



# Life in the City of Gosnells

## Adventures await at Book Week

Celebrate Children's Book Week with a fun-filled festival at Amherst Village Library, in Southern River, on **Saturday 23 August**.

From 10am to 2pm, children and their families can enjoy a variety of free activities, including Story Time sessions, gem mining, face painting, badge making and more.

Accomplished authors and illustrators Deb Fitzpatrick, Renee Trembl and Meg McKinlay will host Meet the Author sessions and lead engaging workshops such as Creative Writing, Create Your Own Poetry Collage and Graphic Novel Creations.

In the lead-up to the festival, children are invited to join Ink and Imagination with Gabriel Evans on **Wednesday 20 August** from 4pm to 5pm.

In this interactive session, Evans will share his step-by-step process for developing characters, before participants have a turn creating their own characters.

The festival and workshops will give local children a chance to peek behind the curtain of storytelling, discover new ideas and let their imaginations run wild.

The City of Gosnells Children's Book Week Festival is supported by the WA Government and Children's Book Council of Australia WA. Visit [gosnells.wa.gov.au](http://gosnells.wa.gov.au) for details.



## Are you enrolled to vote?

The City of Gosnells Council Election is coming up on Saturday 18 October – and now is the time to make sure your details are up-to-date on the State Electoral Roll.

Six Councillors will be elected to represent the community for a four-year term this election.

The deadline for new enrolments and changes to enrolment details is **Friday 22 August**.

Check if you are eligible to vote in this year's City of Gosnells Council Election on the City's website.

People who own property, but do not occupy or reside in the City, can enrol to vote via the The Owners' and Occupiers' Roll.

Voting in local government elections is not compulsory, but voting is the best way to have your say on how the City is governed.

Details about the 2025 City of Gosnells Council Election are on the City's website.

## Dave O'Neil at DRPAC

Renowned funny man Dave O'Neil will bring his critically-acclaimed stand-up show, *Overweight Lightweight*, to Don Russell Performing Arts Centre (DRPAC) in Thornlie on **Thursday 21 August**.

Known for his regular appearances on the popular TV shows *Spicks and Specks* and *Have You Been Paying Attention*, Dave has been a mainstay on the Melbourne International Comedy Festival circuit, having shared his cheeky larrikin humour with audiences for nearly three decades.

Visit [gosnells.wa.gov.au](http://gosnells.wa.gov.au) to book your ticket.



## Events listing

### Community Science Corner launch day special event

Saturday 9 August  
9am – 12pm  
Gosnells Library

### An Evening of John Denver with Strings

Saturday 23 August  
7.30pm – 9.45pm  
DRPAC Thornlie

### Supercharge Your Sales workshop

Thursday 28 August  
9am – 12pm  
Business Station

### Smart Shopping on a Budget: free workshop

Thursday 28 August  
9am – 10.30am  
Gosnells Library

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

## Councillor's Corner



As a City of Gosnells Councillor, I'm proud to be part of a community where people genuinely care for one another. Creating a safe community doesn't always require big actions – often, it starts with the small things we do every day.

Simple habits like checking on neighbours, reporting suspicious activity and keeping your property well-lit can make a real difference. Get to know the people on your street. A friendly wave or a quick chat builds trust and strengthens neighbourhoods.

Community safety is a shared responsibility. Whether it's joining a Neighbourhood Watch group, securing your home or simply picking up litter, every action counts.

Councillors, together with the City of Gosnells, are committed to fostering a safe, welcoming environment for everyone. When we look out for each other, we create not just safer streets – but stronger, more connected communities.

Let's keep working together to make our City the best it can be.

Councillor Glenn Dewhurst

## Rebates for CCTV

City of Gosnells residents and business owners can apply now for a rebate covering half the cost of an effective CCTV system, up to \$500.

The Safe City Community CCTV Program is aimed at improving community safety. Conditions apply.

Visit [gosnells.wa.gov.au](http://gosnells.wa.gov.au) for details and application forms.