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Cover image: City of Burnside has seeded 10,000 trees and plants in Kapunda to offset Council's carbon emissions.

Mayor's Message



Summer is here and the George Bolton Swimming Centre and the Tusmore Wading Pool are already being well patronised.

By the time you read this the changes to the facilities at the Swimming Centre should have been completed with new school group and disability friendly change rooms available.

It is predicted to be a very hot summer, so those of you who live in the foothills make sure you have your Bushfire Plan updated and ready. The CFS educators have already been actively engaged through Neighbourhood Watch programs, grass cutting and the carting away of vegetation has been completed by the City of Burnside. Be aware and take notice of Extreme and High Fire Danger days, avoid dropping cigarette butts while walking or driving in the hills and be bushfire ready!

I am very proud of the work of our staff. The City of Burnside has won the 2023 Maxima Host Employer of the Year award. Council currently has 13 trainees and apprentices studying Business, Conservation and Ecosystem Management, Horticulture and Civil Construction. Council has hosted 101 trainees and apprentices through Maxima since 2013 and deserved this excellent award.

Our Council is working actively toward becoming carbon neutral and one of these projects is the seeding of thousands of native trees near Kapunda in the Light Regional Council area. This was the launch of the Burnside Carbon Offset Scheme (B-COS), which is a three-way collaboration between the City of Burnside, not-for-profit organisation Trees For Life and local business Mantina Quarries. The trees will absorb hundreds of tonnes of carbon, helping to offset Council's carbon emissions.

We are very grateful to the State Government and Minister Nick Champion for a grant of \$50,000 to be used for signage and tree planting that was a response to the wilful damage and removal of a significant number of trees in a Trees For Life site recently in Auldana. I am also happy to see the usage of the EV charging stations installed by the State Government and the RAA in our Civic Centre car park.



Our biodiversity volunteers were busy throughout the year raising over 7,000 plants for the annual Local Native Plant Giveaway. This giveaway has been an institution in Burnside for over 60 years. Over \$5,000 was raised through gold coin donations for the Friends of Ferguson Park. Thank you to all the volunteers and to those who gave a donation for the plants. Recently, we also had volunteers in Chambers Gully planting natives with the Friends of Cleland Park. Our Council has nearly 400 volunteers who support the services we provide, and we could not achieve these outcomes without them. Thank you to everyone who has volunteered this past year.

By the time you read this we will have opened the Dulwich Community Centre and there are photos in this issue of Focus. I have been pleased to be involved over the past 10 years with decision-making, consultations, planning, grants and now the realisation of a dream. It is a fabulous new space for our Burnside community. Users of the Conyngham Street Dog Park are also excited to return to the recently revamped space which opened in November. I am looking forward to seeing the Your Neighbourhood Budget items being installed in various locations in Burnside. Community members nominated these ideas and they were selected by vote. Tree and biodiversity planting, new signage, a park bench, a painting, a sculpture, play equipment, communication boards and a little library will result.

Carols in the Park is returning on Friday 8 December in Hazelwood Park, starting at 5 pm and there will be a movie for children after the concert. Father Christmas will be there along with children's entertainment, food stalls and gift stalls. I eagerly await judging the winner of the Mayor's Christmas Card Design competition for Year 3 & 4 students with the theme 'What makes an Australian Christmas?'

Enjoy the summer and have a very safe and happy Christmas and New Year!

Anne Monceaux Mayor



CEO'S Message

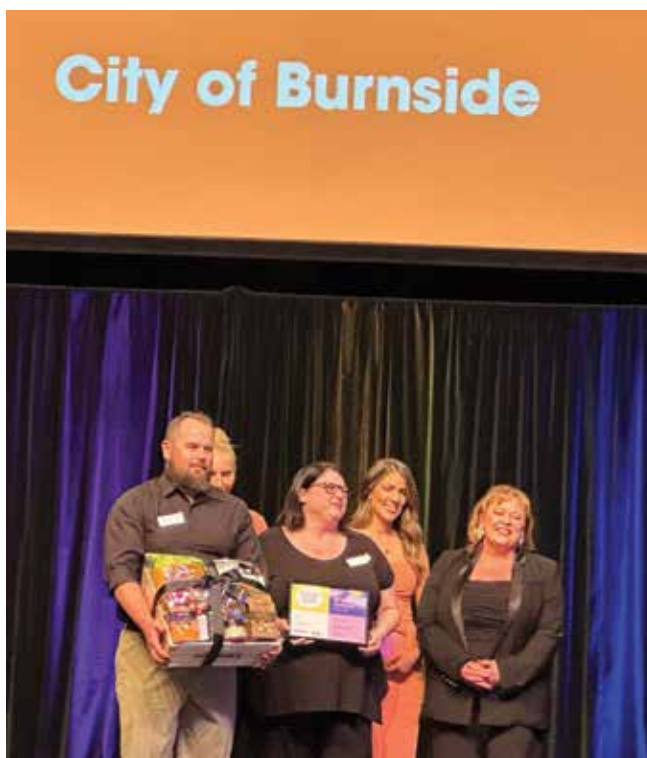
Host Employer of the Year

It is with great pride I can share that the City of Burnside was successfully named Host Employer of the Year at the 2023 Maxima South Australian Graduation and Awards ceremony.

Currently, the City of Burnside is host to 13 trainees and apprentices across a variety of fields, all of whom have been sourced through Maxima Training Group as our exclusive training provider.

Thank you to our Trainee Mentoring Program team who deliver an incredible service providing support and networking opportunities for all our trainees and apprentices through monthly sessions.

This award is a testament to the dedication of our Executive, Managers, Team Leaders and staff in cultivating a positive, supportive and nourishing environment for all employees, making the City of Burnside the employer of choice.



CoB team collects the Host Employer of the Year award.

Dulwich Community Centre Opening

One of the main hubs for community groups in the Burnside area, the Dulwich Community Centre has now officially reopened! A new and improved space featuring a new hardwood floored hall and headed by a large stage area, this centre is perfect for a wide array of activities.

Officially opened on 18 November, local residents were treated to an early access tour on 7 November. Thank you to everyone who came out to launch the Dulwich Community Centre, we can't wait to see it brimming with life for years to come.

Annual Report / Financial Audit good result

We are also in the report time of year. Council recently completed its audit for the 2022/23 Financial Year. The auditors gave Council's financials a clean report.

Some of the highlights from the 2022/23 Financial Year worth noting are:

- Small surplus result inclusive of subsidiaries.
- Final borrowings by Council were lower than foreshadowed in the budget.
- Council successfully completed \$17.6m of Capital Works inclusive of Magill Village Redevelopment in partnership with City of Campbelltown and Department of Infrastructure and Transport.

Council also recently completed the 2022/23 Annual Report highlighting many of our undertakings over the past year. Top projects of note include the completion of the Magill Village Project, endorsement of Burnside's City Master Plan and the implementation of 40 km/h zones across five precincts. Council also scored well in our Annual Community Survey receiving an overall 7.3 out of 10.

Auldana Remediation Project

In less happy news, the vandals who destroyed a large reserve of regulated land at Auldana North Reserve and decimated up to 50 native trees have yet to be identified. This incident, which is expected to have occurred in July, saw a 1,200 square metre plot of land callously cleared directly below houses at the end of Patrick Auld Drive.

