

Ashfield Underground Power Project complete

On Thursday 28 February the removal of the last power pole in Ashfield signalled the completion of the Ashfield Underground Power Project.

The undergrounding of power project commenced in February 2012 and its completion, on time and under budget, has not only improved the safety and reliability of power in Ashfield, but is also more aesthetically pleasing, creating a clear, uncluttered streetscape and allowing trees to grow free without the need to prune away from power lines.

Mayor John Gangell said, "I am very pleased to celebrate the successful completion of this project and thanks are extended to everyone involved, especially members of the Ashfield community".



before



after

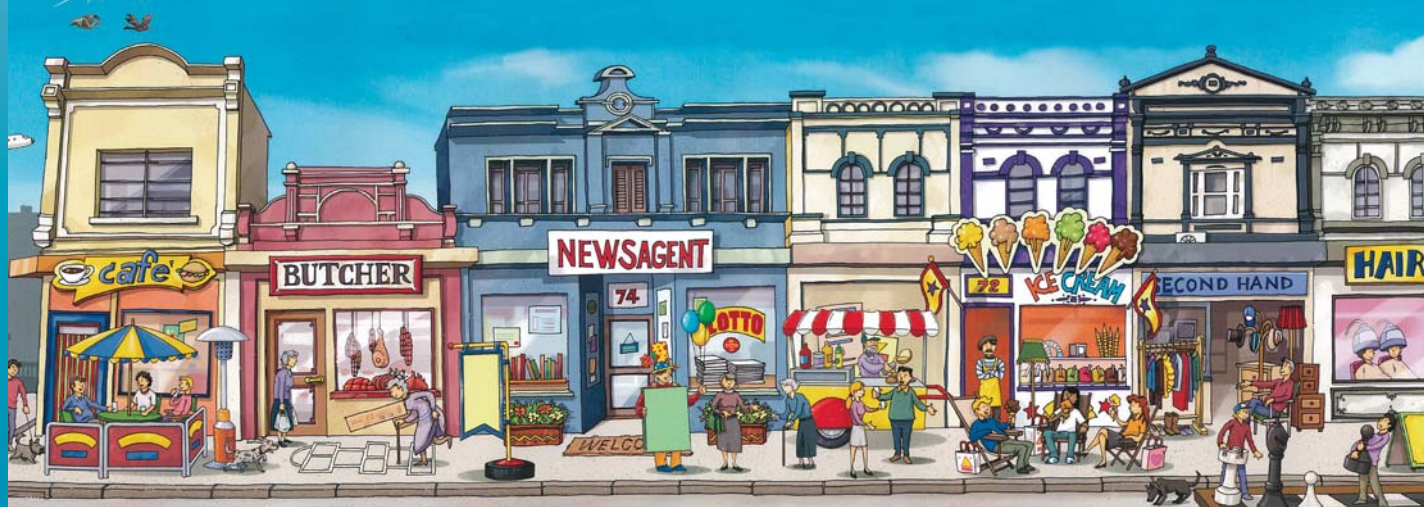


Remember the Anzac Day Memorial Service at 11.00 am Thursday 25 April—see page 3 for details



RE-NEW

OLD PERTH ROAD



On Thursday 21 March the Bassendean Hotel was bursting at the seams with community members, retailers and landlords all getting excited with the wisdom of Place Making! They had all heard about the visit by David Engwicht here to launch 'Re-New Old Perth Road'.

In a lively and interactive meeting, David talked to over 70 guests about furnishing a shop with soul, creating linger nodes, cultivating an anchoring presence, and getting out and doing something!

David Engwicht is the creative mind behind many town activation schemes from Tasmania to Seattle and Cleveland to King Lake, and he gave an insight into how to turn Old Perth Road from being a functional and utilitarian street to being a warm, friendly and homely place.

