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Inner West Mayor Darcy Byrne,
Costa Georgiadis and
Councillor Mat Howard

Food recycling coming to every Inner West house

Following the delivery of a food recycling program to apartments throughout the Inner West, a full food organics and garden organics recycling program will be rolled out to every Inner West household in October.

Renowned landscape architect and sustainability activist Costa Georgiadis joined Inner West Mayor Darcy Byrne and Councillor Mat Howard to announce the commencement of the new food recycling scheme for the Inner West.

Costa said, "The fact that food recycling is going to roll out across all of the Inner West and all of the Inner West residents can take their food waste out of the red bin and put it into the green bin is awesome news.

Because when we separate our food waste, we're contributing big time to reducing landfill and carbon emissions."

Mayor Byrne added, "Preventing food from rotting in landfill and releasing methane is the single most important thing our local community can do to combat

climate change. Better still, this will save ratepayers millions of dollars in landfill fees in the years to come."

More about the food recycling program:

- ▶ A comprehensive education program will lead up to the rollout in October
- ▶ Every apartment in the Inner West has already been delivered a burgundy-topped kitchen caddy
- ▶ In September, a green-topped kitchen caddy will be delivered to every house in the Inner West
- ▶ Weekly pick up of green and burgundy bins will begin in October

We'll keep you posted as we get closer to rolling out the food recycling program.



Coming soon Inner West Sustainability Hub!

On 1 July, Inner West Council will launch the brand-new Inner West Sustainability Hub, designed to put exciting environmental initiatives at the fingertips of residents.

The highly curated space, located at the old Council depot, 7 Prospect Road Summer Hill, will provide resources, services, and information on sustainability initiatives in partnership with local organisations,

such as The Bower Repair & Reuse Centre, TOMRA (Return and Earn), The Village Project, and Dress for Success Sydney.

The Hub will also feature electric vehicle charging stations, street libraries, bike tune-ups, and Council's Green Living Centre services, among others. Inner West Mayor, Darcy Byrne, is excited to provide a one-stop shop for residents to learn about and engage in sustainability initiatives.

The Hub aims to empower locals with the knowledge and resources to take action in their daily lives, and make a positive impact on the environment.

See the back cover for more information.



Switched on homeowners

Josh and Hema, conscious homeowners in the Inner West, made a bold move to electrify their home.

By replacing gas appliances with energy-efficient electric alternatives, they reduced their carbon footprint and are actively contributing to a cleaner environment.

Their switch to electrification also improved their indoor air quality, reducing respiratory ailments and enhancing their overall well-being. Despite the initial investment, the couple have experienced long-term savings on energy bills. Paired with new government incentives available to selected households, the financial benefits of embracing a more sustainable household have never been more enticing!



EV charging stations coming to the Inner West

The Inner West is making it easier for residents to recharge their electric vehicles (EV) even if they have no off-street parking.

Our new EV Encouragement Strategy will see us partner with EV charging providers to establish up to 50 charging stations throughout the Inner West.

We'll also be requiring the provision of EV charging stations in all new major developments and streamlining approvals for both private and public EV charging facilities.

In addition, we're transitioning our own fleet of vehicles to EVs

and encouraging local car share operators, taxi companies and ride share operators to do the same.

Highlights of the Strategy:

- ▶ Public kerbside and carpark charging partnerships
- ▶ Investigating installation of charging stations on some light poles
- ▶ Simplified approval for charging on private property
- ▶ Council fleet transition
- ▶ Major developments to provide charging stations

Indigenous health advocate honoured in Community Awards

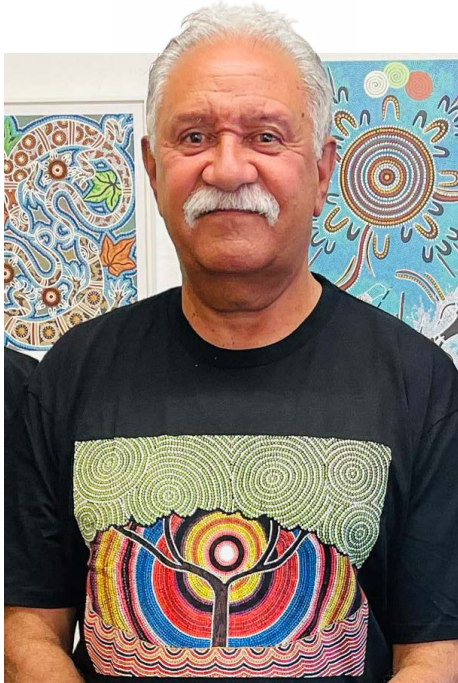
Health advocate and Bundjalung Elder Boe Rambaldini has been recognised for decades of community service by being named Inner West Council Adult Citizen of the Year.

The Marrickville resident was honoured at a community celebration held on Friday 19 May at Marrickville Town Hall.

