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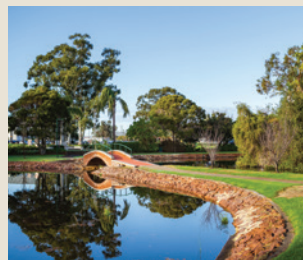
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Message from the Mayor

Dear City of Belmont community,

As we come to the end of another busy and exciting year, I'm proud of all we've achieved together as a community. We celebrated our 125th anniversary as a local government—a significant milestone for our city!

Throughout the year, Council has focused on enhancing our community, making the City of Belmont an even better place for everyone to call home.

We marked several other exciting milestones: 40 years of our Sister City relationship with Adachi-ku, and the Belmont Forum's 50th anniversary!

I'd like to welcome Cr Jarod Harris, our new Central Ward Councillor, who joined us at the October Ordinary Council Meeting. His fresh perspective is sure to bring new ideas and energy to our city!

The City has made great strides in increasing our tree canopy and beautifying our council verges. If you notice any issues with trees or landscaping,

please don't hesitate to reach out to our parks team. We're also excited to see progress on the Faulkner Park Precinct Ornamental Lakes Renewal project. This work will upgrade the lakes and enhance the surrounding parklands, creating a lovely space for everyone to enjoy.

As we approach the holiday season, I want to wish you all a safe and joyful festive break.

At this time of year remember, small gestures of kindness make a big difference: wave to a neighbour, offer to collect mail if someone is away, and check in on elderly neighbours.

I look forward to seeing you around our community. Thank you and stay safe!

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MAYOR

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Your City of Belmont Councillors

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Learn more about your Councillors and their committees at belmont.wa.gov.au/yourcouncil



Acknowledgement of country

The City of Belmont acknowledges the Whadjuk Noongar people as the Traditional Owners of this land and we pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging. We further acknowledge their cultural heritage, beliefs, connection and relationship with this land which continues today.

We acknowledge all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples living within the City of Belmont.

Celebrating
125 years
of Opportunity

2024 marked our 125th year as a local government. It was a chance to reflect on our journey so far and look forward to our bright future ahead.

Here are some of the ways we celebrated.



Let's Celebrate Belmont 125th Anniversary Party

We danced the night away in Faulkner Park with live music, rides, activities and more.



Peg Parkin Local History Room

Our local history room was renamed in loving memory of Peg Parkin AM JP.



Snapshots from our Past video series

Mayor Robert Rossi travelled around the City sharing our history.



Commemorative Tree Planting

We planted a tree in Faulkner Park for future generations to enjoy.



Rewind and Harmonious Exhibition Launch

We launched a new musical exhibition at Belmont Museum and enjoyed a two month program packed with events.



Pioneers Luncheon

Our Pioneers came together to connect and share stories.



Art Awards 125th Anniversary Prize

A special award category was introduced to recognise an artwork that celebrated our City.

Afternoon Acti-teas

We visited Copley Park and Peachey Park to celebrate with our neighbours.

Wrapping up the year

From everyone at the City of Belmont, we wish you a happy festive season and an amazing new year! We're excited to bring you great services and new opportunities in the year ahead. Our opening hours will change during the holiday period.

Tues 24 Dec	Wed 25 Dec	Thurs 26 Dec	Fri 27 Dec	Sat 28 Dec	Sun 29 Dec	Mon 30 Dec	Tues 31 Dec	Wed 1 Jan	Thurs 2 Jan
City of Belmont Civic Centre									
8:30am to 4:45pm	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	8:30am to 4:45pm
Ruth Faulkner Library and Belmont Museum									
9am to 5pm	Closed	Closed	Closed	10am to 3pm	1pm to 4pm	9am to 7pm	9am to 5pm	Closed	9am to 7pm
City of Belmont Operations Centre									
6am to 4pm	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	6am to 4pm	6am to 4pm	Closed	6am to 4pm



Bins will be collected on different days over the holidays

Regular bin collection date	Holiday bin collection date
Wednesday 25 December	Thursday 26 December
Thursday 26 December	Friday 27 December
Friday 27 December	Saturday 28 December
Wednesday 1 January	Thursday 2 January
Thursday 2 January	Friday 3 January
Friday 3 January	Saturday 4 January

Belmont Community Watch and Ranger services will be available during the festive season.

