

BaysideBrief

Newsletter of City of Canada Bay

Livvi's Place

Children of all ages and abilities can now play side-by-side with the opening of Australia's first all abilities playground.

Located at Timbrell Park in Five Dock, Livvi's Place is the result of more than two years collaboration by founding partners Touched by Olivia Foundation, City of Canada Bay and Leighton Contractors.

Designed in consultation with leading academics, play, disability, and landscape experts, and the local community, the playground reduces the barriers experienced by children with special needs and their families, helping to give them a level playing field for life. The unique design addresses the needs of children with various disabilities including mobility, vision and hearing impairment and spectrum disorders.

Families are enjoying the difference that Livvi's Place means for them, including Sandra Casinader, a mother of two children with autism. "When I saw the playground plans, I actually started crying because every single thing that makes it so difficult for us and many of my friends in a similar situation to use a 'typical' playground has been so completely addressed; the attention to detail is astounding," Mrs Casinader said.

The City of Canada Bay has worked closely with the community and partners to bring Livvi's Place to fruition. It's a fantastic achievement for the local community.

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PassionArt along the bay

PassionArt, Canada Bay's newest event, is a twilight celebration of love and romance in all incarnations.

PassionArt will be held on Sunday, 14 February, Valentine's Day, along the Bay Run on Henley Marine Drive from 4-9pm.

As part of PassionArt, a series of fantastic cultural installations all themed around love will be located at various points along the Bay Run from the Iron Cove Bridge to Rodd Park. Do, see, listen and feel: each installation will offer a unique interpretation of love and romance! On the water, on the ground and in the air, the installations will showcase emerging local artists as well as some of Sydney's most innovative and experienced cultural performers. You'll even be able to enjoy a screening of a romantic film.

Bring your family, bring your friends, bring someone you love and enjoy the beautiful surrounds with tasty treats available for purchase. What better way to celebrate Valentine's Day by the water!

We'll be asking event go-ers to vote for their favourite installation, so come along to find out how you'll be able to cast your vote and go in the running for some great prizes.

PassionArt is a free event offered by the City of Canada Bay and PassionArt supporters, the Commonwealth Bank, Derivan, Adshel, Transpacific Cleanaway, the Inner West Courier and Communities for Communities.

For further information visit www.passionart.info or contact Council on 9911 6555.



Mayor's Message

Welcome to 2010! Last year was a busy and exciting year and 2010 looks set to be as well. With many great things planned, *Bayside Brief* will keep you informed with what's happening at Council and in our community.

A number of major projects were delivered in 2009 including Livvi's Place at Timbrell Park, Five Dock. In addition to this a number of exciting projects are currently underway including the upgrade of Drummoyne Oval, thanks to Council's successful application for funding through the Federal Government's Community Infrastructure Projects program.

2009 was a tough year for the economy and this year sees Council with ongoing challenges in terms of funding its vast infrastructure portfolio. We will be looking at working with our community during the year to find ways we can address these challenges.

On behalf of Council I would like to thank the community for their support in 2009 and I look forward to working with you all on a range of exciting projects over the coming year.

Finally, I'd like to invite our community to PassionArt, a signature event taking place on Valentine's Day (Sunday, 14 February) along the Bay Run in Canada Bay at 4-9pm. This is a new event for Council and I encourage you to bring your family and friends along.

Mayor Angelo Tsirekas
City of Canada Bay

Visit my website: follow the link from www.canadabay.nsw.gov.au

Citizen's of the year awarded

Congratulations to our community! Council announced the recipients of the 2009 Citizen of the Year Awards at a special ceremony held at Concord Community Centre on Australia Day.

Reflecting outstanding contributions to the community, winners were announced for Citizen of the Year (aged 25 years and over), Young Citizen of the Year (aged 12 to 24 years), Sport Citizen of the Year and Arts and Culture Citizen of the Year.

Citizen of the Year was awarded to Warwick Williams from Drummoyne. Warwick, a local businessman, has worked tirelessly with Rotary and served as the Chairman of the Inner West Red Shield Appeal for 25 years. He supports local business and has been a major sponsor of locally based charity Communities for Communities for several years. Warwick is a generous and committed leader to his staff and within the community.

