



CABRAMATTA MOON FESTIVAL MAKES AN EPIC COMEBACK



CAPTURE FAIRFIELD
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Council hosted pop-up mobile offices for Local Government Week.



Our City's first Field Run event was a hit with the community.



Mayor Frank Carbone joined 200 volunteers and ABC's Gardening Australia host Costa Georgiadis on National Tree Day at Canley Vale.



MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Frank Carbone

The last 18 months have been some of the busiest and most productive in our City's history, marking the exciting return of Council's major events program, and the delivery of high quality infrastructure and services for the community.

Two signature events – Culinary Carnival and Cabramatta Moon Festival made a pre-pandemic style comeback this year and did not disappoint, with headline celebrated chefs and entertainment attracting thousands of visitors to our city centres. As well as showcasing our vibrant cultures and thriving food scene, our major events contribute to the liveability of our City, and add to our sense of community and belonging. Stay tuned as details of our premier New Year's Eve event Illuminate are released in October.

Later this month, we reopen Aquatopia for the 2022-2023 season. Last year we welcomed 55,000 visitors through the turnstiles. Our new 55-metre Wave Pool attraction, along with more cabanas and umbrellas brings a much-needed taste of the beach to our doorstep. It has been great to see so many families enjoying this fantastic facility recreating an authentic beach experience without the long drives and expense of a beach getaway. If you haven't already checked out what the hype is about, it's open on weekends between September and April, as well as every day throughout the school holidays. Head to fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/Aquatopia to book online.

Planning is underway for a number of exciting projects happening around the City including upgrades to a number of parks and playgrounds. Significant upgrades to Cabravale Memorial Park in Cabramatta, Avenel Street Park and Bareena Park in Canley Vale, Carrawood Park in Carramar, Endeavour Sports Park in Fairfield West, and Fairfield Heights Park are just some of the projects we can look forward to. We want each of these spaces to offer innovative and accessible features for families to enjoy that are within walking or a short drive distance. These improvements underline how important open spaces are to our community and that's why we are investing more than \$7.9 million on improvements to our open spaces over the next year.

Nominations are now open for Council's 2023 Australia Day Community Awards. If you know someone that dedicates their time and effort into making Fairfield City a better place, visit fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/australiadayawards to nominate them now.

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Information and events in this publication are current at the time of printing.



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SATURDAY 24 & SUNDAY 25 SEPTEMBER 2022 | 12PM - 8PM

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Capture Fairfield

VISUAL ARTS & PHOTOGRAPHY

COMPETITION 2022

Thank you to everyone who entered the 2022 Capture Fairfield Visual Arts & Photography Competition. The winners were announced by Mayor Frank Carbone during a special presentation at the July Council Meeting.

This year's competition received 54 visual art and 414 photograph submissions, while the new 'Waste to Art' category – which invited local primary school classes to upcycle general waste into art, had 9 submissions.

Judges made their selection based on the skill, strong visual appeal and response to this year's 'Love Where You Live – Support, Protect and Explore' theme.

The winning and highly commended art submissions are on display at Council's Administration Centre in Wakeley, and a selection of photographs are on display at the Whitlam Library Cabramatta until 30 September 2022.

A selection of entries are also available to view online at fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/capturefairfield.

If you missed out this year, the 2023 competition opens in April next year.



FIRST PLACE WINNER
PHOTOGRAPHY – ADULT
Le Loc Nguyen,
Happy Ending



FIRST PLACE WINNER
VISUAL ARTS – ADULT
Melvy Connell,
Landscape 1



FIRST PLACE WINNER
PHOTOGRAPHY – SECONDARY
George Bazoon,
Flashing Lights



FIRST PLACE WINNER
VISUAL ARTS – SECONDARY
Lilian Meli,
Welcome to our City



FIRST PLACE WINNER
PHOTOGRAPHY – PRIMARY
Maci McLintock,
Sky Bloom - The Dairy



FIRST PLACE WINNER
VISUAL ARTS – PRIMARY
Angelina Bui,
Diversity Makes Us Strong



FIRST PLACE WINNER
WASTE TO ART
Horsley Park Public School,
Fruit and Vegetable Farm

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Australia Day Community Awards 2023

NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN

Citizen of the Year
Young Citizen of the Year
Volunteer of the Year
Sports Achiever of the Year

For more information call 9725 0222 or visit
www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/australiaday
Applications close Friday 4 November 2022.



Australia Day

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Whitlam Library Cabramatta

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Bonnyrigg Library

A transformed technology and creative space that provides skills and education in areas such as innovation, manufacturing, robotics and science technology.