To use David's phrases, it is all about 'enlarging the experience envelope'. People are naturally inquisitive and naturally social. Children especially like to meet other children and explore, so give the passers-by a little bit of fun and a reason and invitation to hang

around a little longer and they will. People attract people and we can double the number of people in the street without inviting any new visitors, just by getting them to stay twice as long. If people linger they are more inclined to spend money.

The gathering at the Bassendean Hotel encouraged everyone to bring to life their ideas to add vitality onto the street. And there were lots of ideas! Everyone formed groups and they were given Place Making DIY Kits to take away with them! They also went away with a deadline of 16 May (8 weeks) to have their projects complete or at least well under way!

Working in with this whole new concept, the Town has established a Red Tape Reduction group which will do exactly as its name implies and help the community groups by finding ways to reduce any red tape there might be to finish their projects on time.



You can follow the story online to find out how many projects there were, what did they actually do, and how did they go at meeting the deadline? Get the latest by visiting www.bassendeanmeansbusiness.com.au and clicking on News & Events Blog.



Rangers' Corner

Rangers are targeting illegal dumping

Did you know that leaving or dumping rubbish or unused items on verges and other vacant land is an offence? This is illegal dumping and can attract fines of up to \$200 per offence.

The Town's Rangers have seen an increase in illegal dumping in the last few months on our verges, vacant land and even in our parks and reserves. Disposing of rubbish and unused items by dumping them is not only unsightly and illegal but is costing the Council thousands of dollars a year to clean it up.

We would like to catch the dumpers and stop this activity from occurring. If you see anyone dumping rubbish or junk anywhere in the Town, please try to get any distinguishing information such as car type, colour, vehicle registration, time of the offence, and a description of the dumper to report it to the Rangers. A photo of the incident, including the distinguishing information and dumping, would be invaluable. **Please remember your safety when getting this information.**



If you would like any further information, or have an illegal dumping issue to report, please call the Rangers on 9377 7480.

Anzac Day Service

11.00 am Thursday 25 April

Anzac Day is a day of national commemoration when we pause to remember Australia's servicemen and women who served our nation with pride and valour in wars, conflicts and peace operations.

You are invited to come along and join in the Anzac Day memorial service on Thursday 25 April 2013 at the Town's War Memorial in Old Perth Road, Bassendean, at 11.00 am.

At this year's service, Mr Arthur Leggett OAM ED, will provide the address. Mr Leggett is the President of the Ex-POW Association of WA and author of *Don't Cry For Me*.



Use your phone to borrow from the Library

TIRED OF carrying that Bassendean Library card around? We can accept your library card barcode on your phone. You simply download a loyalty card app that enables you to scan your library card barcode onto your phone. Then, when you wish to borrow, simply present the barcode on your phone, we scan that, plus the books, DVDs etc—and off you go! This will eliminate one of the plastic cards you have to carry around. The Bassendean Library staff are happy to assist you with enabling the phone or scanning the barcode: just remember to bring the Library card the first time! Give us a call on 9279 2966.

2013 Annual Library History Lecture: Historic Earlsferry

The Bassendean Memorial Library is pleased to extend an invitation to you to attend the 2013 Annual Library History Lecture.

7.00 pm for a 7.30 pm start on
Wednesday 19 June at the Library Meeting rooms

This year, the Bassendean Local Studies Librarian Janet Megarrity will be the guest speaker presenting an illustrated talk on 'Historic Earlsferry'. This grand riverside residence was originally built for Mr T Short, Commissioner of Railways in Western Australia, and known as 'Briarsleigh'. The building has had many and varied uses over the intervening years. Janet's research on the building promises an interesting and informative talk.



The event is free, with refreshments provided, but bookings are essential as seating is limited to 45 attendees—call 9279 2966.



Guildford Road median landscaping

Council has allocated funds in the current budget to upgrade the Guildford Road median strip from West Road to Old Perth Road.

Works have commenced and when completed the entire median strip amenity will be attractive and improve the appearance of the streetscape and entrance to our Town.



