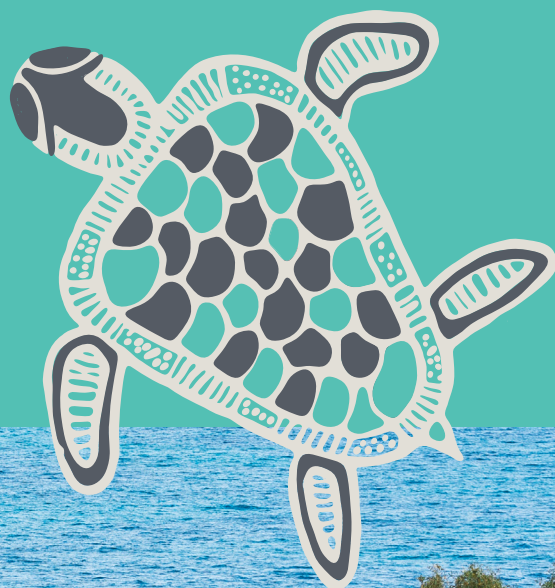


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Mayor's message

As we bid farewell to the scorching heat, we welcome the cooler days of Djeran, filled with red flowers and gentle breezes.

It's the perfect time to explore our City's world-class wetlands and natural areas.

Joondalup is nestled within the Southwest Australian biodiversity hotspot, one of only 36 in the world. Many of the City's natural areas are recognised as having local, regional or national significance including the City being home to several nationally protected threatened ecological communities as well as an incredible diversity of plants and wildlife.



Just as City News was going to print, the curtain was coming down on another spectacular edition of the award-winning Joondalup Festival.

This year, we challenged you to embrace the unusual and explore the rich, vibrant and diverse lineup of curious creations on offer. I hope you and your loved ones had the chance to experience our showcase cultural event. Our festival sets the

benchmark for events of this nature across Perth and it's exciting to think about where the creative minds behind the iconic festival will take us in 2026!

To keep the excitement rolling, the Joondalup Festival of Motoring is revving up for a return in May. Get ready for a high-octane celebration all of things fast and furious that will bring tens of thousands of motoring enthusiasts to our City Centre.

Later this month, we will pay tribute to some genuine heroes at our Anzac Day Dawn Service. This is our most important event and, in my opinion, the most significant day on the national calendar as we say thanks to our past and present servicemen and women.

The winter sporting season is upon us again. We are home to hundreds of sporting clubs that help make up our vibrant community. And you, our community, take sport very seriously.

We as a Council and a City do likewise. Each year we allocate significant funding towards the maintenance of active parks and sporting infrastructure, including floodlights, goalposts, tennis courts, changerooms, bowling greens and turf wickets.

It was former Prime Minister John Howard who once said: "Anybody who thinks that sport is not part of the fabric of Australian life misunderstands this country quite dramatically."

Whether you are player, coach, volunteer or spectator, all the best for the season ahead!

Hon. Albert Jacob
City of Joondalup

City welcomes support for important crossing

The City of Joondalup has secured Federal Government support to build a state-of-the-art footbridge over Moolanda Boulevard in Kingsley.

This landmark project is set to transform local infrastructure and enhance community connectivity.

The new three-span steel and concrete pedestrian and cycleway bridge, designed to last for a century, will replace the previous 37m timber bridge, which was removed due to structural issues.

Key enhancements will include safety upgrades and enhanced lighting for better visibility. The project will also restore the 2.5km uninterrupted Robertson Road Cycleway, providing better access to local schools, businesses, and parks.

The City has secured \$2.4 million in funding for this project under the Federal Government's Thriving Suburbs Program.

It will complement the \$1 million of funding for the project received by the City from the State Government, through Main Roads WA.

Mayor Jacob said the Moolanda Boulevard bridge will make it safer and easier for people to enjoy local facilities.

"The Robertson Road Cycleway is a strategic bike route and the bridge over Moolanda Boulevard is a critical component of the cycleway," Mayor Jacob said.

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Festival of Motoring nears starting line

It's now less than a month to go until the Tyrepower Joondalup Festival of Motoring (JFOM) returns to our City Centre.

Set aside some time over the weekend of Saturday 3 and Sunday 4 May to check out this free automotive-fuelled family friendly festival.

JFOM is not just for lifelong car enthusiasts, it's a festival that celebrates the design, function and culture of the automobile in a way that anyone can appreciate.