Young Citizen of the Year was awarded to 20 year old Vishaal Sharma from Abbotsford. Vishaal is a young man committed to changing the world we live in for the better, founding the UNSW Education Without Borders Society and national youth organisation Meeting of the Minds, as well as working in India for several months with charity organisation Janaagraha. He is an active member of the Canada Bay Youth Committee and the local Amnesty International Urgent Action Network. Due to being overseas, Vishaal's award was accepted by his mother.

Sports Citizen of the Year went to Carla Blancato from Concord. Carla has been actively involved in local club soccer since the age of six. At the age of 14, she graduated to the Women's State League soccer competition, playing in the Under 14 Girls side

in 2008 and captaining the team to victory in 2009.

Arts and Culture Citizen of the Year went to Terry Robinson from Concord West. A dedicated community member, Terry has volunteered his time and skills as a graphic artist to Concord Heritage Society for many years. He was integral in designing and constructing authentic displays for the new City of Canada Bay Museum and often donates his artwork to fundraise for charitable causes. He is an active member of his church and Concord Rotary, offering his services wherever needed.

The Australia Day ceremony was attended by Australia Day Ambassador Elma Fleming.

Born and raised in Scotland, Elma has given her life to the service of those forgotten in our society. After arriving in Australia in 1987, Elma began her work at the Wayside Chapel's Crisis Centre in Kings Cross initially as a volunteer, then as a part time employee and as full time Director of Human Services. Her work at the Centre over the past 20 years involved working with the homeless, victims of drug and alcohol abuse, the mentally ill and a range of people with other social needs. Elma also works with young mothers in prison, with Missing Persons organisations and with the indigenous community in and around Sydney and is actively involved with these organisations today. At the ceremony Elma gave a keynote address and welcomed the enthusiastic residents who took up Australian citizenship on the day.

Mayor Angelo Tsirekas with the 2009 Citizen of the Year recipients.





L to R: The Hon. John Murphy MP, Dr Harry Harinath, Mayor Angelo Tsirekas and Simon Laughton (AFL Game Development Manager)

Drummoyne Oval Precinct update

Work is forging ahead on the Drummoyne Oval Precinct.

The upgrade has been made possible with a grant through the Australian Government's Regional and Local Community Infrastructure Program. The funding has provided Council with an opportunity to enhance the Drummoyne Oval Precinct to develop a quality community sporting, recreational and cultural area.

Recent works undertaken have included renovations to the existing club house and installation of in ground services for electricity, gas, water supply and sewer drainage. Work has also started on the new community facility.

All care is being taken to minimise disruptions to our community throughout

the Drummoyne Oval Precinct upgrade.

The Oval remains open with minimal disruption to users and temporary amenities have been provided by the on-site contractor.

Elsewhere in the precinct, Council is also pleased to announce that upgrade work at Taplin Park boat ramp was completed ahead of schedule. The extended boat ramp and new pontoon are now open for our community to enjoy. This enhanced facility was made possible with a successful grant application through the State Government's Better Boating Program. We thank our community for their patience while these works were carried out.

Are you involved in a local sporting club?

Thanks to a grant from NSW Sport and Recreation, Council is running some great training workshops for local sporting clubs. Scheduled to take place between February and May, these free courses will cover a variety of subjects and skills. This is a great opportunity and we encourage participation from all sporting club members. The workshops offered are:

Child Protection - Monday, 22 February
Game Sense - Monday, 8 March

Running your Club - Monday, 15 March
Orientation to Managing Sports Teams - Monday, 22 March
General Principles of Coaching - Monday, 3 and Monday, 10 May

More information about the courses, including booking forms are available on Council's website or contact Council on 9911 6555 for further details.

Bay Day

Time for tea at Bay Day!

Get ready for Bay Day, an exciting event on the City of Canada Bay event calendar.

Bay Day will return to Mcllwaine Park on the Rhodes foreshore for a second year on Sunday, 28 March.