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Opportunity Awards

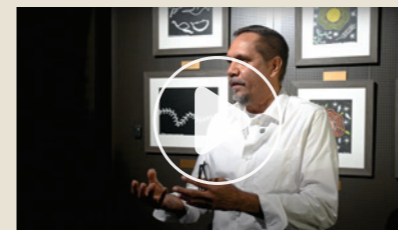
Our Opportunity Awards were established in 1998 to recognise individuals, groups or organisations that contributed to a significant project within the City. Through their contributions, they have helped make our community a place where everyone has the opportunity to belong.

City of Belmont Mayor Robert Rossi presented the 2024 award winners at the Mayoral Dinner.



Yondee Shane Hansen

For his contribution to our city through various artworks, including the new Acknowledgement of Country public artwork at Belmont Hub.



Scan to hear about the Acknowledgement of Country artwork



Scott 'Optamus' Griffiths

For his work delivering a Hip Hop Ed program at Belmont City College.

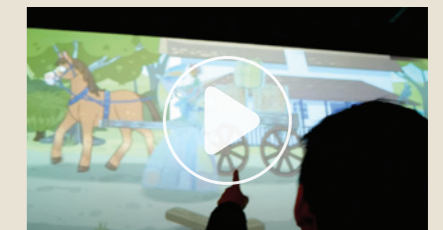


Scan to watch a behind the scenes of the program



Hungry Sky

For their continued work developing digital interactive content for Belmont Museum.



Scan to see the Belmont Museum interactive display in action



Opportunity for everyone



Faulkner Civic Precinct Ornamental Lakes Renewal



We're renewing the lake infrastructure and enhancing the surrounding park area at Faulkner Park.

Faulkner Park is closed while works are underway. The project is scheduled to be completed in April 2025.



Native planting and landscaping

Extensive native floodway, waterway and embankment planting, garden beds and tree retention.



Timber decking

Three areas of timber decking extending over the lake embankment.



Lake infrastructure

Restructured lake hydrology with improved function, softening of lake edges, boulder retaining and bridge renewal.



Pathway network

Replacement of existing paths and installation of new pathways.



Public amenities

Combination of new picnic settings, shelters, bench seats and bike racks.



Electrical upgrades

Replacement and installation of new lighting, CCTV and power supply.

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Pedal power this Movetober

Movetober was full of action!

Families filled the bike parking at Kidz Fest, and our RAC Bike Basics and Cycle Through the City events saw residents enjoying the sunshine while learning bike safety and maintenance.

We also gathered valuable feedback for our new Sustainable Transport Plan.

However you got involved, thank you for being part of the movement.



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Events and programs

KEY No tickets required Free ticketed event Paid ticketed event



Wiggles 'n' Giggles



Wednesday 4 December, 9:30am to 11:30am

Forster Park, 130 Keane Street, Cloverdale

Join us for our last Wiggles 'n' Giggles session of the year.

For 6 months to 5 years old



Creative Clinic: Christmas Macramé with Amala



Friday 6 and 13 December, 1pm to 4pm

Innovation Lab, Ruth Faulkner Library, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale

Learn the basic techniques of macramé art and connect with fellow creatives.

For adults



E-waste Drop-off Day



Saturday 7 December, 9am to 1pm

City of Belmont Operations Centre, 180 Planet Street, Carlisle

Residents and property owners can dispose of electronic waste items for free.

For everyone



Belmont Interest Group: Perth Harmony Chorus



Friday 6 December, 2:30pm to 4:30pm

Seniors Activity Hall, Belmont Hub, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale

Join Perth Harmony Chorus in a singing celebration.

For adults and seniors



Let's Celebrate Christmas



Saturday 7 December, 6pm to 9pm

Miles Park, Belgravia Street, Cloverdale

Celebrate the spirit of Christmas with a concert by Perth Symphony Orchestra and Christmas markets.

For everyone



Belmonster Book Bites Draw



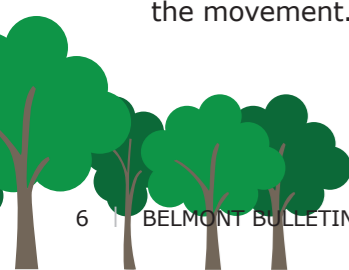
Wednesday 11 December, 9am to 12pm

Children's Space, Ruth Faulkner Library, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale




Enjoy face painting, songs, rhymes, and jingle bells at our last session of the year.