Throughout the weekend, more than 1,000 vehicles will be on show from vintage classics to modern supercars – nearly every era of automotive history will be represented – accompanied by

live entertainment, food vendors and licensed bars.

On Saturday, the program includes an automotive Trash and Treasure (swap meet) before the Northern Steel Car Club rolls into the Boas Avenue car park.

The following day, it's time for Classic Cars and Coffee and the Joondalup City Sprint, where drivers of vehicles of all makes and models tackle the City street circuit in a time-trial format. For a few hours at least, there is no speed limit!

*Some road closures will be in place on Sunday.

For all event details and updates, visit jfom.com.au or follow JFOM's social media channels.



Artwork created by Noongar artist Teresa Miller.

Djeran: Autumn April and May

Season of adulthood

Djeran sees the beginning of much cooler nights, dewy mornings and falling leaves. This is the season that our Noongar people prepare for the heavy rains to come, so mia mia (bark shelters) are kept in good condition. The good fishing and aquatic hunting continues. This includes in and around the many freshwater lakes on Mooro Country (Joondalup) as our people start the movement back to the heart of the boodja (land). The young yaarkan (turtles) have now grown into adulthood and provide plenty of good tucker before they hide away in the mud.

Heathridge Park Masterplan progresses

At its December 2024 meeting, the Joondalup Council endorsed the progression of the Heathridge Park Masterplan project to a detailed design stage.

Community consultation indicated strong support for a new community sporting facility to replace the existing Heathridge Park Clubroom as well as refurbishment works at Guy Daniel Clubroom, the Heathridge Community Centre, upgraded/new tennis courts, a half-court basketball pad, nature play area and other improvements to the park infrastructure.

Heathridge Park is home to 16 sporting and recreational clubs with over 2,500 members, while a further 25 community groups hire the Heathridge Community Centre and Guy Daniel Clubroom.

Further investigation will be undertaken in relation to extra car parking and the retention of additional vegetation and two more tennis courts (to provide a total of 12).



Heathridge Park.



New name proposed

At its December 2024 meeting, Joondalup Council agreed to advertise a proposal to rename Blackboy Park in Mullaloo to Koorlangka Park. Koorlangka (pronounced core-lang-ka) is the Noongar word for children. The park's proposed name is a reference to places that children play.

The use of the term Blackboy, which features prominently on park signage, was first raised by Council in March 2019 as being considered outdated and potentially offensive.

Following a public consultation period, Thursday 6 February–Thursday 13 March, a further report will be provided to Council to consider the proposed renaming, including public submissions.

If Council endorses the proposal, a formal request will then be made to Landgate, the determining authority for naming of locations, roads and parks in Western Australia.

In 2019, then-Aboriginal Affairs Minister Ben Wyatt wrote to all local councils in Western Australia asking them to rename any landmarks that had names that were now considered inappropriate.

Pump it up

As part of the City's 2024-25 Capital Works Program, a new pump track is coming to Lysander Park, Heathridge.

As well as an asphalt track, the project will incorporate mulched areas, a drinking fountain, picnic setting and shelter, bench seat, informal seating and alterations to the existing footpath network.

Work is expected to be finished in May 2025.



Valentines Concert 2025 (Image credit: Vin Trikeriotis).

Concert for the ages

Dreams certainly came true for the sold-out audience of 7,000 in attendance at the City's 2025 Valentine's Concert as Kav Temperley, Fanny Lumsden, Charlie Collins and Karen Lee Andrews delivered Fleetwood Mac's incredible catalogue of songs in *Yesterday's Gone: The Fleetwood Mac Legacy*.

This memorable night only enhanced the event's reputation as the best outdoor concert experience in Perth.

The Valentine's Concert was supported by major partners Edith Cowan University and Joondalup Health Campus and venue partner Joondalup Resort.



Better beach access

A new beach access boardwalk north of the Key West Car Park in Mullaloo opened for public use in late-January. The boardwalk provides a clear, stable and accessible route to the beach while maintaining respect for the natural environment.



\$75,000 revamp to energise Joondalup City Centre

Davidson Terrace in the Joondalup City Centre is set to undergo an exciting transformation, thanks to a \$75,000 grant awarded to the City of Joondalup through the Streets Alive Program.

This initiative promises to breathe new life into the area, making it safer, more vibrant and a magnet for both residents and visitors.