Community Events Sponsorship

Are you an incorporated group or charitable organisation, have an idea for an event and don't know where to start? Or don't have enough funds to run the event? The Town's Community Events Sponsorship Programme may be able to assist your group with some funding towards the event.

If you are seeking some seed funding to develop an event, or some funding to assist a one-off event such as a special celebration, open day, cultural event or similar, the Town may be able to help.

Grants of up to \$1000 are available to assist groups with conducting their event. Conditions do apply and interested groups are required to discuss their proposal with the Town's Cultural Development team prior to submitting an application.

The Town's Cultural Development team are also available to provide advice to community groups in all aspects of event planning.



If you would like some more information please contact the Town's Cultural Development team on 9377 8000.



Old Perth Road street lighting upgrade

STREET LIGHTING in Old Perth Road is set to change forever when the existing street lights are retrofitted with energy efficient LED globes during May.

Council has received \$49,281 of Community Energy Efficiency Program funding towards this project, which has a total cost of \$121,923.

The new lighting will be brighter and more energy efficient, with estimated energy savings of 13,200 kWh per annum—this means a reduction of greenhouse gases of 11.9 tonnes per annum.

The brighter, whiter light will complement the other exciting developments taking place in Old Perth Road.



Cyril Jackson Senior Campus: Open Day & Health Festival

Celebrating 50 years of public education

You are invited to come along to share in the festivities. Discover why Cyril Jackson Senior Campus is recognised as an example of outstanding public education. Become involved in learning, viewing and enjoying:

- a multitude of external health agencies
- modern-day exhibition lessons
- campus tours
- musical performances and more
- 50th Anniversary memorabilia

and catch up with old school friends between 2.00 pm and 5.00 pm.



Please call 9379 5122 for more information and to register your attendance. Visit our website at www.cyriljackson.wa.edu.au and our Facebook page (search for Cyril Jackson Senior Campus and look for our new logo).



Keep your water meter clear of obstructions

IF YOUR water meter cannot see the light of day the Water Corporation is asking you to add clearing around it to your to-do list.

Over two million water meter readings are taken each year and more than 30,000 repairs or replacements are also carried out.

Water Corporation Customer Centre Manager, Riley Nelson, said his team were frequently unable to take readings due to obstructed meters.

“Overgrown bushes, locked gates and soil are the most common obstructions that can prevent us from taking a reading,” Mr Nelson said.

Water meters should be positioned 10–15 cm above ground level, with a clear space of at least 30 cm around each side and 120 cm above.

“Our inspectors read hundreds of water meters every day, so ensuring your meter is unobstructed will make their jobs easier and safe,” Mr Nelson said.

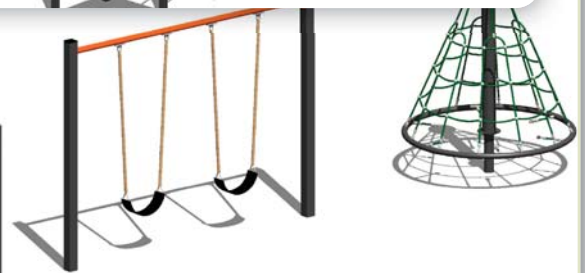
The Corporation recently announced it would issue bills every two months from July, which will mean water meters will be read six times a year.

Reading meters every two months will help customers track their water use and identify leaks earlier.

Success Hill Reserve Playspace

As part of the Town's Playspaces Plan the Success Hill Reserve play equipment has been identified as requiring replacement and works are due to be undertaken in the early part of April.

Provided construction goes to schedule, the playground should be constructed and open by the April school holidays. This play space is a designated neighbourhood level play structure which is designed to cater for families with the provision of 3 to 5 play activities. Due to the location of the equipment a variety of softfall is to be used.



The Town thanks you for your patience during the construction period and hopes you will enjoy the brand new equipment.

