

Bayside NEWS Council



Bayside Council
Serving Our Community



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Mayor's Message



I was honoured to be elected Mayor of Bayside Council at an Extraordinary Council Meeting on Wednesday 25 September.

It is a privilege to lead Council for the next 12 months and I am looking forward to representing all of Bayside.

Many thanks to everyone who came along to the fantastic Bayside Food and Wine Festival in Mascot Memorial Park on Saturday 19 October. What a great way for residents and visitors to experience Bayside's diverse and growing hospitality industry.

I was pleased to host Council's first Sports and Recreation Forum where I met over 40 representatives from local sporting clubs who made the most of the informal opportunity to discuss future opportunities with key staff. Local sporting legend Lea Yanitsas, goalkeeper for the 2016 Rio Olympics Water Polo Team gave an inspirational talk.

I also attended a corporate beach clean-up organised by Hawaiian Airlines as part of its 90th anniversary celebration. It is good to see organisations raising community awareness about how we can all contribute to a sustainable future.

At some stage we all find ourselves spending time along the foreshore of Botany Bay for an evening walk, a quick dip in the bay, enjoying the local restaurants or taking a selfie with our crab and hippo.

Council runs extra services each summer to help make those times more enjoyable for you and your family.

This year we are trialling a 'Smoke Free Zone' and paying for extra police to patrol the area on weekends to deter anti-social behaviour. You can all help by disposing of your beach litter responsibly.

Our free *Summer at the Foreshore* information booklet is available from our Customer Service Centres or our website.

Cr Joe Awada, Mayor

Bayside Trials Smoke Free Beach Zone

The Bayside foreshore is a popular destination for visitors and a suburban oasis for locals.

Council's 'Summer at the Foreshore' program has been developed to help reduce our environmental footprint, preserve our beautiful beaches and marine life while maintaining a safe space for residents and visitors to enjoy.

Bayside Mayor Joe Awada said Council is also keeping the foreshore clean during summer by providing additional bins and waste services.

"Botany Bay is a beautiful part of the Sydney coast and a popular summer destination. The foreshore is something we can all enjoy whether it's an evening stroll, visiting a restaurant or taking a selfie with our newest residents, the Crab and Hippo," Mayor Joe Awada said.

"I urge residents and visitors to dispose of their rubbish in one of the many bins provided or take it with them."



The 'Breathe Easy' smoke free trial zone extends from the Little Grand Parade to the Brighton Kiosk and stretches from the Grand Parade to the water. Visitors and residents will notice new signs indicating the Breathe Easy trial zone.

Council rangers, with the help of additional police patrols, will be also roam the foreshore encouraging visitors to act responsibly.

Council is also providing extra bins and litter collection services. New bin sensors alert Council to which bins are ready for collections.

SPORTS FORUM HITS THE MARK



Mayor Joe Awada hosted Council's first Sports and Recreation Forum where over 40 representatives from local sporting clubs met with key staff, discussed future opportunities and provided feedback.

Local sporting legend Lea Yanitsas (pictured top left) goalkeeper for the 2016 Rio Olympics Water Polo Team 'The Stingers' gave an inspirational talk.

NSW Bike Week



On Sunday 29 September, Council celebrated Bike Week at Sir Joseph Banks Park, Botany. The virtual cycling tent saw 250 kids pedalling for 60km. The pedal park disco kept the tunes and vibes upbeat. But the real winner was the kids adventure course, where the little ones rode and scooted the paths of Sir Joseph Banks Park.

Ramsgate SLSC Celebrates



The Ramsgate Surf Life Saving Club will celebrate 85 years of service to the community on Sunday 15 December with various activities including an official march past of former members.

The Club, which provides water-based skills training for local children between the ages of 3 to 14 years, started in the "Barn" on Ramsgate Beach in 1934. In 1959 it moved into the community funded building it now occupies.

In 2018 the lack of sand at Ramsgate Beach saw the Club move all activities to Monterey Baths.

The Club is looking forward to returning to Ramsgate Beach this season following the success of the beach nourishment program being carried out by Council.

The Club has 256 registered nippers, and 460 affiliated members.

KERB SIDE CLEAN-UP

Residents will soon receive a 2020 Waste and Recycling Calendar in their letterboxes with scheduled clean-up dates for their street.

Council will offer four scheduled clean-ups per year for all households. There will be no pre-booked clean-ups.

