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Subi Night Market is back

The award-winning Subi Night Market is back this spring for its longest season yet – a 33-week celebration of community, culture, and cuisine following the huge success of last summer.

Every Saturday from 6 September to 25 April, Market Square Park will come alive with street food, live music, artisan stalls, and neighbourly experiences.

Back by popular demand is 'Meet Your Street' – a community initiative where nominated streets are invited to share a long table under the lights and enjoy complimentary tastings from local producers together.

The Market recently received a Special Commendation from the Property Council of WA for Best Community Activation or Engagement – a testament to its impact and popularity.

Find out more at www.subinightmarket.com.au.

"The Subi Night Market has firmly become a Saturday evening staple in the warmer months; offering the chance for people to come together over food, drinks, market stalls and entertainment for the perfect outing in Subi."

~ Mayor David McMullen



Lighting up Subi with colour and creativity

The second edition of the City's ARTFORM publication has landed – celebrating Subiaco's vibrant public art scene and sparking new activations across the City. It dives into Subiaco's creative spirit, showcasing local artists, bold public artworks, and hidden stories.

The magazine launched at Hayside Gallery, a newly activated space at 484 Hay Street created in partnership with SPACEMRKT. The opening exhibition, *Tension*, featured work by acclaimed artists including Kate Dolan, Ivan Shaw, and Sam Bloor. Creative activations and workshops will continue in this space until December.

Fans of winter footy also discovered a new seasonal favourite in *Winter's Game* – an exhibition by Stephen Brameld and Jay Staples at 83 Rokeby Road, exploring how football brings people together through the colder months. This space will also host further creative activations and workshops until December.

Elsewhere in the City, public art continues to thrive. A new mural by Olive Cheng now brightens a transformer box on Salvado Road. Meanwhile, the beloved mural *Subiaco Was Built On a Sunday* has been lovingly restored nearly 10 years after its debut in Kannis Lane.

"The City proudly continues to invest in and promote culture and arts in a variety of ways. We do this because we recognise the vital role that creativity plays in building community, and making Subiaco a vibrant place and destination of choice."

~ Mayor David McMullen

A 10-year plan shaped by our community

Council has endorsed the City's first Council Plan 2025–2035, setting a 10-year vision for Subiaco as "a diverse, welcoming community shaped by its rich history and celebrated for its green spaces, lifestyle, and culture."

Developed through extensive community consultation, the plan is built around five strategic pillars: Connected Community; Flourishing Environment; Vibrant Economy; Liveable Places; and Leading Organisation, with four-year focus projects to support a growing community. Read more at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/council-plan.

"What we now have is a plan, endorsed by Council, shaped by community, and informed by our close working relationship with City staff. The clarity and alignment of priorities found within the new Council Plan is a foundation on which to carry the City forward in the coming years."

~ Mayor David McMullen

Protecting our tree canopy

With threats like the Polyphagous Shot-Hole Borer (PSHB) first detected in Subiaco in 2022 – the City is taking proactive steps to protect and improve its iconic tree canopy.

Under the Flourishing Environment pillar of the new Council Plan 2025–2035, canopy care is a key priority.

The City's PSHB response includes aerial inspections, soil conditioning, pruning, and insecticide trials, which are already showing promising results. Combined with ongoing tree planting, these measures will help safeguard our urban forest for the future.



"Our green streets and leafy parks are cherished by the community, and central to the character of our residential neighbourhoods. No one in WA really knows how the PSHB threat will play out; but City staff are determined to remain at the forefront."

~ Mayor David McMullen

UnWined Subiaco celebrates 15 years

The City is proud to support UnWined Subiaco, returning 25 and 26 October for its 15th year. Market Square Park will become a boutique wine region with tastings from more than 50 WA wineries, breweries, cideries, and distilleries. Visitors will also be able to enjoy gourmet food, live music, and a sunny, relaxed vibe. Multiple sessions run across the weekend, with more than 300 wines to taste and buy.

Find out more at www.unwinedeventswa.com.au/subiaco/about.



The Final returns to Subi Oval

Experience the excitement of Australia's biggest sporting day at The Final – Perth's ultimate AFL Grand Final party in the heart of Subiaco.

