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The redevelopment of the Mitcham Cultural Village precinct at 103 Princes Road, Mitcham is nearing completion.

Mitcham Cultural Village

The centre will provide a village environment where residents have access to landscaped areas and the opportunity to participate in cultural and craft activities in an environment of learning and sharing.

The centre blends both new and historic buildings belonging to the City of Mitcham and the Mitcham

Uniting Church, through clever architectural design to reflect the history of the precinct while creating a functional sense of place for the community to enjoy.

It is also home to a large new multi-purpose community studio/shed and a range of innovative environmental features in a unified, landscaped precinct

which has been designed for residents and visitors to use and enjoy.

Council acknowledges the significant support received for this project from the Department of Planning and Local Government's Places for People funding and the Federal

Government's Community Infrastructure Program.

Mitcham Cultural Village office hours for Term 3 are:

Monday	10am to 12.30pm
Tuesday	1pm to 3.30pm
Wednesday	1pm to 3.30pm
Thursday	10am to 12.30pm

create dance draw enjoy exercise learn listen look make meet paint play research share sing stitch stretch

New programs and activities will soon be starting throughout the Mitcham Cultural Village.

Heritage Research Centre

The Mitcham Heritage Research Centre is moving to their new home, the former Mitcham Police Station at the Mitcham Cultural Village.

The former Police Station, first opened in 1892, is appropriately a heritage listed building. It continued to operate as a Police Station until 1967 and was then used by the metro South SES until 2003, since then it has remained vacant.

The building has undergone restoration and repair and the additions have been converted to a meeting room and semi-commercial kitchen which will be available for community use at various times.

The Mitcham Heritage Research Centre is located at 103 Princes Street, Mitcham and welcomes visitors during the following hours:

Tuesday	9.30am to 3.30pm
Wednesday	9am to 6pm
Thursday	9.30am to 3.30pm

For more information contact the Mitcham Heritage Research Centre on 8372 8261.



Mitcham Village Institute

The Mitcham Village Institute now has a spacious new foyer area. The foyer provides a shared space and a link between the historic building and Gallery One. It will be used for exhibitions, displays and events and is the home of the new Mitcham Cultural Village Office.

All former groups of the Institute have returned to the building and

are keen to see new faces and participants including:

- Adelaide Sound Connection – a capella women's chorale
- Happy Yoga with Louise Blake
- Mitcham Bridge Club
- Moving Meditation School of Tai Chi and Qigong
- Pilates with Leonie Sanders
- Terry Simpson School of Dance

Over the coming months these groups will be joined by other regular classes and one-off activities and workshops. Watch the Council website, the Mitcham Community News or visit the Mitcham Cultural Village for more information.

The Institute is also available for hire for family and community functions. For more information contact Andrée Brett on 8372 8109.

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For more information about the Mitcham Cultural Village contact Andrée Brett on 8372 8109, email abrett@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au or visit www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au



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Mitcham Cultural Village



Gallery One

Gallery One is Mitcham Village Art and Crafts new look gallery located at 1 Torrens Street, Mitcham. There you will find a teaching centre for adults in a wide range of art and crafts as well as an exhibition space and gallery shop.

Some of the classes on offer include:

- Decorative painting
- Various traditional art and textile crafts
- Monthly workshops in felting
- Japanese embroidery
- Adult evening classes including oil painting, non-figurative drawing and mosaics

If you are a local artist or craftsperson interested in selling and promoting your work in the gallery shop or would like to offer a new class, Gallery One is interested in hearing from you. For more information about the gallery or a class brochure phone Julie Arnott on 8272 4504.

Community Studio/Shed

The magnificent new Community Studio/Shed is located in the heart of the Mitcham Cultural Village Centre. It is a large space with potential for a range of interesting community activities.

Activities may include:

- Frame making
- Aquaponics
- Bike maintenance
- Furniture restoration
- Papermaking
- Ceramics – and many more

If you are interested in working with Council to develop a program, volunteer to assist with activities or become a participant at the Studio/Shed contact Andrée Brett on 8372 8109.

Mitcham Uniting Church

The Mitcham Uniting Church is working in partnership with Council to develop new programs to complement the exciting programs currently operating from the Old Church and the Tyler Theatre including:

- Wednesday Friendship Centre
- A Craft and friendship community outreach program of the Mitcham Uniting Church offering crafts, card classes, friendship, morning tea and an informal sharing of information.
- The Brown Hill Creek Probus Club meets every second Thursday of the month.
- Kumon classes are held each Monday, Tuesday and Friday after school.

For more information about the Mitcham Cultural Village contact Andrée Brett on 8372 8109 or visit www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au

Council Recognised for Excellence in Public and Environmental Health

The City of Mitcham was recently presented with a Certificate of Excellence for Public and Environmental Health by the Minister of Health, the Hon John Hill MP.



The award, developed by the Public and Environmental Health Council and sponsored by the Department of Health and the Local Government Association, recognises the City of Mitcham for excellence in the field of public and environmental health.

This award continues on from previous achievements by the City of Mitcham in public and environmental health and confirms the Council's commitment and ongoing support of public and environmental health initiatives within the community.

Remember to Register your Dog!

Dog registration notices for the coming financial year were issued during July with payment due by Monday 31 August.

It is that time of year again for renewing your dog registration! If you did not receive your renewal notice or you have a new dog aged over 3 months contact Council's Customer Service Centre on 8372 8888 to ensure your dog is registered. Failure to register a dog may result in an \$80 fine.

What do I do if I find a dog?

If you find a dog wandering in the City contact Council on 8372 8888 (during normal business hours), or 8366 0588 (after hours).

If the dog has a registration disc, give the number on the disc to the Officer who will attempt to contact the owner to have them collect their dog. If the dog has no identification, Council will collect the dog and take it to the RSPCA dog shelter.