Following financial support from the State Government we have now cleared away the debris and installed signage at the site. These signs will act both as a call to action for anyone who may have witnessed the incident and as a deterrent for similar behaviour in future.

The City of Burnside is dedicated to protecting our urban forest. In October we achieved a successful conviction before the District Court of Adelaide for the illegal felling of a regulated tree in Rosslyn Park by a tree lopping business.

If you have witnessed the illegal removal or damaging of regulated plant life, please contact our Customer Experience team on **8366 4200** or **burnside@burnside.sa.gov.au**.

Chris Cowley CEO

Burnside news

CEO takes a local ride

Whether you are a resident riding in your area or a commuter passing through, road safety for the community is crucial for the City of Burnside.

On Monday 25 September City of Burnside CEO Chris Cowley joined the Burnside Bicycle Users Group (BBUG) for a ride through multiple suburbs. Gaining a perspective of the daily hazards faced by cyclists, Chris also listened to BBUG member's suggestions on how Council could facilitate safer road interactions.

'It was a fantastic opportunity to cycle through the City of Burnside with representatives of the BBUG, looking at ways we can enhance rideability and safety on some of our bicycle routes,' Chris said.

To increase road safety the City of Burnside has been engaging with residents on implementing select 40 km/h zones to create safer streets as part of the ongoing City Master Plan.



Plant giveaway

Thank you Burnside – together we raised over \$5,000 for the Friends of Ferguson Conservation Park through our Native Plant Giveaway!

WeChat launch

Did you know the City of Burnside is now on WeChat? Make sure you follow us for all important community announcements and updates.



Kensington Garden Reserve / Wama Wins National Award

Kensington Gardens Reserve / Wama has been recognised nationally for its innovation, winning a Landscape Architecture Award for Parks and Open Spaces at the National AILA Landscape Architecture Awards in October.

The Kensington Gardens Reserve / Wama revitalisation project has been praised for its commitment to improving water quality and biodiversity while fulfilling recreational and public open space functions.

Dulwich Community Centre

The Dulwich Community Centre redevelopment has been completed, with the space welcoming back community groups and Council events.

Officially launched on 18 November, the redeveloped centre introduces free outdoor parking including disability access, while the new interior space features an extended hardwood hall headed by an elevated stage area. Roomy with plenty of natural light, this new space is perfect for plays, dance, yoga, pilates and more. Now accepting community bookings! Visit burnside.sa.gov.au for booking information.



Christmas / New Years Hours

Date	Library	Customer Service	George Bolton Swimming Centre	The Regal Theatre	Pepper Street Arts Centre
Friday 22 December 2023	9.30 am – 3 pm	8.30 am – 3 pm	6 am - 8 pm	10.15 am - 10.30 pm	CLOSED
Saturday 23 December 2023	10 am – 4 pm	CLOSED	7 am - 7 pm	10.15 am - 10.30 pm	CLOSED
Sunday 24 December 2023, Christmas Eve	2 pm – 5 pm	CLOSED	8 am - 6 pm	10.15 am - 9.30 pm	CLOSED
Monday 25 December 2023, Christmas Day	CLOSED (Public Holiday)	CLOSED (Public Holiday)	CLOSED (Public Holiday)	CLOSED (Public Holiday)	CLOSED (Public Holiday)
Tuesday 26 December 2023, Boxing Day	CLOSED (Public Holiday)	CLOSED (Public Holiday)	CLOSED (Public Holiday)	8 am – 6 pm	10:15 am – 10:30 pm
Wednesday 27 December 2023	9.30 am – 6 pm	CLOSED	6 am - 8 pm	10.15 am - 10.30 pm	CLOSED
Thursday 28 December 2023	9.30 am – 9 pm	CLOSED	6 am - 8 pm	10.15 am - 10.30 pm	CLOSED
Friday 29 December 2023	9.30 am – 6 pm	CLOSED	6 am - 8 pm	10.15 am - 10.30 pm	CLOSED
Saturday 30 December 2023	10 am – 4 pm	CLOSED	7 am - 7 pm	10.15 am - 10.30 pm	CLOSED
Sunday 31 January 2024, New Years Eve	2 pm – 5 pm	CLOSED	8 am - 6 pm	10.15 am - 10.30 pm	CLOSED
Monday 1 January 2024, New Years Day	CLOSED (Public Holiday)	CLOSED (Public Holiday)	8 am – 6 pm	10.15 am - 10.30 pm	CLOSED (Public Holiday)
Tuesday 2 January 2024	9.30 am – 6 pm	8.30 am – 5 pm	6 am - 8 pm	10.15 am - 10.30 pm	CLOSED

- Please note the Library returns chute in Hyde Street is available 24/7.
- Essential services such as Rangers, Commonwealth Home Support Programme services and Depot Operations will operate as usual; over this period. Staff will be available to answer community enquiries on 8366 4200.

Burnside Carbon Offset Scheme Successfully Seeded

The City of Burnside has taken another step towards becoming carbon neutral, seeding thousands of native trees near Kapunda for the launch of the Burnside Carbon Offset Scheme (B-COS).

A three-way collaboration between the City of Burnside, not-for-profit organisation Trees For Life and local business Mantina Quarries, the trees will absorb hundreds of tonnes of carbon, offsetting the Council's carbon emissions.

Carbon offsets are a responsible way to mitigate the negative environmental impacts of greenhouse gas emissions. When organisations release greenhouse gases into the atmosphere through activities like driving or air-conditioning, they contribute to global warming. Carbon offsets offer a way to counterbalance or 'offset' these emissions by investing in projects that remove an equivalent volume of greenhouse gases from the atmosphere.

Suitable space for this scale of planting was not available in Burnside, but with support from Light Regional Council, land for the project was able to be sourced in the Kapunda area. Local resident and Mantina Quarries Director Rino Obbiettivo was happy to offer property near Kapunda at no cost to ratepayers. The project is converting over six hectares of open pasture to woodland.

City of Burnside CEO Chris Cowley said the advancement of the project marked significant progression in Council's goal to become carbon neutral by 2030.

'The launch of the Burnside Carbon Offset Scheme marks an important step for our City and residents,' Chris said. 'This represents the culmination of years of work by so many of our team – and this is just the beginning.'

'We are dedicated to reducing our impact on the environment so future generations can experience it as we have, or in some cases, we will leave it in a better shape.'

Trees For Life Direct Seeding Manager David Hein said the project could result in upwards of 10,000 new plants, all native vegetation that grows well in the area.

'There are sixteen different species in the mix. Over the years they sort themselves out into natural-looking vegetation, providing habitat for birds and wildlife,' David said.

City of Burnside Coordinator of Environmental Sustainability Dr Philip Roetman said the B-COS planting will offset emissions from Council's George Bolton Swimming Centre and Regal Theatre.

'The project is not funded through Council rates. Rather, people using the Swimming Centre and Theatre pay a small, 10 cent contribution per visit. These individual contributions are minor, but collectively they enable Council to minimise the environmental impact of these facilities,' Philip said.

General Manager for Mantina Group William Short said Mantina Group was excited to provide land for new trees. He described the project as a win-win for all involved.