“He is a man of incredible wisdom, marvellous personality and a person who has had in the past no voice, and now has a voice and is using it so well advocating for Aboriginal people,” said Jane Massa, who nominated Rambaldini for the award.

“People like Boe are just so incredibly generous that they immediately say ‘yes’ to working in their own time, on a committee to help other people.”

Rambaldini is the Statewide Oral Health Manager for NSW Health and the Director of the Poche Centre for Indigenous Health School of Medicine.



Health advocate and Bundjalung Elder Boe Rambaldini, photo credit: Kylie Gwynne

A lifetime of achievements include:

- ▶ Developed and managed the first NSW Aboriginal Employment Strategy for Local Government
- ▶ Developed and managed the first NSW Police Aboriginal Strategic Plan
- ▶ Developed the first NSW Aboriginal Oral Health Plan

For a full rundown of award nominees and recipients scan the QR code.



Protecting our pubs

A huge part of what makes the Inner West such a vital and vibrant community is our famous pub culture. We have some of the most iconic pubs in Sydney and they’ve been important hubs for our community for more than a century.

We are committed to preserving and nurturing the pubs of the Inner West. That’s why we’re proposing to heritage list a further 27 of our historic pubs. As part of this process, we’re inviting the community to help us.

We are asking Inner Westies to go onto Council’s website and tell us stories about what makes their favourite pub such an important hub for their neighbourhood, their group of friends or the wider community. Is it the atmosphere, the food, the music, the regulars, or the occasional drop in by the famous or infamous?

The information collected from the community will be used as a vital ingredient in the heritage protection process.

Whether it’s live music and entertainment, a good, cheap meal or just a place to catch up with friends, we want to ensure that the people of the Inner West can continue to enjoy our pubs well into the future.

Scan this QR code or go to yoursay.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/love-your-pub to tell us why you love your favourite Inner West pub.



Darcy Byrne

Mayor, Darcy Byrne
Inner West Council

Remembering Chrys Meader

On 12 May, the Marrickville Library auditorium celebrated its renaming in honour of late local historian Chrys Meader, who served the local community for 40 years.

The ceremony was attended by Prime Minister Anthony Albanese, Mayor Darcy Byrne, members of the Marrickville Heritage Society, Chrys’s family, and former colleagues. The Prime Minister described Chrys as instrumental in bringing local history to life, and the naming of the auditorium as a fitting tribute to her legacy. Mayor Byrne added that Chrys Meader was a unique character who knew more about the history of the Inner West than anyone, and renaming the auditorium was the best



Above: the late local historian Chrys Meader

Below: Chrys Meader’s great niece Willow addressed the crowd. Prime minister Anthony Albanese and Inner West Mayor Darcy Byrne were in attendance.



way to honour her extraordinary contribution. The Inner West community will always be grateful for Chrys Meader’s service.



King George and Easton Park upgraded – and more to come

King George Park in Rozelle and Easton Park in Lilyfield have recently reopened following major upgrades.

The investment of \$4.2 million in improvements to King George Park includes an upgraded sports field with new turf, regrading and sub-surface drainage. There's also an improved long jump facility, new sports field lighting to enable nighttime training and construction of a new carpark with accessible car parking spaces and pathways, lighting and garden beds.

Improved amenities including female-friendly change rooms will also be delivered in the coming year.

At Easton Park, we've invested \$500,000 in creating new sub-surface field drainage, regrading the surface, and laying new turf. This improved surface and drainage will help local sporting clubs use the ground more reliably for training and games.

These upgrades are part of our extensive \$5.2 million program to improve the sports grounds throughout the Inner West in the next financial year. Some of the sports grounds we'll be upgrading include \$2.1 million at HJ Mahoney Reserve in Marrickville, a \$1.1 million new amenities block at Tempe Reserve and a \$2.5 million upgrade to Camdensville Park, among others.





Running for life

It's not often we put staff in the spotlight, but Dean Law's story is exceptional and truly inspirational.

Dean started work for Council at the Balmain Depot 32 years ago and for the last 22 years, has been a much-loved member of the Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre team.

Diagnosed with Parkinson's in his 50s, he turned to exercise to fight off the symptoms and completed his first marathon aged 60. He continues to run and run, fundraising for Parkinson's NSW, raising more than \$116,000 to date.

To learn more and help his campaign, please check out The Dean Team pitchinforparkinsons.org.au



Active Inner West: not *just* for the active!

Active Inner West is a new way to search for sport and recreation ideas close to where you live.

Our interactive map is great for finding fitness opportunities across the Inner West. If you're looking for ways to relax, meet new friends and enjoy the great outdoors, we've got you covered too!

Search the map for community walking groups or uncover the beauty of nature on a leisurely walking trail. Seek out parks with playgrounds, outdoor areas for off-leash dog exercise or discover

new bike tracks to explore.

Connect with your neighbours at one of the Inner West's many community gardens, try line dancing, or indulge in a spot of lawn bowls, croquet or table tennis.