For everyone

Opportunity to connect




Events and programs

KEY  No tickets required  Free ticketed event  Paid ticketed event



Creative Clinic: Drawing with Andy Quilty

 Saturday 11 and 18 January, 10:30am to 1:30pm


 Innovation Lab, Ruth Faulkner Library, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale

Join artist Andy Quilty to learn drawing skills and explore new ideas.

For adults and young people 15+ years



Baby Sensory

 Monday 13 January, 0 to 6 months 10:40am to 11:20am, 7 to 12 months 11:40am to 12:20pm

 Innovation Lab, Ruth Faulkner Library, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale

Be introduced to a world of sensory delight.

For babies 0 to 12 months



Milli and Mike's Recycling and Sustainability Show

 Monday 20 January, 10:30am to 11:30am

 Children's Space, Ruth Faulkner Library, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale

Join Milli and Mike for their fabulous recycling and sustainability show.

For children 3 to 11 years



Toddler Sense

 Monday 13 January, 9:30am to 10:10am

 Innovation Lab, Ruth Faulkner Library, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale

Be introduced to a world of sensory delight.

For children 13 months to 3.5 years



Mochi Donut Workshop

 Thursday 16 January, 2pm to 3:30pm

 Demonstration Kitchen, Ruth Faulkner Library, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale

Join Japanese artist Nami Osaki from Nami's Art Room for a Japanese Mochi Donut workshop.

For young people 12 to 17 years



Snapshots of the Past

 Wednesday 22 January, 2:30pm to 3:30pm

 Events Room, Ruth Faulkner Library, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale

Bring your photos to enter our local history photo competition and enjoy an afternoon tea.

For adults and seniors



Performing with Puppets

 Wednesday 29 January, 2pm to 3:30pm

 Events Room, Ruth Faulkner Library, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale

Join Spare Parts Puppet Theatre and learn some of the secrets and skills of puppeteering.

For children 8 to 14 years



Belmont Interest Group: Laughter Yoga

 Friday 7 February, 2:30pm to 4:30pm

 Seniors Activity Hall, Belmont Hub, 213 Wright Street, Cloverdale

Join us for laughter yoga which combines movement, laughter and deep yogic breathing.

For adults and seniors



That's a wrap!

Thank you to everyone who joined us at our events this year.

We loved seeing our community come together and can't wait to create more opportunities to connect in 2025.

Keep an eye on our website or contact us for next year's event line-up!



Help someone take the first step towards speaking English!



Beginner English classes starting February 2025

We've teamed up with Mercy Works to provide free beginner English classes.

If you know a friend, family member, or neighbours who could benefit, you can help them get started.

The classes are for people from refugee backgrounds, those with humanitarian visas, and newly arrived migrants who want to build essential English language skills.

Children aged 0 to 5 years are welcome, and free childcare is available if needed.

★ **Registration is essential for Beginner English classes, to register visit our website or contact us.**

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Get help to find your next job

Our free Employment Support Program can help you apply for your next job.

Get support with resumes, cover letters, applications and interview tips.

Appointments are available weekdays in Ruth Faulkner Library or online from 4pm to 6pm, Monday to Wednesday.

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- ✉ community.development@belmont.wa.gov.au
- 📞 9477 7219

Australian English classes

If you know a bit of English but want to improve your conversation skills and learn some Aussie slang, join our free Australian English classes.

Classes run from 1pm to 3pm every Thursday during the school term in the Innovation Lab, Ruth Faulkner Library.

★ **Registration is not required for Australian English classes, for more information visit our website or contact us.**



Kids Multi-Sport Program

We're getting ready for our next free Kids Multi-Sport Program in February 2025! Express your interest now to be the first to know when registrations open.

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Ruth Faulkner Library

New year, new program start dates

We'll be taking a short break over the festive season and can't wait to welcome you back in the new year.