Come along from 12-4pm and enjoy family fun and entertainment.

Celebrating the wonderful world of tea and its popularity among many cultures, Bay Day will have something for the whole family, especially the kids.

Learn about tea from around the world and try new varieties and specialist tea products.

Enjoy swing and gypsy jazz music performances throughout the day plus lots more entertainment.

Browse market stalls where everything you need to make the perfect cup of tea will be available for sale, plus lots more.

Visit the tea tent where you can have your tea leaves read and indulge in a variety of tasty treats.

Bring the kids for a fun day out with *Beauty and the Beast* themed activities, plus plenty of rides and entertainment.

Don't miss Bay Day on Sunday, 28 March at Mcllwaine Park, Rhodes.

Sip and celebrate at Bay Day!



Have your say at Canada Bay today!

Council has established a new feedback mechanism, designed to collect customer opinions and feedback, all via a simple keypad. The innovative keypads are located at the entrance of our Customer Service Centre (Drummoyne) and at Concord Library's Customer Service Desk.

The system is very easy to use and will enable you to tell us what you thought of your visit to Council, and where you want us to focus our efforts. With the push of a button, you can give us your opinion in 30 seconds or less. Our customer service teams will meet every week to discuss your feedback, identify areas that require immediate improvement, and will communicate to you what we are doing to make your experiences better. We are trying to improve our operations in every way we can, and you can help by giving us your thoughts each time you visit.



Live Life!

NSW Seniors Week (21-28 March) celebrates the valuable contribution seniors make to our community. It is a way of saying thank you to seniors and a great opportunity for all generations to join together and celebrate. The City of Canada Bay is hosting a range of exciting activities for our senior citizens.

Health and Wellbeing Expo

Tuesday, 23 March

11am-3pm

Five Dock Library

4-12 Garfield Street, Five Dock

Enjoy afternoon tea and learn about staying healthy and fit with advice and demonstrations on nutrition and gentle exercise techniques. Staying mentally fit can be fun too. The library will display a range of books, audio readers and details on the home library service to keep those mental neurons firing.

Concord Food Service Picnic Day

Wednesday, 24 March

10.30am-2.30pm

Rotary Park Kokoda Track

All seniors are welcome to join this free event. Concord Food Services will provide the fabulous picnic fare. There will also be a guided tour of the Kokoda Information Centre. Contact Concord Community Food Services on 9747 1135 to book your place.

Social Dance

Friday, 26 March

7pm till late

Concord Senior Citizen's Centre,

11 Wellbank Street, Concord

Cost is \$5 (includes up to 4 free lessons)

Come and dance to your favourite tunes with dances including Gypsy, Tap and Canadian 3 Step. For tickets contact Jan on 0411 280 828 or leave a message at the Centre on 9743 5793. Free lessons are provided in the two weeks before the event. If you would like to learn the dances or brush up your skills contact Helen on 9911 6580.

Cruise the Harbour

Wednesday, 31 March

11am pickup and 3pm set down from Cabarita Wharf

11.15am pickup and 2.45pm set down from Abbotsford Wharf

Cost is \$25

Enjoy a scenic cruise on Sydney Harbour while enjoying a delicious lunch. Contact Council on 9911 6555 for a booking form.

Living Art

Sunday 21 - 28 March

Five Dock Library

4-12 Garfield Street, Five Dock

Come and see what your local senior artists are doing at a special art show in the library.

Thanks for the memories

Saturday, 20 and 27 March, Sunday, 21 and 28 March, Wednesday, 24 March
10am-4pm

**City of Canada Bay Museum,
1 Bent Street, Concord**

Did you grow up in Concord or Drummoyne? Come and take a trip down memory lane at the Canada Bay Museum. View old photographs of the area and objects from days gone by. It has certainly changed a lot in the past 100 years.

Introduction to Lawn Bowls

Tuesday, 23 and Thursday, 25 March at 2pm and Wednesday, 24 March at 11am

Come and try lawn bowls. Concord RSL Women's Bowling Club will provide free coaching and bowls. Contact 9747 4530 or 9743 1918 to book your place.

