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A WORD FROM THE MAYOR



Welcome to the latest edition of Salisbury Aware, our Council magazine that captures what's happening in our vibrant community. I am excited for you to read the stories and initiatives featured in this issue.

The City of Salisbury is bustling with transformative projects that promise boundless opportunities for our community's future. Inside these pages, you'll discover the unveiling of the state-of-the-art Salisbury Aquatic Centre, plans for the redevelopment of the Salisbury City Centre, and insights into the upcoming City Plan 2040.

Beyond these major projects, you'll find a wealth of community updates. We cover what Salisbury's young people are getting up to, innovative programs like the Salisbury Author Series, the upcoming Bagster Road Toy Library, efforts from our youngest community members to get people out enjoying nature, and enriching art exhibitions at the Salisbury Community Hub.

This edition also highlights the invaluable contributions of our local volunteers, celebrates diversity with events for Refugee Week, explores the world of opportunity in the local Scouting community, and provides an overview of the development in our northern region.

There is no better time to call Salisbury home, and I am thrilled to share these exciting updates with you.

Sincerely,
Mayor Gillian Aldridge OAM

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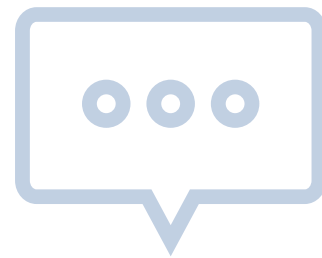
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ELECTED MEMBERS HAVE THEIR SAY



Elected Members share their favourite winter activities in the City of Salisbury

CENTRAL WARD



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As winter settles in, don't forget to make use of your free Council facilities like the Salisbury Community Hub and the Burton Community Hub, where you can engage in activities, workshops, make use of free library services, and keep warm. There's free computer access, Wi-Fi, study room hire and much more.

PARA WARD



Cr Kylie Grenfell: P: 8406 8222 E: kgrenfell@salisbury.sa.gov.au

I love watching the frost roll in over the Lavender Drive Oval – Salisbury Villa Soccer Club whilst on my early morning walks during winter. You'll also find me enjoying a nice meal and a drink at the Salisbury Downs Sports and Community Club. Sometimes you'll even find me helping out in the kitchen making those meals too!



Cr Sarah Ouk JP: P: 0423 002 064 E: souk@salisbury.sa.gov.au

Community Centres offer a great way to stay connected with others, especially when cold weather keeps us indoors. If you're in Para Ward and looking for indoor activities, why not check out Morella Community Centre? There's always something interesting going on, like free adult education classes and a wide range of activities to enjoy.

WEST WARD



Cr Beau Brug JP: P: 8406 8222 E: bbrug@salisbury.sa.gov.au

The West Ward is full of great places to keep warm this winter. There are plenty of local restaurants and cafes around with delicious winter menus. If you like to exercise outdoors, check out the many lakes, or the boardwalk at Greenfields Wetlands and follow it up with a nice lunch or coffee.



Cr Sharon McKell: P: 8406 8222 E: smckell@salisbury.sa.gov.au

If you enjoy walking and being connected to the community, come join the Mawson Lakes Striders walking group and keep warm during the winter months. They meet every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday mornings at 8.30 am at the Mawson Lakes Interchange on the first platform to the left. They grab a coffee after their hour walk at one of the many cafes in Mawson Lakes. A great group to join any day that works for you.

NORTH WARD



Cr David Hood JP: P: 0432 799 931 E: dhood@salisbury.sa.gov.au

We're fortunate in the North Ward to have the brand-new Salisbury Aquatic Centre. Its heated indoor pools are ideal for this season, offering a fantastic leisure activity and great relief for muscles and joints. Don't forget to drop by the café for a warm coffee and chat with the friendly staff about all the fantastic amenities available.

EAST WARD



Cr Johnny Chewparsad: P: 0439 877 671 E: jchewparsad@salisbury.sa.gov.au

As the winter season is upon us, I am excited to invite you to join us for a variety of fun indoor activities at the Salisbury East Neighbourhood Centre. There are sessions to suit a range of interests, including creative workshops, morning teas, and much more. Carisbrooke Park is also a great place to meet for group exercise. There is something for everyone this winter in the East Ward.



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Escape the winter chill with a stroll or jog along Cobbler Creek Trail. You can discover serene landscapes, native plants, vibrant birdlife and finish up at Main North Road for a lunch at Saints Kitchen. It's the perfect way to stay warm and connected with nature this season.

SOUTH WARD



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Along the edge of Walkley Heights lies the Dry Creek Linear Park trail, a serene nature corridor linking Walkley's Road to Bridge Road. Maintained diligently by the Friends of Dry Creek Trail, it is equally striking with every seasonal change. If you're game enough to venture outside, I encourage you to see its winter beauty.



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Following and supporting local community and sporting groups is a great way to keep busy and build strong community relationships with other like-minded people during the cooler months.

With a warmer and drier than usual start to winter, enjoying South Ward's open spaces for walking the family pets and getting your daily exercise is another great way to enjoy our local community.

