Burnside community newsletter

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Cover image: Local residents Greg and Alana birdwatching in Michael Perry Reserve

# Mayor's message



When I reflect on these past three months, I realise how busy Council has been. New policies, openings, markets, art shows, live music performances, library talks, business awards, public art installations and plans for the future.

We have opened the Pirkurna Wirra/Laurel Avenue/Peter Bennett Community Garden in Linden Park. The Old Collegians Rugby Club are using their new facilities. The Glenunga Tennis Club has a new home. The Tusmore Wading Pool is almost ready to be opened. The Kensington Gardens development is getting closer to being completed. The Magill Village development is about to be activated. The Dulwich Community Centre will be renovated. The Regal Theatre has been alive with music performances, films, a Halloween market and even the AFL Grand Final! What fun that was!

In terms of public health, Burnside had led the way with vaccinations, acting responsibly and understanding the need we have to ensure our hospital system can cope as best it can when the disease comes to South Australia. Thank you citizens of Burnside for showing how much you care for family, friends and all medical personnel.

We have a new public toilet to be installed in Brock Reserve in order to provide for the thousands of walkers, runners and bikers who use the Mt Osmond trails regularly. The Shed programs provide for the health of all participants and the staff deserve their statewide Commendation for Excellence. I also thank all of our volunteers who continue to serve our community. You are also to be congratulated for your dedication.

We have had a wonderful season of art, with exhibitions 'Inspired by Trees', Pepper Street Arts Centre, children's art, work from Adelaide Central School of Art and Burnside Painting Group. Book Clubs connected to the library have been enthusiastic and authors have given talks, books have been launched and the Burnside Writers' Group have celebrated in words. Marra Dreaming has provided outstanding totem pole art that has been installed in Kensington Gardens, now known as Kensington Wama. The Glenside Lions Club held its wonderful Art Show, with proceeds going to Catherine House, to assist homeless women in Adelaide.

A significant Sports Forum was held to engage our sporting clubs and discuss their needs and concerns for the future. This information will support our soon to be updated Recreation and Sport Policy.

The pump track has made its way to seven different sites across Burnside, where it has been very popular in every location. But we still do not have a place for a permanent wheel park. No doubt there is a need, but fear of change and reluctance to lose otherwise used space makes a suitable place difficult to determine. Campbelltown Council just received a grant to upgrade theirs. Our youth need a place to develop and share their skills and have fun! The Olympic achievements in this sport were exhilarating and inspiring.

We held another successful Youth Forum; this time involving male as well as female school leaders. Thank you to Natasha Stott Despoja for leading the discussion and to Fiona Dorman, John White and Amber Brock-Fabel for sharing their insights.

Community consultation led to the first stage of development of a Master Plan for the city which will be released soon for your comments. This relates to planning for housing development and traffic management into the future. Two heritage homes were saved from demolition by our Council Assessment Panel. Blue plaques have been installed in the first phase, with more to be added next year. Thanks to the Heritage Reference Group, Burnside Historical Society and the City's Historical Cultural Officer for their work in this area. This group has also inspired history videos that have been available online.

Our Diversity and Inclusion Reference Group met for the first time, and we are keen to hear from residents about how we can identify barriers to access and belonging. The Reconciliation Committee continues to make progress towards our Reconciliation Plan and we thank the Kaurna leaders for their involvement.

We have made excellent strides over the past 12 months in our efforts to be carbon neutral by 2030. Informative videos are online and talks and walks have been successful. We recently received our Scorecard for environmental sustainability and it acknowledges the great progress achieved by this team of staff in responding to our Climate Emergency Declaration made in late 2019.

Congratulations to the following Burnside residents announced as winners of the 2022 South Australia Australian of the Year Awards:

- Professor Helen Marshall, 2022 South Australia Australian of the Year Award
- Doctor Trudy Lin, 2022 South Australia Young Australian of the Year Award.

As we head to warmer weather, appreciate our green canopy cover, enjoy the pool and our parks!

Anne Monceaux Mayor

# CEO's message



I am pleased to report that Burnside Local Government Area is leading the way in South Australia in COVID vaccination rates. It is a personal choice but I do encourage you to be fully informed and make a decision.

With borders open, the reality of the Delta virus spreading in our State is imminent. Please get vaccinated as soon as possible.

Strategic work continues on developing our City's Master Plan. We will be focusing in particular on how best to manage the future population growth of the City.

As an accountant by profession I have a keen interest in Council financial matters. I am pleased to say we ended the financial year with a healthy surplus and achieved an unqualified audit report.

I took a personal interest in the case of a shipping container installed at Skye without planning authority. After negotiation and concessions on both sides the container has been removed. The process took slightly longer than I would have liked, but I am pleased with the final outcome.

As CEO, I don't often see the work of my employees and our volunteers first hand. So I spent a day traveling on our community bus on the shopping run. This service is available to residents over 65 who qualify for my aged care services. It was a fantastic opportunity that reinforced the importance of the community services that the City of Burnside provides.

For over a decade the issue of what to do with the Dulwich Community centre has been passionately debated. I am pleased to say that Council resolved to place a budget for the rebuild of the Centre in the 2022/23 draft budget for community consultation. To complement this step Council also provided funds in this financial year to undertake all of the preliminary planning work to ensure that the project is shovel-ready come 1 July 2023.

This edition of Focus features stories on 'Our Natural Environment'. See pages 10 to 17 for articles on gardens, wildlife and maintaining verges. Pages 32 to 35 show some of our efforts to reduce our carbon footprint and what you can do to help us, by placing food waste in the green organics bin.

Chris Cowley CEO

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from your Mayor and CEO

# Burnside news

### Representation Review

During 2020 and 2021 the Council conducted a Representation Review considering the number of council members and the ward structure of the Council. The Representation Review process has been completed and submitted to the Electoral Commission of South Australia (ECSA) for certification.



The Council has chosen not to change the number of council members or the ward structure of the Council at this time.

