

Merry Christmas & HAPPY NEW YEAR

Carols by Candlelight 2023

Carols by Candlelight will be held Sunday 10th December at Manners Hill Park commencing at 6.30pm.

We look forward to seeing you all there for another exciting, fun night of Carolling, raffle prizes and an opportunity to catch up with family and friends. All proceeds go to The Salvation Army's Christmas Appeal BALGA Early Learning Centre, let's see if we can improve on last year's amazing total of \$5839.85 as a result of the incredibly generous support given by Peppermint Grove's residents.

Many congratulations, well done everyone! The results of the Western Metropolitan Regional Council (WMRC) bin tagging program which commenced in late February - April 2023 is featured in the infographic.

Word on Waste with WMRC

Bin tagging results are in!
Earlier this year, 181 of you had your bins checked for contamination. How did you do?

Recycling
We found that 88% of households were recycling right by week six - an impressive increase from 58% in week one.

Garden Organics (GO)
By the end of the six-week program, 98% of households had GO bins free from contamination (up from 94% in the first week). Way to GO!

General Waste
In week one, 72% of households were using their red-lidded general waste bin correctly. By the final week, this had increased to 91% - a great result!

Recycling Top Tips

- Keep plastic bags and other soft plastics (eg. biscuit packets, cling wrap and dog food bags) out of your recycling - they belong in the general waste bin.
- Rinse bottles and containers - there's no need to get out the scrubbing brush, a quick swish with water is fine.
- Not sure what can be recycled? Consult your waste and recycling guide or check the Recycle Right app.

Call the Recycling Hotline on 9384 6711

Join us online or sign up to our monthly newsletter at wmrc.wa.gov.au

Western Metropolitan Regional Council

Did you know...

If you are paying for additional bins (i.e. In addition to your 3 standard bins), 'Approved Additional Bin' stickers are now available at the Shire. Stick them to the front of your additional bins, there's a space to write your house number in permanent marker on the sticker identifying the address the bin belongs to, and this should help to alleviate any additional bins ending up back in the wrong location after emptying. For stickers simply email us at admin@peppermintgrove.wa.gov.au and state your name and address.

Waste Bin Numbering: If you use a permanent thick black marker and write the number of your property on the lid and front of your bins the probability of your bin going missing, being taken or being put back at the wrong property reduces drastically.

Freshwater Bay was named because of the numerous freshwater springs at the base of the cliffs of the bay and not because it is a bay of freshwater (the bay is part of the Swan River estuary and is permanently saline). The springs are less apparent today due to the extensive use of groundwater. One spring occurred at Keanes Point, Peppermint Grove; another was adjacent to the present day Wilson Street, Claremont. Dutch explorer Willem de Vlamingh found and used a freshwater spring near the intersection of Lilla and Keane Streets, on 5 January 1697 during his visit to the Swan River and it is probably this spring that led to Vlamingh giving Freshwater Bay its name.

Peppermint Grove was named after its trademark Swan River peppermint trees (*Agonis flexuosa*) lining many streets. The suburb spans only six blocks of prime river-bound land, with its main streets named after the first post-subdivision residents of the suburb - McNeil, Forrest, Leake, Irvine, Keane, Johnston and Venn.

Most aluminium, glass, plastic, steel and liquid paperboard beverage containers between 150ml and 3L are eligible for a 10 cent refund which is marked on the container. Peppermint Grove have an authorized refund point **Containers for Change** situated at the southern entrance to the Grove Shopping Centre near the entrance ramp. Follow the drop instructions on the hub, **Bag it, Tag it, Drop it**. You will receive the refund straight into your bank account. Container Deposit Schemes (CDS) can be a fantastic source of untied funding for not-for-profits and grassroots community organisations.

Container Deposit Schemes are great for the environment too. They prevent containers ending up in landfill or the ocean, they reduce the need for virgin plastics by making more recycled plastic available to manufacturers as well as lowering greenhouse gas emissions. Which as a result reduces water usage and helps create a circular economy.

The number one reason to recycle e-waste is for the environment, to separate the hazardous components like lead and mercury and ensure their responsible management. It also prevents developing world exploitation, using a local Department of Water Environmental Regulation (DWER) Licensed facility helps to prevent uncontrolled processing overseas. E-waste contains 90% of materials that can be recycled and reintroduced to the productive economy, including; gold, silver, copper, aluminium, steel and plastic. Please ensure you dispose of your e-waste at the West Metro Recycling Centre, corner of Brockway Road and Lemnos Street, Shenton Park. Please do not place any e-waste in your bins.