'We can provide land to plant thousands of trees. It helps the community offset emissions and the trees will be habitat for wildlife. We also benefit as the trees and wildlife will improve the overall visual amenity of the area and provide valuable buffers along property boundaries,' William said.

Along with the thousands of new trees planted for this project, the City of Burnside continues to show leadership in environmental sustainability. Last year, Council installed solar power systems at numerous sites, including the Council Depot, Dulwich Community Centre and the George Bolton Swimming Centre. Over time, these systems will reduce the running costs of the facilities and further reduce Council's carbon footprint.

In October the City of Burnside signed the State Government's Electric Vehicle (EV) Fleet Pledge, helping to support our state's clean energy transformation through the transition to and investment in EV's and smart charging.



City of Burnside's Quest for a Greener Future

As a three-time Tree City of the World, the City of Burnside understands the pivotal role local government plays in leading the way towards a greener future for the community.

With the goal of leading from the front as environmental custodians, the City of Burnside's goal is to continue to develop a prosperous community that is healthy, safe, connected and allows people and nature to live harmoniously.

Council is maximising greening programs, including the development and expansion of the city's Urban Forest, currently comprised of over 42,700 trees, with over 1,000 new trees every year.

A fully mapped and catalogued ecosystem, Burnside's urban forest can be explored in-depth online with an interactive breakdown of parklands, reserves and street trees.

This project was one of the first of its kind to be developed in Australia and provides exclusive insight into industry-leading environmental commitments by the City of Burnside.

You can view the Urban Forest Interactive website at trees.burnside.sa.gov.au.

With environmental, health and aesthetic benefits, the urban forest provides many services to those who live and work within the City of Burnside and will assist in safeguarding the community against the effects of climate change. This includes through regulating temperature, improving air quality, supporting biodiversity and enhancing both physical and mental wellbeing of residents and community members.

In line with Council's efforts to preserve and grow the urban forest, residents of the City of Burnside play a critical role in ensuring the advancement of environmental goals through the protection of trees and vegetation on public land – a role more urgent than ever following a recent spate of incidents in which numerous mature trees were illegally felled or heavily damaged.

These incidents follow a landmark first for the City of Burnside, which after many years of court proceedings was able to reach a successful prosecution at Adelaide Magistrates Court on 21 July 2023 for the illegal removal of a street tree.

In April 2021 a mature seven-year-old Golden Rain tree was witnessed being illegally removed. After discovering that the removal was not approved by Council, a local resident took photographs and notified the City of Burnside of the incident. Council investigated and with enough evidence to prosecute, issued a summons for the matter to be heard in court.

After a two-year case, City of Burnside CEO Chris Cowley said he was happy with the outcome which was successful largely because of a supportive resident and Council's passionate Urban Forest Team.

'It's been a long and protracted case taking a year to investigate and a further year in the courts,' Chris said. 'It would never have been successful without the quick thinking of the resident who witnessed the incident and reported it to Council.'

'I hope that this example highlights the seriousness of the issue and the commitment from Council to take strong action to safeguard the urban forest.'

Senior Urban Forestry Officer Chris Hawkins said that this was a win in the battle to preserve the urban forest for future generations.

'I've worked as an arborist for 10 years and this is the first successful street tree prosecution that I know of,' Chris said.

City of Burnside Technical Officer Conservation and Land Management Dr Mark Ellis said the impact on local ecosystems from illegal removals like this one ran extremely deep.

'Many of our parks and reserves, especially in the Hills Face area contain remnants of the original indigenous vegetation of the area prior to European settlement. These areas are priceless and are managed for the wide range of flora and fauna they support,' Mark said.

'In our rapidly changing climate it is imperative that we do everything we can to support our local ecosystems, if we lose elements of our urban forest, we also lose the species that depend on those trees.'

Chris Cowley asked the community to help Council defend the City of Burnside's urban forest by reporting any tree-damaging activity and gathering evidence where possible.

'We need everyone to know that this illegal behaviour is not acceptable in our community,' Chris said. 'Photographs and statements are what can really change the outcome.'

As the maximum punishment in South Australia for this illegal activity, the courts can impose a \$5,000 fine and record a criminal conviction.

Unfortunately, even following the prosecution of this one offender, Council continues to identify numerous acts of individuals illegally damaging and/or removing sections of the urban forest.

The most notable example comes in the form of approximately 50 mature indigenous trees that were felled in Auldana North Reserve earlier this year. Showing a blatant disregard for the law and a deep disrespect for the importance of the natural area, this act will, unfortunately, go unpunished without community intervention.

In late October, the City of Burnside in partnership with the State Government unveiled signage at Auldana North Reserve calling for community support in finding information on the destruction.

Providing \$50,000 in support, the State Government funds covered the cost of debris removal on site, significant signage, CCTV surveillance, a walking trail through the area and the planting of 15 new mature trees around the City of Burnside.

If you are aware of any examples of tree damaging behaviour from other members of the community, please follow the QR code, call Council or visit our website to make a report.



Left to right: Cr Mike Daws, Mayor Anne Monceaux, Cr Kerry Hallett, Cr Jo Harvey in front of new Auldana signage

Burnside Community Grants

The City of Burnside Community Grants Program offers funding support of up to \$5,000 for community groups that provide services and programs to residents that would otherwise go unfulfilled.

Burnside Community Grants 2024/25 applications open mid-January 2024.

Glenunga Rams Basketball Club – Training Facilities and Equipment

Seeking to increase interest in competitive basketball for local players, the Glenunga Rams Basketball Club received a grant to assist with the purchasing of new uniforms, training equipment and court hire.

With around 120 participants – 80 per cent of whom identify as living in the Burnside area, the club has seen quick growth over the past 12 months.

Next on the agenda for the Rams is expanding their girls' teams offerings through recruiting more female players, as well as addressing the urgent need for more volunteer coaches. A low-cost club to join, the Rams will also begin approaching local schools to secure access to indoor training facilities.



Norwood Community Creche – Sensory Native Garden

Caring for and educating young children for over 40 years, Norwood Community Creche’s philosophy focuses on nature, community engagement and child-initiated activities. With the goal of helping their children flourish and learn about environmental sustainability, the creche was awarded a Community Grant to assist the centre with building a sensory native garden.

Featuring dozens of native plants, the garden acts a resource to develop the creche’s themes of ‘Belonging, Being and Becoming’.

Norwood Community Creche Co-Ordinator Susan Burgess said the centre’s indoor and outdoor play-based style would benefit from the promotion of environmental engagement through the grant.



Zonta Club Adelaide Torrens – Breast Cushion Project

A self-funded organisation, the Zonta Club Adelaide Torrens provides support projects for girls and women in the local community.

Provided with a Community Grant to support their Breast Cushion Project, funds from the grant were directed towards the purchasing of raw materials required to create the cushions.

These cushions, of which the club produces around 300 per year, are donated to the Burnside Hospital’s Breast and Endocrine Centre. Given to patients post-surgery, the cushions provide comfort and assist through the healing process.



The Shed Building Support for Women

Usually a space to socialise and assist each other with DIY woodwork projects, the participants of the Women's Shed Program held at The Shed are now putting their skills towards a bigger cause - supporting local charity Catherine House.