Capturing cultural diversity in Canada Bay

As part of Harmony Day 2010, the City of Canada Bay is pleased to present a creative and inspiring photography project to encapsulate the City's cultural diversity through photography and story telling.

Participants will capture the images of places, people and objects that make our community culturally rich and diverse, which represent multiculturalism and harmony in Canada Bay. The images will be launched on Harmony Day (21 March) and will be on exhibition at Concord Library throughout April.

Professional photographer Andrew Masser will guide participants over four weeks to develop photography skills, demonstrate how to design a photography portfolio and give tips on how to exhibit work using a unique style and approach.

These free workshops will be held on 13, 20 and 27 February and on 6 March. Each workshop will run from 2-4pm at Five Dock Library, and are suitable for beginners and intermediate photographers. Participants must have a digital camera and memory card and be over 16.

Let's get creative and have some fun exploring, expressing and celebrating Canada Bay's cultural diversity through photography! Numbers are limited, so contact Council now on 9911 6555 to book your place.

Catching on

Swine flu hit the headlines in 2009 and with it came renewed public interest in all things contagious. To find out more about communicable diseases, come along to the next of Council's ongoing series of public health forums.

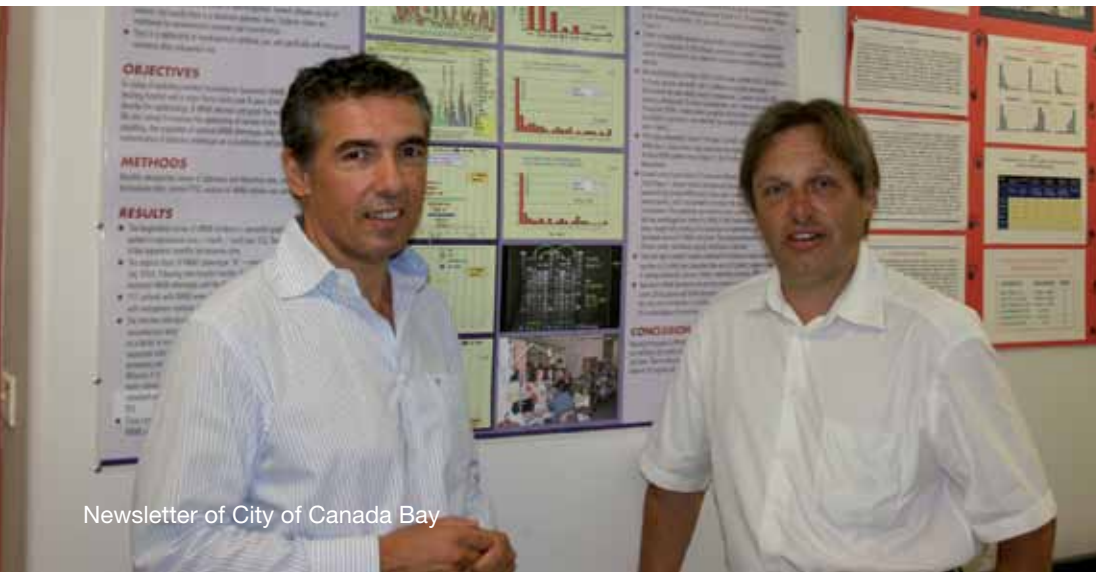
Presented in conjunction with Concord Hospital, this free forum on communicable diseases will be held at 7pm on Monday, 15 March at Concord Hospital Clinical Services Lecture Theatre.

With a panel of experts, led by Dr Tom Gottlieb, Head of Microbiology at Concord

Hospital, the forum will discuss everything from how to avoid infection to the role of immunisation. There will also be the opportunity for attendees to ask the panellists questions.

To book your place, contact Council on 9911 6580.

Mayor Angelo Tsirekas with Dr Tom Gottlieb from Concord Hospital



Connected in the City

Council is offering non-profit organisations a great opportunity to gain free exposure through our online Community Information Directory.

Canada Bay Library Services and Community Development work together to provide the Local Information Network for Community Services directory (LINCS).