HSC students can take advantage of our extended hours at Fairfield Library and Whitlam Library Cabramatta for study until 30 November 2022.



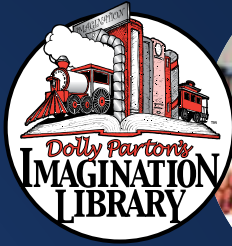
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Whitlam Library Cabramatta

An experimental media space for inventors, entrepreneurs and those who want to play with and understand the latest technology and gadgets.

Experience virtual reality and the latest tech gadgets with a mixture of programmed workshops and lab sessions.





Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

Each month, enrolled children* receive a high-quality, age-appropriate book in the mail free of charge accompanied by a tip sheet to help families engage with the book in ways that drive language development and early literacy.



Register now

*conditions apply



Workary

Whitlam Library Cabramatta

Located on level 1 and features collaborative workspaces, hot desks, networking events and meet ups, drop in desk spaces, lounge area and free services and programs that support students and workers.



This space is for

- Remote office workers
- Tertiary students
- Job seekers
- Career planning
- Start-ups
- Service providers



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TO FIND
OUT MORE**



INVESTING IN OUR ROADS AND FOOTPATHS

We have more than 700km of roads across our city that are some of the busiest in Sydney and we want them to be as safe as possible, which is why we invest about \$14 million a year into our local roads.

Council conducts regular audits of the road network to make sure our roads are maintained and has an ongoing program of maintenance and renewal.

In the next year we will also invest \$4.4 million on 12.9km of new and upgraded footpaths in both business and residential areas.

To see all the footpaths and roads we will be doing work on this financial year visit www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/footpathsandroads.

Council has a full time maintenance team that renews our roads and footpaths, but you also can let us know of any problems by visiting www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/Your-Council/Report-It or by phoning 9725 0222.

Please turn the page for more Major Projects updates

MAJOR PROJECTS UPDATE



Fairfield Golf Course Detention Basin

Upgrade works are continuing at Fairfield Golf Course Detention Basin, located between Fairfield Golf Course and Fairfield Showground in Prairiewood.

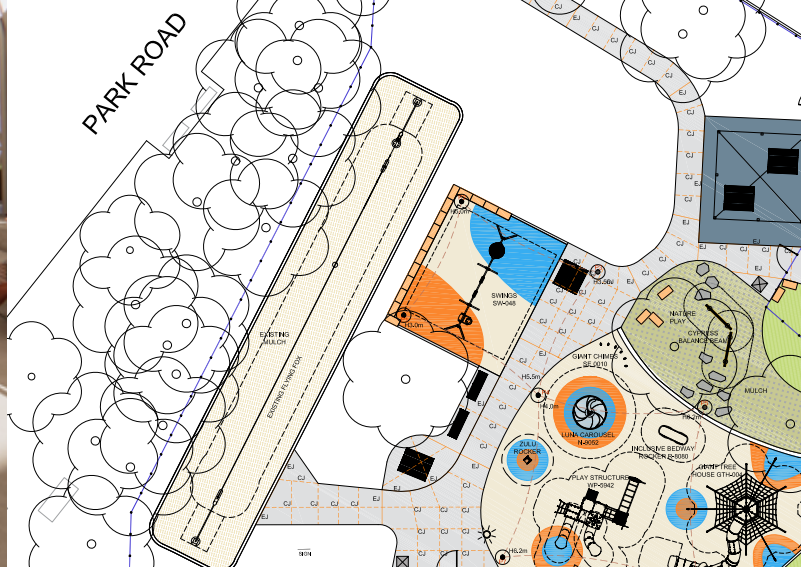
Due to the current basin's age and design, the works are essential to help ensure the community's safety, and to protect property in the event of future flooding. Upcoming schedule of works include reconstruction of the embankment which includes:

- Removal of existing vegetation, including trees
- Deconstructing the existing embankment and constructing temporary flood protection works
- Reconstructing embankments using re-engineered material, including installation of underground services.

During extreme rain events, detention basins collect rainwater and slowly release it into our creek system, which allows them more time to empty when they are overwhelmed. The Fairfield Golf Course Detention Basin can hold up to 240,000 cubic metres of water which eventually makes its way into Prospect Creek in Canley Vale. For more information about the project contact Council on 9725 0222 or head to www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/FGC-detention-basin-upgrade.



Watch our new explainer video on the role of detention basins by scanning here



Leisure Centre upgrades

Fairfield City Leisure Centres are scheduled to receive extensive upgrades to continue to provide services that enhance the visitor experience and benefit the community.