Dedicated to helping women who are experiencing homelessness, Catherine House offers crisis, longer term accommodation and support services for women over the age of 18, unaccompanied by children.

Building household items like chopping boards, grazing boards, tables, trays, barbeque trays and picture frames, The Shed's women's group has focused on supplying pieces that can be gifted to women upon their exit from Catherine House's services.

Contractor with The Shed for three years and one of the facilitators of the Women's Shed Program, Rose said the group members thought supporting Catherine House would be a positive goal.

'We thought it would be nice to support other women who need a hand up,' Rose said.

Following a Women's Health Week morning tea attended by a member of Catherine House at the start of September, Rose, a self-employed carpenter for 35 years, said the group had been building items whenever they got a chance.

'Catherine House have been very positive. But now it is on us to bring as many women on board as we can, who want to come to The Shed and who want to participate.'

Redeveloped in 2020, The Shed has since become home to both men's and women's groups, acting as a touch point for those over 65 living in the eastern regions. An asset of the City of Burnside, The Shed programs are funded by the Commonwealth Home Support Programme (CHSP) to provide subsidised low level support services and programs.

'This facility is available to help meet the needs of women in the area regarding social aspects, but also meet the needs of women who are wanting to make, or learn to make, fix and build using tools.'

Reinforcing the community feel of The Shed, Rose said there were no expectations of women who came to the facility and that training and support were available throughout the process.

'If any women have an idea about something they would like to work on, they can be assisted through the whole process of what they would like to build. Skill level doesn't matter, we can assist the whole way through,' Rose said. 'We can cater to all types of personalities and how people work. We also do a lot of community projects for businesses and organisations.'

Employee at the facility and facilitator of the Women's Shed Program since the redevelopment three years ago, Helen said the all-female dynamic of the group allowed for more open discussion on aspects of life.

'The community atmosphere of The Shed I think is really important,' Helen said.

'Some of our ladies are single, some of them have partners, when you have that dynamic of being all female, the things you talk about may be the type of thing you can't talk to a family member or partner about. The social aspect is important.'

The Shed's Women's Program runs on Thursday mornings with mixed gender in the afternoon, while Men's Shed Programs run Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday.

For more information including photos of the workshop and adjacent community garden, head to the City of Burnside website.



Council Members

Burnside Ward

Cr Mike Daws



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After long delays, the Greenhill Road and Hallett Road intersection upgrade has been completed through Federal “Black Spot” funding.

We hold reservations on whether the new design fully addresses the former safety concerns, or whether some further adjustments are needed, particularly to some of the marked traffic lanes. We would like to hear from regular users of this intersection regarding the success of the new design. Is it working well or are some further tweaks still needed?

We are pleased that our Council colleagues recently fully supported proposed traffic calming measures for the southern section of Lockwood Road. Plans include extending the 25 km/h school zones by 50m each this financial year, the addition of compliant kerb ramps and the installation of heritage style road surface paving at three key intersections (both as part of draft 2024/25 budget considerations), plus the retention of the current “variable message” traffic speed display devices. The effectiveness of the 24/25 measures will be reviewed following installation. We particularly thank the contributions of local residents and Council staff in preparing the report which led to this next step.

We have approached the State Government seeking funding to beautify the roundabouts on Penfold Road at both Kensington Road and The Parade intersections, as a gateway to the heritage Magill vineyards. Though so far unsuccessful, we will pursue the matter through Council as an alternative.

Regarding Council funding, there were several infrastructure projects scheduled for the Burnside Ward in 2023/24, which were put on hold to keep rate increases to a manageable level. These include the Anzac Lookout upgrading (top of Kensington Road), further enhancements at Bell Yett Reserve, the Moorcroft Reserve heritage bridge restoration, Newland Reserve biodiversity site re-vegetation, interpretive heritage signage within the Ward at various locations, and stobie pole art on upper Greenhill Road. These will now be considered as part of the 2024/25 budget process as well as any new proposals including a review of service levels for residents.

We remind residents that should you wish Council to mow your verge you can opt in for this service either by phoning the Council, or via the website (typing “verge maintenance” in the Search function will take you to the online form).

Cr Jenny Turnbull



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Burnside Ward

We both strongly encourage residents to contact us if you have any local government matter requiring support or local knowledge to progress. As recent examples, we are currently investigating the traffic flow in Penfold Road South to determine ways to increase safety in this part of Stonyfell. We also remain alert to funding opportunities to include appropriate female changing facilities within the Newland Reserve clubroom.

One of the gems in our Second Creek walking trail is Michael Perry Reserve, which is located at the eastern end and adjacent to the quarry. The Reserve was established in the 1970s with the subdivision of the former historic Clifton Estate (which dates back to the 1850s). Have a visit and enjoy!

We wish each and every resident of the Burnside Ward our very best for the coming festive season and New Year. We very much look forward to continuing to represent you throughout 2024.

Council Members

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Cr Di Wilkins

We are fortunate to have these wonderful spring days to enjoy the gardens in our neighbourhoods in Burnside.

Visit the Friends of the State Library website during the Nature Festival, and watch a fascinating illustrated lecture titled "Sowing, Mowing and Growing", describing gardens from the early days of settlement in SA.

Thank you to residents who take the time to mow, weed, water and care for their verge and the tree planted by Council staff. Fertilize and water the tree this summer, as this will reduce the 'heat island' effect in our neighbourhoods and benefit the whole community.

Of concern to the residents of our inner city suburbs is the increasing 'cut-through' traffic still speeding through our streets. I urge all residents in Eastwood to be careful when walking and driving in our neighbourhood. The parking rangers are being vigilant in patrolling the 'Residents Only' parking in our streets.

Thank you to the many parents, friends and coaches, residents in Burnside, who have supported players in the local Glenunga Rams Junior and Senior football teams this year.

Their commitment to this popular sporting club in our community, has enabled an explosion of young girls wanting to play football from 80 in 2017 to 250 junior girls registered this current season. The 2023 season enabled 11 junior girls teams, the largest girls football club in SA, within the junior program of 35 teams. In August, the Under 13 Junior Girls won their Grand Final in front of a jubilant crowd of parents and supporters at Glenelg Oval.

Kensington Gardens & Magill Ward



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Cr Kerry Hallett

The most common questions ratepayers ask me relate to the role of local government.

I have been involved in local government for 40 years. Has local government strayed from road, rates and rubbish over that time? No, local government has always been involved in so much more than providing services to property.

Burnside Council is involved with initiatives across a wide spectrum including health, aged care, children and youth, sport and recreation, libraries, community development, emergency and disaster management, planning for the future, lobbying state and federal government, climate change and environment, arts and culture, disability and inclusion, reconciliation, community events and economic development.

A 2023 report - *The Changing Role of Local Government in Australia*ⁱ, found that two-thirds of Australians think local government is best placed to make decisions that impact on people's daily lives such as advocating for the needs of the local community, delivering services that contribute to a healthier and fairer society and actively shaping local community identity and culture.

Being on Council is a big responsibility. It is stimulating and yes, sometimes frustrating. The thing I enjoy the most is advocating on behalf residents experiencing a problem or that have a service request or a good idea. I have responded to planning, traffic, trees, lighting, animal, dust, anti-social behaviour, seating provision, reconciliation, community access and racism issues. I have had successes and failures and learnt much along the way.

