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**COTTESLOE
COUNCIL NEWS**

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**Cottesloe's
Councillors
and Staff
wish
everyone a
very Merry
Christmas
and a
Peaceful
New Year.**

**News in
Brief ...**

**HOLIDAY
CLOSING**

COUNCIL offices will close from Wednesday December 25, Christmas Day, until Wednesday January 1 – re-opening January 2.

**Swim
entries**

ROTTNEST Channel Swim 2014 will begin on Cottesloe Beach at 5.45am on Saturday, February 22 when the first wave of soloists, around 850 strong, set out for the island 19.7km away. In all, 2400 swimmers are expected to take part.

Entries for the four participation categories – Solo, Duo, Team (of 4), and Charity Challenge (teams of 4), opened on November 4.

**Meetings at
Civic Centre**

COUNCIL meeting Monday December 16, at 7pm.

Development Services Monday December 9, 6pm.

Works and Corporate Services Tuesday December 10, 7pm.

Planning applications for February – by January 6.

* PLEASE NOTE – in 2014 ALL committee meetings begin at 6pm; the full Council meeting time remains 7pm.

Art and sport can mix and such a melange will soon be proven when Cottesloe's newest sculpture donation is installed on Marine Parade, near Grant Street.

It is a gift to the Town from the Bernadt family and was created by former French rugby captain Jean-Pierre Rives.

His work can be found in collections world-wide; he was the first sculptor since Rodin to enjoy a solo exhibition in Paris' Jardins du Luxembourg.

Cottesloe's 5.5m high, steel two-tonne sculpture sustains a recent pattern of large and eye-catching installations all along the sea-front.

**CAROLS by
CANDLELIGHT**

Sunday 22 December 2013

STARTS 7PM
B.Y.O Picnic on lawn from 6pm

PARKING
Offstreet parking West Lawn

MORE INFO
Cottesloe Council: www.cottesloe.wa.gov.au
St Philips Church: www.stphilips.net.au

This is a combined event by the Town of Cottesloe and St Philips Anglican Church

EVERYONE will be welcomed to Carols by Candlelight on the Main Lawn, Civic Centre, from 6pm on December 22. The programme begins at 7pm.

Bring friends and family for a relaxed picnic, followed by carol singing to make a joyous start to the true Christmas season.

Electric candles and treats will be given to the children. BYO picnic and rug, or low chairs. Parking is available on the Western Lawn; enter from

Broome Street near the roundabout.

This joint event is hosted every year by St Philips Anglican Church and the Town of Cottesloe. A map of the venue is available at the church, at www.stphilips.net.au/carols; at The Grove Library, or the Town's Civic Centre.



Join in AUSTRALIA DAY 2014!

MAKE a fabulous start to Australia Day 2014 at the Cottesloe Civic Centre! All residents of Cottesloe, Peppermint Grove and Mosman Park are invited to enjoy the combined Councils' event, on January 26.

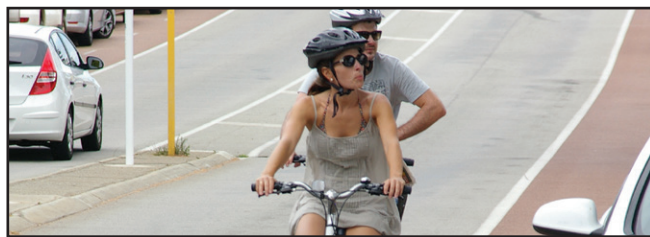
It's special!

On this day an especially large group of new citizens will become an integral part of the Cottesloe community, and many more from Mosman Park and Peppermint Grove will be invested – while everyone reflects on how fortunate we are to be Australian.

The day is made even more special with presentations of each Council's Australia Day awards to their Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen, and Community Group/Event. Expect all the trappings – stirring songs from Men in Harmony, entertainment for the children, the National Anthem and flag-

raising, as well as thought provoking words from the Premier, Colin Barnett, in his address to the new citizens.

As always a lavish barbecue breakfast will round off the morning. Events begin at 8am, so bring along a picnic rug or folding chairs and join the celebrations!



**'Non-drive'
drive is on
trial!**

UNTIL the end of the financial year (June 2014) Cottesloe will test the effectiveness of a sustainable travel allowance among Town staff.

They will be encouraged to come to work on foot, bike, by car-sharing or public transport.

It's all part of the Council's campaign to reduce its environmental footprint and achieve carbon neutrality.