# **Community Transport**

The City of Burnside provides transport assistance for people who no longer drive and are over the age of 65. The Community Bus provides a door-to-door transport service from your home to/from the local shopping centres. The Community Car provides transport for people to get to/from their medical and health appointments. For more information and bookings please phone 8366 4222.

# Library of Things

We're trialling an exciting new collection at Burnside Library, and it's called the Library of Things. You can borrow from the collection with your existing library membership. Imagine borrowing from a library of tools instead of having your kitchen drawers filled with seldom-used gadgets. Or perhaps you're keen to try baking but have never owned a muffin tray. What if you could borrow one from the library first to see if you enjoy using it? The Library of Things allows you to try new equipment, get one-time tasks done, or practise new skills before deciding to invest in more household items. You'll save money, save space, and reduce waste. Check out the collection in the Library foyer.

# Pump Track

The pump track is a free recreational facility for wheeled sports including bikes, scooters, skateboards, roller skates and balance bikes. It is currently located at Symons and Symons Reserve on the corner of Conyngham and Cator Streets Glenside. The track is open from sunrise to sunset every day. Remember to ride to your ability, and always wear a helmet.

SA Tourism Commission approached Council and asked if they could hire the pump track for their domestic Festival of Cycling event, which will be held in Victoria Park / Pakapakanthi from 26 – 30 January. This will complement a range of other activities for kids at the site.

#### #rideburnside



# Heritage Homes Saved

Council's Assessment Panel has refused two applications for the demolition of heritage-listed homes.

The Panel refused an application to demolish a 100-year-old house in St Georges, ruling that the heritage-listed house at 2 Wootoona Terrace, was able to be 'rehabilitated'. The sandstone Californian bungalow was built for Florence and Richard Duncan. His father founded Fraser and Duncan in 1865 which became one of Australia's largest carriage-building companies.

At the time the house was built, the company was manufacturing the Model T Ford. The Panel found that "The development will remove rather than conserve a local heritage place that makes an important contribution to the historic character of the area".

The Panel also refused a Development Application for a property at 32 Bevington Road, Glenunga in May because it does not satisfy the criteria for demolition.

# **Holiday Closure**

The Customer Service Centre will be closed from 3 pm Friday 24 December to 8.30 am Tuesday 4 January. Our after-hours service is available during that time and you can still conduct Council business online.

The Library will open for only two days during that period, so stock up on items before Christmas! The Library closes 3 pm Christmas Eve and re-opens 9.30 am to 6 pm Wednesday 29 December.

On Thursday 30 December the Library is open 9.30 am to 9 pm then closed until 9.30 am Tuesday 4 January.

Our online library facilities, BorrowBox and Libby (books and magazines online) are available 24/7 and the returns chute in Hyde Street will be open. We are happy to offer extra deliveries when we are back to our normal opening hours, if residents need them.

See page 39 for a full listing of Council holiday opening times.

### **Business Award Winners**

The inaugural Business Awards celebrate excellence in business within the City of Burnside.

The winners were presented at a cocktail event on Friday 5 November.

#### **Emerging and Empowered**

**Regions Cellars** 

#### **Social Change Maker**

Lions Club of Glenside Inc

#### **Environmental Impactors**

Foodland Frewville & Desert Flower Landscaping

#### **Small and Succeeding**

Clarke Hemmerling Lawyers

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# Burnside's natural environment

# Michael Perry Reserve

On the banks of Second Creek, tucked away in Stonyfell, is a very special place, sometimes called 'the hidden gem of Burnside'.

Michael Perry Botanic Reserve is a small wonderland, a place we have been working hard to restore to its former glory.

Once choked with weeds, the creek is now lined by indigenous species of plants. Reeds, rushes and silky tea trees provide habitat for small birds like Superb fairy-wrens. The waters abound with frogs and yabbies, food for resident kookaburras, cormorants and white-faced herons.

On the hillside, the indigenous woodland is being restored and native wildflowers flourish, reminiscent of the times when the area was managed by the Kaurna First Nation's people.



Greg and Alana Dare regularly visit the reserve and enjoy the natural environment.



Greg Dare's photo of a Superb fairy-wren.

In this sheltered valley there is an historic garden, which was once part of the Clifton Estate, the original house can still be seen high on the hill.

Plantings of exotic trees, some dating from the 1870s, form the backbone of the garden. Exotic palms, pines, araucarias, oaks and cypress tower above the valley.

However in recent times the garden fell into disrepair with woody weeds and other feral species taking over, while many of the stately trees are reaching the end of their natural lives.

In 2019 Council produced an 'Historic Garden Adaptation Plan' to guide the revitalisation of the garden and retain its character as a botanically significant collection.

Volunteers toiled on garden beds and pathways, weeds were cleared and over 250 species of specimen trees and plants were planted.

These plantings will ensure that the garden and its unique environment continues to grow and retain its status as a very special place in Burnside.

If you haven't been there for a while, take a stroll along the Second Creek walking trail and discover Burnside's hidden gem.



Michael Perry Reserve before restoration



After restoration

### Laurel Avenue Community Garden

The redeveloped Laurel Avenue community garden has been named Laurel Avenue Pirkurna Wirra / Peter Bennett Organic Community Garden.

The City of Burnside is partnering with the Kaurna community on various projects throughout the City, which includes consideration of Kaurna names for local places when possible.

The name Laurel Avenue Pirkurna Wirra was provided by Kaurna Warra Karrpanthi, the leading group dedicated to Kaurna language revitalisation and maintenance. Pirkurna loosely translates as 'communities / group of people', while Wirra translates as 'forest of trees / garden'. While the site no longer has vehicle access from Laurel Avenue, the site's address is 31 Laurel Avenue, Linden Park.

Peter Reginald Dane Bennett (1928 – 2010) was a resident of Wattle Park and a pioneer of organic gardening in Australia. He also showed leadership in promoting ecology, sustainability, pollution awareness and the plight of the River Murray.