LINCS is a free service for those wanting to generate awareness in Canada Bay, or those wanting to reach a specific target audience. There are currently over 250 community organisations on this database ranging from child care services, playgroups, schools and church groups, to scouts, rotary clubs, musical groups, and soccer and rugby clubs.

Associations, co-ops, collectives, societies, support groups, social clubs and nursing homes are also welcome to list their services on LINCS.

Council recognises the need to work, share and participate together as a community and LINCS is a great opportunity to do this. The directory is part of a network of over 50 other councils which means the reach is extensive. Residents as close as Ashfield to the City of Wagga Wagga will be easily able to find you.

Community groups are invited to promote their services through LINCS simply by posting a brief description of activities or events, adding a link to the website and there is the option of including a map.

For more information about LINCS, contact Library Services on 9911 6342 or comminfo@canadabay.nsw.gov.au.



Coming soon to a street near you

Did you know that this month the NSW Government plans to remove the toll on the M4?

While that might sound pretty good, residents of the City of Canada Bay should think again. This decision will mean 500 extra vehicles an hour will use the M4 because of the toll removal; and this will rise to an extra 2,000 per hour by 2011. With Parramatta Road already at gridlock, how many of these frustrated drivers do you think will look for shortcuts on our suburban and residential streets? But this doesn't have to happen.

The City of Canada Bay is calling on the NSW Government not to remove the toll and use the funds collected to deliver better roads, better public transport and better integration across all travel and transport options.

Join our campaign now - register your opposition to the removal of the toll by emailing your message for the NSW Government to yoursay@canadabay.nsw.gov.au.

Planning ahead

In 2008, the City of Canada Bay developed FuturesPlan20, a 20 year strategic plan to ensure our City and its people can respond in a positive and constructive way to the challenges ahead.

FuturesPlan20 was developed over twelve months through an extensive series of workshops, community forums and meetings with residents, business, government agencies, service providers and others who have a stake in the future of our City. Since FuturesPlan20 was prepared, Council has been working hard implementing a four year Delivery Plan that outlines the first round of strategies we are using to achieve the vision FuturesPlan20 outlines.

Recent legislation passed by the NSW Government has introduced a new system of long term strategic planning and reporting for local government. To ensure we comply with the new requirements, over coming months Council will be undertaking community consultation to reconfirm the

themes of FuturesPlan20 and the strategies in our Delivery Plan.

We will also be seeking your input on important issues about services provided by Council and the ongoing challenge of how to fund the maintenance of the City's \$256 million worth of buildings, roads, footpaths, drains, sea walls, public amenities and recreation facilities to the level you expect. This is an important opportunity to make sure we're headed in the right direction, and a chance for you to get involved in shaping the future of your city. Visit our website to stay up to date with information about the consultation, and why not think about joining our Canada Bay FuturesPlan20 Panel to help us (see below for more information).

Talk of the town

As part of our ongoing commitment to community engagement, we are establishing the Canada Bay FuturesPlan20 Panel. The Panel is an important initiative of the City to engage with our local residents on a variety of issues. Through the panel, members will provide valuable feedback, opinions and ideas on issues that face the City, and help us determine the best way to tackle them. Anyone who lives, works or has an interest in the City of Canada Bay can join. To find out how to sign up, and what membership will involve, visit Council's website.



What's it worth?

Did you know that the NSW Land and Property Management Authority has released new land valuations for about 18,120 properties in the City of Canada Bay?

If you're a property owner in the City, you should have received a notice from the LPMA notifying you of your land value. This is important information, as in the City of

Canada Bay, rates are calculated based on land value (subject to a minimum amount). Valuations are carried out approximately every four years and if you don't agree with the land value, you have 60 days to object.

For more information on your land valuation, call the LPMA's toll free number 1800 110 038.



Action on Climate Change in Canada Bay

As many of us are aware, the climate in Australia is changing.

As a result, it is likely we will experience hotter and drier summers, milder winters, more rainfall, an increased risk of flooding, a rise in sea levels and more extreme weather events including strong winds, lightning, hail storms and heat waves.