Don't forget, if you lose your dog contact Council as we might be able to reunite you with your lost pet!

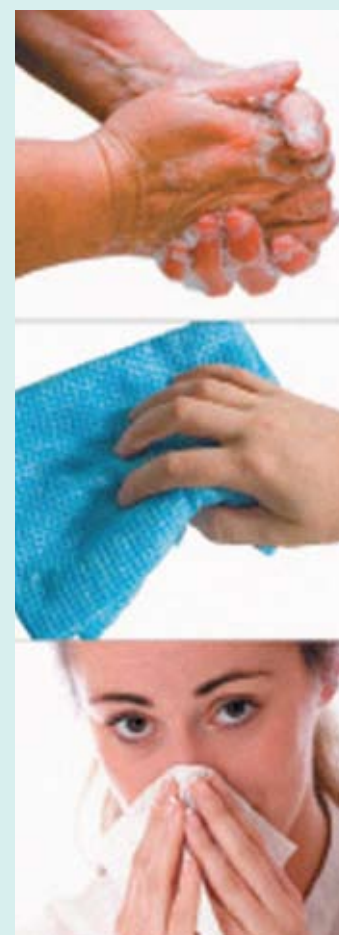
CC Hood Reserve Dog Park

Have you visited Council's new dedicated Dog Park at CC Hood

Reserve, you and your dog will love it.

The purpose built dedicated dog park, located at the northern portion of CC Hood Reserve, is fully enclosed by a 1.5 metre fence to allow dogs to be exercised freely off the leash in a safe environment under effective control. The park includes shelters, bench seating, water dispensers, rubbish bins, poo bag dispensers and play equipment for dogs including rails, posts and pipes.

The reserve is located at Eliza Place, Panorama, follow the signs from the corner of Eliza Place and Springbank Road, or the corner of Fiveash Drive and Grandview Drive, Panorama.



Protect Yourself Against Swine Influenza

Stop the spread of flu by remembering to Wash Wipe Cover... Don't Infect Another.

Influenza spreads very easily from person to person by coughs and sneezes however there are measures that you can take to prevent the spread of the disease.

Wash your hands frequently

Using soap and running water for at least 10 seconds and dry thoroughly.

Wipe over surfaces

To remove disease causing germs.

Cover your nose and mouth when sneezing or coughing

Use a tissue or your arm, not your hands. Dispose of the tissue into a bin immediately and wash your hands before touching anything else.

Social Distance

Social distancing of one metre is also recommended.

The next time you visit the Library you may notice that these measures have been introduced in an effort to protect you and the Library staff from possible infection.

For further information contact the Department of Health on 1800 353 282 or visit www.flu.sa.gov.au.



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Works Program Update

Stormwater Drainage Construction

Construction of the drainage system in **The Boulevard**, Bellevue Heights is complete and extra works are programmed for two upstream stormwater drainage systems.

Stabilisation of a watercourse has commenced in **Mandalay Avenue** and **Kirawina Grove** in Glenalta.

Drainage works are programmed for construction in:

- **Park Avenue** in Urrbrae.
- **Birksgate Drive** in Urrbrae.

Bridge Construction

Construction of the **Kent Street Bridge** in Hawthorn has been completed, fencing and barrier rails will be installed shortly.

Work on restoring Mitcham Reserve's **Keystone Bridge**, located on Taylors Road in Mitcham on the eastern side of Mitcham Reserve is underway.



Above: The Restoration of Mitcham Reserve's Keystone Bridge is underway.
Below: Construction of the Kent Street Bridge in Hawthorn has been completed.



Kerbing Construction

Replacement kerbing in **Hillside Road** in Springfield is complete.

Car Park

Construction of the upgrade of the existing car park at **Kingswood Oval** in Kyre Avenue, Kingswood has commenced.

Road Works

Additional Road Rehabilitation and Overlay works has been completed in the following streets:

- **Gloucester Avenue** in Belair from Price Avenue to Kalyra Road.
- **Hillside Road** in Springfield from Glenwood Road to Oakdene Road.
- **Laffers Road** in Glenalta from Main Road to Upper Sturt Road.
- **Main Road** in Glenalta from Main Road to Rosella Avenue.
- **Newark Road** in Lower Mitcham from Belair Road to Ayr Avenue.

- **Princes Road** in Torrens Park from North Parade to East Parade.
- **Rosella Avenue** in Glenalta from Main Road to Sun Valley Drive.
- **Tutt Street** in Kingswood from Harrow Terrace to Smith Dorrien Street.

Footpaths Construction 2008/2009

Paving works in progress:

- **Kyeema Avenue**, Goodwood Road to Winston Avenue (north side).
- **Shepherds Hill Road**, Toolangie Place to Donnybrook Road (south/west side).
- **Somerset Avenue**, Winston Avenue to Goodwood Road (north side).
- **Tripoli Terrace**, Somerset Avenue to Cumberland Avenue (west side).

Paving works completed:

- **Akoolya Street**, Somerset Avenue to Kyeema Avenue (west side).
- **Beagle Terrace**, Lynton.
- **Belair Road**, Ayr Avenue to Barrelder Road, Torrens Park (east side).
- **Blythewood Road**, Glenburnie Avenue to Belair Road, Torrens Park (south side).
- **Boothby Street**, Toronto Avenue to Strathcona Avenue, Clapham (both sides).
- **Braemar Road**, Blythewood Road to Eli Street, Torrens Park (west side).
- **Burbank Avenue**, Maidstone Road to Lincoln Boulevard (north side).
- **Coromandel Parade**, No 21 to Murray Street, Blackwood (east side).
- **Coromandel Parade**, Shepherds Hill Road to Johnson Parade, Blackwood (west side).
- **Craigburn Farm Walkway**, Diosma Drive to Craigburn Farm Circuit, Craigburn Farm.
- **Cumberland Avenue**, Goodwood Road to Winston Avenue, Cumberland Park (north side).
- **Daniels Road**, Springbank Road to end of Boothby Street (west side).
- **Doris Street**, O'Neill Street to Alma Street (west side).
- **East Terrace**, Main Road to Watahuna Avenue, Hawthorndene (west side).
- **Edward Street**, South Road to Winston Avenue, Clarence Gardens (north side).
- **Emily Avenue**, Murray Street to Austin Street, Clapham (east side).
- **Glenloth Avenue**, Angus Road to Constance Street, Westbourne Park (east side).
- **Grandview Drive**, Fiveash Drive to Moore Street, Pasadena (west side).
- **Grandview Drive**, Moore Street to Gunther Parade (west side).
- **Grange Road**, Sussex Terrace to Goodwood Road, Westbourne Park (north side).
- **Gunther Parade**, Fiveash Drive to Grandview Drive, Pasadena (north side).
- **Hannaford Reserve**, Athol Street to Laffers Road, Belair.



Permeable Pavement Trial

Construction of permeable pavements is underway in East Parade at Kingswood to ensure Mitcham's street trees and avenues remain sustainable in the changing climate.

Mitcham Council, funded with a \$30,000 grant from the Adelaide and Mount Lofty Ranges Natural Resources Management Board, is working with the University of South Australia's School of Natural and Built Environments to undertake trials of permeable pavements.

Council, with assistance from the University, will monitor the trial to assess potential benefits of permeable paving including improved street tree growth, reduced conflicts between tree roots and footpaths, reduced stormwater discharge and improved stormwater quality.

- **High Street**, Old Belair Road to Brown Hill Creek Road.
- **Kalyra Road**, Gloucester Avenue to Randell Court, Belair (south side).
- **Kent Street**, adjacent new bridge.
- **Kinross Avenue**, Railway Station to Price Avenue, Lower Mitcham (south side).
- **Little Street**, Goodwood Road to school, Cumberland Park (south side).
- **Main Road**, Downer Avenue to Penno Parade North, Belair (west side).
- **Main Road**, Stirling Road to Colton Road, Glenalta (south side).
- **Main Road**, View Street to Miller Terrace, Blackwood (west side).
- **Morgan Avenue**, Winston Avenue to Goodwood Road, Daw Park (north side).
- **Myrtle Road**, Gorse Avenue to Sturt Avenue, Hawthorndene (west side).
- **Neweys Road**, path associated with the new footbridge and drainage works.
- **Old Belair Road**, High Street to Brown Hill Creek, Mitcham (east side).
- **Price Avenue**, Gort Street to Kinross Avenue, Lower Mitcham.
- **Princes Road**, Belair Road intersection, Mitcham (both sides).
- **Quinlan Avenue**, Norman Avenue to Cashel Street (south side).
- **Sargent Parade**, Vacluse North to Manson Reserve footpath, Bellevue Heights (east side).
- **Shepherds Hill Road**, Donnybrook Road to Toolangie Place (south side).

- **Shepherds Hill Road**, Ward Avenue to pedestrian crossing (north/east side).
- **Shepherds Hill Road**, Toolangie Place to Heathfield Road, Bellevue Heights (south side).
- **Sheoak Road**, Upper Sturt Road to Railway Station Car Park, Belair (south side).
- **Soldiers Memorial Gardens Reserve. Station Road**, Station Avenue to Railway Reserve, Blackwood (north side).
- **Sturt Avenue**, Chancery Lane to Myrtle Road, Hawthorndene (north side).
- **Suffolk Reserve**, Meadows Avenue to Suffolk Road, Hawthorndene.
- **Suffolk Road**, Woodburn Avenue to Cunard Drive, Hawthorndene (south side).
- **Taylors Road**, Cuthbert Avenue to High Street.
- **Upper Sturt Road**, linkage path between Nos 146 and 148, Glenalta.
- **Vancouver Avenue**, O'Neill Street to Alma Street (west side).
- **Verco Avenue**, Lower Mitcham (west side).

Paving works programmed for August 2009

- **Albert Street**, Hilda Terrace to Winston Avenue, Clarence Gardens (south side).
- **Ormond Avenue**, Goodwood Road to Winston Avenue, Daw Park (north side).
- **Price Avenue**, Kinross Avenue to Wattlebury Road, Lower Mitcham (west side).

Tree Planting

Council continues to seek new and innovative ways to maintain Mitcham's green environment in response to the drought and the changing climate.

Trial tree species which are suited to harsher climatic extremes have been planted including:

- Snow pear (*Pyrus nivalis*) in Spruce Crescent, Lower Mitcham.
- Dwarf Apple myrtle (*Angophora hispida*) in Clayton Court, Melrose Park and Alberta Avenue, Clapham.
- Chinese Tallowwood (*Sapium sebiferum*) in Bartley Avenue, Netherby.

Council continues to plant sustainable species to replace trees in poor condition including:

- Low fruiting White cedar trees (*Melia azedarach*) in Jeffrey Street, Hawthorn.
- Claret ash trees in Wattle Avenue, Lower Mitcham.

Detailed information about the works program can be obtained on Council's website at www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au or by contacting Customer Service on 8372 8888.



All About Books

Meet best selling author Kristin Weidenbach at the Mitcham Library. Come along and meet Kristin Weidenbach bestselling author of Mailman of the Birdsville Track: the story of Tom Kruse at the Mitcham Library on Wednesday August 12 at 6.30pm. Kristin has published her second book Rock Star: the story of Reg Sprigg – an outback legend. Bookings are essential. Contact the Mitcham Library on 8271 0999.

Leisure at the Library - *Chocolat!*

Join the Mitcham Library Service on a Saturday afternoon for another exciting leisure program for adults.