The travel policy was publicised for community comment last month to only minor response.

At the moment the Town's major source of carbon emissions is the vehicle fleet and commuter activities. The new policy proposed making a small allowance to staff who take part in the 'non-drive' drive.

Experience at other councils shows that a sustainable travel allowance can motivate employees to change behaviour patterns.



**New path to
Cott Beach**

IN use last month and officially opened on December 6 by the Premier Colin Barnett and Mayor Jo Dawkins, the new \$300,000 beach access path was jointly funded by Lotterywest and the Town of Cottesloe.

Mayor Jo Dawkins said: "After two applications for Federal funding failed a \$200,000 Lotterywest grant helped the Town make it happen. Future redevelopment of our foreshore will also depend on funding from both the State and the Town of Cottesloe."

'No' to Telstra towers

PLANNED construction of six antennas atop two poles in Congdon Street has been rejected by Cottesloe Council, reiterating its earlier decision taken in June this year.

Telstra originally applied to build the poles within two fake brick chimneys above its existing telephone exchange building.

In its original application, Telstra cited the need to maintain adequate mobile phone coverage in the area when its equipment is removed from the

Sundowner Hostel (Airlie Street, Claremont) which is to close.

In a fresh application (November 6) with amended plans, Telstra proposed the towers would be unenclosed.

Taking into account the provisions of Cottesloe's town planning scheme, and

the heritage considerations of the exchange which was built in 1929, and surrounding properties, the Council has refused the application, 'with or without the two faux brick chimneys'.

**COMMITTEE & COUNCIL MEETINGS
February to December 2014**

Planning Application Closing Dates (by 4.00pm)	Development Services Committee	Works & Corporate Services Committee	Strategic Planning Committee	Council
06-Jan-14	17-Feb-14	18-Feb-14	19-Feb-14	24-Feb-14
03-Feb-14	17-Mar-14	18-Mar-14		24-Mar-14
10-Mar-14	28-Apr-14	29-Apr-14		05-May-14
07-Apr-14	19-May-14	20-May-14	21-May-14	26-May-14
05-May-14	16-Jun-14	17-Jun-14		23-Jun-14
02-Jun-14	21-Jul-14	22-Jul-14		28-Jul-14
07-Jul-14	18-Aug-14	19-Aug-14	20-Aug-14	25-Aug-14
04-Aug-14	15-Sep-14	16-Sep-14		22-Sep-14
01-Sep-14	20-Oct-14	21-Oct-14		27-Oct-14
06-Oct-14	17-Nov-14	18-Nov-14	29-Nov-14	24-Nov-14
27-Oct-14	08-Dec-14	09-Dec-14		15-Dec-14



A HOME BY THE SEA

The Cottesloe Civic Centre was once the private home of Judge Richard Pennefather.

The Federation Queen Anne Style house was built with limestone from a local quarry and set on five acres of land. The house was surrounded by wide verandahs and featured a retaining, grand carriage drive and garden. There was also a coach house for carriages, stables and servants quarters.

When it was first built it had few neighbours and Broome Street didn't extend further than Forrest Street.

Richard Pennefather contributed significantly to the local community. He was Chairman of the Committee of Management for the Cottesloe Mechanics Institute and was appointed Solicitor to the Cottesloe Municipal Council.

He was President of the Cottesloe Golf Club and became a Member of the Legislative Assembly and held the portfolio of Attorney General. In 1911 he sold the property to mining entrepreneur Claude De Bernales and moved to a home known as 'Oakbank' on Shenton Road in Swinburne.

Richard William Pennefather was born in Tipperary, Ireland, 14 July 1853.

Studied at University of Melbourne, B.A., LL.B.

Married Flora Edith Halliday and had daughter Rose in 1903.

Resided here for 11 years in Melbourne and appointed King's Counsel in 1900.

Died New York 1927 in 1913.

The foundation stone Pennefather's grave was moved from Riddellville Cemetery to the south west corner of the building.



New signs at the Civic Centre form a short 'heritage trail' that interpret its history. They begin with the first construction of a family home in the late 1800s by Judge Richard Pennefather (who was Attorney General in Sir John Forrest's cabinet). Extravagant conversion

followed the property's purchase in 1911 by mining entity Claude de Bernales. In 1950 Cottesloe Council bought the premises from Mr De Bernales with assistance from the Cottesloe branch of the RSL, and since then it has been officially named the War Memorial Town Hall and Cottesloe Civic Centre.