



Life in the City of Gosnells



Christmas message from the Mayor

The challenges faced in 2020 due to COVID-19 have left many reflecting on 'the year that was' and perhaps placing more value on the importance of family, friends, community and charity.

We are fortunate to be able to come together this Christmas, however many in our community continue to experience isolation and hardship and I encourage you to be generous with your festive spirit.

On behalf of my fellow Councillors and everyone at the City of Gosnells, I wish you and your family a very happy and safe Christmas and an enjoyable year ahead.

Mayor David Goode JP



City streets set to shine bright

Entries are open until **Sunday 6 December** for the annual Safe City Christmas Lights Competition, and you can win up to \$500 for the best decorated private residence.

"Taking part in the Safe City Christmas Lights Competition is a great way to make your street feel safer and more welcoming," Mayor David Goode said.

"Christmas lights are a wonderful way to lift all our spirits and share joy with others."

There are categories for individual and street entries, as well as random prize draws. Information about prizes and judging nights is on the City's website, and winners will be announced at our Christmas event, Jingle All the Way (see below).



Winners of Best Private Residence 2019

Join us for Jingle All the Way

Roving gingerbread men, giant Christmas characters and a free concert will bring festive fun to the annual City of Gosnells Jingle All the Way event between 5pm and 9pm on **Saturday 12 December**.

Centennial Pioneer Park in Gosnells will be transformed into a magical Christmas wonderland featuring an interactive trail, culminating in a two-hour concert and spectacular light display in the Civic Centre Gardens.

Winners of our Safe City Christmas Lights Competition will be announced at the event and a very jolly special guest is set to make an appearance.

The all-ages celebration, sponsored by Battery World Maddington, will also feature food trucks and plenty of activities to make the evening merry and bright.

Visit the City's website or follow us on social media for more details.



Events listing

Morning Melodies – A Country Christmas

Wednesday 9 December
11am – 12pm
Morning tea at 10.15am
Don Russell Performing Arts Centre

Art 29 Exhibition at the Whiteley Fishbowl Gallery

Wednesday 9 December
– Saturday 31 January
The Agonis Building

Park Play – Thornlie

Friday 11 December
9.30am – 11.30am
Tom Bateman All Abilities Playground

Baby Stroll and Stay

Monday 14 December
9am – 10.30am
Alexandria Boulevard Reserve

Bookings are required for some events. Please visit the City's website for more details.



Changes to opening hours and waste collection

Christmas Day and New Year's Day both fall on Friday this year, which means there will be changes to household rubbish and recycling collections during the festive season.

A complete list of waste and recycling collection dates is on the City's website and residents should have their bins out by 6am on their collection day. Normal collections resume from Monday 4 January 2020.

Opening hours for the Civic Centre, Operations Centre, Rangers, City libraries, Leisure World, Addie Mills Centre, Wilkinson Homestead Museum and the Don Russell Performing Arts Centre will also be affected during the festive season. Information will be displayed at each venue and on the City's website.

Your recycling will be collected weekly from 21 December – 2 January

COVID-19 register requirement

From Saturday 5 December, the City will be required to register contact details for visitors to some facilities, including libraries, Leisure World, the Don Russell Performing Arts Centre, the Addie Mills Centre and youth centres, as well as those participating in City programs, as part of State Government COVID-19 control measures.

Before entering these premises or participating in a program, visitors will need to register using the SafeWA app and a QR Code or sign in on a written register.

For more information, visit the State Government COVID-19 website at www.wa.gov.au/government/covid-19-coronavirus