For more than 30 years Peter Bennett operated the Organic Gardening Centre, educating the community in good gardening practices. He achieved this through communicating over his shop counter as well as via radio and television. He was also an accomplished author, with multiple editions and reprints of his book Organic Gardening. In recognition of this, Peter Bennett was awarded as City of Burnside 2007 Citizen of the Year.

As a past local resident with a passion for organic gardening and community gardens, the new community garden is named to recognise his contributions. The garden will operate as an organic garden, to reflect his teachings.

His widow, Sandra, said she and her family were "thrilled, honoured and humbled" to have the garden named after Peter. "He was an entrepreneur," she said. "He would be very happy about putting the Indigenous name first."



Sandra Bennett in front of the newly installed Garden sign.

# What is biodiversity?

Biodiversity comes from bio, meaning life and diversity, meaning variability. Biodiversity is the variety of all living things, the different plants, animals and microorganisms, the genetic information they contain and the ecosystems they form.

#### Levels of biodiversity

Biodiversity is usually explored at three levels which work together to create the complexity of life on Earth.

#### Genetic diversity

Each species is made up of individuals that have their own particular genetic composition. To conserve genetic diversity, different populations of a species must be conserved. Genes are the basic units of all life on Earth. They are responsible for both the similarities and the differences between organisms.

#### Species diversity

Species diversity is the variety of species within a habitat or a region. In Australia, more than 80 per cent of plant and animal species are endemic, which means that they only occur naturally in Australia. No other country has as many endemic flowering plant families as Australia.

Invertebrates - animals without backbones - make up about 99 per cent of all animal species, and most of these are insects. Insects fill many vital roles in ecosystems as pollinators, recyclers of nutrients, scavengers and food for others. While we may mostly notice mammals, they actually make up less than 1 per cent of all animal species.

#### Ecosystem diversity

Ecosystem diversity is the variety of ecosystems in a given place. An ecosystem is a community of organisms and their physical environment interacting together. An ecosystem may be as large as the Great Barrier Reef or as small as the back of a spider crab's shell, which provides a home for plants and other animals, such as sponges, algae and worms.

# Maintaining gardens and verges

If you are planning to redevelop your property, protecting the trees on your land and on the verge improves kerb appeal and potentially your property value.

Any activity that damages Council trees or privately owned regulated trees will require Council approval before work commences. Engage a qualified arborist at the design stage to assess potential impacts and provide advice regarding your development.

To understand the Council's approach to assessing development applications involving regulated and significant trees go to our website.

Council has set aside funds for a Regulated and Significant Tree Assistance Scheme to help you maintain the trees on your land. Grants will only be for pre-approved works, while funds remain in the budget allocated by Council for the relevant financial year.

#### Council Verges

A well-maintained verge is aesthetically pleasing and is known to increase property prices.

Council has around 21,600 verges within its streets. These verges come in all shapes and sizes with 70 per cent being grass, 20 per cent being bare or hard surfaces and the remainder being 'developed verges'.

Council encourages the maintenance of verges by residents. If you want to plant or modify the verge adjacent your home you need to submit a Verge/Road Reserve Landscaping or Planting Application to get permission from Council.

Vegetation selection is important. Verges have a role to play in supporting our local birdlife and insects that keep our ecosystems and trees healthy. Using native species or better still, species indigenous to the Burnside area, will encourage wildlife.

A green verge helps cool our local environment. Groundcovers and tussocks are best, but turf is better than paving or dolomite. Artificial turf is prohibited on council land as it forms a dead zone that precludes all living creatures.

Council encourages low maintenance and drought tolerant vegetation, some species suggestions are on Council's website. When planning your verge also consider using factors such as access for car parking, bins and crossing points.

New trees are planted by Council on verges and you can help by watering young street trees in hot weather, controlling weeds, reporting any damage and not placing anything (including lawn clippings) at the base of the trunk.

If a property owner is unable to maintain their verge, Council can help through the Street Verge Maintenance Program. Search 'verge maintenance' on Council's website.

# **Demonstration Verge at Conyngham Street**

In 2020 a group of Burnside residents proposed and were successful in gaining funding from the 'Your Neighbourhood Budget' program for the establishment of a demonstration verge garden. The Demonstration Verge at The Shed, Conyngham Street, Glenside, was planted in August 2021 and will be maintained by Council as a resource for residents.



# Design features of the Demonstration Verge:

- Low growing groundcovers and tussocks.
- All native, including species indigenous to the Burnside area.
- Low maintenance some trimming will be required.
- Low water requirements sub-surface irrigation drippers have been installed.
- · Non-weedy species.
- No dangerous species (eg thorns and spikes).
- Layout allows for waste bins and pedestrian access.

# Wildlife in your garden

The City of Burnside is a beautiful place. Part of what makes Burnside beautiful and distinctive is the local wildlife. We interact with it every day.

There are unmistakable sounds like the singing of Australian magpies, the double hoots of boobook owls and the 'bonks' of pobblebonk frogs. There are unmistakable sights, too, like colourful lorikeets and rosellas, or iconic koalas and echidnas in the suburbs.

If you have a garden in Burnside, you have local native wildlife visiting it. If you'd like to attract more wildlife to your garden, birds and butterflies are a great place to start.

#### Here are a few tips:

1. Grow some structure into your garden

Including some different layers of vegetation is particularly important for smaller birds. For a large garden, you should include trees, tall shrubs, small shrubs, native grasses and groundcovers. For a small garden, be sure to include shrubs of different sizes and some groundcovers. A garden with good vegetation structure will attract smaller birds like New Holland honeyeaters and silvereyes. If you live closer to the hills, you might also attract pardalotes and Superb fairy-wrens.



#### 2. Grow indigenous plants

The plants found naturally in Burnside will help attract the local wildlife. A variety of colourful flowers will attract butterflies and provide nectar for them. Beautiful local flowers will help, like purple native lilac and kangaroo-apples, yellow wattles or goodineas and white native hollyhock or rice-flowers. You could plant local dianella instead of agapanthus. If you desire a sculptural element in your garden, a xanthorrhoea grass tree might do the trick.

