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City of Albany celebrates Christmas!

Christmas festivities arrived early in Albany last night with the City of Albany's Turning on of the Christmas Tree Lights event in the Town Square and Alison Hartman Gardens.

Chief Executive Officer Andrew Sharpe said that after the cancellation of the 2015 Christmas Festival and Pageant due to severe weather conditions, the City needed to organise an event for the community and spread Christmas cheer.

"The City of Albany worked hard to provide the event and it was fantastic to see so many members of the Albany community turn up to celebrate Christmas," he said.

About 1500 people attended the event with many lining up to take their photo with Santa in his sleigh and join in the countdown of the turning on of the Christmas tree lights.

In keeping with tradition, the annual judging of the Christmas floats was held with Albany Roller Derby League coming first followed by The Bush Fairy and Rainbow Coast Neighbourhood Centre.

The Christmas Festivities kick off the City of Albany's summer events program, with the New Year's Eve Fireworks at Anzac Peace Park next on the calendar.

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