Celebrate the famous book and film, Chocolat with a chocolicious afternoon of food and fun at the Blackwood Library on Saturday 29 August at 1.30pm. Cost is \$5 per person.

Places are limited and bookings are essential so be quick. For more information email library@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au or call the Blackwood Library on 8278 5200.

Every Generation Celebrations

Celebrate the 'Every Generation - It's on for young and old'.

The City of Mitcham is celebrating the valuable contributions made by older Mitcham residents to our community during the annual Council of the Ageing, Every Generation Festival with a series of events.

Mental and Everything

A talk and comedy performance by Susan Brame which explores pathways through blues, panic attacks and things mental. A hilarious take on a serious issue.
Date: Wednesday 14 October.
Time: 2pm.
Location: Blackwood Library, 215 Main Road, Blackwood.
Bookings: Call 8271 0999.

Getting Your Garden Ready

Sophie Thomson, well known TV and radio gardening presenter, gardening writer and author of "From the Ground Up" will be speaking on "Getting Your Garden Ready for the Hot Weather".
Date: Wednesday 21 October.
Time: 6.30pm.
Location: Mitcham Library, 154 Belair Road, Hawthorn.
Bookings: 8271 0999.

Artists in Residence

Each day a different artist or craftsperson will demonstrate and talk about their art and craft. 'Hands on' opportunities are available.

Date: October Monday 12, Tuesday 13, Wednesday 14, Thursday 15.
Time: 10am to 4pm.
Location: Mitcham Library, 154 Belair Road, Hawthorn.

Bookings: Call 8271 0999.
Date: October Monday 19, Tuesday 20, Wednesday 21, Thursday 22.
Time: 10am to 4pm.
Location: Blackwood Library, 215 Main Road, Blackwood.

Bookings: Call 8278 5200.

Tai Chi in the Park

A four week gentle introduction to Tai Chi.
Date: October Friday 9, 16, 23 and 30.
Time: 10am.
Location: Mitcham Library, 154 Belair Road, Hawthorn. (park weather permitting).
Bookings: Call 8271 0999.



Movie Art for the Young at Heart

Two mornings of fabulous film for residents of the City of Mitcham who are 50+ years. Enjoy morning tea, view a series of short films recently produced by local youth and sit back for a blockbuster.

Date: **Mao's Last Dancer** October Monday 26.
Julie and Julia October Tuesday 27.
Time: 10am.
Location: Wallis Cinemas, Mitcham Shopping Centre.
Cost: \$4.
Bookings: Bookings from Monday 5 October call 8372 8887.

Celebrate your generation during the Every Generation Celebrations!

Immunisation Clinics

The City of Mitcham provides a range of free immunisation services to children and adolescents to keep you and your family safe and prevent the spread of infectious diseases.

Four regular public clinics are held within the Council area at two convenient locations:

	Mitcham Community Centre cnr Grange and Belair Roads, Lower Mitcham	Blackwood Hills Baptist Church 72 Coromandel Parade, Blackwood
August 5	12noon to 1pm	6.30pm to 7.30pm
August 19	6pm to 7.30pm	12noon to 1pm
September 2	12noon to 1pm	6.30pm to 7.30pm
September 16	6pm to 7.30pm	12noon to 1pm
October 7	12noon to 1pm	6.30pm to 7.30pm
October 21	6pm to 7.30pm	12noon to 1pm

Full details about Council's public immunisation clinics at Mitcham and Blackwood are available on Council's website www.mitcamcouncil.sa.gov.au or by contacting the Environmental Health Unit on 8372 8816.

What's On at the Mitcham Library Service

Overseas Volunteering for Young People (18-25 years)

Hear from some agencies involved in volunteer projects and get some first hand tips from young people who have experienced it for themselves.

Bookings are essential.
Date: Thursday 10 September.
Time: 6.30pm.
Location: Blackwood Library, 215 Main Road, Blackwood.

Scinema Film Festival

Enjoy an all day screening of a wide range of films on the weird, wonderful and all things scientific. No bookings required. Suitable for school age to adult.

Date: Monday 14 September.
Time: 10am to 5pm.
Location: Mitcham Library, 154 Belair Road, Hawthorn.

For more information contact the Blackwood Library on 8278 5200 or Mitcham Library on 8271 0999.



From left to right Mayor Ivan Brooks, Kosta Sindodinas, Stuart Knowles, Helen Sinodinas from the Westbourne Park Racing Team. The team was successful in receiving a \$1000 grant for the purchase of Pedal Prix Bikes, ongoing maintenance and associated equipment.

Community Development Grants Working in the Community

Local community groups recently received funding from the Community Development Grants program to deliver projects, programs and activities for the local community.

Council's Community Development Grants, offered bi-annually, enables community groups and organisations, to apply for funding to contribute and participate in developing a strong, interactive and vibrant community.

During June, Council awarded grants to support 20 new projects that will provide benefits to the local community. Amongst the projects that received funding were:

- The Inside Line 'Borrowed Bikes for Bored Kids'.
- Eden Hills Kindergarten 'Promoting Waste Reduction and Recycling'.
- James Brown Memorial Trust, Kalyra Aged Care Facility 'Portraits of Life Building Bridges Between Young and Old'.
- Westbourne Park Racing Team 'Purchase of Pedal Prix Bikes, ongoing Maintenance and Associated Equipment'.

The Community Development Grants program provides funding for community projects in six categories - Community Development, Community Health, Cultural Development, Youth Development, Recreation and Environmental Improvement.

The next round of applications closes on Wednesday 30 September. Copies of the guidelines and application forms can be obtained from www.mitcamcouncil.sa.gov.au, the Mitcham or Blackwood Libraries or call 8372 8899.

Council and Committee Decisions

A summary of decisions made at the June and July Council and Committee meetings.