#### 3. Don't deter the wildlife

Adding structure and colour to your garden will attract beautiful birds and butterflies. Make sure you don't spoil the place for wildlife. Keep cats inside and avoid the use of pesticides and herbicides.

If you are trying to attract new birds and butterflies to your garden, be sure to let your neighbours know. The better the habitat in surrounding gardens, the more successful you will be at attracting these beautiful local wildlife to your garden.

The Council typically conducts a native plant giveaway in autumn – further details will be in the autumn edition of Focus (March 2022).



# Upcoming works

The following works are underway or due to commence by Feb 2022.

# **Community Buildings**

Hazelwood Park toilet facility internal accessibility improvements.

# **Drainage Improvements**

Drainage improvement works in L'Estrange St, Glenunga; Pridmore Rd, Glen Osmond; Berry Crescent, Burnside; Main Avenue, Frewville; Penfold Road, Wattle Park; Fulton Cres, Glen Osmond; Leighton Walk, Toorak Gardens.

# Footpath Works

Footpath Renewal works in Barker Gr, Toorak Gardens; Chatsworth Gr, Toorak Gardens; Cooper Pl, Beaumont; Craighill Rd, St Georges; Cudmore Ave, Toorak Gardens; Duke St, Beulah Park; Hazelwood Park Reserve; Penfold Park Reserve; Glenroy Ave, Beaumont; Glyde St, Beulah Park; Lloyd St, Toorak Gardens; Myola Ave, Glenunga; Myrona Ave, Glen Osmond; Pridmore Rd, Glen Osmond; Sprod Ave, Toorak Gardens; Stanley St, Erindale.

Accessibility footpath connections in Hazelwood Park, Penfold Park, Tusmore Park, Warrego Reserve.

# Kerb Replacements

Cleland Ave, Dulwich; Fergusson Square, Toorak Gardens; Fulton Cres, Glen Osmond; Leighton Walk, Toorak Gardens; Pridmore Rd, Glen Osmond; Raymond Walk, Toorak Gardens; Birnie Ave, Kensington Park; Godfrey Tce, Leabrook; Gordon Tce, Rosslyn Park; Grant Ave, Rose Park; Mount Osmond Road, Mount Osmond.

# Lighting Improvements

Alexandra Ave, Rose Park; Hallett Rd, Stonyfell; High St, Burnside; Prescott Tce, Rose Park; West Tce, Kensington Gardens.

# **Open Space**

Tusmore Park Wading Pool refurbishment.

Street Lighting Upgrade – Hallett Rd, High Street, West Terrace.

100 Years of ANZAC Lookout improvements.

Michael Perry Reserve park bench and handrails beside stone steps.

Davenport Olive Reserve park bench and rubbish bin.

Bus Stop 19 Hallett Road – new bus shelter.

Bus Stop 20 Penfold Road – new bus shelter.

# **Road Resurfacing**

Road resurfacing works in Ashley Ave, Glen Osmond; Bonython Ave, Beaumont; Burton Ave, Beaumont; Chapel St, Glen Osmond; Derrington St, Glen Osmond; Elizabeth Ct, Burnside; Everard St, Glen Osmond; Glebe Rd, Glen Osmond; Glyde St, Beulah Park; Hayward Dr, Mt Osmond; Howard Tce, Leabrook; Kurralta Dr, Burnside; Penong Ave, Burnside; Prescott Tce, Toorak Gardens; Queens Ave, Burnside; Ringmer Dr, Burnside; Royal Ave, Burnside; Salop St, Beulah Park; Scott St, Beulah Park; Sitters Memorial Dr, Burnside; Thorpe Rd, Burnside; Vine St, Beulah Park; Wheal Gawler St, Glen Osmond; Wood Gr, Hazelwood Park; Wyatt Rd, Burnside; Young St, Burnside.



### **Traffic Projects**

Pedestrian Actuated Crossing – The Parade, Norwood Morialta High School.

Emu Crossing – L'Estrange Street, Glenunga International High School.

Raised Intersection Treatments, traffic calming – Dulwich Avenue, Dulwich.\*

Wombat Crossing modification, Dulwich Avenue, Dulwich.\*

Roundabout – Verdale Ave and Hood St intersection, Linden Park.

Road (speed) Humps - Verdale Avenue, Linden Park.

Shared Use Bike Path - Mount Barker Road, Glen Osmond.\*

Road Closure – Thornbury Street at Portrush Road, Beulah Park.

#### For more detail on planned projects, including extent of works and locations:

Please visit www.burnside.sa.gov.au/Planning-Business/Council-Projects/Capital-Works-Projects

Further direct communications on proposed works are provided to nearby residents prior to works occurring.

<sup>\*</sup>These projects have received funding through the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure grant program.

# Recently completed works

# Kerb and Drainage upgrades

Kerb replacement and drainage upgrades in Brook Ave, Glen Osmond (\$121k).

# Footpath Improvements

Footpath renewal in Kitchener Ave, Dulwich (\$10k).

# **Community Buildings**

Old Collegians Rugby Club Change Room Extension\* (**\$1.4m** total, including \$500k Federal Government Funding).

Glenunga Tennis Clubrooms Redevelopment (\$355k total, including \$200k Federal Government Funding and \$55k contribution from the Glenunga Tennis Club).

Repair works at Burnside Art and Craft Centre, Hubbe Court (\$6k).



# Open Space

Laurel Avenue Pirkurna Wirra / Peter Bennett Organic Community Garden (\$139k)



# Road Resurfacing

Road resurfacing works completed in Ayrbank Ave, Stonyfell; Chisholm Ave, Burnside; Crompton Dr, Wattle Park; Elvira Gr, Wattle Park; Lock Ave, Erindale; Maple Ave, Magill; Mingara Ave, Stonyfell; St Albans Dr, Burnside; Taylor Tce, Rosslyn Park (\$338k).

