

NEWS from your Local Councillor



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Dear residents

It's certainly been a jam packed few months. I would like to thank everyone for their continued proactive approach to our community. I appreciate everyone's phone calls and valued constructive input. Please keep this communication flowing.

I would like to introduce you all to our new CEO

Gary Stevenson started as Redland City Council's new CEO in September. Here are his early impressions on the job: "What a great place to live, and what an interesting place to work: these are the two overwhelming thoughts on my mind as I move through my first few weeks at the Redlands. I am learning rapidly as I cram information into my head. I have undertaken a tour of your division with Cr Boglary to see first-hand the issues affecting your community. I see many opportunities and challenges and magnificent initiatives already in progress and I am looking forward to seeing them develop."



Gary Stevenson CEO

I welcome Gary to our team and our community. Please, if you see him out and about, give him a traditional warm Redlands welcome.

Healthy lifestyle



Despite all the new and exciting responsibilities, I am getting on with the job of planning more community activities for our local area and supporting the minority groups. I have taken officers on park tours and soon you will see some new equipment in many of our local parks. Planting is also occurring in different areas. I would like to promote healthy activities outdoors as we all know how beautiful our city's environment is, so why not be out treasuring and enjoying it.

Talking about enjoyment, don't forget the Wellington Point Traders Street Fair. Rides etc. are free so it makes for a great family day out. See you there on Sunday 7 December 2008.

We had fantastic community involvement in our Tree Planting Day at Hilliards Creek, where 4,000 plants were planted in a four-hour working bee. Thanks to everyone that came along.

Bendigo Bank

Recently, I met with Clive Phillips, a Director of Victoria Point Community Bank, to discuss the idea of a Bendigo Bank sub-branch in Wellington Point. The next step is to have residents' input and the bank needs local people to form a steering committee and to hold a public meeting. A bank is a service presently missing at the village and Bendigo Bank actually gives a percentage of profits back to our community. For more information, please phone Clive on 3207 7919 between 9am–8pm or email cph46626@bigpond.net.au as soon as possible.

Safer local streets

With so many young families (with prams and bikes) and the elderly in our area, I receive frequent requests for better footpaths and safer crossings. I am very pleased to hear that the new school crossing for Mary MacKillop and the footpath opposite Wellington Point State School are now completed. I am working with other schools presently to secure their areas. I am having ongoing talks with Phil Weightman about our train station parking issues and also our traffic officers regarding road safety. Please continue to contact me regarding any safety issues in your area.

Koala talks

Please ring IndigiScapes on 3824 8611 to report all koala sightings for an upcoming survey.



Redlands Tourism Awards

Congratulations to Redlands Sporting Club and Ormiston House who won their categories in the recent Redlands Tourism Awards. It was a wonderful night that highlighted the high quality of our local tourist operators. *Congratulations to everyone involved!*

Redlands Chamber of Commerce

Recently I joined the Chambers Executive Committee as I endeavour to support local business and increase local employment. I urge local businesses to join the chamber to network, learn and to give local businesses a stronger voice. At present, 60% of locals leave the city daily for their employment. If we can support and build local businesses, it will decrease travel time and stress for many local residents, boost our local economy and benefit the environment - a win/win situation. So please shop locally whenever possible, and traders: join the chamber and be heard.

As a member of the Redlands Disaster Management Committee, I urge residents to be “storm smart” with the summer storm season approaching.

EMERGENCY CONTACT NUMBERS

Police, Fire or Ambulance.....000
State Emergency Services (SES).....132 500
For AFTER HOURS Council Emergencies.....3829 8633
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Meet your Councillor each month:

3 rd Wednesday	4.30pm	Ormiston Shopping Village
2 nd and 4 th Saturdays	9am –11am	Wellington Point Shopping Centre



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