HILLS WARD



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Despite the chilly mornings, I always try to find the time to take my two dogs to the small dog park at the Paddocks or warm up with a pie at the Para Hills Bakery.

Council have also recently opened our brand-new Aquatic Centre, with heated indoor pool facilities.



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I wish everyone in the Hills Ward a very cosy winter. Be sure to layer up, take care of yourself, and don't forget the Para Hills Community Hub is a fantastic place to participate in a range of activities, or to spend a few hours reading a book in the library.

For more information on your Elected Members, visit: salisbury.sa.gov.au/electedmembers



CITY PLAN 2040

TO BE RELEASED LATER THIS YEAR

As caretakers of one of the largest council areas in South Australia, this Council is dedicated to ensuring a progressive, sustainable, and connected City of Salisbury for the 148,000 people who call it home.

To do so, Council needs to have a strategic plan that guides the future of the City. Building on the successes of the City Plan 2035, the City of Salisbury has progressed its vision to design the new City Plan 2040, to be released this year.

In consultation with the community, the upcoming City Plan is being designed to reflect the evolving needs of Salisbury's diverse population, ensuring that the City remains an ideal place to live, work, and play.

Consultation on the City Plan was held in May, and Council would like to thank all those who provided feedback online through the survey and at drop-in sessions. This feedback is informing the final version of the City Plan 2040.

Mayor Gillian Aldridge OAM says, 'the plan is being designed to serve the community, focusing on four key directions that each represent a theme central to achieving the City of Salisbury's vision of being a progressive, sustainable and connected community.'

The four key directions are:

A welcoming and liveable City:

Through initiatives focused on delivering housing outcomes, improving physical and mental health and wellbeing, welcoming people of all ages, backgrounds and abilities, and making the City attractive and safe, Council strives to ensure an environment where residents feel welcomed and valued.

A sustainable City:

The City of Salisbury is committed to environmental sustainability. The City Plan 2040 will outline ways to improve our natural environments,

reduce our carbon footprint, be more resilient to climate change impacts, and manage our waste and water resources responsibly.

A growing City that creates new opportunities:

Salisbury recognises the importance of economic growth in driving prosperity and innovation. The City Plan 2040 will highlight actions aimed at supporting our industries and entrepreneurs, building and supporting our businesses' skills and capabilities, attracting visitors to the City, upgrading our City infrastructure to support its growth and planning for high quality activity centres.

Innovation and business development:

Council wishes to continuously improve how we work and provide services to the community, through supporting innovation and business development. The City Plan 2040 will outline actions to enhance service delivery and streamline processes, plan ways to improve communication and community engagement, and make sure our commercial operations provide value to the community.

As Council moves ahead, the City Plan will guide our work and decision making to keep us on the path to delivering these key priorities. With a clear vision and strategic directions, the City Plan will ensure that Salisbury remains a progressive, sustainable, and connected community, as well as providing opportunities for the community to grow through enhanced employment, social initiatives and investment.

Keep an eye out on Council's social media and website for the upcoming City Plan 2040. We thank you once again for helping us shape this plan, which will guide us for years to come.



REVEAL OF THE FUTURE SALISBURY CITY CENTRE

The City of Salisbury recently unveiled the most significant phase of the large-scale renewal of the Salisbury City Centre.

The long-term project, aimed at supporting future community growth and reinforcing Salisbury as a prime location to live, work, play, and invest, has reached an exciting stage in which Council has announced the successful developer and plans for the City Centre sites that will be revived.

The City of Salisbury is partnering with two of South Australia's leading development and construction groups, Buildtec and Catcorp, to deliver a \$200 million redevelopment that will revitalise the heart of Salisbury with six new, vibrant mixed-use sites.

Buildtec and Catcorp were formally selected as the development team to bring Council's renewal vision to life, following a hotly contested national expression of interest campaign led by Alinea Group and Leedwell Property on behalf of the City of Salisbury. The redevelopment plan outlines the sites to be transformed, delivering two hectares of unprecedented renewal in the City Centre.

Mayor Gillian Aldridge OAM recently released the concept plan, saying, 'I am excited to see the most significant stage of our renewal vision come to life, demonstrating Council's commitment to continually activating and improving our City for the betterment of our community. The six new sites will give locals and visitors so many diverse opportunities to live, work and be entertained in the heart of our City.'

'The redevelopment will bring residential housing to the City Centre for the first time. Future residents will live within close walking distance to our brand-new Salisbury Aquatic Centre,

the Little Para Linear Trail, the upcoming TreeClimb, and the Salisbury Interchange.'

The City Centre will offer residential housing, with over 200 diverse options including affordable housing, apartments, retirement living and hotel accommodation. There will be a multi-deck, undercover car park with over 500 spaces and a ground floor premium supermarket, with other sites including retail, commercial and hospitality.

Church Street will be extended to enhance vehicle and pedestrian access through the City, with a future extension being investigated, improving the link with Salisbury Highway.