Meetings are open to the public and take place in the Council Chamber at the City of Mitcham Civic Centre, 131 Belair Road, Torrens Park. Agendas and minutes are available for inspection at the Council Civic Centre, Libraries and on the website at www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au

Council and Committee meetings will be held on:

Full Council

Tuesday August 25 and September 22 at 7pm.

Development Assessment Panel

Wednesday September 2 and October 7 at 6.30pm.

Engineering and Environmental Services

Tuesday September 8 and October 13 at 5.30pm.

Corporate and Community Services

Tuesday September 8 and October 13 at 8.30pm.

For a complete list of Development Approvals please visit Council's eservices at <https://eservices.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au>

Development Assessment Panel

Applications Delegated for Approval

- Demolish existing dwelling, construct two semi-detached dwellings, garages and porticos (house 1 two storey) at **44 Norseman Avenue, Westbourne Park** to Manager of Planning Services.

Applications Approved

Approvals were granted to:

- Construct alterations and second storey addition, portico, balcony and verandah at **49 Old Belair Road, Mitcham**.
- Construct alterations/additions to detached dwelling (on boundary) at **21 Hampton Street, Hawthorn**.
- Construct dwelling alterations and additions at **26 Batley Avenue, Hawthorndene**.
- Construct dwelling addition, carport and domestic outbuilding (woodshed) – all front of the dwelling at **2 Gloucester Avenue, Belair**.
- Construct a freestanding carport (front of dwelling) at **21 Murtoa Road, Eden Hills**.
- Divide land (create one additional allotment) at **19 Richmond Road, Westbourne Park**.
- Construct an attached deck, verandah and pergola at **26 Richman Court, Craighburn Farm**.
- Construct a deck at **52 Gum Grove, Belair**.
- Construct deck (2.2m above ground) at **15 Sherwood Avenue, Bellevue Heights**.
- Construct an attached deck at **3 Bermuda Way, Glenalta**.
- Construct a deck at **27 Glengyle Avenue, Blackwood**.
- Construct an addition to existing showroom at **2 Edward Street, Blackwood**.

- Construct alterations and additions to existing dwelling (including second storey and canopy) at **36 Narianna Avenue, Cumberland Park**.
- Construct an extension to existing garage (on boundary) and verandah at **50 The Grove, Lower Mitcham**.
- Construct an attached carport and verandah addition at **68 Main Road, Belair**.
- Construct a domestic outbuilding (garage/carport) at **20 Mill Terrace, Eden Hills**.
- Vary approved development application 1212/2008 to adjust distance of carport from boundary at **4 Winchester Avenue, Colonel Light Gardens**.
- Construct a single storey dwelling, garage and verandah at **13 Claire Street, Lower Mitcham**.
- Divide land (to create one additional allotment) at **13 Claire Street, Lower Mitcham**.

Applications Refused

Applications were refused to:

- Construct a single storey addition and internal alterations and deck at **5 Olde Coach Road, Urrbrae**.
- Divide land (to create one additional allotment) at **50 Dorene Street, St Marys**.
- Construct a single storey detached dwelling and two single storey dwellings at **63 Gloucester Avenue, Belair**.
- Demolish existing dwelling and construct two semi-detached two storey dwellings, garages, porticos and balconies and remove one significant tree at **9 Ford Avenue, Torrens Park**.
- Construct a carport (forward of the dwelling) at **14 Chamberlain Avenue, Clarence Gardens**.
- Construct alterations and additions to existing dwelling (second storey, verandah/

portico and garage – on boundary) at **42 Grange Road, Hawthorn**.

- Construct two semi-detached dwellings and garages at **20 Dudley Avenue, Daw Park**.

Applications Deferred

Applications were deferred to:

- Divide land (to create one additional allotment) at **33 Hill Street, Mitcham**.
- Construct a freestanding carport forward of the dwelling at **9 Californian Crescent, Glenalta**.
- Construct two semi-detached dwellings, garage, verandah and masonry pillar fence at **69 Princes Road, Kingswood**.
- Divide land (to create one additional allotment) at **69 Princes Road, Kingswood**.
- Construct a single storey detached dwelling, portico and garage on boundary at **19 Richmond Road, Westbourne Park**.
- Erect signage at **Waite Road, Urrbrae**.
- Demolish existing carport, construct new garage, retaining wall, pool deck and fencing at **12 Elmglyde Road, Springfield**.
- Construct a single storey dwelling, portico and garage at **151 Gloucester Avenue, Belair**.

Appeal Compromise

The Development Assessment Panel supported the additional information provided by the applicant to construct a retirement village containing 66 dwellings comprising of 58 group dwellings and 8 residential flat buildings (two dwellings in each), a community facility, removal of 9 significant trees, associated earthworks, landscaping and carparking at **51-53 Eve Road, Bellevue Heights**.



Corporate and Community Services Committee

Council will provide feedback to the Local Government Association that it opposes forced Council amalgamations as proposed in the Local Government (Boundary Reform) Amendment Bill 2009.

Cr Ward and Cr Perry will attend the LGA Council Members' Governance Residential Program.

Engineering and Environmental Services Committee

Council will begin a process to reclaim internal reserves in Colonel Light Gardens.

Construction of the Belair Road Stormwater Drainage Project Stage 2 from Mitcham Railway Station car park to Wattlebury Road was approved.

Full Council

Council requested further information on the introduction of a Cat By-Law.

The 2009/2010 Annual Business Plan, the 2009/2010 Budget, the capital valuations made by the Valuer-General in respect to all land within the area of the City of Mitcham, Differential Rates and Minimum Rate, Natural Resources Management Levy and the Rating Policy was adopted.

Sharon Kelsey was nominated as a Local Government Member on the Local Government Association Mutual Liability Scheme Board.

Council endorsed the advertising for Expressions of Interest for the Hydrology Audit/Review for the Brown Hill Creek Sustainable Flood and Water Management Project.