Council has applied for funding through the NSW Government's WestInvest Program to finance the proposed works at Cabravale Leisure Centre in Cabramatta. The \$30 million project will take on a staging plan for the works. Stage 1 will focus on internal rehabilitation spaces; including consulting rooms, utility upgrades, and modifications to existing building and dry change facilities, while Stage 2 will focus on dry recreation and wet areas; extension to existing gym, refurbished 20-metre hydrotherapy pool, 25-metre indoor pool, indoor children's pool, new spa, sauna and steam rooms. Once complete the facility will be a health and wellbeing precinct providing therapy for seniors, people with disabilities and people recovering from illness and injury.

Design is underway for the replacement of the roof and enclosure over the heated 25-metre pool at Fairfield Leisure Centre. The project will improve natural lighting and energy efficiency while continuing to provide hall heating for the comfort of visitors and groups using the pool.

Prairiewood Leisure Centre's 50-metre outdoor pool will see an upgrade to the pool liner for summer this year, and the facility will benefit from works kicking off next year which include a new kiosk, additional 31 car parking spaces, and detention basin works.

Cabravale Memorial Park playground upgrade

The Cabravale Memorial Park playground is to be upgraded with a brand new state-of-the-art inclusive playground to ensure young families of all abilities can enjoy the play equipment.

The new playground is more accessible and welcoming to local children and families with all inclusive features including:

- Giant tree house
- Climbing and slide play tower
- Inclusive rocker
- Wheelchair accessible carousel
- Swings.

The old playground was a very popular district-level park, located right near the Cabramatta Town Centre precinct.

The new playground is in the same location, while the other well-used leisure precinct facilities - basketball court, badminton courts, outdoor ping-pong, accessible toilets and circuit walking path - will remain.

The play space will also be well shaded with additional trees being planted to help everyone remain cooler in the warmer seasons.

The \$400,000 park is jointly funded by Council and the NSW Government's Everyone Can Play program.

AROUND OUR CITY

NEWS AND EVENTS



70 dogs were microchipped and 50 were vaccinated at Council's annual free dog microchipping day.



Mayor Frank Carbone and Councillor Dai Le recently met new Macarthur FC coach Dwight Yorke at Fairfield Showground.



Council is proud to be a major sponsor of the Fairfield City Local Business Awards celebrating our local business community.



Council unveiled the \$714,000 reconstructed boat ramp at Floyd Bay in Lansvale in time for warmer weather.



Councillors joined local volunteers to help plant trees and shrubs along Orphan School Creek for National Tree Day in July.



Assyrian Martyrs Day events were held across the City on 7 August.



Council won the Excellence in Communication 2022 RH Dougherty Award for communications through COVID.



Community Nursery volunteers were busy planting the community educational garden's winter crop - peas, cabbage, spinach and pak choy.



The Mayor's Youth Achievement Awards recognised youth that excel in the sports, business and community activism arenas.



The Fairfield City Open Libraries Seniors Oil Painting Group exhibited their works at Bonnyrigg Library.

FAIRFIELD CITY MUSEUM & GALLERY



RE-MEMBER Until 29 October 2022

re-member is an exhibition that gathers artists with ancestral threads stitched within the SWANA (South West Asia North Africa) region. Eight artists share their practices of ancestral re-membrance and embodied knowledge in a collection of newly commissioned artworks, inviting audiences to re-member alongside them.

The exhibition includes experimental sound and video works, collaborations between artists and their families and communities, poetry presented as visual work, meditative drawings and sculptural installations based on the stories of the eight collaborating artists.

COLLABORATING DESIGNERS

Annuкина Warda / DJ Gemma / Joanna Kambourian / Maissa Alameddine / Nazanin Marashian / Olivia Nigro / Zeina Iaali / Marian Abboud

Curated by Nicole Barakat

Visit fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/FCMG for more information about what's on at Fairfield City Museum & Gallery.

WHAT'S ON @ FCMG

SEP-NOV 2022



WHO ARE YOU WEARING?

Until 24 September 2022

2021 FAIRFIELD CITY PHOTOGRAPHER

Helene Cochaud's photo collection 'Fairfield Scene' for the 2021 Fairfield City Photographer program is now available to view online at fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/heritage-collection, and in person along the gallery walk at Crescent Plaza Fairfield.

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SPRING CLEAN DROP OFF DAY

25 SEPTEMBER 2022 | 7AM-3PM

Fairfield Showground, Smithfield Road, Prairiewood

It's on again! Dispose of your unwanted household goods and bulky items easily and for FREE at Council's annual Spring Clean Drop Off Day.