ⁱChou, M., Busbridge, R., & Rutledge-Prior, S. (2023). *The Changing Role of Local Government in Australia: National Survey Findings*. Melbourne: ACU Research Centre for Social and Political Change. DOI: 10.24268/acu.8yqz3

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Cr Jo Harvey

Summer. My favourite time of the year!

As we welcome a new season and I ring in my first year on council it has been a busy and productive time. I am enjoying working together with the community for positive results.

Safety on our streets is a huge concern. I am pleased to be working with residents on a project to make our streets safer around Magill Primary School and Norwood International High School with a 40 km/hr zone. Speed and rat running is at an all-time high and we need to keep our children and community safe.

Together with council, I continue to work with the community raising awareness for a 40km/hr zone around Magill and part of Kensington Gardens which was overwhelmingly supported with a petition to Council by dedicated residents. Hopefully, this outcome is now supported by residents with a positive community consultation result so work can progress further on this important issue of safety on our streets.

I have engaged with fellow Burnside Ward Councillors to deliver a safe refuge pedestrian crossing on Kensington Rd near Wattle Park Shopping Centre.

Trucks and vehicles parked on Kensington Rd make it difficult to see oncoming traffic when crossing. This proposed crossing is desperately needed for the community to feel safe and confident when crossing this busy road.

It has been a pleasure meeting many of you. Please reach out for any support you may need.

Wishing you all season's greetings and a happy, healthy, and successful New Year.

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Grown Up Storytime Comes to You

As part of the City of Burnside's Disability Access and Inclusion Plan, Burnside Library has been trialing a new specialty event aimed at increasing community outreach to residents living in local assisted living and aged care facilities - the Burnside Home Library Grown Up Storytime.

In August 2023, the program delivered its first group sessions, visiting both Regis Burnside and Estia Health Toorak Gardens for 90-minute readings of poetry and short stories by Burnside Library staff, with a second event held in mid-October.

Run in conjunction with the Home Library Service, the Grown Up Storytime initiative aims to increase social interaction and mental stimulation for those living in assisted care who are unable to make it to the library in person.

Burnside Library Customer Service Officer Melissa Davenport said the program will hopefully make a difference to the lives of those they visit.

'In the Home Library Service, we see the difference we can make in people's day even with such a small interaction – this is the magic we are hoping to recreate through this idea,' Melissa said.

'The library is an incredible community resource and we try to make sure that everyone can benefit from it even if they cannot visit the library.'

During their stay in assisted living facilities, residents may experience social isolation, depression and anxiety. Studies indicate that consistent social engagement can aid in reducing these potentially detrimental effects, offering improvements in mental wellbeing and fostering a sense of belonging within a community.

Burnside Library Coordinator of Customer Service Judy Brown said it was still the early days of the trial program, but hopes were high that with more exposure the service would be able to grow to reach more people across more facilities.

'We've had positive feedback from our previous two events,' Judy said.

'Burnside Library is always looking to innovate our service offerings to residents and the wider community.

'We have plans to deliver a special Christmas-themed event later in December that we are extremely excited about.'

Still in the early stages of development, Burnside Library is currently taking expressions of interest from any other aged care or assisted living facilities in the City of Burnside area that would like to participate in the Burnside Home Library Grown Up Storytime program.



Australia's Chess Capital January 2024

National eyes will be on the City of Burnside this January as the country's Chess Grandmasters descend on the city for the Australian Chess Championships at Glenunga International High School (GIHS).

Featuring two tournaments, the annual event will include the Australian Chess Championship from 2 to 11 January, followed by the Australian Junior Chess Championship from 13 to 21 January.

In conjunction with the SA Chess Association and GIHS, the two national championships will feature Australia's best players and showcase high-level competition and strategy.

Burnside Chess Club member Joe Giarratano said the chance to have the national competition in Adelaide was a great way to bring eyes to the sport and Burnside.

'This was all organised by the City of Burnside and the SA Chess Association, it will be a big event,' Joe said.

Having experienced an upswing in popularity the past few years, chess is a captivating and intellectually stimulating sport offering endless enjoyment to players of all ages and skill levels. Combining intricate strategy and forward-thinking, chess presents endless possibilities, ensuring that no two games are the same. Whether a beginner learning the basics or a seasoned Grandmaster, the timeless appeal of chess lies in its ability to engage your mind, spark creativity, and foster a strong sense of competition.

President of the South Australian Chess Association Alan Goldsmith said the recent surge in the popularity of chess could be attributed to numerous factors. From excess free time during the pandemic, improved access and quality of online sites and mainstream attention through the highly rated Netflix show *The Queen's Gambit*.

'People often think of chess as a sport or an art form or even a science, some like doing puzzles or studies and some enjoy the psychological struggle with an opponent,' Alan said. 'But whatever the reason, it appeals to people of all nationalities, ages and backgrounds.

'It is not only a good social outing but also a great way to keep the brain active.'

With numerous activities and events to be held at the Glenunga Hub and Burnside Library during the tournaments, residents are encouraged to get along and support local players.

'There will be a carnival-like atmosphere with free chess workshops for beginners through to advanced players, simulms against chess masters, community tournaments and other special presentations by some of Australia's best chess players,' Alan said.

'We are very grateful to the Burnside Council for all their support and we hope to see many more of the community taking up or returning to the game. It's a fabulous way to make new friends, ward off loneliness and keep your brain sharp and active - the game is beautiful!'

Free to join, play and learn, the Burnside Chess Club meets at the Burnside Civic Centre every Tuesday and Friday 9 am to midday.

'We are an amateur club, we are people who just want to come play chess. Come in, socialise, have a good game, you win or you get beaten, it's for the fun,' Joe said.

'It is such a positive atmosphere with no pressure. Every other club charges to join, but we don't want to.'

For more information on the Australian Championships, Junior Championships and associated events, **visit www.sachess.org.au**.

Learn more about the upcoming community events by contacting the Burnside Library.



Fire Danger Season

– What you Need to Know

Changes to available services on catastrophic fire days.

On Extreme and Catastrophic Fire Danger days there will be a reduction in the services that Council provides in the Mt Lofty Ranges Fire Ban District. Services will recommence following a return to normal weather conditions with extra servicing for domestic waste collection to maintain an up-to-date service.

Services will be uninterrupted on Moderate or High Fire Danger days.

The Service Delivery Matrix is based on a risk management approach to ensure the safety of the community and workers, through controlling services if they are likely to cause/contribute to a fire risk or place the community or workers at risk.

While Council may not be in a position to provide certain services on Extreme or Catastrophic Fire Danger days, residents can still raise requests for services online at bit.ly/CoBAction or by phone on **8366 4200** for attention when safety permits.

For further information on service reductions visit bit.ly/CoB_changestoservice.

Australian Fire Danger Rating System

Most of the City of Burnside area is leafy suburbia with no direct bushfire risk. However, on the eastern extremes of the Council area is the Mt Lofty Ranges Fire Ban District. This area extends along the foothills of the southern Mt Lofty Ranges, one of the most fire prone areas in the world due to the Mediterranean climate and characteristic hot summer months.