Old Perth Road Markets

Heritage Hanging Baskets

PAT AND TREVOR JOHNSTON are our resident green thumbs at the Old Perth Road Markets. It all began many years ago when Pat was given the job of taking care of the plant stall by the mothers' group when their daughter first attended school. In those days, Pat had to make all her own potting mix! Since then, Pat and Trevor have continued to propagate and sell their plants.



Trevor and Pat and have been at the Old Perth Road Markets since the beginning just over two years ago. They have rarely missed a week, even though they travel all the way from Quinn's Rock.

In addition to plants, Trevor and Pat also have hanging basket liners made from 100% recycled rubber tyres. These liners can last indefinitely (depending on weather exposure) and because they are porous, they drain more efficiently. They also hold more moisture than other liners which means less watering.



Council Calendar

TUESDAY 23 APRIL Ordinary Council Meeting	7.00 pm
THURSDAY 25 APRIL Anzac Day Parade & Memorial Service	11.00am
WEDNESDAY 1 MAY Cultural Development Advisory Committee Meeting	6.00 pm
TUESDAY 7 MAY Tree Consultative Committee Meeting	7.00 pm
WEDNESDAY 8 MAY Audit & Risk Management Committee Meeting	11.00 am
WEDNESDAY 8 MAY Local Emergency Management Committee Meeting	3.30 pm
THURSDAY 9 MAY Cyril Jackson Physical Education & Community Recreation Centre Committee Meeting	8.30 am
TUESDAY 28 MAY Ordinary Council Meeting	7.00 pm
THURSDAY 30 MAY Youth Advisory Council Meeting	5.00 pm
WEDNESDAY 5 JUNE Access & Inclusion Committee Meeting	10.00 am
THURSDAY 6 JUNE Local Studies Collection Management Committee Meeting	9.30 am
WEDNESDAY 12 JUNE Economic Development Advisory Committee Meeting	5.30 pm
THURSDAY 13 JUNE Seniors' Week Coordinating Committee Meeting	12.30 pm
TUESDAY 25 JUNE Ordinary Council Meeting	7.00 pm
THURSDAY 27 JUNE Youth Advisory Council Meeting	5.00 pm

Justice of the Peace office

The Town of Bassendean provides a Justice of the Peace document witnessing centre at the Bassendean Memorial Library at 46 Old Perth Road, Bassendean on Wednesdays from 10.00 am to 12 noon. A Justice of the Peace can witness official documents, administer an oath or affirmation, and take an affidavit.

'recognising our past
celebrating the now
creating the future'

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E: mail@bassendean.wa.gov.au
www.bassendean.wa.gov.au

Advancing Perth's Eastern Region 



Bassendean Arts Community

1 Surrey St, Bassendean

Fibrant Group – fibre and textile artisans.

All welcome – Thursday mornings.

Contact Joyce: 0423 185 263.

Free Range Art Group

Mondays 7.15–9.15 pm (excl. Public Holidays)

Carolyn: 0404 696 014 for more info.

New members welcome.

Look out for exciting projects in 2013.

Web: www.bassendeanarts.com

Bassendean Senior Citizens and over 55s

50 Old Perth Road, Phone 9279 1944

Office Hours 10.00am–1.00pm Mon–Fri

Membership only \$15 per year.

Regular weekly activities plus Picnics, Afternoon Teas, Door Prizes and monthly Bus Trips, Events and Concerts.

We also have an **Over-55's Dining Group** which meets once a month.

For more information contact our office.

Ashfield Sports Club

The ASC manages a team in the Football West All Flags State League Division One competition. To build on previous success the club offers more by fielding teams in the Ladies, Amateur and Junior leagues.

Players and assistance required at all levels.

Also the home for Ashfield ladies darts and Swan Districts Softball Clubs.

Interested in being part of the Ashfield SC family?

Contact the club at ashfieldsc@iinet.net

Northern Saints Basketball Club

invites boys & girls to play for our club. We play at Altone Rec Centre Beechboro, on Saturdays, Fixture competition. Players must be 7 to 17 yrs of age. Individual team training after school once a week. New season starting 11th May 2013.