The Shire has developed a new DAIP for 2023-2027 which can be viewed on the Shire website

There's an upcoming exhibition the details are:

Memories of Mosman Park Football Club, On show in the Grove Library, 27th November to 8th December, 2023

The Shire will close Friday afternoon 15th December for the staff Christmas lunch

The Shire will close from COB Friday 22nd December and open its doors again Tuesday 2nd January 2024

The Library will be closed from Monday 25th December - Monday 1st January 2024

Shire of Peppermint Grove

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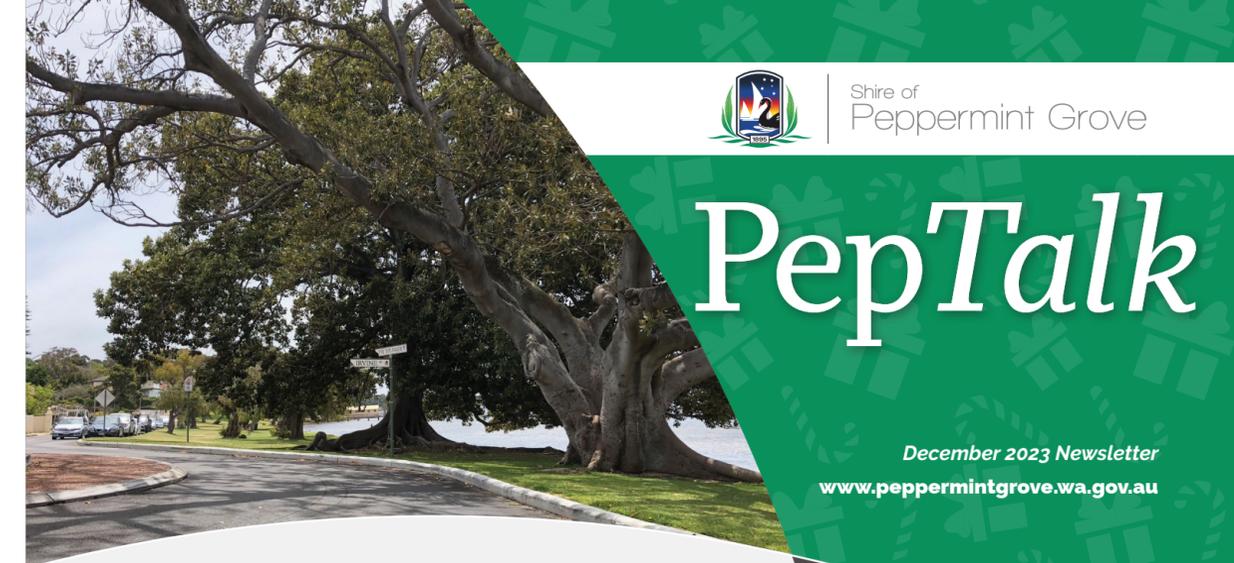
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www.peppermintgrove.wa.gov.au

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Message from the Shire President

This is my first Peptalk President's message as your new Shire President. My fellow Councillors elected me as President following the retirement of Rachel Thomas at the October elections. Rachel and fellow Councillor Dawne Horrex decided not to run again at the October elections. Their contribution to the Shire as Councillors including Rachel serving as Shire President for 12 years has been enormous and on behalf of the whole community I thank them for their service.

At the October election, Cr Peter Macintosh was re-elected along with our new Councillors Jess Mahony and Emerald Bond. All were elected unopposed. Councillor Patrick Dawkins was elected Deputy President.

Upcoming events in the Shire include Carols by Candlelight on Sunday evening 10th December at Manners Hill Park, and in late January 2024 the joint citizenship naturalisation ceremonies for the Shire and the Towns of Mosman Park and Cottesloe. The Town of Mosman Park are hosting this event, so watch out for more details.

In the last edition of PepTalk we advised the mural on the toilet block was about to start. It is now finished, and the Shire has received fantastic feedback on this wonderful addition to our public art. We had previously advised the Shire was looking at

establishing a Memorial wall on the foreshore as a place of reflection for those that have lost loved ones. I am pleased to advise the approvals are now in place for that project to proceed.

Another project that will be underway soon is the installation of a digital parking availability sign for parking bays in the Grove underground parking area. This will show drivers on Leake Street before they enter the carpark the number of bays available or whether the carpark is full. Safety of visitors to the Shire and the library when parking at the Grove has long been a concern of Council and the sign will be a welcome addition to the facility.

On behalf of Councillors and staff I wish you all a happy festive season and a safe new year.

Best wishes,
Cr Karen Farley
Shire President



Cr. Emerald Bond, Cr. Charles Hohnen, Cr. Jessamy Mahony, Cr. Karen Farley (President), Cr. Peter Macintosh, Mr Don Burnet (CEO), Cr. Patrick Dawkins (Deputy), Cr. Doug Jackson.

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This month in Local History at the Grove we re-discovered a lovely photo taken at John Coppins Store which operated from the corner of Irvine Street and Stirling Highway, Cottesloe in the 1950s.

The photo shows Master David Price in his school uniform being presented with a shiny new Malvern Star Bicycle by the Branch Manager of the Store at the time, Mr. L.B. Hamilton. Storekeeper Mr. John Coppin is featured on the right in his crisp white store coat.

David won the "Bikes for Beans" contest in September 1957 and was presented with a new bike in-store on 30th October 1957. Do you have any memories of visiting John Coppins lovely shop and or the "Bikes for Beans" contest? We would love to know more about it as we are unsure why this competition was run.

