is struggling in the Town Hall, because they are not allowed to use the upper level, and many portable chairs have also been removed by the City of Fremantle.

The outstanding orchestra now can't accommodate all their regulars, with some seniors having to sit on the ground, or stand for two hours.

It means they miss out on some hundred ticket sales and that is not fair.

Fremantle council needs to make it a priority to fix the historic Town Hall with urgency!

Circus WA and Spare Parts Puppet Theatre need a new home, and Victoria Hall is for sale, so Fremantle does not have a performing arts centre.

Are there options for that on Victoria Quay maybe, that would also allow the Harbour Theatre to return to the port city?

to return to the port city?

One of my favourite events for years has been the Fremantle International Street Arts Festival that is on again for three days over the Easter long weekend at the end of this months.

It's fun. It's free. It's family. It's community. So absolutely perfect for Fremantle.

The return of the Wardarnji Aboriginal Festival to the Esplanade proved to be a good move.

It was outstanding late last year. One of the best ones I have attended.

There is a lack of interest at Fremantle council to enhance and enrich our public art. Some pretty poor art has been accepted for the percentage for the arts, so there should be a committee of peers, who decides which art proposals to accept, otherwise bland will become the new black.

We owe it to our city of arts reputation to not lose the Sculpture at Bathers permanently.

Fremantle council needs to be proactively working on that and help to get grants and funding for the biannual event.

Roel Loopers/Freoview

Invitation to Comment - Draft CHRMAP



Baird Consultants, on behalf of the Town of East Fremantle, has prepared a Draft Coastal Hazard Risk Management and Adaptation Plan (CHRMAP) to identify estuarine coastal hazards; provide a framework for adaptation to guide decision making in the short to medium term (next 10-20 years); and provide management and adaptation strategies to mitigate hazard in future planning periods (next 100 years).

The Draft CHRMAP report is available for public comment and can be viewed at the Town Hall, 135 Canning Highway, East Fremantle, weekdays 8.30am - 4.30pm and on the Town's website at www.eastfremantle.wa.gov.au/.

Submissions on the Draft CHRMAP are invited on or before 4.30pm Monday 8 April 2024, via:

- Email admin@eastfremantle.wa.gov.au;
- Post to Town of East Fremantle, PO Box 1097, Fremantle, WA 6959; or
- The Town's website 'Current Consultations' page.

JONATHAN THROSSELL

Chief Executive Officer





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Our Central Community Hub Is On Its Way!

The East Fremantle Community Park development is close to completion with works to the eastern bank and landscaping across the park now underway.

The Town has sculpted the existing sump in the southeastern corner to make it smoother and more open, removed the large sand piles on the north of the oval and shaped some of the banks to a smoother level.

Mayor O'Neill said the park delivers on the Town's exciting and inclusive vision to provide an integrated community, sport, and leisure precinct for the use of all residents and visitors to the Town.

Over coming weeks reticulation, fencing to the new dog park and amenities such as bins and a water fountain will be installed.

Embracing Change to Rescue the River

Last year, the Town teamed up with our friends at East Freo CARG, Richmond Primary School and Friends of the East Fremantle Foreshore to give the Town's river bins a fresh makeover. Students from Richmond Primary School poured their creativity into designing two vibrant bin stickers, reminding all visitors to dispose of waste responsibly and protect our river and its incredible wildlife! The new bins have now been installed along the river with more to be installed in coming weeks.



Upcoming Council Meetings

Ordinary Council Meeting: Tuesday 19 March Ordinary Council Meeting: Tuesday 16 April Meetings take place in Council Chambers at 6:30pm



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herald thinking allowed — Don't waver on parks

T is a very serious matter for a mayor or councillor to align themselves with a rescission motion to overturn a decision already made by council.

It would seriously erode public confidence.

The Department of Local Government's Guide to Council and Committee Meetings says: "A decision of a local government to revoke or change an earlier decision may have serious legal implication for a variety of reasons, such as where the original decision has been implemented, or has already been communicated".

