

NEWS from your • Local Councillor

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Dear Residents

Thank you to all who have been the eyes and the ears for Division Nine. Your assistance, suggestions and advice are appreciated and valued. I encourage residents to contact me at any time with queries or assistance about any local issues.

Redlands Youth Plaza

The countdown to the opening of the Redlands Youth Plaza at John Fredericks Park, Capalaba, can begin with Redland Shire Council awarding the tender to build the facility to Hadore Pty Ltd. The \$1.01 million project is to be built on the site of the John Fredericks Skate Park and will be a state-of-the-art youth activity space.

The site will incorporate space to ride BMX, skate, inline skate and roller blade as well as having grassed kick-about areas and specially designed space for music concerts and exhibitions. The skate component will be the largest of its kind in south-east Queensland and should attract professional skate competitions. One of our paramount concerns in developing this project was ensuring the design incorporated and addressed safety and security for everyone wanting to use the space to get more Queenslanders active through sport and recreation.

The skate park will be closed from 2 July to 25 October 2007 to enable construction.

Capalaba Regional Park - Redland Shire Band Performances

We have had a great reception to our regular entertainment in the Regional Park and welcome residents to enjoy the music provided by our local youth and residents in this beautiful park on the following dates between 12 noon – 1.00pm:

- 12 August – Swing Band
- 16 September – Concert Band
- 21 October – Big Band

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Capalaba State College

Recently, there have been senseless attacks on community assets at Capalaba State College. Could I encourage all residents who notice any unwarranted behaviour in and around the school to contact the following number and report it immediately. Telephone School Watch on 13 1788.

Keith Street Capalaba Project

The area around Keith Street has been chosen to pilot a coordinated approach to managing urban conservation reserves.

The project will involve Council's Conservation Team, Bushcare and the Your Backyard Garden program. At the Keith Street Reserve there will be a program of weed management, track work and erosion control. The Bushcare team will coordinate a series of community plantings. The Keith Street Reserve is clearly loved and appreciated and the community plantings are a great way to put something back for the birds, bugs and animals that share our suburbs. The amazing variety of wildlife around our homes is often overlooked and the Your Backyard Garden program will be inviting householders in Keith and Bowen Streets to join in.

So what is the Your Backyard Garden program? The program provides advice to urban householders (in the comfort of their own backyard) of ways to improve the habitat values of their garden. Amazingly, this doesn't involve turning your garden into a jungle but does provide advice on waterwise gardening and the best plants to grow in your area. It will also help you remove the weeds from your backyard that are finding their way into conservation reserves. So, if it is participating in the Your Backyard Garden program or the community plantings, you will be helping Council's conservation team make the Keith Street area an even nicer place to live. For more information please contact Redlands IndigiScapes Centre on 3824 8611.

Traffic Lights School Road Capalaba

There have been further delays in beginning the project to install traffic signals at the corner of School Road and Mt Cotton Road, Capalaba. Energex has recently relocated power poles to help facilitate this project. Estimated timing of the completion of this project has now been extended to the end of the year.

Energy Tip

Next time you make your morning cuppa, see how much water is left in the jug or kettle after you boil it. Boiling this extra water is costing money. If you adopt a more efficient method to boil water for a cuppa by using only what you need to fill your cup you can save up to \$17.40 per year off your power bill and 116kg of greenhouse gas emission per year

ABANDONED SHOPPING TROLLEYS Call this toll free number: **1800 010 335**

Please send your email address to karenw@redland.qld.gov.au if you would like me to forward you information via electronic mail. Once again, I look forward to working with you to achieve a greater outcome for your local area and the Redland Shire Council. Please contact me on any local matter.

Kind regards



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