The proposed enhancements include traffic calming measures, strategically placed street furniture, lush greenery and playful design elements. These improvements aim to create a more welcoming and people-focused environment, encouraging longer stays and increased foot traffic, which will

benefit local businesses and enhance community engagement.

"Our City Centre is the heart and soul of the north, loved and enjoyed by our community and visitors. Through initiatives such as Streets Alive, we are confident that the Joondalup City Centre will continue to grow from strength to strength," Mayor Albert Jacob said.

Streets Alive is a community-led funding initiative delivered by Town Team Movement, in partnership with Main Roads WA and the Western Australian Local Government Association. It is designed to improve the safety and vibrancy of local roads, making them more welcoming and people focused.



An artist's impression of the future central parkland, family beach and coastal pool, anticipated to open in late-2026.

Exciting changes taking shape at Ocean Reef Marina

Excellent progress is being made at Ocean Reef Marina, with several key milestones reached in recent months.

Construction of the family-friendly beach and area for the future coastal pool is advancing well, with landscaping works now underway. The central parkland, family beach and pool area will feature an ocean-themed playground with a lobster centrepiece and terraced lawns, creating a vibrant space for families. These public amenities are anticipated to open in 2026.

The new boat ramps are also progressing, with a staged opening approach to maintain public access while existing ramps are decommissioned.

The first set of four ramps is now in use, with the full eight ramps expected to be operational later this year.

Other works include the installation of underground works to service the future microgrid, the design of a bike pump track, and key road upgrades, including a new roundabout at the western end of the new Hodges Drive extension into the project.

For the latest updates on construction and future milestones, visit the Ocean Reef Marina website at oceanreefmarinawa.com



Hillarys MLA Caitlin Collins, Cr Phillip Vinciullo and Mayor Albert Jacob join Rachael Edwards (and kids), who has just established the Hillarys Mums Walking Group, on a coastal walk.

Coastal shared path upgrades continue

Improvements to the City's extensive shared path network continue with works underway on the next stage of the coastal shared path upgrade from Mullaloo.

This will see the existing path from the corner of Northshore Drive and Merrifield Place to Hillarys Boat Harbour at Northside Drive replaced with a new, 4m red asphalt path and will complement recent shared path upgrades at Tom Simpson Park in Mullaloo and works on other sections of the coastal shared path.

The upgrades have been funded by the Department of Transport's WA Bicycle Network (WABN) Grant Funding Program as part of the State Government's Hillarys Cycle Network Expansion.

The project will be carried out in three segments to minimise disruption to the community.

Signed detours for people walking, or on bikes, scooters and other mobility devices will be in place, and works are expected to be completed by late-2025.

Roundabout for busy intersection

A new roundabout is being built at the corner of Hepburn Avenue and Walter Padbury Boulevard in Padbury.

Funding for the roundabout was secured through the State Government and the project will include asphalt skid

resistant treatments, upgrades to lighting and improved pedestrian and cycling facilities.

Work is expected to be finished in July 2025.

Hub milestone

Construction of the Duncraig Adventure Hub is fast taking shape, including the Sensory Monster Playground, a unique play space designed in collaboration with Duncraig local children's author and illustrator, Sean Avery, and occupational therapist Caris Bailey.

One of four key areas of the hub, this section will feature a water play sculpture called Squishy the Octopus, one of 13 monsters included in Sean's latest book that has been brought to life by a local stonemason.

The book will be unveiled at the hub's official opening.

Sign up for the Duncraig Adventure Hub newsletter to be among the first to receive project updates and visit the project page at joondalup.wa.gov.au for more details.

The Duncraig Adventure Hub is supported by a \$3 million grant from Lotterywest and over \$1.4 million from the Local Roads and Community Infrastructure Funding program.



The hub pictured in February 2025.

Nominate Joondalup's finest for the Walk of Fame

Do you know someone in the Joondalup community who deserves to be celebrated for their exceptional achievements? Nominations are now open for the next induction into the City of Joondalup Walk of Fame.

Established in 2021, the Walk of Fame in Central Walk honours individuals with strong ties to Joondalup who have made significant contributions in sport, business or community. Past inductees include inspiring figures such as Justin Langer, Daniel Ricciardo, Jessica Bratich Johnson and Dr Rishelle Hume.



The Class of 2023 - Salvatore 'Sam' Castiglione, Sharon Wood-Kenney and Dr Rishelle Hume with Mayor Albert Jacob.