The revised changes to the Canning Bridge Activity Centre Plan approved unanimously by council and including the two new parks has already been forwarded to the WA Planning Commission for approval.

The proposed rescission motion contained misleading and unsubstantiated statements.

Here are some examples.

• "This feedback has now been contradicted by further community consultation." Not true! The only consultation by City officers was

via feedback provided between August 16 and September 6, 2023. The results were made available to the public October 16 showing a strong support for a

• "70 per cent of those surveyed did not want a playground or exercise equipment". A truer statement is that 28.98 per cent said they have children. People may not use a playground but

PAULA SAMSON is a member of the Melville City Climate Action Network, which has forced Melville council to hold an electors' meeting over its near-backflip over creating a park on the old senior citizens centre on The Esplanade.

they still want a park.

*Concern about the loss of parking spaces". As discussed at the Agenda Briefing Forum there is an under-utilised multi-storey car park within a short distance. Current parking is taken up with tradies' utes during construction. This will be freed up eventually. Private developers could put more parking in their buildings, and Uber or public transport should be encouraged. The only reason high rise has been allowed near Canning Bridge is because it is close to the train station. When the rowing pavilion was built, council told the Department of Biodiversity Conservation and Attractions there was adequate parking in the area.

Singapore

• "Review the history of the site." Its history has been clearly stated in all the City of Melville officers' communication. 13 The Esplanade was for many decades a Senior Citizens Centre. The council was directed to investigate purchasing other suitable sites to provide public open space and was unable to find any.

Our councillors should look at the Singapore example: Singapore is a small, dense, island nation where 100 per cent

of the population is urbanised. And yet, it is the greenest city in Asia. As Singapore's population and economy grew, so did its green cover. It was about 36 per cent in the 1980s and it now stands at 47 per cent.

Instead of 'Kicking the can down the road,' 13 The Esplanade/56 Kishorn – already owned by the City - can be completed by the end of 2024.

A child that is 2 years old now will have access to a park by the time they are 3 years old, instead of living their early years without access to a park.

The river is not a friendly venue for young children's recreation.

The riverbanks are eroding and not always available to walk

The pathway along the river is a shared bike pedestrian, which is not child or dog friendly.

This park will be a community friendly environment for residents, children, office workers and the many dogs now living in apartments

The nearest open space is the small Clive Street reserve some 900m away and Deep Water Point is 1.4 km away

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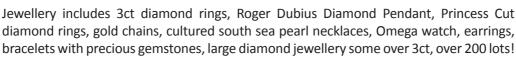


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John Keene



The conductor is critical in giving the orchestra a raison d'être: shaping the music into an exciting, new interpretation, exploring the scope of the emotions contained in the composition in the limited time of a few rehearsals. John Keene has a deep understanding of the score and innovative approaches. He is also FCO's new Artistic Advisor and also a brilliant double bass player.

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¬HE draw of your childhood is like nothing else.

Fremantle artist Jo Darbyshire had not been to her hometown Lake Grace in five decades, but after doing an artist residency there in 2019, she reconnected with her past and all the glowing memories came

flooding back.

"It had been 50 years since I had lived there, but I instantly felt at home again," Darbyshire

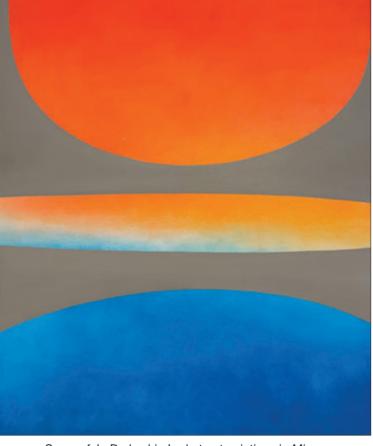
says.
"I remembered all the streets and the lakes on which I had learnt to swim and water ski as a child.

"It was an amazing experience and I fell in love again with the country and the light in Lake Grace.'