The Mitcham Village Heritage Implementation Plan was endorsed.

City of Mitcham Budget 2009/2010

The City of Mitcham has set its 2009/2010 budget to implement key strategies, identified by the community, in the 2008-2012 Strategic Management Plan, available on Council's website at www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au/goto/tomorrow. This Strategic Plan sets out a series of objectives and strategies to better facilitate the achievement of Mitcham's long term vision. It is a means of ensuring day to day activities are consistently focused on the issues of most importance for Council and the community, while ensuring that sustainability is a guiding principle of the plan.

The Plan, which was developed through extensive consultation with the community, organisations, Council staff and Elected Members, sets a framework for Council and the community to work together. Through its Strategic Plan, Council will maintain its focus on areas covering Economic, Environmental and Community Sustainability as well as Organisational Excellence with priority on key services such as infrastructure (road network, drainage systems and footpaths), waste management and street trees.

To ensure the success of the plan and the continual development and maintenance of our City and services, homeowners will pay an average of **5.8%** more in rates this financial year. This means that a home, which was valued at \$398,000 last year and would most likely be valued at \$409,500 this year, will pay rates of **\$1,062.50, an increase of \$58.60 or \$1.12 per week.**

Key initiatives for 2009/2010

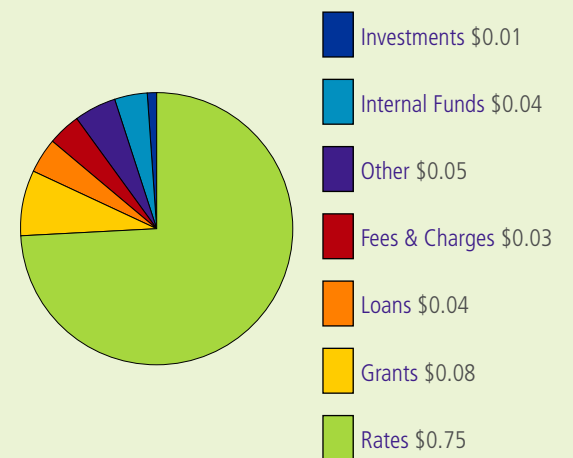
Additional road and footpath works (year 4 of 10 year program).	\$1,060,000
Implementation of an Electronic Document and Records Management System.	\$570,000
Additional storm water works (year 4 of 10 year program).	\$500,000
Additional new footpath construction (year 4 of 10 year program).	\$336,200
Replacement/reconstruction of foot bridges.	\$330,000
Brown Hill Creek sustainable flood and water management.	\$300,000
Increased funding for ongoing infrastructure construction works.	\$200,000
Planned building assets renewal.	\$150,000
Bus Stops upgrade to comply with Disability Discrimination Act.	\$108,000
Additional cost of water.	\$97,000
Support for community groups - loan deferment.	\$92,600
Mitcham Cemetery restoration works.	\$82,000
Additional operating costs for new Mitcham Cultural Village.	\$67,000
Additional waste management fees.	\$50,000
Water sensitive urban design.	\$50,000
Increased funding to manage cleared areas of woodland reserves.	\$45,000
Undertake Development Plan Amendments.	\$45,000
Provision of after hours book return bins for Library Service.	\$44,000
Additional fees for disposal of street sweepings.	\$40,000
Undertake a heritage infrastructure audit.	\$30,000
Improvements to electricity and water systems.	\$25,000
Implementation of a Youth Strategy 2008-2012.	\$24,500
Mitcham Toy Library relocation and improvement.	\$22,000
Undertake a Section 30 Review of Council's Development Plan.	\$15,000

How your rates are spent?

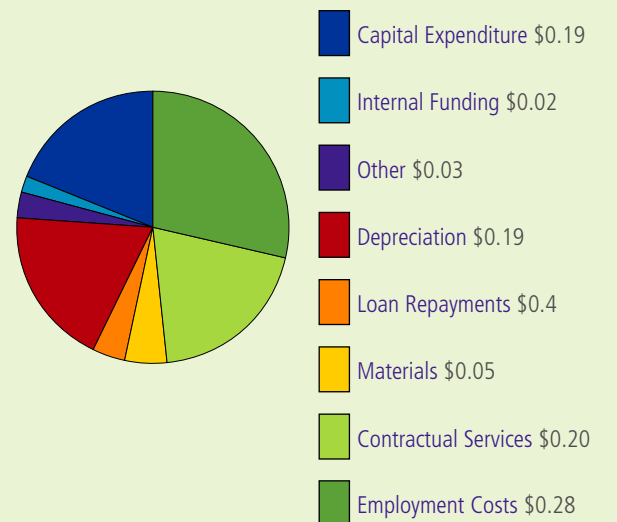
How Each Revenue Dollar is Spent

Water Catchment Levy	\$0.02
Street Lighting	\$0.02
Pest Plant & Weed Control	\$0.02
Food & Health Control	\$0.02
Animal & Parking Control	\$0.02
Land Buildings & Equipment	\$0.03
Corporate Activities	\$0.03
Storm Water Drainage	\$0.04
Planning & Building	\$0.04
Loan Repayments	\$0.04
Governance	\$0.04
Aged & Youth Services	\$0.04
Street Trees & Cleaning	\$0.05
Parks Gardens & Reserves	\$0.05
Libraries	\$0.06
Sport & Leisure Activities	\$0.07
Waste Management	\$0.10
Roads, Footpaths & Traffic	\$0.31

How Council Raises each Revenue Dollar



How Council Spends each Revenue Dollar



WORKS PROGRAM FOR 2009/2010

LEGEND

- Road Rehabilitation, Overlays and Reconstruction
- Bitumen Rejuvenation and Crack Sealing
- Kerb and Watertable
- Traffic Management
- Footpaths
- Drainage
- Bridges