Opportunities to unwind and meet others in your local community are just around the corner. Search the Active Inner West map today at www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/active

If you'd like to add an activity to the map, email us at: recreation@innerwest.nsw.gov.au



Coach Allan Woollard from Camperdown Tennis, Nicholas Riggs from Flourish Australia and RALLY4EVER participants at Camperdown

RALLY4EVER

Inner West Council's RALLY4EVER tennis program continues to serve up fantastic connections for the community, having launched a new program at Camperdown Tennis.

The program is for isolated older adults in the community. Players say the free weekly one-hour sessions create a powerful support network and impact positively on mental and physical wellbeing.

To find out about Inner West wellbeing activities and events, services, community centres and other initiatives for people as they age, visit: www.innerwest.nsw.gov.au/Seniors or email Mary Ciantar or Mark Jones: seniors@innerwest.nsw.gov.au



Relief care trial success

Inner West Family Day Care has provided peace-of-mind for families and staff after successfully trialling a relief care program.

To enable educators to take long service leave and visit families overseas, the service conducted an orientation for qualified relief educators.

The minimum four-week induction helped build trust between primary educators, families and children.

The relief care program has also introduced Family Day Care to educators thinking about becoming permanent registered educators in the future.



Inner West businesses shine

Leichhardt's SRL Management has picked up a major gong at the prestigious 2023 Inner West Local Business Awards.

The property and project management firm was named Business of the Year, and also picked up the professional services award at a gala awards ceremony.

Corinthian Rotisserie Restaurant scooped the best restaurant award, while Marrickville Metro tenant Panetta Mercato was named top fruit and vegetable shop.

The Youth Award went to Kelby's in Marrickville, and Suzanne Evans-Booth from Village Wholefoods was named Business Person of the Year.



National Trust Heritage Awards

Council's library and history team achieved a Highly Commended Award for the Marrickville Metro site study.

The study was developed with local historians and archaeologists.

Teachers can now use our history collection to fulfill the high school curriculum focus on "change over time".



Built Environment Awards

Do you have a passion for the streetscapes and architecture of the Inner West? Or have you renovated your place recently with an eye to preserving the history and original character of the building? Then you should submit an entry for our Built Environment Awards.

Inner West Council runs two major programs as part of the Built Environment Awards: The Urban Photography Competition, and the Marrickville Medal for Conservation. For more information, visit our website.

Entries for both awards close 30 June 2023. Scan the QR code for more information.



Beetle Crafting Workshop, Legs On The Wall
Photo credit Shane Rozario

EDGE GreenWay sparks imagination

Thousands flocked to EDGE GreenWay in May to celebrate creativity and imagination throughout Leichhardt's vibrant green corridor.

The annual arts celebration, held across two weekends, illuminated shipping containers and canal-side spaces as free workshops, tours, installations, performances and live music was showcased.


















Relationship To Play, Samantha Thompson,
Photograph Shane Rozario

Visitors also witnessed the creative inspiration of seven artists, who developed new creative concepts while occupying shipping containers throughout the two weeks of EDGE GreenWay – now firmly established on Sydney's cultural calendar.

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Customer Service Stalls and Local Matters Forum

The next Customer Service stall is on Saturday 24 June at Easton Park Rozelle, from 9:30am to 1:30pm.

Residents of the Inner West are also urged to make their voices heard by getting along to their Local Matters Forum on Tuesday 27 June at Marrickville Library Pavilion, from 6pm.

Tell us what local matters you'd like discussed at the face-to-face meeting by submitting a question when you register for an event in your neighbourhood.

Scan the QR code to find out more and register.



Celebrate South King Street

Celebrate South King Street celebrates the vibrant, creative and ever-evolving shopping, dining and entertainment precinct that is south King Street.

From 14 June to 18 June, the precinct comes alive with activities and activations that are led by our community.

For more information on the program, including times and program details, scan the QR code .



Inner West Sustainability Hub opening

Saturday 1 July, 10am to 1pm at 7 Prospect Road, Summer Hill

Come to the opening of the new Inner West Sustainability Hub in Summer Hill. Featuring live music from Junkyard Beats, a community BBQ, and a range of fun activities including garden planting, craft activities, mini worm workshops and talks from sustainability experts.



Marrickville Town Hall

We're opening our town halls for creative uses

Visit an open day and get inspired about ways you could activate the space!

- ▶ Petersham Town Hall, Saturday 20 May, 11am-1pm
- ▶ Balmain Town Hall, Saturday 3 June, 11am-1pm
- ▶ Annandale Town Hall, Saturday 10 June, 11am-1pm
- ▶ Leichhardt Town Hall, Saturday 17 June, 11am-1pm
- ▶ Ashfield Town Hall, Saturday 24 June, 11am-1pm

For more information visit innerwest.nsw.gov.au/CreativeUse