Our online Waste calendar and Waste Services App, available from Council's website, also help ensure residents never miss a collection day.



SWIMMING POOL OWNERS

Council's Swimming Pool Inspection Program Policy means pools are inspected to ensure they meet all safety regulations.

This policy applies to apartments and hotels as well. Pool owners must ensure their pools are listed in State Government's pool register at swimmingpoolregister.nsw.gov.au

Learn to swim classes



The Angelo Anestis Aquatic Centre and the Botany Aquatic Centre offer *Learn to Swim* classes and private lessons.

For more information visit Council's website at bayside.nsw.gov.au

COUNCIL'S PROJECTS

Arncliffe Park

The existing soccer field is being replaced with a new all-weather synthetic playing surface. The project includes new and improved stormwater drainage and new footpaths around the perimeter fence.

Details on this project can be found online on Council's website at www.bayside.nsw.gov.au/your-council/major-projects



Charles Daly Reserve

The play space has been completely renovated and expanded to include a new circuit path, seating, a diverse range of play equipment with shade sails over the main equipment, and planting.

Equipment includes climbing structures, swings, slides, and spinning elements catering for a range of ages and abilities.

Maintenance and Upgrades

City Works crews have upgraded traffic facilities on Charles Street, Arncliffe.

The work involved the extension of the median island, removal of concrete speed humps and re-sheeting the pavement with asphalt.



Rockdale Park

The Rockdale Park upgrade includes improved public amenities and a new water feature consisting of shallow reflection ponds and water gardens, running water, sitting edges and a bridge crossing.

Beach Rejuvenation

Council's bold plan to rejuvenate Ramsgate Baths is expected to provide long lasting benefits well into the future. Machinery installed at Sandringham Bay is pumping sand along the Cook Park foreshore via a temporary pipeline where it will be used to repair the beach profile at Ramsgate baths.

Sections of the beach will be closed during the process which is expected to be completed before Christmas.



Kingsgrove Avenue Reserve

The upgrade provides better access from Kingsgrove Avenue, a new play structure and swings, nature play and enhanced seating areas for spectators and carers.

BAYSIDE SPRING FAIR

*celebrating
our cultural diversity*

The Bayside Spring Fair at Eastlakes Reserve on Saturday 14 September was a fantastic celebration of our cultural diversity.

Visitors enjoyed lots of free activities including face painting, amusement rides a petting zoo, camel rides and live performances.



bayside business awards 2019

The winners of the 2019 Bayside Business Award were announced during a gala dinner at the Pullman Hotel Sydney Airport, Mascot on Tuesday 15 October.

Bayside Council sponsored the Awards in partnership with the Bayside Business Enterprise Centre (BBEC).

Council engaged ACA Research to conduct the judging process.



The 2019 Bayside Business Award winners for each category are the following:

Emerging Business Excellence (under 2 years): Cielo Dessert Co.

Retail: IT Super Store

Health, Social Assistance & Medical Services: Eastlakes Discount Drug Store

Education & Training Services: Miracles on Russell

Hospitality Services: La Piazza Woodfired Pizzeria Restaurant

Services & Trade: Guardian Funerals

Professional Services: Recruitment Edge





FOOD & WINE FESTIVAL

The inaugural Bayside Food and Wine Festival proved a popular success with locals and visitors who enjoyed the afternoon sampling craft beer, boutique spirits, cellar door wines and culinary delights.

The event held on Saturday 19 October transformed Mascot Memorial Park into a relaxed, outdoor food and wine market with over 40 stalls. Live music, cooking demonstrations and cocktail making workshops also kept the crowd entertained.

The show stopper was celebrity chef Larissa Takchi, the youngest contestant to win MasterChef, who shared her recipes and did a cooking demonstration with the Mayor.

A special thanks goes to Ray White Mascot for their support as major sponsor of the event.



GARDEN COMPETITION



The below winners of the 2019 Bayside Garden Competition were announced at an outdoor function at the Bayside Garden Centre, 41 Beach Street, Kogarah.