Each year almost 150 tonnes of bulky waste is dropped off at Fairfield Showground on the Spring Clean Drop Off Day, all of which is disposed of responsibly or recycled by Council. This event is in addition to the two free kerbside pick-ups that residents have each year. No trucks will be admitted. A limit of one trailer load will apply to all residents.

For more information call Council's Waste and Sustainability team on 9725 0222 or visit www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/springclean.

Please be patient in traffic and follow directions from traffic controllers.



KERBSIDE CLEAN-UP

BOOK ONLINE NOW

Households can now book in a FREE bulky waste kerbside collections online*.

Get your bulky household waste picked up at a time more convenient to you.

www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/kerbsidecleanup



*Two free kerbside collections per household per financial year.

ACCEPTED ITEMS



Electronics

Televisions, computers, heaters, lamps, fans etc.



Metal Appliances/White Goods

Fridges, dryers, ovens, irons, toasters, mixers, vacuums etc.



Household Furniture

Couches, chairs, rugs, beds, cabinets, drawers, tables, desks etc.



Mattress

Maximum of 2 mattresses per collection.



Household Goods / Loose items

Toys, prams, clothing, linen, crockery etc. Loose or small items in boxes or bags



Garden Waste

Branches, plants, clippings etc.

Loose items must be tied in bundles no longer than 1.5m in length in length. Ensure stumps and logs do not exceed 30cm in diameter.

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS PROGRAM

The Community Development Grants program provides funding to not-for-profit community organisations that are based and/or operate within the Fairfield local government area and/or principally serve Fairfield residents.

There are two rounds (March and September) each year.

Applications for the September round are now open and include Community Capacity Building, Disability, Arts & Culture, Harmony Day, and Youth Week. For more information and to see what you or your organisation can apply for visit www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/grants before Friday 30 September 2022.

For more information email grants@fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au.



FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE ALL YEAR ROUND

Council and other external bodies provide a variety of grant and funding opportunities throughout the year to support community achievement in a number of social, sporting, cultural and environmental initiatives.

The diversity in grant and funding opportunities ensures there is something for everyone who has an idea or program that strengthens our community or our environment.

COUNCIL DONATIONS AND FUNDS

Council donations of between \$500 and \$2,500 are available for eligible individuals and community groups. Successful applicants are chosen at the discretion of Council.

CLUBGRANTS

ClubGRANTS is an annual community grant program funded by local clubs, such as RSLs, that receive gaming machine revenue. The grants, next available in early 2023, support community organisations and groups to carry out projects that provide support to people in the Fairfield Local Government Area.

HERITAGE GRANTS

Heritage Grants provide funding of up to \$5,000 for owners of heritage items for minor building improvements. Applications open each year in June.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT GRANTS

Scan here for more information about each grant and examples of past funded projects



WHAT'S ON

For more information or to register for these events visit www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/events

OCTOBER

Sunday 2 October

Free community bike rides
WSCN Fairfield Showground
Smithfield Road, Prairiewood
11am-3pm

Friday 14 October

Business Networking After 5 Event
– Small Business Month
Fairfield City HQ, Kenyon Street, Fairfield
5pm-7pm

Tuesday 25 October

Gyms in Parks (6-week program)
Brenan Park, Smithfield
Tuesdays and Thursdays 9.30am-10.30am

Monday 31 October

Spook-tacular Halloween Party
Fairfield City Museum & Gallery
634 The Horsley Drive, Smithfield
5pm-8pm

2023
FAIRFIELD
CITY
Women's
DAY AWARD

**NOMINATIONS OPEN
31 OCTOBER 2022**

[www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/
womensdayaward](http://www.fairfieldcity.nsw.gov.au/womensdayaward)

NOVEMBER

Every Saturday

Fairfield City Markets
Up to 600 undercover stalls
Fairfield Showground
Smithfield Road, Prairiewood
9am-4pm

Sunday 6 November

Free open day
Fairfield Youth and Community Centre
Vine Street, Fairfield
11am-3pm

Saturday 12 November

Bushland Induction
Nalawala Sustainability Hub
Fairfield Showground
Smithfield Road, Prairiewood
9am-12pm

Thursday 17 November

Seniors Concert
Novella on the Park
10am-2pm



AQUATOPIA
WATER PARK

AQUATOPIA
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FAIRFIELD CITY – AQUATOPIA –
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Fairfield City Council acknowledges the traditional custodians of the land in which the Fairfield Local Government Area is situated - the Cabrogal of the Darug Nation.