# **Traffic Projects**

Pedestrian Actuated Crossing – Greenhill Road Hazelwood Park (\$220k).

\*These projects have received funding through the Federal Government's Local Roads and Community Infrastructure grant program.



L – R: Council Members Sarah Hughes and Jane Davey (Kensington Park Ward), with Bill and Linda Dickson. Linda's father Colin Sargent was killed at the location in 2007.

# Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from all your Council Members

#### **Beaumont Ward**

Cr Paul Huebl and Cr Harvey Jones

For many people, we suspect, 2021 will be memorable for all the wrong reasons. But we like to look on the bright side of life, and so we officially declare 2021 to be the Year of Tregenza Oval!

And that's because so many projects in Tregenza Oval, many of them years in gestation, came to fruition this year. These will benefit not just people living in Linden Park but everyone living in Burnside.

In November we officially opened our latest community garden on the former site of the native plant nursery. We're all familiar with the situation: blocks are getting smaller, houses are getting bigger, gardens are getting squeezed. Hey! In Glenside, there are going to be 2,500 apartment dwellers without a garden at all. Go and pop in. It was largely built by the Council's depot staff to save money and they have done a splendid job. It's going to be community run (with Council support of course). The volunteers have planted a mass of fruit trees and now there are A LOT of garden beds to fill!

Earlier in the year, we removed the unofficial road that had developed between Laurel Avenue and Wemyss Street to restore the integrity of the Tregenza Oval site. In its place we have planted Grey Box and Southern Cypress Pines which will, in time, form an oasis of Grey Box grassy woodland of high biodiversity value.

Thirdly, the Old Collegians Rugby Football Club have now substantially completed the renovations of their clubhouse including, for the first time, women's changing rooms. Although it would be fair to say that the men's changing rooms have also been upgraded from a time when a more Spartan ethos prevailed!

This project was jointly funded by Council, the Commonwealth and the Club using their supporter base to complete most of the work themselves. That said, it's a Council-owned community facility and the Club are committed to making it available for community use for much of the week when they aren't using it.

And wouldn't you know it, all of a sudden it's Christmas time again! Unfortunately, the spectre of COVID-19 has again thwarted our beloved Christmas Carols in Hazelwood Park. The SA Health requirements are strict and given the high reliance on volunteers for this event, as well as budgetary constraints, the decision was made to postpone the event.

It is not all doom and gloom by any means, though. Our 'Christmas in the City' celebrations are shaping up to give the residents of the City of Burnside a suite of activities to enjoy. The Regal is hosting a range of themed events, but up here in Beaumont Ward, we are always keen on catching sight of Santa from one of the many vantage points in the Hills Face Zone. In fact, 'Where's Rudolph?' will see the reliable beacon for Santa's crew pop up in and around the City during the festive season – keep your eye on the City's social media accounts for clues!

We both hope you all have a peaceful and joyous Christmas season. Stay safe, stay connected to loved ones and enjoy our beautiful pocket of the world.

Best Wishes, Harvey and Paul



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#### **Eastwood & Glenunga Ward**

Cr Julian Carbone

As we approach the end of 2021, I am excited about what lies ahead in 2022. For many, it will mark the end of COVID as we currently know it and it will mark the dawn of a new post-COVID era.

Locally, 2022 will also be an exciting time for the City of Burnside as we work hard to further restore a sense of community in our streets and suburbs. Even more locally throughout the Eastwood and Glenunga Ward, 2022 will see the completion of the new Glenunga Tennis Club clubrooms and works will continue with the Glenunga International High School, the new ALDI Glenunga supermarket and new stage releases of the Cedar Woods Glenside redevelopment.

Fingers crossed the redevelopment of the Burnside Village will recommence and plans are released for the old (and now defunct) Massada College site in Frewville. I am also optimistic we can see improvements made to the Glenunga Dog Park and we can finally find a location for the much-talked about wheel park.

Suffice to say, 2022 will be an action packed year for our small part of the world. As your elected member, my solemn duty is to ensure you receive maximum value from your Council rates and advocate to make Burnside the best it can be.

In 2022, I will continue to be here for you. So whether it's a Council wide issue, or a local street-focused issue, please let me know via phone, email or social media.

2022 - I say bring it on!



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#### **Eastwood & Glenunga Ward**

Cr Helga Lemon

We meet once a fortnight, on Tuesdays, to make decisions.

As councillors we are elected by people in our local area to represent them and when we meet as a full Council we must take into account the impact decisions may have on Burnside as a whole while still making sure our own areas are not disadvantaged. Thankfully, there is rarely a conflict between the two.

We also make sure there are strategies in place to take into account the changes taking place across Burnside. A massive change in recent years is the amount of urban infill taking place across all suburbs. This affects traffic, parking, private green space, our public tree canopy, in fact pretty much everything.

We have been working for some time on a city-wide master plan to manage these issues in the longer term. This master plan will guide us in making sure we can adequately manage traffic flows and urban form because doing this successfully will mean our leafy suburbs will continue to delight our residents and provide safe habitats for our diverse flora and fauna.

We are still working on this plan but it will come to the community early next year for comment before it is adopted. When it does I encourage you all to give us your opinions.

As we move into summer and the festive season I wish you all the very best. Stay well and thank you people of Burnside for topping the state in vaccination rates.

Well done to us all!



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#### **Burnside Ward**

Cr Mike Daws and Cr Jenny Turnbull

We have arranged two 'Meet and Greet' sessions in early December for the residents of Burnside Ward (comprising the four suburbs of Burnside, Erindale, Stonyfell and Wattle Park).

These are opportunities to meet with us and exchange views, issues and concerns. The sessions will be held from 9.30 am to 11 am, the first at Newland Reserve, Erindale (NE corner next to Hallett Road) on Saturday 4 December and the second at Langman Reserve, Burnside (by the tennis courts) on Saturday 11 December. We look forward to meeting local residents at these sessions. If joining us, you might like to bring a folding chair and perhaps a coffee from a local cafe. At the Newland Reserve session, if requested, we can provide detail on the upkeep of nearby Ferguson Park in Stonyfell.

