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All are welcome on ANZAC Day



THE RSL WA Cottesloe Sub-Branch ANZAC Day Service to remember those Australians who served and those who lost their lives at war will be held on Thursday, 25 April 2013, commencing at 6.45am at the Cottesloe Civic Centre and War Memorial Town Hall.

All are welcome to attend and should gather at the South Gate (opposite Loma Street), Cottesloe Civic Centre, 109 Broome Street, Cottesloe no later than 6.45am.

There will be a parade and flag-raising, wreath laying, prayers, readings and the Last Post will be played.

Light refreshments will be served after the service.

Perceptions Study shows –

Living in Cott is very good!

IT'S no secret that Cottesloe is one of the most desirable places in Western Australia. A recent study – Community Perspectives in the Town of Cottesloe – commissioned by the Town reveals that most residents are very happy to be here.

It was produced by specialist consultants who have made many such surveys for local councils. Their work is exhaustive – and in no way a white-wash.

It provides truly valuable insights to help Cottesloe Council identify and concentrate on the areas of most concern to most residents.

While the consultants' initial questioning revealed that residents' overall satisfaction is high, they didn't stop there.

Further questioning was used to discover things about the Town that need improvement.

Said CEO Carl Askew: "This is a significant and detailed survey of residents' feelings about Cottesloe's amenities and services, and it builds on previous surveys.

"It provides detailed comments on many aspects of life here, and shows variation in attitudes by age group and other demographic measures.

"The survey will interest and inform everyone living and working in Cottesloe. We encourage all residents view it at the Town's website."

"Also, this document

will now inform Council's consideration of its new Community Strategic Plan, which it will develop in the coming months."

State Planning Strategy

Coinciding with publication of the Community Perspectives Study last month, Cottesloe also received the WA government's draft Planning Strategy.

While moving to accept the draft, the Council moved that 'sustained population growth, tourism and the supply of land for future development ... be based

on a collaborative approach with local government and the community ..."

Community Consultation

Also in March, the Council adopted its reviewed Community Consultation policy. Originally adopted in 2005, the policy continues to provide Town staff with a framework to follow whenever there is need to consult the local community. Review of this policy was also a necessary precursor to the development of the Town's Community Strategic Plan.

Go native in your own garden

THE ever-popular Native Plant subsidy scheme is on again, courtesy of the Town of Cottesloe and the other WESROC councils.

Residents can purchase native plants at a subsidised price of just \$1.50 from APACE Community Nursery, which is at 1 Johannah Street, North Fremantle.

The scheme, which is designed to encourage biodiversity and local habitats in the western suburbs, runs from May 1 to May 25 and residents can buy a total of 80 plants.

Remember to take proof of residency when you visit APACE.



AMALGAMATION?

Cottesloe re-states its position

TAKING a final opportunity to comment on the State's Metropolitan Local Government Review, Cottesloe has re-stated its long-held view – that if there is to be a change, it favours a local-scale amalgamation of Cottesloe, Claremont, Mosman Park and Peppermint Grove.

Details online

The submission – with comments on the 30 Review Panel's recommendations – was made in March to meet the government's April 5 deadline.

Cottesloe insists that any merger must depend on the local community voting in favour.

Other provisos now restated are that the Civic Centre and War Memorial Town Hall must be preserved as an asset accessible to the general community; and there should be no forced redundancies of Council staff.

Also, Cottesloe says that if any one of the four councils does not wish to merge, the remaining three should do so.

Sculptures go to school



TWO new works acquired by Cottesloe on the closing day of this year's Sculpture by the Sea exhibition will be permanently located at North Cottesloe Primary School.

They are Australian artist Michael Grau's work liquorice allsorts and Spanish artist Manuel Ferreiro Badia's sculpture kinetic interference.

The school is celebrating its centenary this year and asked the Council earlier in the year to consider locating its 2013 acquisition nearby as part of the celebrations.

Cottesloe now has a collection of ten sculptures by artists from WA, NSW, USA, Japan and Spain.

Mayor Kevin Morgan said: "This year's purchases are valuable additions to the Town's growing collection of international and local sculptures, which is rapidly becoming one of the more significant public sculpture collections.

"On behalf of the Town I congratulate and thank all



the artists who exhibited this year."

Michael Grau is an emerging artist and teacher based in Bassendean and founder of the School of Art, Innovation and Design. His practice



Police warn on beach and car security

LOCAL Police say they are dealing with far too many crimes involving unlocked cars and valuables left on the beach.

Cottesloe's committee for Safety and Crime Prevention has produced an informative article on these matters, written by Kerran Campbell, who is adjunct professor of security science at Edith Cowan University, professional security consultant and a member of the Town's Committee.

Kerran's article is available at the Town offices, and on the Town website.

News in Brief ...

Whalebone at Isolators

PROFESSIONAL long-board riders will bring their annual challenge to Isolators Reef on July 13 and 14.

Up to 300 competitors are expected for the event which has been held for the past 15 years. A marquee and extra toilets will be provided by organisers. Profits from the weekend will go to Surf Aid International and other not-for-profit groups.

Meetings at Civic Centre

NEXT Council meeting Monday April 22, at 7pm.

Development Services Monday April 15, 6pm.

Works and Corporate Services Tuesday April 16, 7pm.

Planning applications: For June – lodge by May 6, 2013.

engages both the visual and interactive arts. Grau's sculpture emphasises the uniqueness of each liquorice allsort, and reflects on childhood memories and the pleasure peeling off layers one by one.

Manuel Ferreiro Badia is a prominent artist, best known for his sculpture and metal work, which has won him numerous international awards and prizes. He has held 23 individual exhibitions and 52 joint exhibitions, in Spain and abroad. His work kinetic interference is a self-supporting work made from stainless steel with solid rings and hollow bars throughout.