Minister for Housing and Urban Development Nick Champion has appointed the State Commission Assessment Panel (SCAP) as the planning authority, given the significance of the project for the northern region.

The redevelopment is expected to have a significant impact on the local economy, generate hundreds of new jobs and attract new businesses to Salisbury. It's the next phase of the City of Salisbury's City Centre renewal program, following the \$10 million redevelopment of Church and John Streets in 2023 and the \$43 million Salisbury Community Hub, built in 2019.

Construction is due to start in 2025, with the first two sites delivering over 50 residential housing apartments, the multi-deck car park and commercial and retail offerings. Completion is planned in stages from 2026 onwards.

More information about the project is available at www.salisburycitycentre.com.au.



SALISBURY AQUATIC CENTRE NOW OPEN

The highly anticipated Salisbury Aquatic Centre officially opened to the community on 24 June, unveiling its year-round indoor features.

The community have eagerly embraced the brand-new, state-of-the-art facility, including its Health Club, 4-lane lap pool, program pool, and café.

The Centre is run by expert leisure facility management company, BlueFit, who have begun their Learn to Swim program and are offering memberships online with unlimited access to gym and aquatic facilities, group fitness classes and more.

From October, visitors will enjoy the 8-lane, 50-metre outdoor pool, large splash pad and water play area with tipping bucket and three junior water slides, 10-metre high triple waterslide tower, and a lawned picnic area with outdoor kiosk.

Mayor Gillian Aldridge OAM shared her excitement for the opening of the Centre.

‘The doors are open, and the wait is over. I’m so happy to see the Salisbury Aquatic Centre be embraced by the community who are already eagerly using the facility. I know this Centre will serve our community for many years to come and become a highlight for local families year-round.’

The Centre was designed with features to suit a range of accessibility requirements and meet the needs of our City’s diverse community, including heating and access ramps in all pools, secure locker storage, a hearing loop, and ample bathroom facilities with a family change room and Changing Places.

Sustainable measures such as solar panels, LED lighting, water efficient toilets and showers,

and lawns irrigated with Council’s Salisbury Water were also included.

The \$30 million Centre, built by Mossop Construction + Interiors, was co-funded by the City of Salisbury and the Government of South Australia, inclusive of \$1.5M from the Australian Government for entrance road and car park development.

Minister Zoe Bettison MP, the Minister for Tourism and Multicultural Affairs and Member for Ramsay, praised the project, describing it as ‘one of the most significant projects undertaken by the City of Salisbury and a project that a lot of people in the north are excited about.’

Local champion swimmer, 14-year-old Savannah, has been looking forward to the new Centre opening, expressing, ‘I’m excited to use the space to perfect my technique. I absolutely loved the outdoor pool before, so I’m keen to get back into it and feel at home.’

Savannah is part of the SA Flippers Development Squad and a state champion in the 400m freestyle, 100m backstroke, and 200m backstroke. Training persistently with her head coach, Jill Doyle, at the Clovercrest Swimming Club, she swims at least 25 kilometres a week, and won’t even let a 4.22 am alarm interfere with her goals.

A dedicated swimmer defining her own destiny, she is inspired by her favourite quote, ‘always do your best, and no matter the result, be proud that you tried.’

For entry fees, memberships, and more, visit the Salisbury Aquatic Centre website at salisburyaquaticcentre.com.au.



We recently interviewed some of our volunteers about why they give their time. Here's what they said:



'Making a difference in people's lives, even if it's just offering someone a cup of coffee and a sympathetic ear, is unbelievably fulfilling.'

- **Adrian Pillay**

Bagster Road Community Centre, Reception



'It really is so very rewarding and fulfilling being a volunteer with Council, because staff are great and make you feel a part of the team. It's being part of the bigger picture.'

- **David Allcock**

Salisbury Community Hub, Library



Pictured: City of Salisbury volunteers
Riziki Elias (left) and Wendy Marks(right)
at the Jack Young Centre
Photo credit: Kelly Barnes

HERE'S TO VOLUNTEERS!

National Volunteer Week was recognised in May across Australia, with a range of celebrations in the City of Salisbury.

The City has more than 300 dedicated volunteers selflessly giving their time and effort to support the community, making a monumental difference in the daily lives of our residents.

Whether it's providing vital transport services to connect those who are isolated, or warmly welcoming visitors at community centres, Council's volunteers are the backbone of numerous initiatives that foster connection, support, and inclusivity. These everyday heroes exemplify the spirit of generosity and the very essence of community.

To honour National Volunteer Week this year, City of Salisbury volunteers were treated to an afternoon at the movies – a small token of appreciation from Council, to thank them for their contribution.

Mayor Gillian Aldridge OAM thanked our volunteers with the following message:

'Volunteers are such a valuable part of our community. Everything they do, all the time and effort they spend supporting others, plays such a big role in helping our City thrive.'

'I have met many volunteers during my time in Council, and I will always be grateful for their passion and commitment. They change our world with their kindness, without even realising the difference it makes to people's lives.'

Additionally, several centres across the City hosted morning tea and lunches, providing opportunities for volunteers to come together, share stories, and celebrate each other's contributions.