BELAIR

- Belair Road
- Gloucester Road
- Kalyra Road
- Main Road

BELLEVUE HEIGHTS

- Adam Avenue
- Eden Road
- Eve Avenue

BLACKWOOD

- Blackwood Parking Review
- Brighton Parade
- Cassia Street

- Coromandel Parade
- Johnson Parade
- Main Road
- Plymouth Avenue
- Southern Avenue

- Winns Road

CLARENCE GARDENS

- Albert Street
- Caulfield Avenue
- Dawn Court
- Dennis Court
- Dinwoodie Avenue

- Lyric Place
- Thomas Street

COLONEL LIGHT GARDENS

- Bedford Square
- Grange Road
- Lincoln Avenue
- Rochester Avenue

COROMANDEL VALLEY

- Main Road (No.374)
- Sturt Linear Park (Oakdene Road)
- Winns Road

CUMBERLAND PARK

- Eaton Street
- Edward Street
- Little Street
- Thulara Avenue
- Wodana Avenue

DAW PARK

- Crozier Avenue
- Elder Street
- Ormond Avenue

EDEN HILLS

- Miranda Street
- Pinda Street



Maximum rate increase for residential ratepayers

Council will continue to apply rate capping to assist residential ratepayers who would otherwise have incurred a rate increase greater than 12.5%. A rebate will be granted upon application for eligible ratepayers. For details of eligibility contact our Customer Service Centre on 8372 8888, or visit Council's website at www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au.

Rates revenue is used to provide a range of essential everyday services such as road rehabilitation, footpath repairs and maintenance, stormwater drainage, the collection of rubbish and recyclable materials, ongoing maintenance of parks, gardens and buildings, street lighting and street cleaning, libraries, animal control, planning and enforcement of local laws.

The increase in rates revenue will be used to implement key strategies including maintaining the City's ageing infrastructure, which includes our roads, footpaths and stormwater drainage systems, new footpaths, additional street tree planting and the continuation of Council's footpath replacement program and bushfire prevention.

How rates are calculated

Rates are a tax levied on a property according to its capital value. The capital value of a property is determined by the Valuer General. The rates which a property owner pays are calculated by multiplying the property valuation by a rate in the dollar.

To determine the rate in the dollar Council must determine, through its Strategic Planning and budget deliberations, what services will be provided and what works need to be carried out. Then Council must calculate the cost of those works and services. Next Council estimates the revenue it will receive from sources such as fees and charges, grants and loans.

Council is then able to calculate the rate in the dollar which would be required to collect sufficient revenue, which together with the revenue from the other sources allows Council to provide all the services and works required.

Property values

All properties within the City are valued by the Office of the Valuer General each year. In 2009 residential properties in the City have increased in value by an average of **2.8%** (excluding development) while commercial and industrial properties (excluding development) have increased in value by an average of **2.7%**.

Council formally adopts the valuation as part of their rate declaration process.

If you believe the valuation for your property is incorrect, you should write to the Valuer General within 60 days of receiving notification, stating the grounds for your objection. Check your rates notice for details.

Many people believe that rate increases are inevitable when property valuations are on the rise. **THIS IS INCORRECT.** Council determines the amount of revenue it requires to maintain the level of service expected of it from the community and then calculates a rate in the dollar based on the total of all rateable property.

This is demonstrated by Council adopting a reduced rate in the dollar for 6 consecutive years.

Why do our rates continue to increase?

- As grants from Federal and State Governments continue to fall in real terms.
- The costs of road construction are increasing at a rate exceeding CPI movements.
- As responsibilities for delivering various services to the community are being transferred from Federal and State Governments to Local Government with little or no funding.
- To maintain and improve the Council's infrastructure including roads, kerbing and watertabling, footpaths, bridges and stormwater.
- Increasing costs of managing weed control to protect our unique native bushland areas from infestation and bushfire.
- The community prefers Council to maintain, rather than reduce the existing service standards.



What arrangements are available in cases of financial hardship?

Council has a Flexible Rate Payment Scheme where any ratepayer who is experiencing financial difficulty can contact Council, as soon as possible after receipt of the rate notice, to make alternative arrangements to pay their Council rates. To further assist ratepayers Council has a Rate Deferral Scheme to assist those who meet certain criteria to defer payment of rates.

Postponement of rates – seniors

Ratepayers who hold a State seniors card (or who are eligible to hold a State seniors card and have applied for one) are able to apply to Council to postpone payment of rates on their principal place of residence. Postponed rates remain as a charge on the land and are not required to be repaid until the property is sold or disposed of.

How you can pay your rates

Rates may be paid by quarterly installments or in full. Rates paid in full by 15 September 2009 will attract a 1% discount. Council has provided several payment options which are shown on the rate notice.



Further information

Detailed information on these initiatives is available in our Rating Policy, on Council's web site www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au or from the Customer Service Centre on 8372 8888. If you would like to confidentially discuss payment arrangements please contact the Team Leader, Rating Services on 8372 8856.