Situated in the eastern Wheatbelt, the remote town has a population of about 500, but Perth holidaymakers often stop there en route to Esperance (it's about halfway) or when travelling between Albany and the Wheatbelt.

Known for its vast salt lakes, beautiful sunsets and surrounding farmlands, in recent years the town has opened a "multi art space" where people can learn and participate in local art projects.

It has become a breeding ground for talented artists including Kerrie Argent, who won the Cottesloe Sculpture by the Sea People's Choice Prize in 2010, and the town has become synonymous with artworks



• Some of Jo Darbyshire's abstract paintings in Mirage.

made from recycled materials like aluminium cans, plastic bags and plastic bottle tops.

After reconnecting with her hometown, Darbyshire felt an urge to return and paint the surrounding rural landscape.

She was particularly drawn to the salt lakes, abstracting the sun and water into huge blobs of colour for her latest exhibition Mirage.

"I was trying to capture the feeling of being in that landscape at sunset – the glow of the colours and the unique sense of space," Darbyshire says.

"Driving in salt lake country with the windows down. The flickering illusion of water on the road, a shimmering mirage, elusive and compelling.

Darbyshire says she admires the landscape painting of the late Guy Grey-Smith, who pioneered modernism in Western Australia.

She's also a fan of WA

photographer Brad Rimmer, who recently held a fascinating exhibition on the desolate town halls in the Wheatbelt.

Rimmer would love the history of Lake Grace - in 1926 an Australian Inland Mission hospital was opened there.

It ceased operating in 1952 and was set for demolition in 1983, but locals successfully campaigned for it to be restored and turned into a hospital museum.

Hopefully the burgeoning art scene will give Lake Grace a new lease of life.

Art seems to be infiltrating the region – about 20km north on the Tin Horse Highway there's a quirky collection of brightly coloured sculptures in the paddocks of local farms.

Mirage is at the WA Art Collective gallery in Cathedral Square in the Perth CBD from March 9 – April 13. More info at artcollectivewa.com.au





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Stylish abode

T'S not often you find a gorgeous period home in East Fremantle with four bedrooms and three bathrooms.

Usually they look the part but are poky or have an old-fashioned layout, making them unsuitable for a modern family.

But this picture-perfect white cottage has the best of both worlds – featuring a generous extension and a top-of-the-line renovation.

They've even made room for an infinity-style pool in the back garden, which has the feel of a tropical oasis with lush plants, shrubs and mature trees.

The open plan living/dining/ kitchen area has a great indooroutdoor flow, thanks to the bi-fold doors conjuring up lovely views of the reticulated gardens.

The kitchen is a beauty with a large island/breakfast bar, highend stainless steel appliances and plenty of natural light flooding

through the windows.

There's loads of room for a large dining table and lounge setting in the open plan, with a quaint wood heater completing the pretty picture.

With the summer weather still lingering, you'll be making the most of the chic alfresco, which has vistas of the pool, sundeck and leafy garden.

In the corner is a luxury pool





house/self-contained studio – the perfect place for family or guests coming to stay.

It really is a fantastic one bedroom, one bathroom studio apartment with everything you need, including a storeroom.

The other three bedrooms are in the main residence, with the spacious main featuring built-in robes and a large ensuite with floor-to-ceiling travertine stone.

There's some nice touches in this abode with one of the bathrooms featuring gorgeous patterned tiles and brass fittings, adding a little bit of class.

The home has a great layout and includes a large laundry and family bathroom.



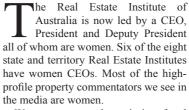
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> an increasing number of the top selling agents are women.

In terms of the daily work of real estate practitioner, women tend to develop a rapport with a property owner from a genuinely empathetic approach and can have a better appreciation of the stresses associated with selling or renting a home. In these early exchanges, women also tend to take time to listen to the homeowner and feedback advice that is in tune with their property needs.