Every year the Adelaide Hills experience a number of summer days with occasionally strong dry northerly winds and low humidity that create conditions for extreme bushfire risk. If you live within the Mt Lofty Ranges Fire Ban District, danger is on your doorstep.

The Australian Fire Danger Rating System (AFDRS) is your simplified survival tool, telling you how dangerous a bushfire would be if it broke out, and what you need to do to stay safe on Moderate, High, Extreme and Catastrophic days. Go to bit.ly/CFSAFDRS.

Fire Safety Plans

Learn about bushfire behaviour and how to survive by visiting the CFS website www.cfs.sa.gov.au.

You can also refer to the City of Burnside website for further information and advice at bit.ly/CoBFire.

If you and your home are not fully prepared for a bushfire, or if you have any doubts about your ability to defend your home, you should plan to leave early.

Prepare now: clear around your property, pack an emergency kit and know your closest Bushfire Safer Place.

Plan ahead: do your five minute bushfire plan and share it with loved ones today and plan for all your pets and livestock.

Stay informed: check the Fire Danger Rating each day and stay informed using more than one source of information in case a fire starts near you.

Know your Fire Danger Rating, monitor local conditions and keep informed.

Backyard Burning

Outside of the fire danger season, you can apply for a permit to burn vegetation as part of your fuel reduction program. Permits will only be granted for residents in the Hills Face Zone.

During the fire danger season you will not be granted a permit to burn fuel. Please ensure your fuel reduction program is concluded prior to the fire danger season. While no permits for burning will be granted for the fire danger season, residents are able to light a fire for cooking food or providing comfort (all year) provided conditions are met, except on a total fire ban day. For more information about the conditions and fires generally, please refer to our website:

bit.ly/firesinCOB_dosdents or contact the Fire Prevention Officer on **8366 4200**.

This year's Fire Danger Season runs from 15 November 2023 - 30 April 2024.

Fire Danger Rating	What Does It Mean?	What Should You Do?
MODERATE	Most fires can be controlled	Plan and prepare
HIGH	Fires can be dangerous	Be ready to act
EXTREME	Fires will spread quickly and be extremely dangerous	Take action now to protect your life and property
CATASTROPHIC	If a fire starts and takes hold, lives are likely to be lost	For your survival, leave bushfire risk areas

New Action Burnside

Have you seen the new Action Burnside website? It's the go-to place for any reports or requests, including reporting graffiti or trip hazards, requesting tree assessments and much more.

We're making it easier for you to connect with us online and find information about Council services. Action Burnside can provide you with helpful information and ensures we have what we need to respond to your request or issue as quickly as possible.

You can access the new Action Burnside website at <https://www.burnside.sa.gov.au/Online-Services/Action-Burnside>

Or follow the QR code:



SCAN ME

Have Your Say

Be involved in the issues that affect you as a resident of the City of Burnside.

Burnside 2023-2030 Strategic Community Plan & Environmental Sustainability Strategy

The City of Burnside Strategic Community Plan 2020-2030 is Council's lead strategic document and sets out Council's high-level vision, goals and priorities for our city and community. The Environmental Sustainability Strategy guides Council and our community in being green and environmentally responsible and sustainable. Both strategies are due for review.

The two strategies focus on key priorities rather than listing every single thing Council delivers. This allows everyone to clearly see where we need to focus new or renewed efforts to address specific trends, opportunities, or threats to the delivery of Council's goals.

The draft Strategic Community Plan consists of three high-level goals and 15 priorities for delivery over the next several years. The Plan also includes four guiding principles in relation to service sustainability, communication and engagement, improvement and innovation, and governance and integrity. The Environmental Sustainability Strategy consists of three goals and 14 priorities.

Council is seeking the community's feedback on the goals and priorities set out in both strategies, as well as the principles set out in the Strategic Community Plan. Consultation is running from 15 November 2023 to 20 December 2023. A survey and reply-paid envelope are included in this edition of Focus, or you can go online to **engage.burnside**.



Upcoming Works

Footpath Renewal:

Hanover Walk (Kitchener Avenue to Cleland Avenue), Dulwich

Howard Terrace (Rochester Street to Knightsbridge Road), Leabrook

Leader Avenue, Toorak Gardens

Lysander Walk (Grant Avenue to Swaine Avenue), Toorak Gardens

Martindale Avenue (Cudmore Avenue to Sturt Avenue), Toorak Gardens

Mellington Street (Cleland Avenue to Stuart Road), Dulwich

Philps Reserve, Leabrook

Raymond Walk (Junction of St Albyns Avenue & Grandview Grove to Fergusson Square), Toorak Gardens

The Grove (Mellington Street to Greenhill Road), Dulwich

Tusmore Park, Tusmore

Warwick Avenue (Bolingbroke Grove to Greenhill Road), Toorak Gardens

Wittber Lane, Rose Park

New Footpath:

Philip Avenue (Statenborough Street to Rochester Street), Leabrook

Road Resurfacing:

Amber Woods Drive (Cedar Woods Development to Plane Tree Avenue), Glenside

Bower Place (full length), Eastwood

Brae Road (Portrush Road to Purnana Avenue), St Georges

Bushy Park Drive (full length), Auldana

Collingwood Avenue (Devereux Road to Russell Avenue), Hazelwood Park

Fullarton Road service road (South of Grant Avenue to Dulwich Avenue), Rose Park

Glynburn Road (Russell Avenue to Dryden Avenue), Burnside

Kingsley Avenue (Brooker Street to Sydney Street), Glenunga

Langman Reserve, Burnside

Main Avenue (Byhurst Avenue to Conyngham Street), Frewville

Pam Street (Borthwick Court to Bonython Avenue), Beaumont

Portrush Road access road (intersecting Brae Road), St Georges

Prescott Terrace (Grant Avenue to Swaine Avenue), Toorak Gardens

Purnana Avenue (full length), St Georges

Seaforth Avenue (Glynburn Road to Burns Avenue), Hazelwood Park

Sunnyside Road (Dashwood Road to Gilles Road), St Georges

Thomas Place (Alexandra Avenue to Grant Avenue), Rose Park

Warrego Crescent (full length), Linden Park

Waterfall Terrace (View Street to eastern end of Waterfall Terrace), Burnside

Re-kerbing:

Bakewell Street, Tusmore

Booth Avenue / Tamarack Avenue, Linden Park

Chatsworth Grove, Toorak Gardens

Chessington Avenue, Frewville

Collingwood Avenue, Hazelwood Park

Cudmore Avenue, Toorak Gardens

Kings Avenue, Burnside

North Street, Frewville

Verdale Avenue, Linden Park



Albert Street playground



Tusmore Park
lighting upgrade

Some Recently Completed Works in Your Area

Notable Works

The George Bolton Swimming Centre upgrade project has been completed ready for the summer season. The upgrades have developed two new school changerooms, two family change rooms, a new training room, office space and two storerooms.

The Dulwich Community Centre redevelopment has been completed. Featuring public and disabled parking, a hardwood hall, staging area, men's, women's and disabled bathroom facilities and a kitchenette/social space.

Conyngham Street Dog Park redevelopment completed. Featuring a separate new small dog space and all dog space.

