



the village at  
**Wellard**

Summer 2017

Village

Connect

# Hundreds soak up the fun at Wellard's adventure park opening



The Village at Wellard was abuzz on Sunday 13 November to celebrate the opening of the brand new adventure park.

Sunshine and blue skies provided an ideal backdrop for more than 800 residents and visitors who enjoyed the fun-filled day that included an exciting range of free activities and entertainment for all ages.

The popular Village Markets were on at Wellard Square Shopping Centre and the new display village was open, showcasing the very latest in contemporary home designs from some of WA's leading builders.

Free tram rides around The Village were a hit, enabling people to easily pop between the markets, the display village and the celebrations at the adventure park.



Complimentary ice creams and coffees kept the crowd going while the DJ had the retro soul and funk music pumping.

Popular radio station Hit 92.9 entertained everyone in their super cool lounge area complete with bean bags, table tennis and an inflatable basketball hoop.

The landmark adventure park, located down Lambeth Circle and off Bellingham Parade, sets new standards in playground design in WA with its unique 7.3m high climbing tower, trampoline pit, climbable dome, custom designed skate park and BMX pump track.

Dozens of kids tried their skills at the new skate park and the pop-up skate park brought in for the opening event. Many took advantage of the free skate



Clockwise from left: Madeline Sheppard enjoying the new adventure park; Emma and Sean Clinkaberry getting some skating tips from Skateboarding WA's Tom Bentley; Crystal and Angelina Bond playing on the adventure park's climbable dome; Kyla Mackey-Johns learning to skate with help from mum Alison Johns and Skateboarding WA's Harry Clark; and Tennesha Alexander playing table tennis in the Hit 92.9FM lounge area.

clinics hosted by Skate Sculpture and Skateboarding WA while face painting, balloon twisting and a roving stilt walker kept the younger children entertained.

## Our growing village a model for success

Happy New Year! Welcome to the summer edition of Village Connect.

Last year was a highly successful one for The Village at Wellard in terms of its growth as an award-winning development and thriving local community.

A number of key community assets were completed including the adventure park off Bellingham Parade and the final section of the highly significant Lambeth Circle.

This 5km central distributor road is now fully operational, providing a pivotal link between all areas of The Village.

In addition, the new state-of-the-art Maragon Early Learning Centre was completed and opened its doors before Christmas. This great new centre is yet another quality service for The Village community and families have been streaming in to sign up their children.

Last year also brought more recognition and accolades with The Village at Wellard taking out the Value Adding category at the 2016 National Growth Areas Alliance Congress Awards. This was on top of the UDIA (WA) awards in the categories of Sustainable Urban Development and Medium Density Development for the Invita Stage 2 Apartments which are now fully completed.

The profile of The Village continues to grow, with Premier Colin Barnett paying us a visit on 27 December to announce changes to the State Government's First Home Owners Grant and Keystart initiative at a press call in Melksham Way.

We are looking forward to continuing the successful growth and development of this outstanding community in 2017.

As always, we encourage you to get in touch with us if you have any questions or feedback about your community. Please don't hesitate to contact the Peet Community Line at [community@peet.com.au](mailto:community@peet.com.au) or 1800 819 912.

Peter Dockett  
Development Manager

## State-of-the-art childcare centre opens its doors



One of the new outdoor play areas at Wellard's Maragon Early Learning Centre.

### A brand new childcare centre is now open in The Village at Wellard.

The state-of-the-art Maragon Early Learning Centre has already signed up dozens of families and is taking further enrolments for children aged eight weeks to five years.

"Everyone at The Village at Wellard is welcome to come and have a look. We're proud of our new centre. It really is a centre for excellence," said centre director Erin Laing.

Located at 2 Charing Cross, the centre has two nursery rooms for ages 0-2 years, two toddler rooms for two and three year olds and two separate junior kindergarten areas for three to five year olds.

Maragon centres are based on a successful South African model, which the owners brought to Perth two-and-a-half years ago.

"There is a strong educational component in the activities at the centre based on the Montessori and Reggio Emilia methods, which both encourage children to develop independently at their own pace," Ms Laing said.

Maragon has five early childhood centres in Perth with The Village at Wellard centre the first to be located south of the river.

The new centre is open from 6.30am to 6.00pm, Monday to Friday, including school holidays.

For information on upcoming events, keep an eye on Maragon's Facebook page or go to [maragon.com.au](http://maragon.com.au).

## Summer of free music comes to The Village

The Peet Summer Music Series has returned for the season and this year it's bigger and better!

The free live performances are a partnership initiative by the City of Kwinana and The Village at Wellard, a joint venture between Peet Limited and the WA Housing Authority.

Three successful gigs were held in the Wandering Orchard in December, including a concert on Saturday 10 December at the Christmas Twilight Market.



You can catch the rest of the summer series on the first and third Friday nights of every month until 21 April.

City of Kwinana Mayor Carol Adams said the musical evenings were a way of bringing people together.

"It's all about the community coming down to the station precinct with a picnic blanket and a hamper of food to enjoy some of the best free music professional Perth musicians can provide," Mayor Adams said.

"We hope these musical evenings will encourage locals to take time out with family and friends to relax and go with the music, enjoy the vibe and surroundings while they get to know each other," she said.

In February, *7th Heaven Vintage Vocal Duo* will croon their way through a medley of smooth 1940s-1960s harmonies.

March and April will see *Rochelle O'Reilly & the Feel Goods* perform 1980s to current pop numbers and a return performance by *7th Heaven Vintage Vocal Duo*.