On Saturday 27 September, Subiaco Oval will come alive with huge screens broadcasting the game, DJs, a silent disco, food trucks, bars, and a sea of footy fans. Thanks to support from See Subiaco, this year's family-friendly event will include a free-entry community zone alongside the main ticketed area.

Find out more at www.thefinal.au.



Celebrating young creatives



This year's winners were:

Upper Secondary: Raadin Ebadi, Perth Modern School

Lower Secondary: Jasper Lindon, John Curtin College

Upper Primary: Tanya Ziya Xu, St Columba's Catholic PS

Shaun Tan Award for Young Artists

From Monday 7 July to Sunday 3 August, Subiaco Library showcased 50 finalist artworks by WA primary and secondary students in the Shaun Tan Award for Young Artists. Winners were announced at a ceremony with a video message from award patron Shaun Tan, celebrating 23 years of supporting this long-running competition which recognises originality, concept, technique, and creativity. Prizes were sponsored by local businesses and awarded by a panel of artists, educators and industry professionals.

Middle Primary: Eason Li, Arty Studio WA

Lower Primary: Diarmuid Gannon, Bannister Creek PS

People's Choice Award: Teresa Thomas, Kardinya PS

Photographic Awards

On display at Subiaco Library until Sunday 7 September, the 2025 Photographic Awards showcase works in People & Portraits, Nature, Open, and AI categories.

This year's panel welcomes new judge Stef King, a renowned Subiaco-based portrait and editorial photographer.

Winners receive cash prizes and have their work professionally displayed in the community. Visitors are encouraged to vote for the People's Choice Award.



Craig Silvey Award for Young Writers

The City of Subiaco once again proudly presents the 2025 Craig Silvey Award for Young Writers. Entries for the 2025 award have now closed.

The competition recognises exceptional short fiction by WA students, with categories across all year levels from 1 to 12.

Finalists will be announced at the end of September, with winning stories to be displayed at Subiaco Library from Tuesday 30 September to Sunday 26 October.

Find out more at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/awards.

What's on in Subi?

September		September School Holidays Various dates, September Subiaco Library Free There's something for kids of all ages during the school holidays. For the full program, visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/news .
October		Mental Health Week Saturday 4 October – Saturday 11 October Various venues Free The City is supporting a week of events to raise awareness, promote wellbeing, and encourage connection. For more information, visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/events .
October-November		Perth International Jazz Festival 18 October – 2 November 2025 Regal Theatre Ticketed Experience three spectacular shows across four nights at the Regal, featuring jazz great Gregory Porter, Grammy Award winner Samara Joy, and the Bill Frisell Trio. Keep an eye out for pop-up performance throughout the City. For details and tickets, visit www.perthjazzfest.com/events .
November		Seniors Week Sunday 9 November – Sunday 16 November Various venues Free In honour of WA Seniors Week 2025, the City is hosting a range of free activities. For more information, visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/events .
November		Remembrance Day Service 10.45am, Tuesday 11 November Fallen Soldiers' Memorial, Rankin Gardens Free Led by the Subiaco-Shenton Park RSL, this special service will be followed by a free morning tea.
November		Subi to Swan 8.30am – 10am, Sunday 16 November Market Square Park Free Grab a coffee and explore more than 300 classic vintage cars in this family-friendly showcase. For more information, visit www.seesubiacom.com.au .
November		Christmas Stitching Workshop 6pm, Friday 21 November Subiaco Library Free Create your own hand-embroidered decoration with the Embroiderers Guild of WA. Register at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/events .

November



Pre Loved Market

11am – 3pm, Sunday 23 November
 Seddon Street | Free

Hunt for hidden gems and sustainable fashion at this pop-up market full of unique finds. For more information, visit www.seesubiacom.com.au.

November



Safe online shopping and banking

10am, Friday 28 November
 Subiaco Library | Free

Learn how to shop and bank online safely with expert Caitriona Forde. Part of the Library's Tech, Tea and Treats series – with festive snacks and one-on-one device help. Register at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/events.



City grants help Hugh go global

Thanks to a City Youth Achievement Grant, 17-year-old resident Hugh recently represented Australia in both hockey and floorball during a tour of Europe.

