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PROJECT UPDATE



Transforming Bunbury's Waterfront



Exhibition steps back in time to reflect on our Waterfront

Thank you to the over 100 people who attended the opening of the new exhibition *Enjoying Our Waterfront: Since Forever* at the Bunbury Museum and Heritage Centre.

The senses were alive taking a journey through the history of Bunbury's waterfront to witness the role played in the community over time.

Thanks to the City of Bunbury, Cuprum Distillery and the Castaway Shantymen who provided a perfect soundtrack for exploring this nautical exhibition.

The judges awarded the Junior Photographer award to Dylan Addy for his entry *Friends at the Jetty*. The Open Category winner was awarded to Jodie Deeley for her playful entry *Winter Walks*.

The entries from our photo competition are now on display, ready for People's Choice voting. There are around 100 beautiful and highly varied images, reflecting the many ways people have enjoyed our waterfront over time.

The People's Choice award can be voted for when you visit the Museum and will be announced after the exhibition closes on Sunday 11 August 2024.

Enjoying Our Waterfront: Since Forever is sponsored by the South West Development Commission's Transforming Bunbury's Waterfront initiative.



Open Category winner Jodi Deeley receiving her award from the City of Bunbury Mayor Jason Miguel.

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A presentation was held at the Bunbury Geogaphe Chamber of Commerce & Industry for members on Friday 17th May. James Holder, Manager Project Development Marine presented to the group on Stage 3 current works and future development concepts. Stay tuned for our next update in June.

New opportunities for refurbishment and development

Following some tenure changes involving the Department of Transport (DoT), Southern Ports Authority and the City of Bunbury, new opportunities have been unlocked as part of the Transforming Bunbury's Waterfront project.

An expression of interest (EOI) process was sought from developers over six weeks 18 April – 30 May 2024 to lease, refurbish and operate up to three industrial sheds currently used by Iluka Resources for the storage of minerals sands, following the end of their lease.

The sheds ranging in size from approximately 1,440 square metres to 3,168 square metres, could be repurposed for a range of uses including

- Marine support services (e.g. chandlery, marine accessories)
- Education and training
- Retail, food and beverage
- Hospitality, tourism development
- Registered marine related clubs, including yachting and sailing clubs
- Boat storage, repairs and servicing
- Fishing industry and related activities.

A range of advertising, community and business activities were held to inspire input and encourage commercial interest. We thank the community for their collective creativity and passion and hope the excitement ignited will continue with the future development of this area.

The TBW project involves the construction of a new breakwater at the entrance to Casuarina Boat Harbour, key marine infrastructure and marine servicing facilities, as well

as the upgrading of existing marine facilities. The increase in sheltered water will make it possible for Casuarina Boat Harbour to accommodate more boat pens over time.

Last year an EOI was called for the development of key sites on the western side of the harbour to develop a boat lifting, marine service and repair precinct and a future boat stacking operation. Lease arrangements with a preferred developer are in progress.



Sheds 6, 7 & 8 at Casuarina Boat Harbour. Developers have the opportunity to lease each or all of the sheds in the EOI.



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Bar31



The Bayview Bar

Revitalising the waterfront Time to tantalise your tastebuds

A culinary renaissance is underway, breathing new life into the Bunbury waterfront areas.

In recent times, several new restaurants, cafes and bars have emerged in the Koombana North area down to Jetty Baths, adding a new layer of excitement and flavour to our already fantastic offerings along these waterfront locales.

As we know these establishments offer more than just a meal—they offer an experience.

By activating waterfront spaces, they create bustling hubs where locals gather and visitors linger, fostering a sense of belonging and friendship. They can also spark a ripple effect, attracting other businesses and enhancing the overall appeal of the Bunbury Waterfront area.

So whether you fancy a light lunch, an extended lunch, live music, a quick coffee or ice cream, drinks after work, a special event, afternoon tea or a picnic with the family – Enjoy the Bunbury Waterfront.



Cedar By The Water Lebanese Cuisine



The Cray Seafood & Grill Restaurant



Dome Cafe



Flow36



Milky Lane (opening soon)



Vat2



Morris Lane Taffys

Stage 2 Works Update



The BP Beach car park's connecting footpaths and cycle paths have now been completed.

Two new accessible parking bays, designed to accommodate long vehicles with rear loading hoists, are now available, in addition to the existing two ACROD parking bays.

Works will recommence in the area in June and will be carried out by local contractor Leeuwin Civil and project managed by DevelopmentWA.

Works will commence with earthworks on the eastern side of Casuarina Drive, with the construction of seawalls to follow. The seawalls will comprise over 15,000 limestone blocks and will take approximately three months to build. Once the seawalls are complete, hard and soft landscaping will be constructed behind the new seawalls.

While the works are underway, the construction area will be fenced off to ensure public safety and

access to some areas may be affected. Works will be conducted in a staged approach to minimise disruption to the community. Temporary signage and other safety measures will be in place in the affected areas. Road users in the area should use caution as large vehicles will be delivering blocks to the area. Access to the northern end of Casuarina Harbour Beach may be restricted at times. We apologise for any inconvenience these works may cause.

The final section of works will deliver a host of new features including more trees and shrubs; stairs to the beach; showers and a toilet block, BBQ's & shelters; and revegetation of the dunes at BP Beach.

Stage 2B - Casuarina Drive Redevelopment is a project managed by DevelopmentWA

Preworks underway



Preparatory works to meet our environmental and heritage requirements for the Northern Breakwater are now underway.

If you see a tinny or work boat and barge shuttling around the Casuarina Boat Harbour, they may be doing one of the following things:

- Diver-led Seabed Clearance along the old timber jetty footprint
- Seagrass video towed survey
- Sediment and water quality sampling
- Prestart survey which will include sub bottom profiling (a type of sonar system), a geophysical survey tool that uses sound to map beneath the seafloor.



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