The concerts are all free and run from 5pm until 7pm twice a month on Friday evenings.



## Wellard wins national value adding award

The Village at Wellard has been recognised as a highly successful model for outer suburb development in Australia.

The spotlight shone on The Village at Wellard once again when it took out the Value Adding category at the 2016 National Growth Areas Alliance (NGAA) Congress Awards.

Adding to the long list of prestigious state and national awards already won, the Value Adding award recognises The Village at Wellard's success in adding value to achieve better outcomes with its delivery of an inclusive, highly connected and economically sustainable outer city community.

Peet Managing Director and CEO Brendan Gore said The Village at Wellard had proven a highly successful model for the creation of new and vibrant outer city suburbs.

“We are incredibly proud of what we have been able to achieve working in joint venture with the WA Housing Authority and in close partnership with the City of Kwinana,” Mr Gore said.

City of Kwinana Mayor Carol Adams said this is a win for our community first and foremost.

“Outer suburbs like ours are the future of this country, as we’re growing at twice the national rate. So it’s important that we plan and build for that growth,” Mayor Adams said. “Awards like this one help showcase the great work that is being done in our areas.”

NGAA is the peak group representing Australia’s fast growing outer suburbs and has a membership base including local governments and planning authorities from across the nation.

The awards aim to identify and celebrate best practice in outer suburban development by recognising projects that break new ground and serve as models for the achievement of a better quality of life in the outer suburbs.

## Big crowds and festive fun at Wellard’s Christmas Market

Hundreds of local residents and visitors joined in the festive fun at the Wellard Twilight Christmas Market on 10 December.

The special event was a joint initiative of the City of Kwinana and the Rotary Club of Kwinana, with support from Colliers International and The Village at Wellard, and offered the perfect opportunity to unwind and do some Christmas shopping.

There was a great variety of market stalls, live entertainment, gingerbread-making and a Christmas selfie booth to keep everyone entertained while a special Winter Wonderland at John Wellard Community Centre delighted the crowds.

Children also had the opportunity to write that all important letter to Santa – who dropped in during the event for a special visit.

A big thanks to the Rotary Club of Kwinana who put on a BBQ for all the hungry shoppers.



L-R Lucky kids Aaligah (7), Harper (3), Abby (7), Oliver (5), Talanah (7), Jessica (4), Zephan (3), Moana (4), Tai (6) take a ride with Santa while Kwinana Mayor Carol Adams looks on.



## Wellard Christmas Lights Competition almost too close to call

Taking out the top prize – the fantastic light display at 251 Lambeth Circle.

It was right down to the wire determining the 2016 winner of The Village at Wellard Christmas Lights Competition.

Voting was extremely close when it closed at 11pm on 23 December.

It was down to competition organisers, the ever-enthusiastic Wellard Residents Association, to count the votes and declare the winner.

In the end there were just two votes in it!

Kate Lane's spectacular display at 251 Lambeth Circle won first prize with Brian Fletcher at 6 Fareham Crescent coming an extremely close second.

Well done to Kate and Brian and everyone who took part in the competition and made their homes festive and bright over the Christmas season.



A very close second – the illuminated 6 Fareham Crescent.



### THE VILLAGE AT WELLARD SALES AND INFORMATION CENTRE

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## WHAT'S ON

### Peet Summer Music Series

**Date:** First and third Friday of every month from February to April 2017  
**Time:** 5pm to 7pm  
**Where:** Wellard Train Station precinct  
**Cost:** Free

Bring along your picnic chairs or rug and enjoy the smooth sounds of local Perth musicians in the centre of Wellard this summer. Pack a picnic dinner or enjoy something from one of the local shops.

### The Village at Wellard Resident Meeting

**Date:** Wednesday 8 February  
**Time:** 7pm  
**Where:** John Wellard Community Centre, The Strand  
**Cost:** Free

Residents are encouraged to attend and find out all the great things happening in your community. Come along and meet your neighbours, get updates from Peet about The Village – and find out what the Residents Association have been up to and future events!

### CHICAGO The Musical

**Date:** 10 to 25 February 2017  
**Time:** 2pm and 8pm shows  
**Where:** Koorliny Arts Centre, Sulphur Road, Kwinana  
**Cost:** \$25 standard, \$23 concession, \$18 child

Don't miss out on the first production in the Koorliny Arts Centre and Kwinana Industries Council 2017 Performance Season. For more information and to book visit [koorliny.com.au](http://koorliny.com.au).

### The Twilight Village Markets at Wellard

**Date:** 11 February and 11 March 2017  
**Time:** 5pm to 8pm  
**Where:** The Strand, Wellard  
**Cost:** Free

Don't miss the fun, food and crafts at The Twilight Village Markets. There's plenty to do, see and enjoy and it's a great way to get involved with your local community.

### Summer Outdoor Movie Night

**Date:** 25 February 2017  
**Time:** 6pm pre-movie entertainment, 7.30pm movie starts  
**Where:** Outside Darius Wells Library and Resource Centre, corner Chisham Avenue and Robbos Place, Kwinana  
**Cost:** Free

Free entertainment with a selection of movies the whole family can enjoy. The next movie showing in February is *The Lorax*.

### The Village Markets at Wellard

**Date:** 9 April 2017  
**Time:** 9am to 1pm  
**Where:** The Strand, Wellard  
**Cost:** Free

This Sunday market offers a large variety of boutique stalls, roving entertainment, live local music and free kid's activities. We look forward to seeing you there!