To reduce our susceptibility to climate change, City of Canada Bay is anticipating potential climate issues and putting measures in place to respond to these.

Action on climate change can be separated into two categories: mitigation and adaptation. Mitigation refers to activities that aim to reduce climate change or the rate of change. Adaptation refers to activities that aim to reduce the potential negative impacts of climate change, and capitalise on any new opportunities.

Council is planning for the effects of climate change through preparation of a Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Action Plan. The Plan is being developed with Council's dedicated Climate Change

Coordinator through participation in the Adaptive and Resilient Communities (ARC) Program, a national capacity-building program run by the International Council for Local Environmental Initiatives.

The Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Action Plan will provide a framework for Council to incorporate climate risks into plans for the future and will increase the awareness of climate change and potential impacts with our community.

We are committed to providing a green, healthy and liveable City for our community and will be focusing on sustainability and climate change through the year. We will report to our community on the progress of the Climate Change Adaptation and Mitigation Action Plan as it develops and provide opportunities for discussion through climate change conversations with our community.

Operation RoadSafe in Canada Bay

Operation RoadSafe is a joint program of the RTA, the NSW Police and the Motor Accidents Authority.

Support from local councils enables this specialised road safety enforcement program to be targeted for local communities to make our roads as safe as possible.

Operation RoadSafe was staged in November 2009, with Police targeting drink/driving, speeding and the non-wearing of seatbelts. Locally, the operation was a great success. In this one blitz, 847 random breath tests were undertaken, 229 traffic infringements were issued and 14 charges laid (including three for drink driving).

Everyone needs to take responsibility for their actions on our roads and help keep the toll down. Operation RoadSafe is a successful community-focussed approach to saving lives on local roads and as a community we have to continue working together to get the message through. Please take care and drive responsibly on our roads.

Mayor Angelo Tsirekas with Burwood Local Area Commander Superintendent Rod Smith.



Did you know?

You can find out about waste collection services for your street including recycling, garden organics and bulk household items online? You can also find out what you can and can't recycle and where you can take unwanted household items. Simply visit www.canadabay.nsw.gov.au, Resident Services, Waste and Recycling Services and follow the links.

Our Waste Hotline 1300 551 659 is available 8am-5pm Monday to Friday for enquiries regarding missed services, damaged, stolen, additional bins and commercial services.



Sustainable City Committee Member Andy Doldissen with his 5,000 litre rainwater tank.

Make your home sustainable

Do you want to decrease your carbon footprint, but aren't sure where to start?

We are all looking for ways to become more sustainable in our lives and in particularly in our homes. Two of the easiest ways to become more sustainable are to switch from an old electric water heater to solar power, and to install water saving systems like a rainwater tank or grey water system. At the moment, both the federal and state governments are offering thousands of dollars in rebates and green loan schemes to help you make these changes.

Come along to a free seminar hosted by City of Canada Bay and the NSW Master Plumbers Association to receive expert advice about these options and the rebates

and schemes available. The seminar will be held at 6.30pm on Tuesday, 23 February at Drummoyne Civic Hall. For further information and to book, contact Council on 9911 6411.

Want to attend further education events?

This is the first in a series of 'Treading lightly - eco living in the inner west' free sustainability workshops to be delivered jointly by Leichhardt, Ashfield, Strathfield, Burwood and Canada Bay councils. The workshops will run from February through to May and you can contact Council on 9911 6555 for a calendar of events.

Help save the environment

You can now register to receive your rates notices by email.

By choosing to receive your rates notices electronically you will be supporting your community by reducing greenhouse gas emissions and water consumption in line with our FuturesPlan20 targets.

To produce one tonne of plain paper it takes on average 20 full grown trees and requires over 90,000 litres of water. This produces approximately eight tonnes of greenhouse

gases with 96 kilograms of waste sent to landfill.

Using less paper leads to savings in water, trees, emissions, chemicals and electricity.

For further information or to register to receive you rates by email please contact Council's Rates Coordinator on 9911 6555 or visit Council's website.

Clean up the Bay this CUAD!

