WINTER 2014 BURWOOD UPDATE

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Mayor’s Message

As the curtain closes on what has been a successful financial year, with the opening of the Library and Community Hub, George Street Centre and Fitzroy Centre at Woodstock, Council is continuing to deliver new projects to the community.

Upgrades are now complete at several parks across the area with new rubber soft fall material, bocce courts and a dog off leash area at Blair Park, new playground and seating at Reed Reserve at The Strand and a shade structure at Monash Reserve.

The new financial year is already off to a busy start with Council delivering more exciting projects including Railway Square, a new open space in the heart of the Burwood Town Centre and major upgrades to Burwood Park.

Renovations will be made at two of our historic facilities, the Enfield Aquatic Centre and Woodstock Community Centre to ensure that future generations can enjoy these amenities as we have.

From upgrading our community facilities to maintaining our infrastructure such as local roads, footpaths, kerbs and gutter, Council is committed to tackling the backlog in infrastructure and providing a high level of service to our residents.

If you have any suggestions for the betterment of our local community, please do not hesitate to contact my office on 9911 9916 or by email at mayor@burwood.nsw.gov.au.

Cr John Faker
Mayor of Burwood

Capital Works program rolls into action

Mayor Faker discusses the recently completed Greenhills Street works with Ashfield Mayor Lucille McKenna

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‘Scan and go’ system coming to Enfield Aquatic Centre

A new ‘scan and go’ system will be introduced at the Enfield Aquatic Centre following annual maintenance.

The Aquatic Centre recently underwent renovations which included regrouting, maintenance to the pool shell, replacement of entry steps in the indoor pool and improvements to the filtration and heating system.

Membership forms are available at Council’s website.

Railway Square underway

An open space in the heart of Burwood Town Centre is a step closer with works at Railway Square underway.

The community square will feature a café/restaurant, dining area and green space, and is within walking distance to both Burwood Station and the Library and Community Hub.

A modern touch to Burwood Park

Burwood Park will undergo a modern facelift with upgrades to the amenities block and a new café at the entrance of the park.

The new eco-friendly amenities block will feature a self cleaning system designed to maximise patron safety, hygiene and convenience.
E-waste drop-off days
E-waste drop-off days at Burwood Council Depot. Please visit Council’s website or phone Customer Service for information on accepted items.
Date: Saturdays 12 July, 9 August, 13 September
Time: 8am – 12noon
Location: Kingsbury Street, Croydon Park

Sandakan Remembrance Service
The annual Sandakan Remembrance Service in Burwood Park serves to honour the efforts of Australian soldiers who were made prisoners by the Japanese Imperial Army at Sandakan and who made the infamous death marches to Ranau.
Date: Sunday, 3 August
Time: 11am
Location: Burwood Park

Second Hand Saturday
Second Hand Saturday Area 4 occurring on Saturday 9 August. Residents in parts of Burwood, Enfield & Croydon Park will receive notification of the garage sale. Please note registrations close Monday 28 July 2014.
Date: Saturday 9 August
Time: 8am – 2pm
Location: Check Council’s website for participating households

Burwood Festival
Join the party and help celebrate the 30th Burwood Festival.
Date: Sunday, 21 September
Time: 10am – 5pm
Location: Burwood Park

What’s on at Woodstock
22 Church Street, Burwood

Knitting and Fabric Craft
Make some beautiful and useful objects using fabric scraps. Get advice and inspiration for some knitting projects.
Date: Mondays 21 July - 25 August
Time: 10.30am-12.30pm
Cost: $30 for 6 weeks

Card Making
Join our volunteer tutor Jan and be guided to make beautiful handmade cards and gift boxes.
Date: Tuesday 15 July - 26 August
Time: 12.30pm-2.30pm
Cost: $5 weekly charge direct to tutor

Introduction to Chinese Painting
Learn to use Chinese brushes on paper and learn to appreciate the technical skills and spiritual nature of this ancient art form.
Date: Thursdays 17 July - 4 September
Time: 10am-12pm
Cost: $40 for 8 weeks

What’s on
Fitter and Stronger Exercise with SHARE
Improve strength, stamina, flexibility and balance. Course designed for seniors and those new to exercise.
Date: Mondays 14 July - 15 September
Time: 9am-10am
Cost: $50 for 10 weeks

Lite’N’Low Exercise with SHARE
Low impact aerobic class suitable for seniors and those new to exercise.
Date: Tuesdays 15 July - 16 September
Time: 10am-11am
Cost: $50 for 10 weeks

Yoga for Relaxation
Learn how to stretch, relax and improve concentration. Suitable for beginners and continuing students.
Date: Tuesdays 15 July - 9 September
Time: 6pm-7pm
Cost: $80 for 9 weeks (first session free)

Zumba
Join this fun, easy to follow dance and fitness session.
Date: Thursdays 17 July -11 September
Time: 9.45am-10.30am or 10.40am-11.30am
Cost: $40 for 9 weeks (first session free)

Relaxation Sessions
These sessions are designed to give you a taste before booking in to a regular program. Book in to one or all sessions.
Date:
Meditation - 18 and 25 July
Yoga - 1 and 8 August
Tai Chi - 15 and 22 August
Time: 10am-11am
Cost: $5 each session
The Independent Pricing and Regulatory Tribunal (IPART) has approved the first four years of Council’s application for a special variation above the rate peg. As a result the following annual rate increase will come into effect on July 2014:

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The additional funding generated from the special variation will be used to fund local infrastructure projects in order to address the $168m backlog in infrastructure identified by the NSW Treasury Corporation.

Council will continue to update the community on where the additional funding has been spent.

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Burwood Council receives high scores for environmental sustainability

Council received a sustainable choice scorecard above the benchmark from the NSW Government and Local Government NSW, which ranked its environmental practices and culture with other councils.

This result was achieved through numerous environmental initiatives since last year including the following:

- 11 tonnes of electronic waste collected since May 2013
- 17 environmental workshops held at primary schools and childcare centres since March
- Update to Council’s fleet to improve fuel efficiency and cost savings and reduce greenhouse gasses
- 54 fridges collected as part of the Fridge Buy Back scheme
- 581 reports of illegal dumping actioned with 39 Penalty Infringement Notices issued

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Burwood to host Small Business Expo

Burwood will host this year’s premier event for local businesses at the brand new Library and Community Hub.

The Inner West Small Business Expo will be held from 10am to 3pm on Friday, 22 August. The theme for this year is ‘Changes in the Economy’, which will explore the economic environment that businesses operate in now and in the future.

The event will provide local small business owners the opportunity to network, share ideas and bring together like-minded people to share their experiences.

When: Friday, 22 August
Where: Burwood Library and Community Hub
Time: 10am-3pm
Cost: $33

To book, or for more information, please call 9335 2233 or visit www.trubooking.com/93578
Burwood Festival turns 30!

Join all your favourite superheroes in Burwood Park as we celebrate the 30th Burwood Festival with a super birthday party on Sunday, 21 September.

There’ll be breathtaking performances, thrilling rides, award winning food stalls and much more.

Follow us on Facebook or Twitter (@BurwoodFestival) for the latest news including lineup announcements and fun competitions.

Date: Sunday, 21 September
Time: 10am – 5pm
Location: Burwood Park

Here to listen and help

You can contact any of Burwood’s Councillors by calling Council on 9911 9911 or by using the information below.

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