Council would like to deeply thank all the local volunteers for the vital role they play in supporting the community. To Council volunteers, and to the volunteers from other groups and organisations right across the City, your dedication makes the City of Salisbury a better place for everyone, and your efforts are truly valued.

To learn more about volunteering opportunities or to get involved, visit the City of Salisbury website, or contact Council at volunteering@salisbury.sa.gov.au or 8406 8276.

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Volunteer
Something for Everyone **Week**



Pictured: Heather Morris (left) and Paul Rapson (right)
at the Salisbury Author Series event

TURNING PAGES AND HEARTS: SALISBURY AUTHOR SERIES

With events that provide opportunities to meet, listen to, and have books signed by renowned authors, the Salisbury Author Series draws large crowds, cultivates friendships, and builds a strong sense of community among those in our City who love a good tale.

Bestselling author of the *Tattooist of Auschwitz* book trilogy and TV adaptation, Heather Morris, recently visited Salisbury to discuss her latest masterpiece, a tale of resilience and friendship in dark times and dangerous places.

Chronicling the bravery and perseverance of Australian army nurses during the chaos of World War II, *Sisters under the Rising Sun* follows the story of Nesta, Vivian, and Norah, as they navigate a struggle for survival – among other things.

Attendees enjoyed a memorable session of literary discussion, followed by an afternoon tea where they interacted with Heather and had books signed. The event saw a great turnout, a few tears, and among the audience, a loyal fan who looked forward to the event for months.

Paul Rapson works at Ingle Farm Library, and being an ancestry enthusiast, he runs one-on-one Ancestry sessions to help people connect with their family history. Given his interest in historical family connections, he loves how Heather Morris shines light on key moments of history, through the experiences of individual people.

‘Heather’s books bring history to life in a way that feels personal and relatable. I appreciate how her stories highlight the resilience and strength of individuals in the face of adversity,’ said Paul.

‘Her books break down barriers and spark meaningful conversations. They are important for our community because they remind us of the power of human connection, the importance of understanding our shared history, and the need to empathise with others.’

Heather Morris shared her delight to be involved in the Salisbury Author Series, ‘following in the footsteps of so many wonderful authors.’

‘To be given the opportunity to share this important story of the imprisonment of Australian Nurses during WW2 is a huge honour. I am in my happy place when with readers, listening to them share their thoughts on my novels, and indeed their own stories,’ said Heather.

The Salisbury Author Series continues to gain momentum, with exciting authors anticipated for future events. To stay updated, and to become part of an exciting network of Salisbury book lovers, visit Council’s website at www.salisbury.sa.gov.au.



'OUR BIG BACKYARD' COMES TO OUR BIG GREEN SPACES



Taking time out to reconnect with nature can work wonders for health and wellbeing, and the Little Para River Trail is a natural treasure in the north waiting to be explored.

Encouraging families to embrace outdoor activity is the key purpose of the Our Big Backyard (OBBY) project; supported by some exceptional students who have mapped it out to make it easy for everyone.

Riverdale Primary School and Riverview Preschool students have been busy crafting the Little Para Activity Pack, a collection of maps and activities designed to take its users on a fun exploration of our City's best natural spaces.

Adventurers can embark on various trails, each accompanied by engaging tasks and discoveries. From the Little Para River Adventure to the Woodfield Reserve Nature Adventure, each map and activity sheet promises a rich experience, complete with fun facts about the area's history and environment, along with opportunities to learn Kaurna words.

Guided by their teachers and supported by various experts, the students created the activity packs and contributed to preserving their local environment by planting 1000 trees along the Little Para River in 2023. Deputy Principal of Riverdale Primary School, Melissa McDonald, expressed the school's pride in their students' efforts.

'It was wonderful to witness our students actively engaging with their local environment and collaborating with the wider community in such a meaningful way. The Our Big Backyard project has

not only enriched their education but also fostered a deep appreciation for the local environment, cultivating passionate advocates for the Little Para River,' said Melissa.

Parents of participating students have praised the involvement in the project, including Jazmine, who said, 'anything that gets kids out in nature and connecting with the environment is a positive. We need more of it.'

Another parent, Krystal, shared how it has made her children more mindful.

'My kids learnt things about the environment that they still look for when we are outdoors as a family. They see things differently, their outlook on the environment and how they engage with it is different. They are more gentle with it,' said Krystal.

The last of three OBBY launch events was hosted on Saturday 15 June at Boardwalk Reserve, Paralowie, where families gathered for a fun day of tree planting, bird watching, and bark boat races.

To access free, family fun activities that promote health, education, and making memories outdoors, download the activity pack at: www.salisbury.sa.gov.au/activities/our-big-backyard.

The Our Big Backyard project has been a partnership between Riverdale Primary School, Riverview Preschool, Communities for Children, Morella Community Centre, Kuma Kaaru, Green Adelaide and the City of Salisbury.



A BRIGHT FUTURE FOR THE NORTH

If you live in the north, you may have noticed new developments and heard about northern expansion, land releases, and infrastructure talks on the radio. What does all of this mean, and how will it enhance your life?