Hallett Road/Greenhill Road intersection

Tennis Court Resurfacing

Tusmore Park Tennis Courts (\$210k + GST)

Lighting Upgrade:

Coach Road Floodlight to LED, Skye (\$660k)

Penfold Park, Magill (\$39k)

Tusmore Park, Tusmore (\$130k)

Playground Upgrade:

Albert Street, Dulwich (\$56k)

Footpath Renewal:

Barr-Smith Street (Portrush Road to Tusmore Park), Tusmore (\$70k)

Ellesmere Street (Park Road to Bedford Street), Kensington Park (\$27k)

Godfrey Terrace (Lockwood Road to Hallett Road), Erindale (\$51k)

Goyder Street (Godfrey Terrace to Cowan Street), Erindale (\$50k)

Knightsbridge Road (Tusmore Ave to Rodger Avenue), Leabrook (\$27k)

Korra Avenue (South Terrace to Kensington Road), Kensington Gardens (\$23k)

Melrose Avenue (Magill Road to Beulah Road), Beulah Park (\$45k)

Osborn Avenue (Magill Road to Beulah Road), Beulah Park (\$46k)

Pembroke Street (Park Road to Kensington Road), Kensington Park (\$44k)

Salop Street (Magill Road to Beulah Road), Beulah Park (\$45k)

Walsall Street (The Parade to Park Road), Kensington Park (\$44k)

Yeronga Avenue (Beulah Road to Spencer Street), Kensington Park (\$29k)

New Footpath:

Laurel Avenue and Wemyss Street, Tregenza Oval (\$13k)

Road Resurfacing:

Bradfield Street (full length), Burnside (\$42k)

Elinor Terrace (full length), Glen Osmond (\$33k)

Hood Street (full length), Linden Park (\$100k)

Jessie Road (full length), Kensington Park (\$52k)

Lockwood Road (High Street to Chisholm Avenue), Burnside (\$85k)

Mathilda Street (full length), Beulah Park (\$25k)

May Terrace (full length), Kensington Park (\$65k)

Moore Avenue (full length), Hazelwood Park (\$35k)

Pridmore Road (Gilles Road to Glebe Road), Glen Osmond (\$75k)

Rodger Avenue (full length), Leabrook (\$33k)

Sturdee Street (full length), Linden Park (\$215k)

West Terrace (full length), Beaumont (\$40k)

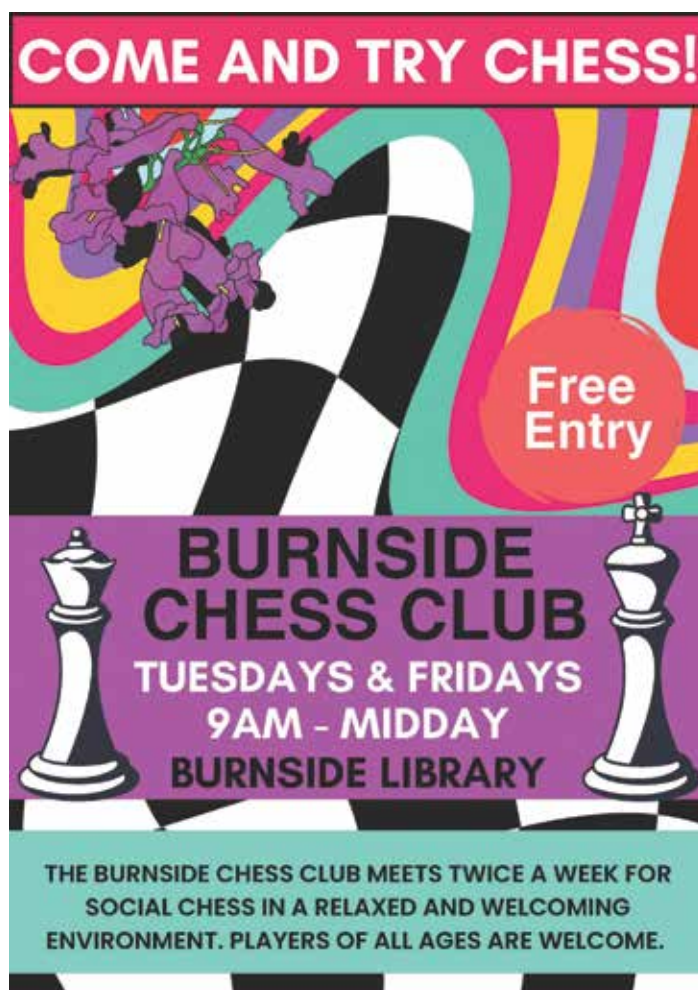


Redeveloped Dulwich
Community Centre



George Bolton Swimming
Centre changeroom upgrades

Be ... Connected



Lions Club of Glenside

Our annual Art Show will open on Wednesday evening. Our annual Art Show took place in October in the Burnside Ballroom. All the profits went to the charity Kickstart for Kids. A special feature this year was Leonie's visit. She's the medical alert dog whose training is sponsored by the Club.

The Bookmart (beside Tusmore Park) is open Friday–Monday every week. We always have over 40,000 books in stock as well as DVDs, CDs and jigsaw puzzles. Kids are always welcome.

The Club meets regularly on the second and fourth Wednesdays of every month and we welcome new members.

Telephone Frank (0403 949 745) to ask about membership.

Soroptimist International Eastern District of Adelaide

Meetings are held in the Burnside Community Centre on the 4th Monday of the month. We welcome women who are like minded and would like to help disadvantaged women and girls through various projects. It is also a great way to meet people and join in our regular social gatherings.

Contact President Dee Cooper 0402911020 sieastadelaide@siswp.org

THE COMBINED PROBUS CLUB OF BURNSIDE INC No 9003831 District 9520

Meets **10.00am-12pm** on the second Monday of each month, at the Kensington

Gardens Bowling and Tennis Club, 432 The Parade, Kensington Gardens, SA 5068.

Excellent guest speakers, group activities and outings.

New members are always welcome.

Contact: Club President Heather Dibben 0477 640 978.

Kensington Marryatville Bowling Club

Wanting a brilliant cheap night out?

Night Owls on Tuesday or Thursday evenings during daylight saving (7 – 9pm).

Cost: \$10 for the game. Budget friendly meals available before the game.

Contact: Allan Wilkins 0431 137 865 or Anne O’Dea 0407 797 401.

Alternatively - Looking for a place to join a friendly group of people, but don't want to bowl don't worry? There is much more to the club than bowling. We invite you to come to the club see for yourself and enjoy the relaxed welcoming atmosphere.

Contact: Margaret Lambert 0412 590 742.

The Magill Walkers Group

We are the SA Heart Foundation Magill Walkers group.

We meet every Thursday 9am at the rear of the Pepper Street Arts Centre and walk for approximately 1 hour.

After the walk those who have the time meet at one of the local Magill coffee shops for a coffee and chat.

To join the group contact Julie (mobile 0401152099).

TOORAK GARDENS MEN’S PROBUS CLUB

Meet on the first Tuesday of the month, 9:45am at the Burnside Civic/Community Centre. Interesting guest speakers. Activities include walking groups, cycle group and book club. Outings during the year include mixed lunches and tours.