This photo was kindly donated to The Grove Library Photo Collection by the Price Family, formally of 26 Keane Street, Peppermint Grove.

We love receiving your old photos – pop in to see Sally Purser our Community History Librarian if you have any treasures to share. Remember our digitisation and preservation services are for you to use when you need and can help your family share memories for future generations.



The finished Mural at Manners Hill Park



Rachel's Eminent Service Award

Rachel Thomas was presented with the Eminent Service Award for Local Government by Karen Chapple, WALGA President.

The Award recognises Rachel's service to the Shire of Peppermint Grove, 14 years as a Councillor which includes 12 as Shire President.



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(adjacent to the Council Office)
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The Grove Library Hours
Monday – Thursday 9am – 6pm
Friday 9am – 5pm
Saturday 10am – 4pm
Sunday 12noon – 4pm

Join Our Email List
Get advance notice of new books and upcoming events for adults by sending a request to:
library@thegrovelibrary.com



MarioKart

Kids Nintendo Switch Tournament

Two big tournaments over the weekend of 16th and 17th of December.

Join us to go head-to-head against other Grove gamers.

The Grove champions will be invited to participate in the inaugural mega competition of the Western Suburbs in January 2024. See the library for more information.

Santa and Christmas at The Grove

Gather around, curl up and get ready for Christmas with an extraordinary story time with Santa. Stories, songs and don't forget to grab a photo with Santa.

This is a traditional family friendly event, so we encourage all the young and the young-at-heart to head down to the Grove Library.

When: Wednesday 13th December
Time: 6.30-7.30pm

Location: The Grove Library



Library opening hours over the Christmas holiday period.

At The Grove Library we wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and remind everyone that the library will be closed from Monday 25th December – Monday 1st January 2024.

We welcome you again Tuesday 2nd January 2024.

Library items can be returned anytime via the after-hours chute.

Wrap up: Young Writers Creative Writing Competition 2023

The writing competition is one of the library's most popular, where local students write about anything that has inspired them, with a limit of approx. 400 words.

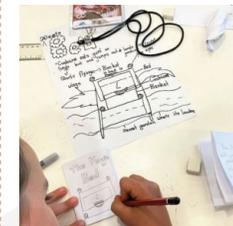
The competition was open to all young writers in Cottesloe, Peppermint Grove and Mosman Park, as well as students who use The Grove. It was very pleasing to see winners from such a wide number of local schools.

All entries will be on display in the library from **Monday 8th January to Sunday 21st January 2024.**

'Have a Go with Peppermint Grove' programs 2023

2023 has been a very busy time with Peppermint Grove Council continuing its sponsorship of a series of programs and events in partnership with the library.

From a comic-making workshop with Sean Avery, to a germ workshop with Einstein Australia it's been a fun filled year. To end the year, we finished with Happy Potters and some Muggle Magic!



Sean Avery workshop



Germs, germs, germs



Unicorn Snot

With a whole new series of new events planned for 2024, it's going to be an exciting year. The council encourages local residents to register with the library to keep up to date with kids and family events throughout the year. Email Stewart the Youth Services Coordinator at sfarley@thegrovelibrary.com to be added to the list.

Kid's Clothing Exchange

The kids clothing swap was a great success, approximately 200 people attended.

This time our friendly clothing exchange for kids had an added dimension, we had the Repair Lab with us. If you had any items that could be restored you could bring them along, any clothing that needed an overhaul, jewellery which required fixing or toys that needed restoring. You could learn from our skilled volunteers and our handy repairers how to reduce waste, avoid throwing away fixable things and save even more items from landfill, what a creative concept!

We collected 162.94kg of clothing and accessories and 70.2% was taken by attendees for reuse.

The remaining 29.8% was made up of 39.03kg which was donated to a foster care program and 9.59kg of poor-quality textiles were collected to be recycled through Upparel, which is a textile recycling company.



Seniors Week

Seniors' Week is a special time of celebration for West Australian seniors and this year it ran from 12th-19th November.

Events and activities were held across West Australia to acknowledge seniors and show appreciation for their valued contribution to society. We had various activities organized this year ranging from Seniors Morning Tea, Free Hearing Tests, a Michael Verde workshop – Dementia without Loneliness, Prime Movers as well as a Will & Estate Planning workshop.

On Monday 13th November the Shire of Peppermint Grove, along with the Towns of Mosman Park and Cottesloe held a morning 'high-tea' to celebrate Seniors' Week at Mosman Park Bowling Club. The event was well attended and everyone enjoyed the morning with sandwiches, quiche, scones and a wonderful array of petit fours while listening to a few hours of fantastic entertainment provided by Cottesloe Primary School followed by Paul Robinson the musician known as The Voice of Legends who sung a wide variety of songs dating from 1950's.

Tickets were drawn for spot prizes which ranged from a \$100 voucher donated by Woolworths Cottesloe, a Garden Hamper donated by Bunnings Claremont along with various pot plants.



Seniors Morning Tea at Mosman Park Bowling Club