As part of the Aussie Joey Development Tour in April 2025, Hugh joined 15 other boys in The Netherlands and Belgium to compete against U16 and U18 national teams from The Netherlands, Belgium, England, Scotland, and Ireland.

As a goalkeeper for YMCC Hockey Club and Christ Church Grammar School, Hugh had previously represented WA – but this was his first time representing Australia.

Born in The Netherlands and raised in Subiaco, Hugh said playing against his birth country in Australian colours was a particularly special milestone. Following the hockey tour, he went on to represent Australia once again at the U19 World Cup Floorball in Zurich.

Hugh's story is one of many supported by the City's grant programs, which recently awarded \$15,000 to five organisations promoting wellbeing, inclusion, and safety.

In addition, the City sponsored speech pathologist Thila Raja of Speak for Life to attend the 2025 Curtin Ignition program – a five-day startup incubator with expert mentoring and training.

The City offers grants for community, youth, sport, and small business. Learn more and apply at www.subiaco.wa.gov.au.





Robinson Verge makeover

A multi-generational community effort has transformed the Robinson Street verge into a native garden.

Led by 80-year-old neighbour John, residents came together to convert 140 square metres of verge into a vibrant native garden. Around 15 locals from the street pitched in on planting day.

Supported by the City's Waterwise Verge Program, neighbours secured 130 native plants from Apace WA.

Annual pet registration reminder

Don't forget – all one-year and three-year pet registrations expire on 31 October each year, regardless of when they were first registered.

Registering your pet helps ensure they can be quickly returned if they get lost. To renew or learn more, visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/news.



Homelessness Week 2025



The City is committed to reducing homelessness through a coordinated, compassionate, community-based approach.

To mark Homelessness Week 2025, Subiaco Library hosted a panel with speakers from the City, Department of Communities, and The Salvation Army, focusing on awareness, partnerships, and local solutions.

The City works with service providers, WA Police, and neighbouring councils to connect vulnerable people with essential services and long-term support. Current initiatives include the weekly SEAT walk-in service at The Third Place, \$5 community lunches with Earthwise, referrals to Dress for Success, and education on coercive control – a known driver of homelessness.

Bulk green waste collection: What's changing

The City will replace its scheduled bulk green waste verge collections with a pre-booked, on-demand service.

Scheduled verge collections currently account for less than five per cent of the City's total green waste, which is mostly managed through the weekly FOGO bin service.

The new on-demand model will give residents flexibility to book two free collections each year at times that suit their seasonal gardening, with extra bookings available for a fee.

The scheduled bulk waste collection on Monday 8 December will still go ahead.

Visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/waste for updates.



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Changes to your Rate Notice

Your 2025–26 Rate Notice will arrive in October, which is later than usual. Payments will be due in November.

This change is due to the City transitioning to a new software system that offers better services for residents and ratepayers.

As part of the upgrade, your payment reference number on your Rate Notice will have changed. Bpoint payment details have also changed. Please check your new Rate Notice carefully before making payment.

For more information, visit www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/rates.

Local government elections – watch your mailbox

The next Local Government Ordinary Election will take place on Saturday 18 October 2025.

City of Subiaco elections are conducted as postal elections by the Western Australian Electoral Commission. Ballot packages will be mailed to all registered electors in September.

Voters can return their ballot via mail or hand-deliver it to the sealed ballot box at the City's Administration Centre at level 2, 388 Hay Street before 6pm on election day.

Replacement ballot papers will be available for registered voters at the Administration Centre.

Keep an eye out for your postal voting pack in the mail.



SPCC to be refurbished

The City is reimagining Shenton Park Community Centre (SPCC) to meet the evolving needs of the local community.

The centre, located on the corner of Onslow and Herbert roads, opened in 1983 and has supported many local groups and community events over the years.

Upgrades will include a refurbished kitchen, improved accessibility (including new toilets), and the addition of sustainable features like the replacement of gas appliances with 100 per cent renewable energy alternatives.

Following consultation on the draft concept design in July, the City is now working with user groups to refine final plans. For more information, visit

www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/news.