Phone Peter on 0417 974 179.

Bassendean Community Playgroup

Playgroup for children aged 0–6 years meets each Thursday 9–11 am in the hall of St Mark's Church, off Parker Street,

New members welcome, email us on bassendeancommunityplaygroup@yahoo.com.au.

Swan Districts Softball Club

Training Wed. evenings and fixture games on Sat.

Based at Ashfield Sports Club.

A great social club with a mind-set of giving back to players with low club fees and social events throughout the season.

Contact Michelle Morys on 0439 433 499

or michelle.morys@mosaiccc.org

Living Smart Bassendean

Learn about living more sustainably and meet like-minded locals. Meet first Wednesday each month 7–9 pm meeting room at the Bassendean Library.

Contact Rebecca Benson

becbenson@hotmail.com 0404 399 893 or

Noala.Degasperis.ntj@iinet.net.au 0409 295 100

Tuesday Dance Group

Join in the fun Tuesdays at the Bassendean Community Hall from 11.00 am to 1.00 pm. Dancing to CD music you can experience Ballroom, Latin and New Vogue dance styles. A great way to exercise, meet people and practice your dancing.

Contact Lynne on 9377 5392.

Fencing in Bassendean!

Alf Faulkner Hall, Mary St, Eden Hill. Practice a unique sport in a fun yet sporting environment at Woodbridge FC. Catering to all levels, in all 3 weapons, from age 9 up—all gear provided. Training Thursdays 7.30–9.30pm during school terms.

For further info sms/call Jesse 0438 528 887,

or Simon 0419 922 385.

Love to see you there!

Bayswater Toy Library

Now located at large, child-friendly premises in Embleton. Over 1000 toys available to borrow.

New members welcome!

Ph: 0412 235 803 or visit

www.bayswatertoylibrary.org.au

Play Football on Saturdays

Register with Perth Strikers CFC and play in the WACFA Football West football (soccer) competition.

We train and play at Ashfield Reserve, Ashfield

All enquiries please contact Kirsten

on 0434 334 341 or André on 0418 314 721

Email: strikers.cfc@optusnet.com.au

Eden Hill Church

You are invited to Loaves & Fishes Soup Kitchen. Every Saturday 12–1 pm.

Enquiries: Edna 9279 1852

Pick up a bargain at the Bridge Op Shop—every

Tuesday, Wednesday & Saturday 10 am–2 pm

248 Morley Drive (cnr Ivanhoe St) Eden Hill

Bassendean Bowling Club

Community Bowls

Every 2nd Sunday of the month.

Cost \$10.00 pp (includes lunch).

Phone 9279 1949 for more information.

St Mark's Badminton Group

Join this group of ladies for a morning of social badminton. 9.30 am–11.30 am Tuesday mornings, St Mark's Hall. Contact Coral on 9279 3107

St Mark's Benefit Op Shop

St Mark's Anglican Church—new and second-hand clothing, bric-a-brac. Open 9.30 am–12 noon, Mon to Sat. Benefit Op Shop also open on Market Days with special cakes and preserves stall in Church Hall.

Swan Bassendean Weight Watchers

A member of Weight Watchers Federation Inc. WA. Meet at the RSL Hall, Kenny Street, Bassendean 6pm on Tuesday evenings and welcome new members. A low cost community based group promoting healthy eating and lifestyle with support and encouragement of others.

Pop in and say hello.

Bassendean Walking for Pleasure Group

We meet each Monday morning 9.00 am in and around the Bassendean area. Also Monday and Wednesday 6.15 pm, and Saturday morning 8.00 am. We walk for approximately 1 hour.

Phone walk leaders Dawne and Bill Power on

9378 6006 or contact Town of Bassendean

Recreation & Cultural Services on 9377 8000.

All very welcome.

