



Life in the City of Gosnells

Three cheers for Citizens of the Year

Local resident Rodney Glossop received the 2025 City of Gosnells Community Citizen of the Year Award at last month's Australia Day Big Breakfast celebration.

Mr Glossop is a passionate advocate for health and wellbeing and has had a profound impact on the local community through his dedicated volunteer work with Thornlie Homestead Parkrun and the Thornlie Junior Football Club.

The Senior Community Citizen of the Year was awarded to former Chairman of the Gosnells Men's Shed and volunteer bus driver for Ronald McDonald House Charity Allen Holloway.

Emily Dutton was named the Young Community Citizen of the Year, for her considerable efforts to ensure local families could access affordable items through helping to establish and run an opportunity shop at her school.

The Active Citizenship Award was presented to not-for-profit community organisation Sam's Spares, which takes e-waste and refurbishes it for use by people in need in the community.

The City of Gosnells Community Citizen of the Year Awards are a partnership with Auspire – Australia Day Council of WA. Visit the City's website at gosnells.wa.gov.au for more details about all the nominees and winners.



Rock Opera on this weekend

Get ready to rock out at Rock Opera, a free ticketed event from 5pm to 9pm this **Saturday 15 February**, featuring tributes to the best of Elton John, David Bowie and Queen.

Bring a chair or rug to sit on, and remember your ID if you'd like a drink from the licensed 18+ area.

Tickets to Rock Opera, which is sponsored by Lotterywest, are essential and strictly limited. Book now at gosnells.wa.gov.au.

Growing Together

Give your community group, sporting club or not-for-profit organisation an edge by taking part in free workshops on offer from the City of Gosnells.

Growing Together in Gosnells workshops will cover board management and committee roles, using artificial intelligence and alternate funding strategies. The first workshop will take place 6pm – 8pm on **Wednesday 26 February**.

Find out more and book now at gosnells.wa.gov.au.



Events listing

Charity Chums at Gosnells Library
Monday 17 February
10am – 12pm
Gosnells Library

Learn 2 Skateboard Clinic
Saturday 22 February
9am – 11am
Mills Park Skate Plaza

Local Business Forum
Wednesday 26 February
5.30pm – 8pm
City of Gosnells Civic Centre

Sundowner Series – Powderfinger Tribute
Friday 28 February
6pm – 8.15pm
DRPAC

Bookings required for some events. Visit the City's website for details.

Bin colour to change

New general waste kerbside bins issued in the City of Gosnells will be changing colour, from grey to green with a red lid.

The change will be rolled out to households gradually and will apply only to new or replacement bins ordered in the City. The new bins will remain the same size.

Visit the City's website for details about rubbish collection in your area.

Councillor's Corner

At the Annual Electors' Meeting on Tuesday 4 February, it was good to look back over the City's achievements of the last financial year, including 1,472 of our residents becoming Australian citizens. The roll-out of our all-abilities playgrounds continued, off-leash dog parks constructed, record crowds enjoyed the Fusion Food and Culture Festival and more than 50km of roads were resealed. Our rubbish now goes to the Kwinana Energy Recovery Plant instead of landfill, providing baseload electricity and helping to keep the lights on in 55,000 houses. You can read all about it in the Annual Report on the City's website.

The City also planted 2,722 advanced trees last year, which need additional care in the hot weather. While the City does provide watering, I encourage you to provide young street trees near your house with extra water over summer. Leafy suburbs don't just happen, they are leafy because people cared for and nurtured young trees in parks, verges and on private property. We can all do our part to increase the tree canopy cover in our City.

Councillor Peter Abetz