The City of Canada Bay has always had fantastic local community support for Clean Up Australia Day and in 2010 we are looking for more volunteers than ever to get involved by caring for our City.

This year also marks the 20th anniversary of this national environmental event, so what better way to celebrate this achievement than to volunteer to clean up on Sunday March 7, 2010. Local schools or local businesses in the City of Canada Bay don't have to miss out: they can get involved as well. Schools and businesses have their own clean up days on Tuesday, 2 March and Friday, 5 March.

Get involved by either registering a site that you would like to clean up or finding a clean up site in your local area that has been registered.

Go to www.cleanupaustaliaday.org.au for more information about registering or finding a local site to volunteer your clean up services.

Welcome to the e-waste roundup

On Saturday, 20 February, local residents will have the opportunity to dispose of their e-waste in the most environmentally responsible manner.

Council's first e-waste collection day will be held at Cintra Park Car Park, Crane St Concord between 9.30am and 3.30pm. If you have any electronic waste items that you would like to be recycled, please bring them along on the day. You can recycle computers (including monitors), keyboards, printers, scanners and faxes, televisions, DVD players, stereos, mobile phones and cartridges (cartridges and toner bottles must be removed from equipment beforehand). You can even recycle household appliances such as irons, kettles, toasters, vacuum cleaners and power tools.

Recycling these items ensures they don't end up in landfill where they will generate and release hazardous toxins into the soil and groundwater as the material breaks down.

The e-waste collection day is free to local residents (please provide proof of residency). Please support the day by keeping e-waste out of your garbage bin or bulk household collection in readiness for this great initiative.

Further information and a complete list of items accepted are available on Council's website.



Did you know?

On average each Australian household receives 120 kilograms of junk mail each year.

Would you like to reduce your carbon footprint by reducing the amount of junk mail delivered to your letterbox? To receive your free no advertising mail sticker for your letterbox call 1800 676 136 or send a stamped self addressed envelop to DSB Sticker, PO Box 6252 Karingal Victoria 3199.

If you can't live without junk mail, why not view your favourite catalogues online. Many retailers put their catalogues online to be downloaded, or you could sign up for a newsletter and have it emailed to you.



Australia Day honours

Congratulations to Canada Bay community members who received 2010 Australia Day honours.

Honours have gone to Geoffrey Glasscock from Five Dock who received a Member of the Order of Australia for his service in the development of programs and services to assist people experiencing grief and bereavement, and to the Anglican Church of Australia.

Warwick Watkins from Mortlake also received a Member of the Order of Australia for service to natural resource management through leadership roles within a range of public sector agencies.

William Hamilton from Waremba received a Medal of the Order of Australia for service to youth through the Stewart House Preventorium.

A Public Service Medal was awarded to Michael Harkins from Abbotsford for outstanding public service to the Community Engagement and Events Division of the NSW Department of Premier and Cabinet.

Council would like to congratulate these local residents on receiving these much deserved accolades.

Anita Heiss at Concord Library

Anita Heiss is a writer, poet, activist, social commentator and academic.

She is the author of many books including *Who Am I? The Diary of Mary Talence, Sydney, 1937*, which was shortlisted for the NSW Premier's Literary Awards Young People's History Prize.

She is a member of the Wiradjuri nation of central New South Wales, but grew up in Sydney. Anita will be talking about her latest book *Manhattan Dreaming*. Books written by Anita Heiss will be available for

purchase at the event.

Join us at Concord Library on Thursday, 11 March at 1pm.

Prepaid booking is essential. Please complete the online form or contact Concord Library on 9911 6210. Cost is \$7 (includes refreshments).



Before you renovate

Before You Renovate is a free seminar for residents thinking of building a new home, adding an extension or renovating. It's a great way to find out all you need to know before commencing work on a property. Learn the difference between exempt and complying development, how the development application process works, how to build sustainably and if there are

rebates available to you.

Before You Renovate will be held on Tuesday, 23 February from 6.30pm at Concord Library. Contact Council's Economic Development team on 9911 6555 or email business@canadabay.nsw.gov.au to book.



