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Vancouver Street Festival 2015

Thousands of people descended on a usually-quiet Albany street on Saturday transforming it into an eclectic heritage wonderland.

An estimated 4500 people enjoyed the diverse array of quirky attractions and fun entertainment that was the second annual Vancouver Street Festival.

Entertainment included Natalie Gillespie, the Velvet Archers, Moondog J, the Shimmy Mob, Three Little Pigs puppet shows, circus skills and more. A wealth of market stalls were on offer, and a range of food and beverage offerings kept hungry punters happy.

About 60 fetching ladies and dapper chaps took part in the unique RAC Tweed Ride which involved a leisurely pedal around Albany's heritage streets in fine vintage duds.

Nearly 900 people enjoyed the Great Southern Art Award at the Vancouver Arts Centre.

Albany Mayor Dennis Wellington said it was clear that the Vancouver Street Festival was a big hit with the Albany community.

"This is a unique event and it was fantastic to see that it attracts such a unique crowd, ranging from families to people with disabilities to seniors and everyone in between," Mr Wellington said.

The Vancouver Street Festival is a City of Albany event proudly supported by Act-Belong-Commit through Healthway, RAC, the Department of Regional Development's Royalties for Regions program, Tourism Western Australia, the Great Southern Development Commission, the Office of Road Safety, Albany Advertiser and RadioWest.

The City of Albany is committed to staging events which benefit the local community and attract visitors. This aligns with objectives of the City's Community Strategic Plan:

- To create interesting places, spaces and events that reflect our community's identity, diversity and heritage.
- To develop and support a healthy inclusive and accessible community.
- Encourage, support and deliver significant events that promote our region.

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