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Onslow Park Tennis Club turns 100

Founded in October 1925, Onslow Park Tennis Club is celebrating 100 years of tennis and community in Shenton Park.

The centenary celebration will include a Public Open Day on Saturday 18 October 2025, with social tennis, a display of club history, and activities for all ages.

For more information, visit
www.onslowparktennisclub.com.



Growing a greener Jolimont

Jolimont Primary School's Joli Green Project is transforming the school's central courtyard from hot concrete into a vibrant, shady, and welcoming outdoor space for learning, play, and connection with nature.

This new green heart of the school will be enjoyed not just by today's students, but by generations to come – and you can help make it happen.

Whether you're part of the school community, a local resident, a proud grandparent, or Jolimont alumnus, your support can leave a lasting mark. Buy a brick, sponsor a tree, or simply donate to help bring the Joli Green vision to life.

To get involved, visit www.joligreenproject.com.au.

Museum celebrates 50 golden years

In its 50th year, Subiaco Museum has received a fresh upgrade of its historic building following a recent refurbishment with new lighting, signage, AV and interactive displays.

The golden jubilee marks half a century since the museum opened its doors in 1975. Built in 1923 as Substation No. 2 for the City's electric light supply, the building later served as a community hall and storage facility before becoming a museum. It was officially opened by Miss Chugg and Miss Daglish, descendants of pioneering Subiaco families, and has been under the custodianship of the City of Subiaco since 1995.

Golden jubilee celebrations include projections, curator talks, and tours. Learn more at
www.subiaco.wa.gov.au/events.



New businesses



Defined Beauty

Suite 5/388 Hay St, Subiaco

Offering cosmetic tattooing, brow sculpting, tooth gems, and teeth whitening.

Skin Ave Co

Office 5, 217 Hay St, Subiaco

Combining non-invasive cosmetic treatments with a tranquil, spa-style experience.



Opulence Serenity

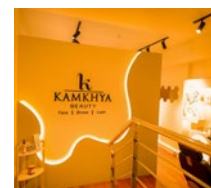
119 Rokeby Rd, Subiaco

Delivers personalised massage services, including deep tissue, pregnancy, and aromatherapy.

Kamkhyha Beauty

3/223 Bagot Rd, Subiaco

Specialising in brows, lashes, facials, waxing, LED therapy, and skin treatments.



Bishop St Café

35 Bishop St, Jolimont

A family-run café offering specialty coffee, homemade bites, and drive-through convenience.

Get social in Subi!

Subiaco is home to everything you could possibly need this spring! Emerge from winter hibernation and immerse yourself in a vibrant array of events that are good for the soul.

SEE SUBIACO



WA Comedy Week

18 – 23 August | Various times and venues

Get behind the most hilarious week WA has to offer at WA Comedy Week. Support local WA talent in this giant showcase of comedy across six nights of guaranteed laughs at some of Subiaco's best venues. Find out more at wacomedyweek.com.



Subi Night Market

Every Saturday | 6 September – 25 April | 5pm – 9pm | Market Square Park

Subi Night Market makes its much-awaited return from Saturday 6 September 2025 to Saturday 25 April 2026, transforming Market Square Park into a charming European village under the stars. Indulge in mouth-watering street food, artisan market stalls and a buzzing pop-up bar – while immersing yourself in an array of vibrant cultural and arts performances and pop-up movies throughout the season. Find out more at subinightmarket.com.au.



The Final

27 September | 11am – 9pm | Subiaco Oval

Celebrate the biggest day in Aussie sport at The Final, the ultimate AFL Grand Final party at Subiaco Oval. With giant screens, live music, bars, food trucks, competitions, and a crowd of thousands, it's the only way to experience the game day energy without being there. Find out more at thefinal.au.



UnWined Subiaco

25 – 26 October | Various session times | Market Square Park

The staple wine and food event on the WA calendar, UnWined Subiaco is returning for its 15th year this October! Featuring more than 50 wineries, plus a selection of breweries, cider houses and distilleries to choose from – there is something for every palate. Pop down, enjoy a few tastings and relax in the sunshine at this much-loved day out. Find out more at unwinedeventswa.com.au/subiaco/about.

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