Epiphytic Cacti & Hoya Society of Australia Inc.

Meetings held 3rd Sunday of the month (Jan–Nov) 1.30 pm–4 pm at Bassendean Community Hall, Old Perth Road.

Join like-minded gardeners and enjoy a social afternoon over refreshments after the meeting.

Contact Rex: 9342 7563 or Alf: 9444 6694.

Humpty Dumpty Toy Library

Borrow from a large variety of good quality toys, puzzles and games designed to support children's development and promote learning through play.

Altone Leisure Centre. Saturday 10 am–12 pm and Monday 9.30–10.30 am.

9377 6181 or humptydumptytoylib@gmail.com

Sahaja Yoga Meditation

Freely available to anyone with a genuine desire to know the true self, with a quest to evolve to a higher level of awareness, understanding and enjoyment.

Tuesdays 7.00 pm–8.30 pm, Bassendean Library.

Contact Diana: 9279 7314 or

email: selentin@westnet.net.au

Bassendean Preservation Group

We're propagating and planting out habitat for the endangered iconic Carnaby's Black Cockatoos.

Join us!

For more info email: skipmcp@bigpond.com or visit our website: <http://www.bpginc.info/>



Basso Youth Groups

Games, activities and sharing each Friday night of the school term. Juniors (years 1 to 7) 6.00 to 7.30 pm. Teenagers (year 7+) 7.30 to 9.30 pm.
Bassendean Church of Christ, 9377 1620

Bassendean Cultural Advancement Group

A spokesgroup for the Aboriginal Community in the Town of Bassendean.

Help us to work on issues affecting Aboriginal People in the Town: Culture – Health – Sport – Children – Education – Training – Employment.

New members welcomed. We can make a difference together.

Contact Lynette on 0421 560 047.

Bassendean Wider Vision (Inc)

Over 50s group catering for those looking for something other than arts, crafts, sports, etc. Guest speaker each week followed by socialising over tea and biscuits.

Non-political, non-sectarian and non-profit making. Wed from 10.00 am to 12 noon.

New members welcomed.

Enquiries Doreen: 9296 8994 or Neville: 9275 1272.

Swan Districts Football Club

Upcoming home games at Steel Blue Oval, Old Perth Rd, Bassendean.

Adults \$15, Concession \$12, Kids under 16 free.

Round 9—Saturday 18 May vs East Perth

Round 10—Saturday 25 May vs Subiaco (Junior Club Parade Day)

Round 15—Saturday 29 June vs West Perth

Saturday 8 June: Swansmen Auction

For more info contact 9279 8700

www.swandistrictsfc.com.au

Bible Lessons for Kids

Join us on school term Sundays 9.30–10.30am, Bassendean Community Hall for lessons, stories, songs and craft activities. Parents welcome—tea and coffee provided.

Enquiries Keren 6278 1910

Sponsored by Bassendean Christadelphians

Lions Club of Bassendean (Inc).

Est. 1991, meets at the RSL Hall, Kenny Street, Bassendean 2nd and 4th Wed each month at 7 pm.

Phone Clive Brown 6278 2237

Men's Shed Project

Opportunities to volunteer for a local project, with carpentry, boilermaking, painting skills, etc. A few hours each week is all that's required.

Contact Project Coordinator, Ted Lawrence 9377 3987 or gypsyted@iinet.net.au

Ashfield Community Action Network

For coming events contact Lucy Bromell on 0402 257 965 or visit www.ashfieldcan.info

AshfieldCAN supports positive community initiatives to improve or promote Ashfield as a great place to live.

We welcome anyone who would like to join us.

Neighbourhood Watch in Ashfield meets at the Ashfield Sports Club.

For details contact: Verna Schreuders: 9279 3157

Voices of the Valley Choir

Guildford Primary School, Monday evenings, 7.45–9.45 pm. New members welcome.

No auditions and no ability to read music necessary. Fun evenings with Lachlan, Kate and a wide range of music.