Simply put, the north is expanding, and Council is working tirelessly to position our City as a premier destination to live, work, and play in the north. This includes shaping Salisbury for social and economic benefits, ensuring residents can thrive and find the jobs we need to prosper.

Development in the northern suburbs will create endless benefits. As land is released, residential options increase. More houses mean more chances to enter the market, and the goal of homeownership becomes more achievable.

City of Salisbury directly contributes to increasing housing by redeveloping underutilised reserve space, which ensures the sites deliver improved social, environmental and economic outcomes, as well as diverse housing options.

Some of these projects include Greentree Walk, Boardwalk at Greentree in Paralowie, Riverwalk, Emerald Green in Parafield Gardens, The Reserve in Salisbury North, Irving Place in Para Hills, and most recently, at Lake Windemere in Salisbury North.

When businesses move to places like Technology Park or Edinburgh, it creates employment and business opportunities. Council works to make our City attractive for land development and business, by partnering with other tiers of government and the private sector to unlock new land for companies to build new facilities and create new jobs. All of these being possible by ensuring the right infrastructure is put in place to support this growth.

Key players are already noticing the value of our City, like the Crowne Plaza in Mawson Lakes, the new Bedford manufacturing hub in Salisbury Plain, and the Haigh's Chocolate development in Salisbury South. These sites enhance employment and economic growth, which will only increase as more follow suit.

As the economy expands, services improve and business opportunities emerge, making your dream of being a business owner and becoming independent feasible. When you're ready to get that business idea off the ground, Council's Polaris Business Development Centre will be there to guide you with networking opportunities, workshops, and mentoring to support your business journey.

So, keep your eyes on development in the north. An abundance of opportunity is coming for you to benefit from.

OUT & ABOUT



The International Women's Day event at Salisbury Community Hub was a hit! Hosted by Adelady's Lauren and Hayley, with Dorinda Hafner as guest speaker, attendees celebrated women's achievements, enjoying a night of inspiration, joy and laughter.

The City of Salisbury hosted two Starlight Cinema events at Kentish Green in Para Vista. Community members enjoyed a night of fun and relaxation and watching films under the stars.



Harmony Week



The community celebrated Harmony Week at the Salisbury Community Hub with an array of intercultural performances, music and food.

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Watershed Creative Prize opening night

The Watershed Creative Prize Exhibition saw artists and guests celebrate as winners were announced, making it a memorable night for all.

Salisbury Fringe Carnival @ Carisbrooke Park

Salisbury Fringe Carnival returned for another successful year, at the new location of Carisbrooke Park. Event goers enjoyed the festivities of entertainment, rides, music and more!

Community Fun Day @ Cobbler Creek



Families gathered at Cobbler Creek for a day of nature-filled fun, soaking up the sunshine and enjoying the great outdoors.





CONNECTED YOUTH IN THE CITY OF SALISBURY

Young people are a vital part of every community that keep things moving forward, providing fresh ideas, educating grown-ups on what's new (and what's seriously old), and with so many hobbies on the go it can be hard to understand where they get the energy.

Young people often set new trends and revive old ones. They create hobbies out of interests that didn't exist 10 years ago and then find ways to develop new careers out of them, which boosts the economy in unique ways.

So why is it, that a lot of young people don't know about the services they can access within the communities they contribute so much to?

Youth are a huge priority at our Council and a dedicated effort is underway to engage and empower our youngest residents. From innovative school programs to dynamic youth initiatives, Council is committed to nurturing the potential of its youth and creating a sense of belonging within the local community.

Salisbury East High School recently collaborated with Council to strengthen ties between their Year 7 students and the community. Recognising the need for options that nurture social connection without financial burden, staff collaborated to develop a series of engaging activities to entertain the students while introducing them to the vast opportunities available locally.

'Over three days, 150 eager 12-year-olds embarked on a journey of discovery, exploring Council facilities and learning about the diverse range of programs and services they can access,' said Rene Nunn, Library Customer Service Coordinator.

'Guided tours of the library and Twelve25 Youth Centre introduced them to valuable resources and spaces designed specifically with young minds in mind. From interactive art projects centred around sustainability, to hands-on experiences with cutting-edge technology, the students embraced creativity and innovation.'

The response was overwhelmingly positive, with Salisbury East High School's Year 7 Coordinator, Kate Mckinna, sharing feedback about their experience.

'Our students had a fantastic time. Students signed up for library memberships and were eager to access resources that they did not know a library even had. It was great to work with Council to tailor a program for the young people of Salisbury,' said Kate.

The Head of Middle School, Paul Dorian, also praised the initiative.

'The excursion was a wonderful opportunity for students to discover the vast range of resources and activities available to them after school and during the holidays.'

A range of exciting programs are scheduled for this year, including life skills workshops, entrepreneurship programs, themed events, and leadership training. Council will be working closely with young people to develop programs together.

Keep an eye out for the upcoming launch of the Youth Action Plan, a comprehensive plan for empowering the next generation of Salisbury youth.