For a long time, real estate practitioners have had a reputation of unethical behaviours in search of a commission. Thankfully, for a variety of reasons, this has necessarily changed and agents now enjoy strong endorsement from the broader community for the work they do. However, the remnants of these biases float about from time-

to-time with such negative perceptions usually focused on slick haired, gold chained blokes who seem prepared to sell their grandmothers for a quid. Such views are almost always born out of ignorance with such stereotypes fast

Yet if any such stigma remains, it is interesting that it doesn't appear to apply to women real estate practitioners. And perceptions are powerful motivators.

becoming a thing of the past.

There is a perception that women are more trustworthy, more honest and better organised than men; important qualities for a real estate agent. Women are often touted as having a superior eye for detail in design and decor than their male counterparts do too.

It is International Women's Day this week and is a celebration of the empowerment of women across society, including the work force. On average, we still pay women less than men to do the same job, but not in real estate where an increasing number of the top selling agents are women.

So, in celebration of International Women's Day, congratulations to all women involved in real estate, may they continue to grow the professionalism of our industry to the benefit of us all.

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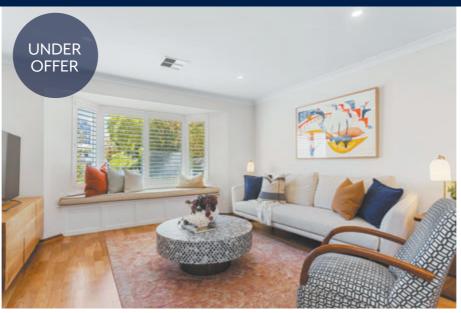
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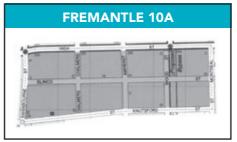
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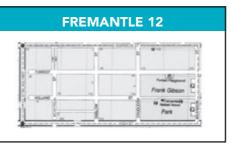
















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ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr 20)

Chiron is conjunct the North Node of the Moon. Chiron is the healer. The North Node is the road ahead. Clearly, life is indicating that there needs to be a strong focus on healing. This of course means that one must first acknowledge that something is awry. Mercury will bring insight



TAURUS (Apr 21 – May 20)

Venus moves into Pisces early in the week. You will plop like a large bovine frog into the pond of intuitive knowing as she does. Your senses and your feelings will be your guide for a month or so. Relax and listen. The New Moon in Pisces on Sunday will reinforce this message. Begin afresh



GEMINI (May 21 – June 21)

Your ruling planet, Mercury, moves from Pisces into Aries on Sunday. This will light a spark in your nervous system and set you on a path of action and adventure. The Pisces New Moon on Sunday might confuse things for a day, but this will soon pass. Test your wishes in action



CANCER (June 22 – July 22)

The New Moon in Pisces on Sunday takes you off the sand into the vast expanse of the ocean. Where you have been doing it hard, you will soon relax and do it easily. Partly, this will occur because of a change of attitude. Venus moves into Pisces on Tuesday, increasing your delight.



LEO (July 23 – Aug 22)

The Piscean Sun, amped up by a passing Piscean New Moon on Sunday, will increase your sense of confusion, if you let it. Life is not out to dampen your fire. It is out to broaden your horizons and deepen your understanding. Rather than trying to push through, be still. Wait, passive and



VIRGO (Aug 23 - Sept 22)

The Black Moon/Lilith, in Virgo, is a keystone for yourself and many others in this moment. In mythology, Lilith was demonised for being a lively and independent woman. She is in our charts to remind us that she needs to be redeemed and respected. Sunday's New Moon is a fresh start.



LIBRA (Sept 23 - Oct 23)

Venus moves out of Aquarius into Pisces on Tuesday. In Aquarius, she's been nudging you to experiment and explore ideas that seem attractive in theory. As she moves into Pisces, you will drop into your feelings, and in the process decide which experiments worked and which not.