Programs	Date	Time
Children's programs		
Saturday Storytime	Saturday 1 February	10:30am to 11:30am
Wiggles 'n' Giggles Rhyme Time	Wednesday 5 February	10:30am to 11am
Baby Bookworms	Thursday 6 February	9:30am to 10:15am
Learn English Through Storytime	Thursday 6 February	10am to 11:30am
Historia	Sunday 9 February	2pm to 3pm
Bubs in the Hub	Monday 10 February	9:30am to 10:30am
Storytime	Tuesday 11 February	10:30am to 11:30am
Bubs in the Hub	Wednesday 12 February	10:30am to 11:30am
Curious Kids	Wednesday 12 February	4pm to 5pm
STEAM Lab	Saturday 15 February	12:30pm to 2pm
LEGO Club	Thursday 20 February	4pm to 5pm
Adult programs		
Community Lab: Craft Corner	Tuesday 7 January	9:30am to 12pm
Community Lab: Board Games	Wednesday 8 January	9:30am to 12pm
Book Club	Wednesday 5 February	1:30pm to 2:30pm
Belmont Interest Group	Friday 7 February	2:30pm to 4:30pm
Sunday Book Club	Sunday 9 February	2pm to 3pm
Crafternoon	Saturday 15 March	12:30pm to 2pm

Story Seekers

Belmonsters are hiding in the library! Can you find them all?

Story Seekers is a year-round program to expand reading for children aged 5 to 12 years.

When borrowing at least 3 books from a Belmonsters linked collection, children receive a stamp

on their Story Seekers bookmark. Once they've completed their bookmark, they can redeem a prize.

Collect at least 3 different Belmonsters to go in the draw for our end of year major prize.

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Opportunity to learn



Help our green spaces thrive this summer



As summer heats up, it's the perfect time to help your verge and trees flourish.

Verges

Looking to transform your verge into a beautiful, eco-friendly garden? The smothering method is a chemical-free, low-effort way to clear grass.

Simply cover the grass with layers of cardboard or newspaper, top it with organic matter like compost, and let it break down over time.

By next planting season, you'll have a healthy, weed-free verge.

🌐 belmont.wa.gov.au/verge-maintenance
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Congratulations to our local sporting super stars

Congratulations to our sporting donation recipients who have excelled in their sport.

Gabriella Mawby

2024 Christian Football Federation Association National Titles, Queensland

Kirsty Johnson

Pan Pacific Masters Calisthenics Competition, Queensland

If you're representing your sport in a national or international competition, we'd love to hear from you.

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Trees

Our trees are hard at work keeping us cool by providing shade and lowering temperatures during summer.

Here are three handy tips to keep your trees healthy.

- **Protect:** keep the tree roots safe and give them plenty of space.
- **Health check:** if you're concerned about large branches, especially those overhanging your home, contact a qualified arborist.
- **Be mindful:** before pruning limbs that overhang from a neighbour's property, have a friendly conversation and come to an agreement.

Don't forget! We take care of street trees, so if you notice an issue, get in touch with us and we'll handle it.



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Belmont Park Tennis Club success

Our very own Belmont Park Tennis Club has been recognised at the Clubs WA Awards of Excellence for their commitment to creating opportunities for everyone to play and belong.

Earlier this year, the club partnered with The Tennis Pro to introduce a blind/low vision tennis coaching program to the community.

Managed by Coach Director Ian Ketteringham and run by Head Coach Beth Taylor, the program uses hand-ear coordination, modified equipment and adapted rules so people who are blind or have partial vision can get involved.

It's been a big success thanks to the dedication of the club, the many volunteers, Ian and Beth.

A big congratulations to everyone involved - your commitment to building a more connected and inclusive community is a win for everyone!



Opportunity to thrive



A new system for dog and cat registration



The State Government is planning to introduce PetsWA next year, a centralised dog and cat registration system.

This will make it easier to update your pet registration if you move to another area, and help identify potential cases of puppy or pet farming across the State.

Why PetsWA?

PetsWA was prompted by the Dog Amendment (Stop Puppy Farming) Act 2021 passed by Parliament in December 2021, marking significant changes to the Dog Act 1976.

It will eventually replace local government-managed animal registers with a single, state-wide system.

What does it mean for me?

If you have registered your pets with us, you will automatically be included in the new system when it launches, without having to re-register your pet.

We are providing pet registration data to the Department of Local Government, in compliance with new reforms.

You can still register your pet for free by visiting the City of Belmont Civic Centre or through our online portal.

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On the roads

Location	Section	Description of works
Treave Street	Keane Street to Scott Street	Asphalt overlay
Alexander Road	Belgravia Street to Abernethy Road	Asphalt overlay
Kooyong Road	Francisco Street roundabout	Installation of pre-deflection
Abernethy Road	Campbell Street to Alexander Road	Foamed bitumen stabilisation
Hendra Street	Fisher Street to end of cul-de-sac	Asphalt overlay

For a full list of all upcoming roads, drainage, and footpath projects or to report a problem visit our website or contact us.