Follow Youth in Salisbury on social media and stay tuned via Council's website for updates on upcoming programs.



SCOUTS FAMILY

INSPIRING COMMUNITY SPIRIT AND GROWTH

A City of Salisbury resident for over 25 years, Sharon Kleine has found something she loves doing for the community that has inspired her kids to follow suit.

Role models in the Scouting community, Sharon's family volunteer at Northridge Scouts Para Vista, guiding our youngest residents on adventures that nurture growth and prepare them with essential skills for adulthood.

Scout groups aid youth development with emphasis on team building, practical skills and connecting with nature. Through a range of activities, young Scouts are able to develop problem-solving skills and emotional resilience for life's challenges.

Programs like this can make a big difference in a child's development, and it's not just Sharon who sees the value in it. Her passion has inspired her grown children to take up the torch, with Sarah being an Assistant Leader in Scouts, Tom supporting the Cubs group, and Monique overseeing the Joeys. Together, they ensure that the young people in our City have ample opportunities to learn, explore hobbies, and step outside their comfort zones.

Northridge Scouts have been able to attend jamborees, train in first aid, go camping, and try adventurous activities like rock climbing, canoeing, sailing, swimming, biking, hiking and much more.

Sharon says, 'seeing all the youth experience these things and watching them grow in confidence is what I love the most.'

Beyond skill building and fun activities, the extra-curricular opportunities available to Scouts can help prepare for future careers. Through Scouts, Sarah has been able to travel all over the world. Being a member of Scouts also provided the opportunity to earn a Certificate III in Business, as well as Active Volunteering – at no cost.

Sharon encourages our community's young people to give Scouts a go with the following message:

'You don't have to be fast, you don't have to be able to catch a ball, there is no race, but you will be encouraged to try by your peers, you will push yourself beyond what you thought you could do, your Scout friends will see you at your worst and support you to be your best.'

'If you want to explore opportunities that interest you, find friends for life, take a chance to grow, and find a place to belong – try Scouts – we do it all!'

To learn more about Northridge Scouts programs, volunteering opportunities, and fundraising efforts, visit www.northridgeparavista.sa.scouts.com.au or find them on Facebook at *Northridge Para Vista Scout Group*.

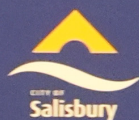
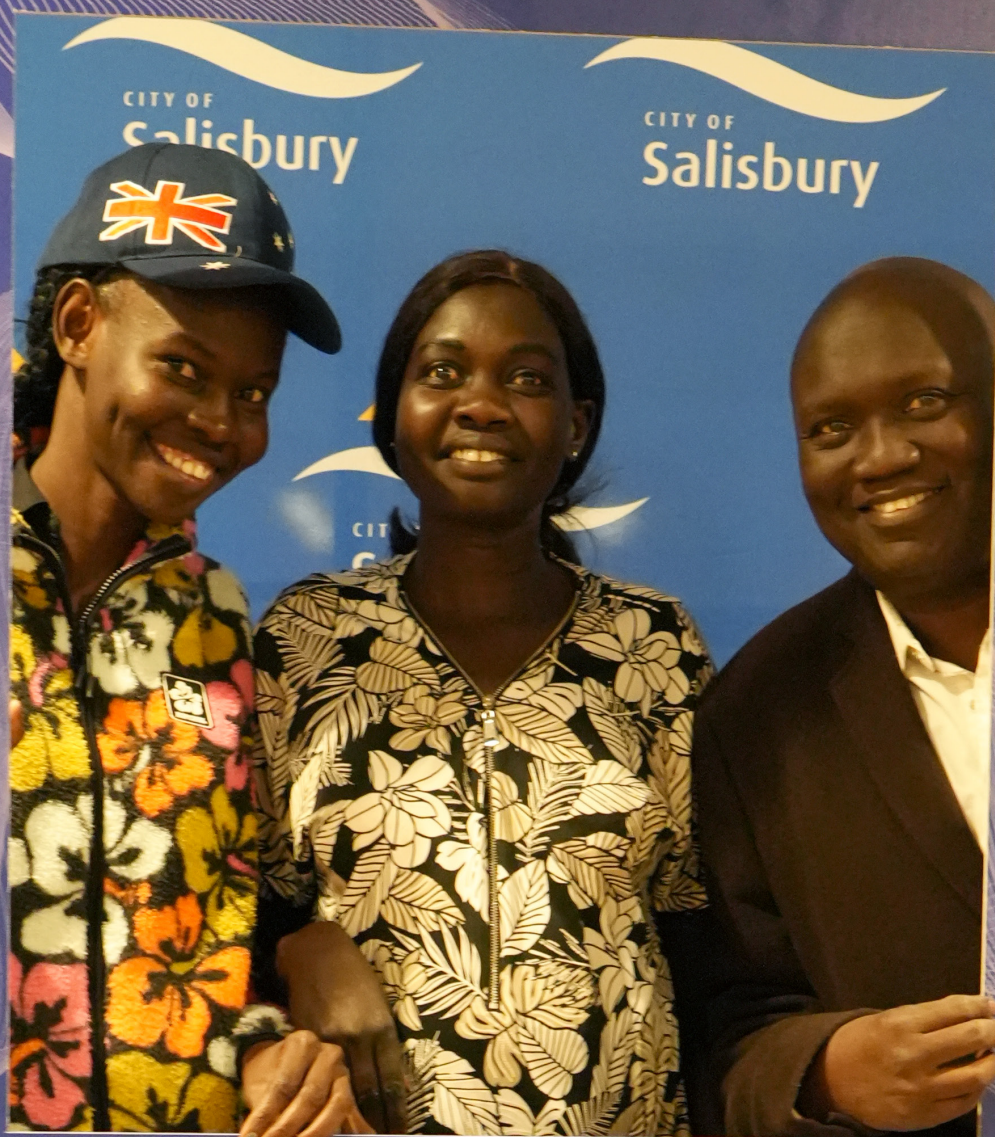
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City of Salisbury An Intercultural City