Picnic on Rodd Island

Situated in the Iron Cove River, Rodd Island has been the venue for many celebrations. It has also been the picnic venue for locals for well over a century. Every Sunday in February The National Parks and Wildlife Service is inviting people to come and explore the serene setting of Rodd Island. With traditional games on the lawn and special guests, there is something for everyone. Bookings are essential and

numbers are limited. For further information and bookings contact Cadmans Cottage on 9247 5033 (events vary each Sunday, please enquire at time of booking).

If you have an image, story or any memorabilia on Rodd Island that you would like to share to become part of a display, please contact Nicole Ribera at National Parks and Wildlife Service on 92475033 or email nicole.ribera@environment.nsw.gov.au.





Community spirit in the City

Christmas was a festive time in the City with a number of residents holding their annual street Christmas party. William Street in Concord was one party residents enjoyed. Local kids were excited to see Council close off the street so they could safely run around and play in the jumping castle set up on the road. Santa made a

guest appearance along with Concord Fire Brigade (a resident of William Street is a fireman). Canada Bay Mayor Angelo Tsirekas came to wish everyone a Merry Christmas (and cook the barbecue!). William Street residents had a great time and are looking forward to doing it again next year.

Growing food in small spaces

Would you like to grow food but don't think you have the space? Come along to this free practical workshop and learn how you can.

Whether you have a small balcony space, courtyard or containers, unearth the rewards and personal satisfaction of creating a healthy garden that is productive and works with nature.

Participants are encouraged to bring a recycled pot (at least 20cm diameter) to create a container garden to take home.

Please bring gloves, hat, sunscreen and wear covered shoes.

Growing food in small spaces will be held at Concord Community Centre on Saturday, 17 April from 9.30am-12pm.

To register your attendance contact Council on 9911 6411 or email environment@canadabay.nsw.gov.au.



To submit contributions to the 'Around the City' pages in the next edition of Bayside Brief, please contact Council's Communication and Public Relations team on 9911 6555.

Sunday, 14 February

PassionArt

4-9pm, along the Bay Run
www.passionart.info

Saturday, 20 February

E-waste roundup

9.30am-3.30pm
Cintra Park Carpark
Crane St, Concord
More info: 9911 6555

Tuesday, 23 February

Rainwater tank information night

6.30pm, Drummoyne Civic Hall
To book: 9911 6411

Tuesday, 23 February

Before you renovate

6.30pm, Concord Library
To book: 9911 6555

Wednesday, 24 February and 24 March

Home based business workshop

9.15-11.30am, Concord Library
More info: 9911 6555

Friday, 12 March

Anita Heiss author talk

1pm, Concord Library
To book: 9911 6210

Monday, 15 March

Health forum

7pm, Concord Hospital
To book: 9911 6580

Sunday, 28 March

Bay Day

12-4pm, McIlwaine Park, Rhodes
More info: 9911 6555

10 - 18 April

Youth Week

More info: 9911 6555

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1a Marlborough Street, Drummoyne

Open Mon-Fri 8.30am-4.30pm

Ph 9911 6555 **Fax** 9911 6550

Email council@canadabay.nsw.gov.au
www.canadabay.nsw.gov.au

Helpful contact details

Waste Hotline: 1300 551 659

Available 8am-5pm, Mon-Fri
Information about collections, missed services, damaged, stolen, additional bins and commercial services.

Wet Weather Hotline: 9911 6375

Information about the impact of wet weather on Council's parks and sporting fields.

Five Dock Library: 9911 6310

Level 1, 4-12 Garfield St, Five Dock

Concord Library: 9911 6200

Cnr Wellbank and Flavelle Sts, Concord

Opening hours vary. Contact your local library for more information.

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Council Meetings

City of Canada Bay Council meetings are held on the first and third Tuesday of each month. Development matters are usually dealt with at the meeting on the first Tuesday of the month. Meetings start at 6pm and are held at the Canada Bay Civic Centre. Council meeting agendas are available to the public in our libraries or on our website the Saturday before a meeting, and are also available from the Canada Bay Civic Centre on the Monday before a meeting.