Nominees must meet the following criteria:

Residency: lived or studied in Joondalup for at least five years

Excellence: demonstrated outstanding success in their field

Local impact: active involvement in local clubs, businesses or community groups

Recognition: achievements acknowledged at state, national, or international levels

Philanthropy: contributions to the community or charitable efforts

For full nomination guidelines, visit joondalup.wa.gov.au



My happy place

Why is the stairway at the Whitfords Nodes Health and Wellbeing Hub such a happy place for Rachel Byrne?

"Mainly because you have reached the top, but also because of the beautiful views. We are so lucky to live in a place where we can escape to exercise in nature so easily."

Where is your happy place in Joondalup?

Email info@joondalup.wa.gov.au with an image, and a few words and it could feature in the next edition.

CATCH UP WITH...



Optimal Pharmacy Plus Carine's Graeme Murray

What inspired you to start your business?

To provide a personalised, caring approach to healthcare in our community.

How long have you been operating in the City of Joondalup?

More than 40 years.

What is your favourite thing about the area?

We love that we can provide personalised care to local community members/families.

What is the most popular product/service that your business offers?

We have a pharmacist available for advice at all times.

What is the most unique perk or tradition at Optimal Pharmacy Plus Carine?

We are open 8am-8pm, seven days a week and in a great shopping centre.

What's a fun fact about your business that you'd love the community to know?

Our manager Ann-Marie has been working here for 39 years.

Uptown Joondalup website

The City is thrilled to announce the launch of the brand-new Uptown website, the ultimate guide to everything on offer in the City of Joondalup.

Whether you're a local resident or visiting the region, Uptown is your go-to hub for discovering the best places to eat, drink, shop and explore.

Discover unique experiences, exciting activities, uncover hidden gems and local businesses right here in

Joondalup. The Uptown website shines a spotlight on local favourites and showcases well-loved attractions alongside fresh perspectives on lesser-known treasures.

You can also keep up to date with the City's annual calendar of events. From art and music, festivals to coastal markets, family friendly parks and City Centre events, there's something for everyone to enjoy.

If you're a business owner, this is your chance to join the Uptown business community. Register your business on the Uptown Directory to increase

visibility and connect with a growing audience.

Follow, like, share and tag @Uptown. Joondalup on Instagram and Facebook to reach more customers and be part of the Uptown buzz.

Uptown offers businesses, visitors and the local community a connected digital platform that highlights the vibrancy of Joondalup.

Whether you're seeking an exquisite dining experience, retail therapy or an adventurous day out, explore Uptown today at uptownjoondalup.com.au

What's On April | May 2025

WA Tree Festival returns!

12 April–10 May at various locations

Join us for a month-long celebration of trees, biodiversity, wildlife and the beautiful outdoors. Trees keep us cool, provide habitat for wildlife, make our gardens and streets look and feel better, and can improve our physical and mental health and wellbeing. Grow your knowledge of trees this year with a variety of tree-mendous activities for all ages. Go beyond the bark on an outdoor tour where you'll discover some of our largest local trees or branch out your creative skills by joining in fun workshops. For more information visit joondalup.wa.gov.au

Step into Volunteering session

Tuesday 29 April, 1–2.30pm

Woodvale Library, hosted by Volunteer Joondalup – Volunteer Resource Centre

Free to attend. Please register online.

Do you want to meet new people, make a difference in the community, or share your skills? Then consider volunteering! Hear from volunteer providers and people in the volunteer sector. Light refreshments provided. For more information call **9400 4753** or visit joondalup.wa.gov.au

Composting, worms and bokashi bucket workshop

Saturday 10 May, 9am–12pm

MacNaughton Park Community Facility, 9 MacNaughton Crescent, Kinross

Free to attend. Please register online.

Learn what to do with food and garden scraps. No more smelly compost or dead worms! You can even process bread and meat. For more information call **9400 4077** or visit joondalup.wa.gov.au

Volunteer Expo

Saturday 24 May, 10am–1pm

Joondalup Library, hosted by Volunteer Joondalup – Volunteer Resource Centre

Free to attend.

Registration recommended.

To acknowledge and celebrate National Volunteer Week we invite you to our Volunteer Expo. If you have ever thought of volunteering or would like to try a new experience, then come along to our

Volunteer Expo. Discuss your volunteer journey with a range of volunteer involving organisations and referral officers. For more information call **9400 4753** or visit joondalup.wa.gov.au

Craigie Leisure Centre

Kidz Club

Monday 14 April–Friday 25 April

8.15am–12.30pm

Craigie Leisure Centre, 751 Whitfords Avenue, Craigie

Cost: Varied.