SALISBURY'S UNITY THROUGH DIVERSITY

Being a connected community is one of the City of Salisbury's core values and priorities. As a recognised Intercultural City with residents from all over the world, Salisbury is proud to be home to one of the most culturally rich and diverse communities around.

With at least 35% of the City's population born outside Australia, Salisbury is brimming with culture, cuisine, languages, and faiths. In fact, there are over 70 languages spoken and more than 30 different faiths practiced in the City of Salisbury.

Diversity is a big part of Salisbury life. That's why each year, the Council hosts a range of events, programs and initiatives to help our community connect.

Recently Council partnered with the Salisbury Intercultural Strategic Alliance (SISA), which includes organisations like the Australian Migrant Resource Centre and Australian Refugee Association, to host a special event to celebrate Refugee Week.

Local residents with refugee experience were invited to connect with our Mayor and Elected Members over afternoon tea, with the purpose of developing positive relationships between the community and local government.

Mayor Gillian Aldridge OAM shared her enthusiasm for the collaboration, saying, 'It's important to us to host events like this, to make sure that new members of our community feel at home in our community.'

'We want to make sure they know that they enrich our City by bringing culture and a wealth of knowledge to it, which has helped develop who we are today – an exciting and diverse Salisbury.'

The sentiments were shared by Michelle Dieu, Senior Manager of the Northern Area Migrant Resource Centre, who was involved in the event and addressed the significance of Refugee Week celebrations.

'Refugee Week events highlight global refugee issues and celebrate the positive contributions of Australia's new and emerging communities to our cultural, social, and economic development,' said Michelle.

Guests had a wonderful time enjoying live violin music by Karen De Nardi and mouth-watering vegetarian and halal food made by Ishtar Middle Eastern Food, including gluten-free Falafel, assorted Fatayer, and Baklava for dessert. The delicious spread was organised through a collaboration with the Australian Refugee Association's BOOST program, which supports people with refugee experience to establish catering businesses.

For many attendees, it was a chance to share their stories with local government representatives who, in turn, embraced the opportunity to listen and learn from the community with lived experience.

To find more information on Intercultural initiatives in the City of Salisbury, visit www.salisbury.sa.gov.au/intercultural.

This event was made possible by the City of Salisbury's Intercultural Strategic Plan.

WALKING THROUGH A Songline



Walking through a Songline is funded by The National Museum of Australia and Mosses Trust with support from the Australian Government's Museum of Australia program and the National Museum of Australia's donor community.



WALKING THROUGH A SONGLINE

An immersive exhibition where ancient tales meets modern technology.

May to July marks an important time in Australia, with National Sorry Day, National Reconciliation Week, and NAIDOC Week bringing the Salisbury community together for workshops, events, and discussions aimed at supporting and embracing First Nations culture. Activations across the City included Aboriginal Cultural Capability Workshops, a Bush Rub Workshop, and a free film screening of *The Last Daughter*.

As part of Reconciliation Week and this year's theme, *Now More than Ever*, the City of Salisbury proudly partnered with Arraru Yakka Cultural Capability Training to host two interactive workshops. These sessions provided participants with insights and cultural capabilities essential for promoting inclusivity in both personal and professional settings.

From 20 June to 31 July, the community enjoyed a special immersive experience. The John Harvey Community Hall in the Salisbury Community Hub was transformed into a space of wonder, hosting the *Walking through a Songline* pop-up exhibition by the National Museum of Australia.

Stemming from the museum's internationally acclaimed exhibition, *Songlines: Tracking the Seven Sisters*, this exhibition took visitors on a journey defying the boundaries of time and space, immersing them in Australian First Nations culture, heritage, and dreaming.

Vibrant projections depicted the narrative of a songline, a sacred Aboriginal tradition

passed down through generations. It followed the tale of the Seven Sisters Tjukurrpa as they were pursued across the Western and Central Deserts of Australia, their encounters marked into the landscape along the way.

Mayor Gillian Aldridge OAM was overjoyed the City of Salisbury could host the exhibition.