SCORPIO (Oct 24 - Nov 21)

It's that period of the year when it's time to shed your old skin and refresh your whole organism. Nobody understands the natural cycle of regeneration and renewal the way you do. All you need to do is to allow it to unfold and not get in the way. The Pisces New Moon helps you to trust.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov 22 - Dec 21)

There are a lot of planets in watery Pisces now. This is tricky for fire signs such as yourself. It's no mean feat to keep your fire burning, when the general ambience seems bent on extinguishing it. The good news is that Mercury will enter Aires on Sunday, keeping you feisty and insightful.



CAPRICORN (Dec 22 - Jan 19)

It is through plumbing the depths successfully that one becomes wise enough to climb to the peaks without fear of a fall. There are multiple planets in the deeps of Pisces, reinforcing this. The breadth of your experience is beginning to show. Be confident, without succumbing to issues of power.



AQUARIUS (Jan 20 - Feb 18)

Venus and the Moon move out of Aquarius early in the week, leaving you with the hyper-masculine pair of Mars and Pluto in your sign. Healthy masculine energy is adventurous and playful. In Celtic mythology, evolved masculine energy was envisioned as a wise and strong, sheltering tree.



PISCES (Feb 19 – Mar 20)

There is a new Moon in Pisces on Sunday. This gives you a sense that one whole year-long, probably intense adventure, is done and dusted. It's time to embark on a fresh journey. Venus arrives on Tuesday, bringing beauty and delight. Dig deep to find inspiration and guidance.



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One in 25 Western Australians will be diagnosed with the chronic disorder, but many keep it secret out of fear of discrimination or stigma.

East Fremantle's Alvce Sala Tenna, 38, was diagnosed with epilepsy in her teens, but it hasn't stopped her living life to the full.

The medication I was initially prescribed left me seizure-free for 14 years, during which time I lived life with a large amount of freedom; travelling, driving and completing a science degree," says Tenna, who qualified as an environmental scientist and completed her



 (left) A recent Purple Walk 4 Epilepsy and (above) East Fremantle's Alyce Sala Tenna raises funds for the charity.

honours in applied meteorology.

"But while I was working as a graduate I had my first breakthrough seizure, after which I experienced recurrent seizures that became more frequent over time.

"After that I had a really tricky time trialling different medications

for around five years, trying to work out which ones could control my seizures.

Four years ago, Tenna made the decision to undergo a brain resection on her left frontal lobe, but unfortunately the procedure hasn't helped control her seizures.

Despite the hardships of living with epilepsy, Tenna still considers herself lucky to have incredible friends who understand her condition and arrange social outings close to public transport or offer to pick her up.

"I also have a very understanding employer which has an excellent inclusion and diversity program and doesn't put any pressure on me to work beyond my capacity," she adds.

'I have had seizures in the office, which were initially confronting for them, but which they now understand and know what to do.

Donations

"At the end of the day, epilepsy is part of my life and I adjust and make allowances for it. It is what it is, but I have no intention of allowing it to stop me achieving everything I want to."

The charity Epilepsy WA will hold three community events throughout March to raise awareness and funds, including the Purple Walk 4 Epilepsy at Curtin University on Sunday March 17 and Epilepsy WA Conference at The Niche in Nedlands.

Epilepsy WA CEO Emma Buitendag says they rely heavily on public donations to provide essential epilepsy services.

"Tens of thousands of West Aussies rely on our team of Epilepsy WA nurses, online resources, support groups, epilepsy management and seizure first aid training to be able to cope with their epilepsy," Ms Buitendag says. "In March Purple Month we're

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Start with the name brands that are familiar... Puretec is one that springs to mind, the last one I priced was \$2500 installed... but in my in my opinion does no better job (than this human body can detect) than the \$400 double cannister unit under your kitchen sink.



Be aware that...

- 1. They can cost up to \$500 per year for maintenance (ie if a big heap of rubbish comes through the mains after a burst in the street... could wreck a few filters in a row?)
- You can pay a lot for a fancy cover, for a apparatus that is the same underneath... but ultimately it is only the filter medium that does the work (the filtering).. so all the rest is window dressing.

On a re read that all sounds a bit cynical, but it can all lead to very fancy expensive tap water, 99% of which comes out of the tap for free

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