

City of Albany Update

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bringing you the latest news and events directly from the City of Albany*

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CLIPPER FLEET RACING TO ALBANY: DAY THREE



The Clipper Round the World yachts have left South Africa and are speeding towards Albany on the 'Southern Ocean Sleigh Ride'.

The wind is picking up, the barometer is dropping and the sea state will be increasing over the next day and the yachts are relishing the high speeds expected of the Southern Ocean Sleigh Ride.

At 1000 UTC, the current race standings see Qingdao leading the fleet (4185.3 miles to finish) with Henri Lloyd in second place (4120.6) and OneDLL (4243.9) third.

Over the past 24 hours, the whole fleet has been experiencing the roughest sea conditions yet faced in the Clipper 2013-14 Race.

While this leg was always predicted to be tough, an early storm hit as they headed south towards the Southern Ocean, turning out to be more ferocious than expected.

The Clipper yachts are expected to begin arriving in Albany on November 23. They will depart from King George Sound on December 3. For updates, follow the Amazing Albany twitter account @AmazingAlbany, or the Amazing Albany facebook page, /AmazingAlbany

FIRE TRUCK IMPROVEMENTS



The safety of the City of Albany's army of volunteer firefighters has been improved with the addition this week of a brand new fire truck equipped with radiant heat shields.

Highway Bushfire Brigade has taken delivery of the state-of-the-art truck from the Department of Fire and Emergency Services.

The truck includes the roll-down, in-cab shields which offer protection against extreme radiant heat for personnel inside the truck's cabin in the event of the truck getting caught in a fire.

The State Government is currently rolling out safety features to fire appliances across the State.

Campervan adventurers to descend on Albany

Campervans and motorhomes will descend on Albany in huge numbers in 2015 for a national event expected to inject millions into the local economy.

As a result of an Albany City Council decision on Tuesday, the Campervan and Motorhome Club of Australia will host its 2015 National Rally in Albany.

City of Albany Community Services Executive Director Cameron Woods said upwards of 1000 vehicles were expected to attend the Albany rally, which will be held over seven days during October.

"The most recent CMCA national rally in Boonah Queensland attracted 2350 people and 1125 motorhomes, so it's clearly a huge event with significant positive benefits," he said.

Mr Woods said the rallies typically generated between \$1.5 million and \$2.5 million for local economies but that figure could potentially be higher.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Proposed Lease Aircraft Hangar Site - Albany Regional Airport

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MEDIA STATEMENTS

Road closure - Avenue of Honour
Campervan adventurers to descend on Albany
Great Southern artists wanted for \$84,000 ANZAC project
Live web streaming one of several improvements to Albany City Council

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EMPLOYMENT

Team Leader Ranger Services
Albany Visitors Centre - Pool Recruitment

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PUBLIC NOTICES

ROAD CLOSURE - AVENUE OF HONOUR

YORK STREET _ MAINTENANCE WORKS

BOONGARRIE/EMU POINT TOILET AMENITIES – CLOSED FOR RENOVATIONS

EYRE PARK TOILET AMENITIES – CLOSED FOR RENOVATIONS

ROADWORKS - HANSON STREET

The City is calling for tenders for the following:

-C13022 Frenchman Bay Road (SLK 3.38 – 3.58)/ Princess Avenue (SLK 0.02 – 0.65) Upgrade
-C13025 Barnesby Drive Culvert Upgrade

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“Don’t dump that fish” - keep aquarium fish where they belong

by the Department of Fisheries

The campaign is supported by the Department of Agriculture and Food, the aquarium industry, and the Perth Cichlid Society. It is designed to raise awareness of the impacts of releasing unwanted aquarium fish, snails and plants into waterways, toilets, drains or the ocean.

It will also provide advice on how to responsibly dispose of such unwanted pets.

To help spread the word, ‘don’t dump that fish’ posters, brochures and fish bag stickers have been produced for aquariums retailers around the State.

“The wider community is a huge resource in the fight to prevent aquatic pests entering and establishing in WA. Industry-supported programs, such as this ‘Don’t dump that fish’ campaign, are powerful ways of engaging many people on aquatic biosecurity issues,” Professor Beazley said.

“With millions of fish being transported around the globe, importation of aquarium fish is potentially a major source of invasive species.”

Advice on how to dispose of them is included in the new brochure, which can also be found on the Department of Fisheries’ website at www.fish.wa.gov.au/biosecurity or visit www.kb.rspca.org.au and search using the term ‘humanely euthanase fish.’



Grand planning at the City of Albany



A new front counter at the City of Albany’s North Road office dedicated to planning and building enquiries is expected to improve customer service in line with the City’s renewed focus on community engagement.

The enquiry desk, which is attended by staff from 9am-4pm each day, was set up to enhance face-to-face communication and engagement between staff and residents.

City Planning and Development Services Executive Director Dale Putland said the service had been operating about two weeks and had already proved a popular and welcome addition to the City’s customer service area.

“This easy-to-access face-to-face service is now the first point of contact for all planning and building enquiries and we are very happy to now have a constant presence on the City’s frontline,” he said.

This initiative aligns with one of the key objectives of the City’s Community Strategic Plan 2023: engaging more effectively with the Albany community.

#AMAZINGALBANY ON INSTAGRAM

Amazing Albany has embarked on another social media initiative with the new Amazing Albany Instagram account.

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What's on in Albany

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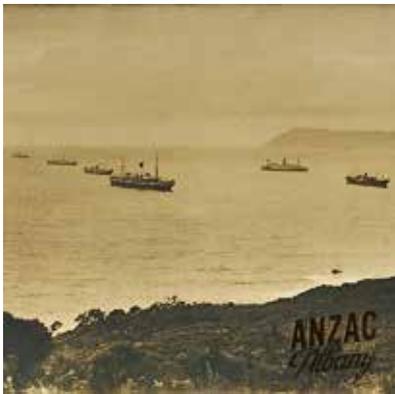


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Events: Albany Public Library

November 11

Free Hearing Checks presented by Better Hearing Australia
9.00am - 12 noon. Bookings essential.

November 12

Book chat and Devonshire Tea
10.00am - 11.00am

You and Your Pet - presented by Dr Anne-Marie Horwitz from Lockyear Avenue Veterinary Hospital
3.00pm - 4.00pm

November 13

Book chat and Devonshire Tea
10.00am - 11.00am

Safe exercising for Seniors - presented by John Toomey from GoodShape
1.30pm - 2.30pm