'It is a powerful production and a chance to connect with First Nations culture. A chance to pause, reflect, and pay homage to the custodians who have passed this knowledge down for generations.'

Adjunct Professor Margo Ngawa Neale of the National Museum of Australia expressed the importance of showing this exhibition locally.

'While this highly acclaimed and much-in-demand exhibition tours internationally we must keep an essential part of it, the beating heart, here in Australia. We need to remind all Australians, that although this story has ancient origins, it has critical contemporary relevance and uses contemporary technology as well as more conventional art forms.'

Director of Mosster Studio, creators of the original installation and the new pop-up version, Angela Hernandez, said of the exhibition, '*Walking through a Songline* is a transformative experience that gives visitors the sensation of walking through songlines themselves.'

The project was assisted by the Australian Government's Visions of Australia program, and was a delight to those who visited.



Pictured: Shaylah (left) and Esme (right)
testing out some of the new toys



THE NEW TOY LIBRARY ON THE BLOCK

Some very exciting programs and initiatives have started at Bagster Road Community Centre this year, and if you're a local family, your kids are going to love the latest one.

Staff and volunteers at the Centre have been very busy, paying visits to other council areas and talking with experts in preparation for the launch of its very own Toy Library.

As living costs rise and toys are going to landfill, Toy Libraries offer a sustainable solution that promote borrowing over buying, easing financial strain on families while allowing children to explore a variety of toys and exchange them as they grow.

In planning this program, staff collaborated with other toy libraries to learn about establishment methods and current borrowing trends. Aiming to nurture childhood development, the Toy Library will offer diverse options, including party items, sensory tools, and toys representing various cultures.

Staff consulted with disability inclusion experts, Novita, and First Nations early childhood support experts, Connected Beginnings, to gain insights on how to ensure inclusivity and relevance to the community's needs.

'It was really important to make sure this Toy Library is useful for any child who walks through the door,' said Project Manager, Paige Hetherington.

'It's crucial to us that every child can find joy, comfort, or developmental support in our Centre.'

What sets this Toy Library apart isn't just the provision of toys – it's the invitation to experience. Families are encouraged to borrow and take toys home, try them out in the comfort of their own space, and return them if they don't suit their needs.

Collaborations with the Centre's playgroups and other family programs will provide opportunities to explore the range in a communal setting before borrowing, which will give families an idea of best items for group play.

Expected to be operating by September, The Toy Library will be free to join, with a simple borrowing process. Just bring some ID along.

Bagster Road Community Centre invite the community to explore its offerings, which include collaborations with InComPro Aboriginal Association, Connected Beginnings, and Winda Creations to host Yarning Circles, men's breakfasts, women's high teas, and children's playgroups. Puddle Jumpers also operate from the Centre on Monday afternoons from 5 pm, providing free meals, take-home food, and children's activities.

Community members can also participate in the next Conversations Café session in August, to help shape the future of the Centre and local neighbourhood through community-led discussions.



YOUR AREA CITY WORKS

Taking a look at what's going on in **your area** at the moment!



Salisbury Community Hub City Centre Softfall

Works have finished for the removal and replacement of rubber softfall around the existing play equipment in front of the Salisbury Community Hub. This upgrade brings more safety and enjoyment for children using the play area.



Unity Park Dog Park for Small Dogs

The City of Salisbury is excited to announce a new addition to Unity Park: a dedicated dog park for small dogs. This space provides a safe and enjoyable environment for smaller dogs to play and socialise.

St Kilda Mangroves Trail Boardwalk

The St Kilda Mangrove Trail Boardwalk has undergone significant repairs, including new fencing and maintenance gates. The upgraded 4 x 4 metre viewing platform offers an enhanced experience for nature enthusiasts to enjoy the stunning mangrove ecosystem.



Salisbury East High School Kiss and Drop

The City of Salisbury has completed improvements to the Salisbury East High School Kiss and Drop area. This project aimed to enhance safety and convenience for students and parents, ensuring a smoother drop-off and pick-up experience.

To keep up with current Council projects, visit
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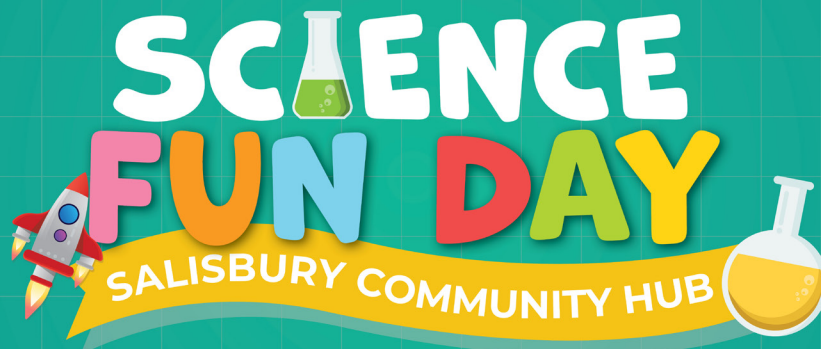




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