New members always welcome.

Contact email: probustoorakgardens@outlook.com

Events



The Regal

The Fleetwood Mac Story

16, 23 & 24 February 2024, check schedule for times. Tickets available through FRINGETIX.

UK based collective Night Owl Shows bring you more than just the music with a new take on the tribute genre that has won them awards, sold out shows and standing ovations worldwide. Experience the emotion, energy and euphoria that makes Fleetwood one of the world's best loved bands. Don't miss this chance to see Night Owl's flagship show with two consecutive sold out runs at Edinburgh Fringe and every sell out ending in a rapturous standing ovation.

The Story of Sting and The Police

24 February, 2 & 3 March 2024, check schedule for times. Tickets available through FRINGETIX.

Experience the raw energy of the early Police, hear the tales of their passage to superstardom, then follow this by Sting's incredible solo journey. All brought to life by the charisma of Angus Munro, who will wow you with a 4-octave range sure to bring these iconic songs to life.

The Dolly Parton Story

18, 24 & 25 February 2024, check schedule for times. Tickets available through FRINGETIX.

In this journey through Dolly's career, every song is linked with stories that demonstrate her significance as a cultural icon, a writer and a visionary. There will be tears, laughter and dancing in the aisle in a show that has filled thousands of hearts with the joy of 'Dolly' worldwide.

Talkies and Tea

27 December & 31 January.

Enjoy a monthly special screening of a new release film for seniors on the last Wednesday of every month at 10.30 am. Non-seniors are welcome to attend.

Tea, coffee and biscuits provided. \$9.50 for seniors, \$12.50 for non-seniors.



Movies coming to The Regal

- *Napoleon*
- *Wonka*
- *Force of Nature: The Dry 2*

Join the Movie Club! bit.ly/TheRegalClub

Keep up to date on upcoming films, special events, and invitations to movie previews and premier screenings at The Regal Theatre.

Australian Chess Championships

The Australian Chess Championships are coming to Burnside! See the nation's best players and Grandmasters go head-to-head in a battle of strategy and wits. See page 15 for more information.

Australian Chess Championships: 2 to 11 January 2024 at Glenunga International High School.

Australian Junior Chess Championships 13 to 21 January 2024 at Glenunga International High School.

Burnside Art Boulevard

In the latest step for the City of Burnside's involvement in the arts and the development of local artists, the city is excited to launch the Burnside Art Boulevard.

With seasonal artist changes the Burnside Art Boulevard will deliver a safe and friendly space for artists to display and sell their works within the Burnside Civic Centre.

The inaugural artist for the program is Adelaide-based oil painter and former SALA feature artist, Gemma Rose Brook.

Carols in the Park 2023

SAVE THE DATE: Friday 8 December

Everyone's favourite event of the year is back with Carols in the Park in Hazelwood Park. A free event for all ages, the night will feature live music, food trucks, kids' entertainment, an outdoor movie, and maybe a visit from a certain Nicholas who wears a big **red** suit.

Burnside Library

See the full schedule of upcoming Burnside Library events at our **Eventbrite: bit.ly/CoBLibraryevents**

Preschool Storytime every **Tuesday, 10.30 am – 11.30 am**. Children's Library.

Baby Chat every **Thursday and Friday, 10.30 am – 11 am**. Library.

Toddler Tales every **Friday, 11.30 am – midday**. Children's Library.

Book Launch:

Natalie Gardener. Join author Natalie Gardener for the release of her upcoming book *Awakening the Ultramind*.

Thursday 7 December, 6.30 pm – 7.30 pm

Burnside Library. **Book:** *Awakening the Ultramind*.

Author Talk:

Judy Fander. **Monday 11 December, 2.30 pm – 3.30 pm**.

Burnside Library. **Book:** *Where Treasures Shine*.

Burnside Writers Group

Join us on Thursday 22 February to celebrate 10 years of the Burnside Writers' Group with an evening of prose and poetry. Copies of the group's latest anthology of work will be available to purchase.

Tech Help

Do you struggle to keep up with technology? Are there things you would like to learn about your phone, tablet, or laptop? Book a free one-on-one Tech Help session at Burnside Library with one of our friendly team. Allow us to take the stress out of technology for you.

More information: bit.ly/CoBTechHelp

Summer School Holiday Program

Keep your eyes on our website and social media, or sign up for eNews at **engage.burnside.sa.gov.au**, for the Summer School Holiday Program. With a variety of fun activities for all ages, this program sells out fast! Bookings are required for all sessions. We hope you enjoy the fun and engaging school holiday activities.

Pepper Street Arts Centre

The handmade touch of Little Treasures

I hope you have finished your Christmas shopping by now.

But if you haven't, join Pepper Street Arts Centre for the return of the local artist exhibition 'Little Treasures for Christmas' running until **21 December 2023**.

Featuring the works of over 60 artists, this exhibition is a much-loved Christmas special covering a variety of mediums including handcrafted jewellery, collage, textile, paintings, wearable art, woodwork, sculptures and much more – all stunning works at affordable prices, perfect for the last-minute gift.

A staple of Pepper Street Arts Centre for over 20 years, this exhibition is the only 'cash and carry' show of the year and always delights with an abundance of colour.

Coordinator of Pepper Street Arts Centre Sally Patterson said Little Treasures for Christmas is a flagship exhibition for the centre and never fails to draw in a dedicated fanbase.

'This event is marked on the calendar every year by visitors,' Sally said.

Artist and Pepper Street Arts Centre volunteer Annie Reid, who described the exhibition as 'awe and wonder', will this year be featuring in her fourth Little Treasures for Christmas exhibition with her signature Japanese-inspired temari balls and digital graphic cards. Annie said the exhibition was a great way to find something special.

'It's a basic celebration of Christmas and an opportunity for people to collect treasures,' Annie said.

'It doesn't have the rarified look of a normal exhibition; it can be an overwhelming jumble of colour and warmth. It has a different vibe.'

Learn more about the Little Treasures for Christmas exhibition, including demonstration times at bit.ly/PepStExhibits



FEATURED EXHIBITIONS

bit.ly/PepStExhibits

Little Treasures for Christmas

Handmade Art and Craft Gifts
14 November – 21 December

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH

bit.ly/PepStArtofMth

DORRIT'S COFFEE SHOP

Affordable light menu, locally baked.

bit.ly/Dorrits

CLASSES & GROUPS

Beginners through to experienced,
weekdays, evenings and weekends.

bit.ly/PepStArtClass

bit.ly/PepStArtCmtGrps

OPPORTUNITIES FOR ARTISTS

Monthly submissions.

bit.ly/PepStArtistOpps

INFORMATION

Free newsletter to your inbox

bit.ly/PepperStNews

SOCIALS

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Pepper Street Arts Centre is located at 558 Magill Road, Magill, **open Tues – Fri 10 am – 5 pm and Saturday 12 noon - 5 pm**. Closed public holidays and Easter Saturday. Phone **8364 6154** or visit www.pepperstreetartscentre.com.au or www.facebook.com/PepperSt or Instagram Exhibitions. Gift Shop. Art Classes. Coffee Shop. Free Entry. Car Parking. Disability Access.