Thank you to the residents who came to contribute ideas and talk to us and the Council staff at the community consultation in October at Bell Yett Reserve in Wattle Park, and also to the nearly 250 residents who responded to the survey. This constituted an early step in the development of a Master Plan for Bell Yett. There will be ongoing planning, consultation and workshops as this community driven project evolves.

A memorial tree has been planted in Michael Perry Reserve for Graham Bills, long time Councillor for some 16 years for the Burnside Ward, who sadly passed away in 2020. Graham was a fierce advocate for our community, our environment and our tree canopy. To honour his distinguished service, a commemorative plaque will soon be unveiled at the tree.

Let's 'Adopt a Tree'. Each year, Burnside Council engages in an extensive street tree planting program. Unfortunately, in the heat of summer, some of these new plantings suffer and die before they become established. We would really like you to consider adopting a newly planted tree near you and to ensure its survival over summer by watering it during the very hot dry spells.

We have met with Council staff in the first stage of formulating a long-term draft plan to upgrade the Anzac lookout at the top of Kensington Road, Wattle Park. Aside from extra seating and providing a possible shade structure, plantings will be added as part of a landscaping project designed to complement this memorial to the Anzacs.

It has recently been announced that the long-awaited upgrade to the dangerous Greenhill Road/Hallett Road intersection in Burnside will be funded by the Federal Government. A dedicated lane from Hallett Road into Greenhill Road, and other critical traffic treatments, have been proposed. It should improve safety at the intersection immeasurably.

We expect the upgrade to be completed by June, 2022. The effect on other local roads, including for cyclists, will be watched carefully over the ensuing 12 months. We do thank many local residents in supporting the upgrade, making representations and generally applying pressure on authorities at key times. It took more than two years to achieve a result, but we got there!

In closing, we would like to wish everyone a very happy, prosperous Festive Season.

Jenny and Mike



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# Kensington Gardens Reserve Project update

Council has endorsed naming the reserve Kensington Wama / Kensington Gardens Reserve and the name for the nature play space that will be created as part of the Kensington Gardens Reserve Project, Kensington Wama Mukangka.

The Kensington Gardens Reserve Project, which began construction in early 2021, is nearing completion. This major project will deliver significant environmental and recreational benefits to the Reserve and the surrounding creek ecosystem.

As well as replacing the polluted and unsafe artificial lake with a new wetland to treat stormwater flows from the Wattle Park urban catchment and rehabilitating the creek, the project will feature an extensive revegetation program with at least 40 new trees, 1,450 shrubs, over 4,300 groundcover species, 4,800 new biozone plantings, and over 10,000 new plants in the wetland.

A \$3 million grant was received from the Australian Government along with \$850,000 from the South Australian Government, and \$215,904 from the NRM's 2019-20 Water Sustainability Grants scheme.

The many new community recreational facilities include an upgraded 8-court tennis complex, nature play space, fitness stations, and a shared-use path lit by solar path lights and new bridges to provide a running circuit around the Reserve, as well as a boardwalk and viewing platforms over the new wetland.



In addition to delivering a range of initiatives for cultural heritage recognition in collaboration with Kaurna Traditional Owners, the project has established an indigenous workforce participation package. The project represents the start of Council's reconciliation journey and has provided a platform to discuss, learn and experience hands-on Kaurna culture on Country.

Kaurna Traditional Owners have developed concept designs for a place of reflection that will feature carvings of fauna that are associated with this location. The carvings are created from trees that were removed to allow for the construction of the new wetland.

A special ceremony will be held in the new year to officially mark the opening of these exciting new facilities.



# Tusmore Park Wading Pool update

Due to his extremely heavy workload on Christmas Eve, Father Christmas has sent word that he is aiming to deliver the new Tusmore Park Wading Pool in early 2022.

Construction of the wading pool is progressing well with the majority of the work now complete, including the installation of underground services, pouring of the concrete base to the pool, and construction of the plant equipment room. Surrounding landscaping work has also commenced.

However worldwide shipping delays (the ones not supported by magical reindeer) have impacted the delivery of specialised pool tiles from Europe. Once the tiles arrive, the remaining works will be completed and the pool will be commissioned, ready for use.

We understand that many families traditionally enjoy using the Tusmore Park Wading Pool for gatherings in the lead up to Christmas. However, this December we encourage you to explore one of the other 114 reserves, 39 playgrounds, the George Bolton Swimming Centre or the pump track that are all located within the City, while you prepare yourselves to use the amazing brand new wading pool early in 2022.

We will keep you updated on the progress, including a date for opening as soon as it has been confirmed. We can't wait to see you all at the new wading pool later in summer!

# City of Burnside Instagram Photography Competition

Win a double pass to The Regal Theatre or the George Bolton Swimming Centre!

Post your best photos of Burnside on Instagram for your chance to win.

#### **Competition closes Friday 10 December**

Full details online at bit.ly/BurnsidePhotoComp

instagram.com/cityofburnside #burnsidephotocomp



# Carbon Neutral by 2030

Each year, Council releases an Environmental Sustainability Scorecard. The Scorecard provides information on how the Council is progressing in environmental sustainability.

Important topics, such as greenhouse gas emissions, tree planting and waste management are all included. For each topic, baselines have been established. The baselines are a starting point, established in previous years, for comparison to the achievements in the last year.