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Accessible barbeques at Tomato Lake

We're making Tomato Lake's main picnic area more accessible with new wheelchair-friendly barbeques.

Works begun in November and will take around four weeks to complete. During this time the barbeques in the main picnic area may be unavailable.

If you're planning a barbeque, don't worry—alternatives are available near the playground on the President Street side of Tomato Lake.

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Mosquito management



With warmer weather, mosquito activity increases in the City of Belmont, especially near the Swan River.

Our mosquito control program is in full swing, regularly treating known breeding sites with targeted larvicides that don't harm wildlife. Unlike fogging, our treatments specifically target mosquito larvae, ensuring the safety of other insects and animals.

Here are some tips to help reduce mosquito breeding at home:

- Remove stagnant water from pot plant bases and containers.
- Clean gutters to prevent water pooling.
- Keep pools and fishponds clean and maintained.
- Cover rainwater tanks with flywire.
- Redirect reticulation away from storm drains.

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Belmont Oasis Leisure Centre indoor pool closure

Belmont Oasis Leisure Centre's indoor 50m and lagoon pools will be closed from close of business Saturday 23 November to early January for maintenance.

The works will ensure the pools are in top condition and safe for everyone to enjoy.

The maintenance will take place over summer to prevent potential damage from local ground conditions.

While works are underway, you can still enjoy the warm days and dive into the outdoor pool.

All other facilities will remain open during the works.

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Let's Celebrate Christmas

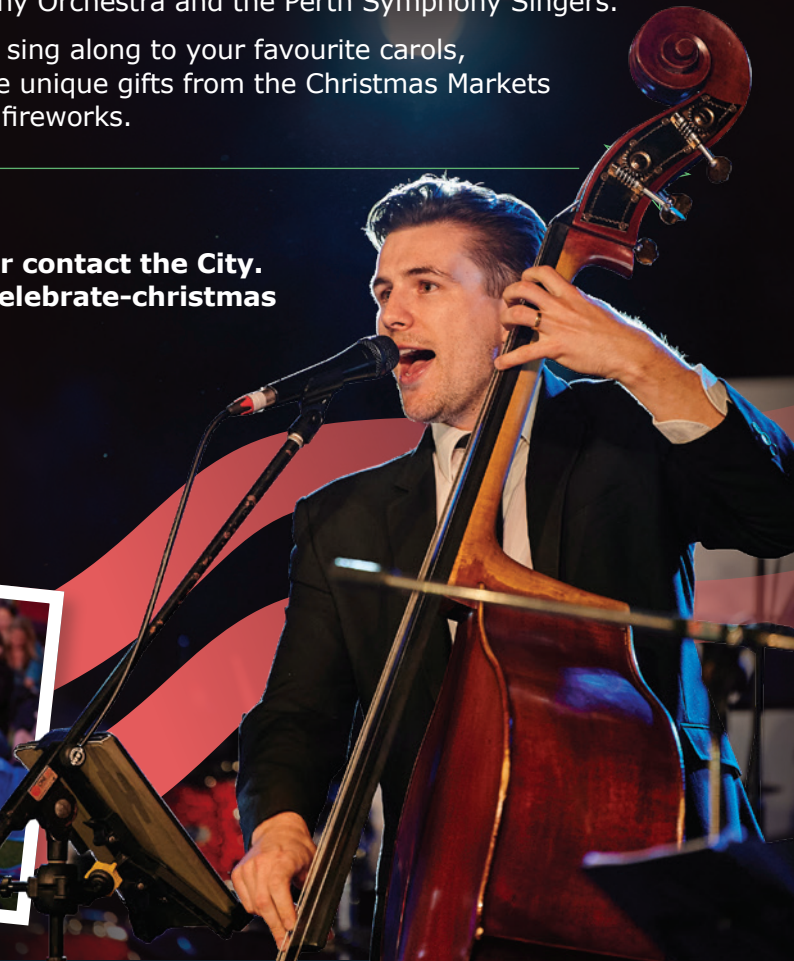
With Perth Symphony Orchestra and Christmas Markets

Saturday 7 December, 6pm to 9pm
Miles Park, Belgravia Street, Cloverdale

Celebrate the spirit of Christmas with a special concert by Perth Symphony Orchestra and the Perth Symphony Singers. Bring a picnic, sing along to your favourite carols, purchase some unique gifts from the Christmas Markets and enjoy the fireworks.



Register via our website or contact the City.
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