Best Overall: Rolfe Kolbe, Botany (pictured left with the Mayor)

Best Backyard: Janette Byrne, Bexley

Best Nature Strip: Jason McFadyen, Daceyville

Best Native Garden: The Ingle Family, Botany

Best Edible Garden: The Bay Community Garden, Kyeemagh

Best Balcony Garden: Chris Perry, Rockdale

Best Annual Display: Julianne Longhurst, Bardwell Park

Best Courtyard: David Synnott, Botany

Best School/Childcare: Matraville Public School

Best Residential Complex: Alan Bonner-Smith, Ramsgate Beach

Best Front Garden: Jeffrey Morabito, Botany

Roy & Aileen Bilton Encouragement Award: Alex and Paris Rosemont, Mascot

Judges 'Easy Living' Honourable Mention: Sam Vella, Pagewood

Councillors Out & About



Banksmeadow Town Centre Upgrade

Councillors Christina Curry, Scott Morrissey and Tarek Ibrahim unveiled a plaque to mark the completion of the recent Banksmeadow Town Centre upgrade.



Election of Mayor and Deputy

Cr Joe Awada elected unopposed as Mayor of Bayside at an Extraordinary Meeting held in the Rockdale Town Hall on Wednesday 25 September. Cr James Macdonald was elected Deputy Mayor.



Beach Clean-Up

Mayor Joe Awada attended a beach clean-up at Ramsgate Beach organised by Hawaiian Airlines. "It's wonderful to see an organisation celebrate its 90th anniversary by giving back to communities and countries that have supported it over the years," Mayor Joe Awada said.



Kingsgrove Town Centre Upgrade

Councillors Ron Bezic, Tarek Ibrahim, Andrew Tsounis and Vicki Poulos unveiled a plaque to mark the completion of the recent Kingsgrove Town Centre upgrade.

Community Garden

Mayor Joe Awada met descendants of the Tempe House builder - Doctors Greg and Robert Spark - at the launch of the newest community garden in Wolli Creek on Sunday 20 October.



Ron Rathbone Winners

The 2019 Ron Rathbone Local History Prize winners were announced on Saturday 7 September at an awards function in the Rockdale Library.

This year there were two joint winners:

- **Dr Garry Darby:** for a new history of our area incorporating the stories and histories of the Aboriginal people of the Botany Bay area.
- **Glen Humphries:** for research into the story of David Scanlon, better known as the Kingsgrove Slasher, who terrorised our district in the 1950s.

Entries are on display in Rockdale Library and on Council's website at www.bayside.nsw.gov.au/area/libraries-and-museum/community-histories

Rhodes Reserve Playground Opening

Bayside Councillors met with local residents at the opening of the new playground in Rhodes Street Reserve on Saturday 7 September. The new playground includes a children's cycle circuit track, swing set, climbing unit, roundabout and outdoor ping pong table. Other improvements included new seating, landscaping, a drinking fountain and shade structure.



Rowland Park

The upgraded park amenities and playground was officially opened on Saturday 21 September.



Hillsdale Child Care Opening and Father's Day

Councillor Christina Curry opened the new playground at the Vera Lever Hillsdale Child Care Centre on Thursday 29 August. "This is the first major upgrade to the playground in many years. A big thank you to everyone who made this work - especially the staff who work here - for making sure there was an alternative outdoor play area for the children during the construction," Councillor Curry said.

Wilson's Cottage Official Opening

The beautifully restored cottage was opened on Saturday 7 September. This State Listed Heritage home is the last surviving example of a modest pioneer home built along the banks of Muddy Creek between 1855 and 1856. The project was made possible by a grant from the Office of Environment and Heritage and Council's Infrastructure Fund.



People and Planes: A community view of Sydney Airport

Did you know that a plane once landed on a local cow? Or that a Rockdale dairyman built planes in his backyard? Come and discover local stories or add your own in our latest exhibition/memory hub.

Mascot Library & George Hanna Memorial Museum
2 Hatfield Street, Mascot
Until 31 January 2020



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CAROLS BY THE SEA

Hosted by **Damien Leith**

Saturday 7 December, 6pm
Lady Robinsons Beach
Brighton Le Sands
The Grand Parade (Bay Street)

CAROLS IN THE PARK

Hosted by **Emma Pask**

Saturday 14 December, 6pm
Mascot Memorial Park
Corner of Botany Road
and Coward Street

BAYSIDE NYE 2019

New Year's Eve Family Fireworks
9pm **Lady Robinsons Beach**
Brighton Le Sands
No Midnight Fireworks

Bayside Customer Service Centres

Open from Monday to Friday 8:30am-4:30pm and Saturday 9am-1pm at two locations:

EASTGARDENS Westfield Eastgardens, 152 Bunnerong Road

ROCKDALE Rockdale Library, 444-446 Princes Highway



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