Contact Val 9279 4177 or Chris 9401 8725

Anzac Terrace Primary School Playgroup

Join the fun at Playgroup Monday mornings 8.45–10.45 am during school terms.

Play, activities, stories, craft, music...

New members welcome.

Contact Keren 6278 1910 or Kristy 0408 454 660

Scrapbooking & Stamping Club of WA

Third Sunday of the month, 2.00–6.00 pm, Small Hall, Bassendean Council Offices, 48 Old Perth Road. Cost \$100 per year or \$55 for six months or \$10 per month.

Contact Violet: 9295 5498 or Julie: 9378 3276.

Bassendean Tennis Club

invites the community to join in social play every Wednesday at 9.00 am and Sat at 2pm (3pm in Summer)

New members and visitors welcome.

Located at the Guildford Road end of Hamilton St.

Check the website for more details

www.bassendeantennisclub.com or call Kathryn on 9377 1462.

St Michael's Playgroup

0 – kindy, Parents, grandparents and carers welcome. Tues 9–11 am during school term.

\$10/term + Playgroup WA 2012. Craft, shared fruit break, story time and much more. Bring a piece of fruit, water bottle and sun protection.

Part of the Community for over 25 years.

Jennifer 0415 186 338

Casa Mia Montessori Playgroup

Fostering children's love of learning. Enrol now, Tue 9–10 am (12–24 months) or Tue 10 am–12 pm and Wed 9.15–11.15 am (18 months and older).

Email: casamia.playgroup@yahoo.com

Kinetica Circus Arts

Beginner's circus classes for youth and adults in the Cyril Jackson Recreation Centre. Learn aerial silks, trapeze, acrobatics and more!

Contact kinetica.cdt@gmail.com for more details.

Bassendean Al-Anon

Bassendean 'Hope For Today' on Sundays 6.00–7.30 pm at Bassendean Community Hall, 48 Old Perth Road (entry at rear). No charge.

For information and help phone 9325 7528 or www.al-anon.alateen.org/australia/wa.html

Bassendean Church of Christ Craft and Coffee Group

Various Crafts and a morning tea. 9.00–11.30 am each Tuesday of school term.

Bassendean Church of Christ, 9377 1620.

Bassendean Melody Club Inc.

Invitation

Join us to enjoy fellowship and singing along to the golden oldies. Venue: Bassendean Community Hall

Time: Fridays 10.00–11.45 am

(except Christmas break and Good Friday)

Cost: 50c or gold coin on 1st Friday of month.

Contact Judy Bonny on 0438 080 144.

Rotary Club of Swan Valley

welcomes new members interested in community service.

For information on Rotary or on our short-term

Youth Exchange to New Zealand, contact

Noel Allan on 9377 2277 or 0412 410 420.

Bassonovas Community Samba Drumming Group

Learn Brazilian percussion in a fun easy way—no experience necessary!

Call Bassendean Recreation & Cultural Services on 9377 8051 or check website:

<http://sites.google.com/site/bassonovas/>

The Railway Museum Bassendean

Volunteers Wanted

It's fun! Could you help greet visitors to our museum? Sell tickets? Keep exhibits tidy?

Maintenance/handyman/gardening?

136 Railway Parade Bassendean. Phone 9279 7189.

bookings@railheritagewa.org.au

Bassendean Caledonians Junior Soccer Club

Come and join 'The Callies' one hundred years celebration. Boys and Girls from 5yrs to 18yrs.

To find out more contact Ken 0410 795 144.

For an opportunity to promote your organisation's activities.

Call us on 9377 8073 between 9.00 am–12.00 pm Monday to Thursday or leave a message with our Customer Service Centre on 9377 8000.

The close-off date for the next issue is 30 May 2013. Space is limited, so please keep text to a minimum.

To the best of our knowledge, information provided here is correct at the time of printing. You are advised to contact the relevant organisation/club direct for confirmation.