The Scorecard also includes other important achievements, like the Council committing to be Carbon Neutral by 2030. For further information, a detailed Environmental Sustainability Report is published in October each year and is available at: www.burnside.sa.gov.au/Environment-Sustainability

### Environmental Sustainability Scorecard 2020/21

A high-level overview of City of Burnside baselines and achievements in key areas



#### Greenhouse Gas Emissions

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#### Tree Planting

#### Baseline:



tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>-e per annum (established 2019/20)

#### **Achievements:**



tonnes CO<sub>2</sub>-e (reduced emissions)



Council endorsed plan to reach Carbon Neutral by 2030



Burnside Carbon Offset Scheme (B-COS) being implemented

#### Baseline:



trees planted on council land (established 2019/20)

#### **Achievements:**



trees planted on council land



City of Burnside recognised as a Tree City of the World



#### Waste and Resources

#### Raseline:



tonnes landfill (established 2019/20)

#### Achievements:



tonnes landfill (4% decrease)



tonnes organics (2% decrease)



tonnes recyclables (1% decrease)

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#### Habitat

#### Baseline:



total plants for public and private planting (established 2019/20)

#### **Achievements:**



total plants for public and private planting programs



plants given to residents



hectares woody weed control



#### Water Management

### Baseline:



ML water consumption (established 2019/20)

#### Achievements:



ML water consumption (1% increase)



new WSUD features installed



#### Corporate Action

#### Baseline:



tonnes of recycled materials purchased (new baseline)

#### Achievements:



Sustainability Series, Nature Festival and Environment Awards events



Commenced *Burnside Neutral* video series



Ongoing partner in Resilient East

# Bin tagging success

Council's Environmental Sustainability Strategy includes a priority to reduce waste and increase recycling. One important action for households is putting food waste in organics bins, the bins with the green lids.

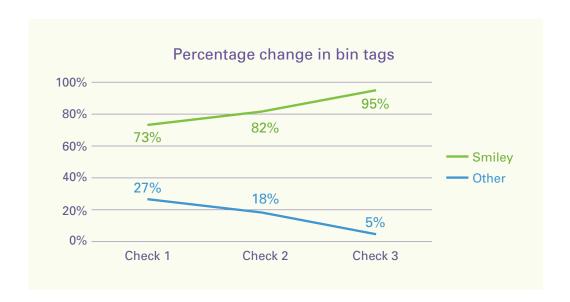
To promote this action, Council has been conducting a bin tagging project, based on successful projects in other council areas.

Bin tagging involves a Council team placing temporary education notices on organics bins. The tags are like signs, made of paper, that provide feedback on the use of the bin for food waste. For example, if the green bin contains food waste, the tags have a smiley face. But if the green bin is not being used for food waste, the tags have a sad face. The tags also provide information about the importance of putting food waste in the green bin. This work is done when bins are on the kerb for Council collection.

Sixty households were randomly selected to be a part of the bin tagging project and had their bins tagged three times.

On the first check, 73 per cent of the households were placing their food waste in their organics bins.

It was good to see that most households were doing the right thing! By the third check, six weeks later, 95 per cent of those households were placing food waste in their organics bins, an excellent improvement.



By simply making the switch and placing food scraps in the green organics bin these residents help keep the pressure off Council rates and rents in the City of Burnside. That is because it is about five times cheaper to send food waste to be composted, by putting it in the green bin, rather than sending it to landfill.

Using the green bin for food waste also makes good environmental sense. Composting food waste also generates fewer greenhouse gas emissions than sending it to landfill.

#### Want to know more about the project? www.burnside.sa.gov.au/bins

Need more compostable bags? Each residence is entitled to 150 bags (two rolls of 75) per financial year. Your free rolls of compostable bags are available for collection from the City of Burnside Civic Centre during business hours.



# **B...Connected**

# Glenunga Tennis Club Grand Opening

Glenunga Tennis Club (4 Kingsley Ave Glenunga) is holding the Grand Opening of its new Clubhouse on Sunday 5 December at 4 pm. Following the ribbon cutting there will be novelty games with prizes and free afternoon tea. Three one-point tournaments – juniors, seniors and open – will be organised by our tennis coach, Nick Hall. A free barbecue will follow. All welcome – you don't have to be a player. Enquiries: glenungatennisclub@gmail.com

### **Burnside Lions Club**

The major current fundraiser conducted by Burnside Lions is a monthly Bargain Centre Sale at Glebe Road, Glen Osmond. This event is held on the first Saturday of each month from 7.45 am to 12 noon. Donation of goods can be dropped at the centre on Wednesdays from 9.30 am to 12 noon.

Contact Rob on 0413 002 445 for information or to arrange collection.

Other projects include digital imaging for age care facilities, Christmas cake sales and collection of eye glasses and stamps. Information is available on the club website www.burnsidelions.com

New members always welcome, email burnsidelions@gmail.com or phone 0413 002 445.

### Zonta International

Zonta International is a global organisation of professional women working together to advance the status of women worldwide through service and advocacy. We advocate collaboratively in a variety of areas including Domestic Violence, homeless women and environmental awareness. Are you interested in advancing the status of women? Would you like to cultivate friendships, develop your interpersonal skills and give back to your community in a constructive and rewarding way? We can all make a difference and would warmly welcome you to come and join us. Consider making a membership enquiry. ATZonta@gmail.com Shirley Lamb or Judy Lovett.

### Probus Club of Burnside Inc. (M)

Fun, Friendship & Fellowship in Retirement, provides the opportunity to join a social Club in your local Community. Meet retirees on a regular basis, with guest speakers and group activities. Venue: Kensington Gardens Bowling & Tennis Club, 432 The Parade, Kensington Gardens, SA 5068. Date / Time: Meeting held on the 3rd Tuesday of each Month at 9.45 am. New Members Welcome. Contact: Secretary Richard: 0417 870 803

### Cancer Care Centre

We are a community based, not-for-profit organisation. The Centre offers complementary care to support cancer patients and their families. Complementary care embraces a wide range of holistic health services used together with conventional medicine, which enhance wellbeing on physical, emotional, mental and spiritual levels. Become a member to get special prices in our services. The Centre services include: counselling, oncology massages, meditation classes and support groups.

For full list of the current courses, therapies and services please visit our website at www.cancercarecentre.org.au or email admin@cancercarecentre.org.au or call (08) 8272 2411.