Looking for activities for kids aged five to 13 years old during the school holidays? Craigie Leisure Centre's Kidz Club is the place to be! Monday to Friday during the school holidays, from 8.15am–12.30pm, there are a variety of activities such as board games, soccer and art projects for the kids to enjoy. While they are having fun, you can go for a swim, fit in a workout or relax with a coffee from the Sessions at Craigie café.

Book online at craigieleisurecentre.com.au. Bookings open 48 hours prior to the session day. For more information call **9400 4600** or visit craigieleisurecentre.com.au

Libraries

Community session – Budgeting and healthy spending

Wednesday 9 April, 6pm

Whitford Library

Free to attend. Please register online.

This session is designed to help individuals aged 55 and over manage their finances with confidence. Topics include practical tips for everyday money management and access to services for additional support.

Community session – Get on board

Tuesday 29 April, 9.30am

Joondalup Library

Free to attend. Please register online.

Are you over 55 and want to learn to use public transport? Join us for this free public transport tour to learn about SmartRiders, journey planning and senior entitlements.

Parenting workshop – Style workshop for new mums

Friday 16 May, 10am

Duncraig Library

Cost: \$5. Book and pay online.

Personal stylist Sarah will teach new mums how to dress and feel good with limited time, and ways to style your new body. Babies up to 18 months old are welcome and encouraged.

Forget-me-not Memory Café

Friday 23 May, 10am

Duncraig Library

No cost. No bookings required.

The City of Joondalup hosts a regular dementia café in partnership with Forget-Me-Not for those living with memory loss, their carers and loved ones.

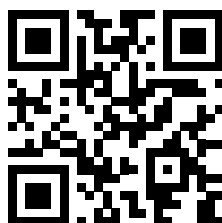
English conversation group

Every Wednesday, 1pm

Joondalup Library

Free to attend. No bookings required.

These informal sessions are perfect for those who know a little English and want to improve their skills in a supportive environment.



For more information visit joondalup.wa.gov.au/events

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Recognising the best of the best

The City of Joondalup's Citizens of the Year were announced on Australia Day 2025. Presented in partnership with his Excellency the Governor of Western Australia, these awards recognise individuals and organisations making notable contributions to our City and its community.

Congratulations to

City of Joondalup Community Citizen of the Year:

Christina Papafilis – a compassionate and engaging professional with a genuine passion for supporting and improving the lives of people with disability.

Young Community Citizen of Year:

Aimee Wright – a teenager who goes above and beyond to help other young people in need, including with suicide prevention.



Mayor Jacob presents Christina Papafilis with her Citizen of the Year Award.

Senior Community Citizen of Year:

Roger Howell (pictured talking about his success to ABC Radio) – a dedicated advocate for veterans with a remarkable history of service and commitment to their welfare.



Active Citizenship for Community Group or Event of Year:

Sorrento SLSC Dolphin program – helping foster an inclusive community where children and adults with additional needs can participate, learn and enjoy surf lifesaving activities.

Revamped website gains global recognition

The City of Joondalup's revamped website has been recognised on the international stage.

Launched in October 2024, the new-look joondalup.wa.gov.au has made a big impression in a short time, earning an honourable mention at the prestigious Kentico Site of the Year 2024 competition.

Kentico is a leading online platform that hosts more than 35,000 websites across 120 countries.

This accolade places it among the top websites worldwide built on the Kentico platform.

Judges praised the site for its user-friendly design, seamless navigation and robust functionality, saying its powerful features set a new benchmark for local government websites.

"While we are incredibly proud of this recognition, which reaffirms the City's position as a leader in digital innovation, we remain committed to continuously improving our online services to meet the evolving needs of our residents," Joondalup Mayor Albert Jacob said.



Anzac Day 2025

Thousands of people will gather at Joondalup War Memorial on **Friday 25 April 2025** for the City of Joondalup's Anzac Day Dawn Service.

As well as honouring the legendary feats of the Anzacs and their bravery and spirit on the shores of Gallipoli, it is also a chance for attendees to acknowledge those men and women who have served, and continue to serve, Australia and New Zealand in theatres of war and armed conflict.

Hosted in conjunction with Joondalup City RSL, the service is one of the biggest ceremonies of its kind in the Perth metropolitan area.

Attendees are asked to arrive no later than **5.30am** for a **5.45am** start.

Stay informed

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