# Carers' Group

If you care for someone living with a disability, medical condition or who is frail due to age and you would like to access support from other people in similar situations, you may be interested in being part of a Peer Support Group. The Eastern Carers group meet at Glenunga Hub on the third Monday of each month at 1 pm. Register your interest by email to julie.urry@carerssa.com.au call or text 0455 886 868 or call Carers SA Carer Gateway on 1800 422 737.

Want to promote your events?

Email engage@burnside.sa.gov.au

# **Events**

# Christmas in the City

#### Where's Rudolph?

An illuminated Rudolph will appear across Council randomly this December. Follow us on Facebook and see if you can spot Rudolph.

#### **Christmas Market at the Hub**

Saturday 18 December at Glenunga Hub, Conyngham Street Glenunga 9 am – 1 pm

Operating the third Saturday each month, Market at the Hub brings together over 30 traders offering a variety of items such as arts and crafts, homewares, furniture, stationery, plants, fashion, skincare, photography, children's clothing, fresh food, vintage items, local produce and unique handmade gifts. All stallholders will be supporting the Rotary Club of Burnside in their variety of projects.

#### The Regal Theatre

Friday 10 December 8 pm and Saturday 11 December 2.30 pm Mirusia – Christmas Memories

Mirusia has toured internationally with Andre Rieu and the Johann Strauss Orchestra for over 10 years and is one of the most sought after sopranos in the world. Tickets \$65 - \$75 at www.trybooking.com\BUYLH

#### **Christmas Movies**

A Boy Called Christmas and Elf will be showing at The Regal Theatre in December. Visit www.theregaltheatre.com.au for session times

# Australia Day Ceremony

The Australia Day Citizen of the Year Awards will be presented at Council's Australia Day Ceremony in Hazelwood Park on Wednesday 26 January 2022. Join us from 8.45 am for the ceremony followed by a barbecue provided by the Lions Club of Burnside.

### Chinese New Year

#### Saturday 12 February Burnside Ballroom

Celebrate the Lunar New Year with the Overseas Chinese Association of SA and the City of Burnside. Enjoy food, performances and children's activities with family as we welcome the Year of the Tiger!

# Summer School Holiday Program

The Summer School Holiday Program is packed with activities for all ages. See the details at www.burnside.sa.gov.au/Community-Recreation/Youth/School-Holiday-Program

# Holiday Hours\*

Date	Library	Customer Service Desk	Swim Centre
Friday 24 December	9.30 am – 3 pm	8.30 am – 3 pm	6 am – 6 pm
Saturday 25 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED
Sunday 26 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	8 am – 6 pm
Monday 27 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	8 am – 6 pm
Tuesday 28 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	8 am – 6 pm
Wednesday 29 December	9.30 am – 6 pm	CLOSED	6 am – 8 pm
Thursday 30 December	9.30 am – 9 pm	CLOSED	6 am – 8 pm
Friday 31 December	CLOSED	CLOSED	6 am – 6 pm
Saturday 1 January 2022	CLOSED	CLOSED	7 am – 7 pm
Sunday 2 January	CLOSED	CLOSED	8 am – 6 pm
Monday 3 January	CLOSED	CLOSED	8 am – 6 pm
Tuesday 4 January	9.30 am – 6 pm	8.30 am – 5 pm	6 am – 8 pm

<sup>\*</sup>Essential services such as Rangers, Commonwealth Home Support Program services and Depot Operations will operate as usual over this period. Staff will be available to answer community enquiries via 8366 4200. The Regal Theatre is open every day except Christmas Day. Check website for session times www.theregaltheatre.com.au

# Pepper Street Arts Centre

#### **Exhibitions**

Please check website for changes to the programs. COVID restrictions may alter the listed dates at any time.

#### Little Treasures for Christmas Until 5 pm Thursday 23 December

The much loved annual Christmas exhibition is on now! The wide variety of works by 60 artists includes handcrafted jewellery, collage, textiles, paintings, wearable art, woodwork, sculpture and more. All gift oriented and very affordable. A treasure trove of handmade arts and crafts for Christmas giving.

#### Summer Pop Up Show 21 January – 11 February 2022

Herald in 2022 with an exciting combination of mediums and artists. Paintings, textiles, ceramics and jewellery highlight the breadth of creativity and skill of local artists. To accompany this fresh and enticing showcase enjoy a new special on the Dorrit's Coffee Shop menu.

#### It's Only Natural 22 February – 18 March Adelaide Fringe 2022

The ingenuity and creativity of over 25 artists are showcased during this fascinating exhibition. The theme of nature has inspired works in a range of mediums including sculpture, textiles, basketry, jewellery, ceramics, glass, wall art, and even the use of bones and found objects are explored. The viewer is promised a feast for the eyes when visiting.



# Gift shop and Artist of the Month

Support local creatives while browsing the incredible range of handcrafted items in the Pepper Street gift shop. Artists supply all year round, perfect for a quality and affordable gifts with a difference. Artists of the Month showcases bring an additional reason to visit regularly.

# Dorrit's Coffee Shop

One of the Centre's great places

to stop – solo or with others – is 'Dorrit's', named after the local artist Dorrit Black. A variety of beverages and local baked goods are on offer, very affordably priced for morning or afternoon tea, and supported by our team of welcoming volunteers. Groups are welcome, booked in advance. Free wi-fi and a collection of art library books are also for loan.

# Opportunities for Artists

Now open for submissions from artists is 'Function and Form' for SALA 2022. Important submission requirements are detailed on the website, including deadlines. New artists are also welcome for gift shop submissions.



# Classes and groups

See our website for a range of artforms available for recreational learning across all skill levels and a variety of interest areas. All details for how to book are provided with each entry.

# How to keep connected

Please join our free e-list (link on our website) to receive email information and/or like us on Facebook or follow us on Instagram for regular updates.

Christmas closure 5 pm Thursday 23 December. Re-open 10 am Tuesday 18 January 2022.



**Open** Tues – Fri 10 am – 5 pm and Sat 12 noon – 5 pm 558 Magill Rd, Magill. Telephone 8364 6154 pepperstreetartscentre.com.au facebook.com/PepperSt

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