Services we provide

ENVIRONMENT

- Blackwood and Mitcham District Centre Beautification
- City West Project
- Development Control
- Dog and Cat Management
- Environmental Health Control
- Bushfire Protection
- Food Inspection
- Green Organic Depot
- Domestic Hard Waste Collection
- Heritage Management and Advice
- Immunisation Services
- Kerbside Recycling
- Land Acquisition for Open Space

- Mitcham Cemetery
- Natural Heritage Projects
- Parking Control
- Parks and Gardens
- Pest Control eg European Wasps
- Pest Plant and Weed Control
- Public and Environmental Health Management
- Review and Development of Planning Policy
- Street Cleaning
- Street Lighting
- Street Trees
- Waste Management
- Waste Management Education

COMMUNITY SERVICES

- Community Bus
- Community Development
- Community Development Grants and General Donations
- Community Facilities
- Community Information Service
- Cultural Development
- Home and Community Care
- Information and Assessment
- Home Assistance
- Home Maintenance
- Improving Accessibility for the Disabled
- Library Service

- Local History Service
- Personal Transport
- Social Programs
- Sporting Facilities
- Toy Library Service
- Volunteer Support and Development
- Youth Development

INFRASTRUCTURE

- Bus Shelters and Street Furniture
- Cycleways
- Ratepayers' Crossovers
- Roads and Bridges
- Footpaths

- Stormwater Management, Construction and Maintenance
- Technical Services
- Traffic Management and Control
- Urrbrae Wetlands

GOVERNANCE

- Asset Management
- Communications
- Elections
- Events
- Publications

	Willora Road
	Yalanda Street
GLENALTA	
	Arizona Terrace
	Sunvalley Reserve
HAWTHORN	
	Frimley Grove
	Grange Road
	JWS Morris Park
	Sussex Terrace
HAWTHORNDENE	
	Cunard Drive
	East Parade

	Hewitt Avenue
	Watahuna Avenue
KINGSWOOD	
	Brenchley Grove
	Rugby Street
	Truro Avenue
	Tutt Avenue
LOWER MITCHAM	
	Dunbar Avenue
	Kinross Avenue
	Price Avenue
	Wattle Avenue
	Wattlebury Road

MELROSE PARK	
	Bennet Avenue
	Emanuel Court
	Iris Street
	Winston Avenue
MITCHAM	
	Tolmer Court
NETHERBY	
	Delamere Avenue
	Netherby Avenue
PANORAMA	
	Eliza Place
	Jordan Court

	Ontario Avenue
	Panorama Drive
PASADENA	
	Cashel Street
	Day Drive
	Fiveash Drive
	Spiers Avenue
SPRINGFIELD	
	Delamere Avenue
	Fullarton Road
	Oakdene Road
	Springfield Avenue

ST MARYS	
	Cashel Street
	Merriton Avenue
TORRENS PARK	
	Ardeer Road
	Balkisoch Road
	Belair Road
	Blythewood Road
	John Fisher Drive
	Old Belair Road
URRBRAE	
	Waite Road

From your Elected Members



MAYOR IVAN BROOKS

- Budget
- Bedford Industries
- Glenalta
- Centennial Park

TELEPHONE 8373 0537

The best place to live in Adelaide. Congratulations to Glenaltarians it is you that has made the suburb what it is, quiet, leafy, not too many hoons. How you look after your homes and gardens all make for a great place to live, well done Glenalta.

Budget

Elected Members and staff thought long and hard regarding Council rates 2009/2010, given the global financial crisis. After much deliberation Council decided on an increase of 5.8%. Many of you would say that is too much, double CPI and that is true. CPI really has no relation to the working of Council as we do not purchase food, our purchases are relevant to wages for staff, bitumen, concrete pavers, garbage trucks, backhoes etc.

To reduce the rates would put a further load on future generations. We have held rates up over the last 10 years to try and get on top of our ageing infrastructure including footpaths, roads and bridges. During the drought we lost over a 1,000 street trees to remove and replace the cost is around \$1,000 per tree. The average rate in Mitcham is now \$1,062.50, we still have a back log of \$40m on our ageing infrastructure. If we do not

maintain our strategy the next generation will be burdened with out past lack of attention to the basics of Council.

Bedford Industries

I recently had the privilege of attending an awards presentation that Bedford hold annually for all of its employees. The Governor and a number of politicians attended, along with 1,300 employees parents, carers and friends. It is a fantastic event held at the convention centre, where employees are awarded for their achievement such as working beyond their usual boundaries, studying and passing many various courses related to their work place.

Employees at Bedford Industries have a wide range of employment opportunities including roles in areas of packaging, hospitality, flat packs (for Bunnings), furniture, grounds and garden maintenance and many others.

At the Goodwood Road site there are 550 employees, located around the state at Port Lincoln, Mt Gambier, Port Pirie, Wallaroo, Kadina and Millicent there are a further 1,500 employees with a disability also working in their communities and for the local Councils especially on grounds and garden maintenance.

Many of these employees have been recognised for their achievements in their respective locations in regional areas. It is a credit to staff at Bedford for the work they do for people with a disability and the employees return are a credit to Bedford Industries.

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Centennial Park

Centennial Park has won a national award which is linked to World Environment Day. They won the business award for small to media businesses, in a category of Best Environment Practice. This was achieved by the following initiatives: reduce waste to landfill by 97.3%, achieved by recycling; reduce energy consumption by 9% from lighting, using more efficient lamps and sensor controls; reduce reliance on mains water; reduce emissions on motorised vehicle fleet by using an electric gator (all purpose workhorse); and reduction in gas consumption in the crematorium.

Centennial Park is recognised as an industry leader sharing their experiences with other operators. At the time of writing this report, Centennial Park is a finalist in the National Banksia Awards. Not all readers would be aware Centennial Park is jointly owned by the Cities of Mitcham and Unley.

Hawthorndene Mens Probus Club Celebrates 25 Years

Hawthorndene Mens Probus Club recently celebrated 25 years with a lunch at the Belair Country Club.

The Club, which began on May 10, 1984, celebrated 25 years with over 70 members and partners as well as special guest inaugural president Tom Wightman and

his wife at a lunch at the Belair Country Club.

Meetings are held at the Belair Uniting Church Hall on the second Thursday of each month and

provide an opportunity for retired and semi-retired men to listen to guest speakers, undertake outings, lunches/dinners, caravan trips, walks, conducted tours and other social events.

A keen tradition which has evolved is the presenting of the 'Wooden Spoon' which was first awarded to John Williams in 1989 for taking photos without any film in the camera! It continues to be awarded to members for a wide variety of excuses – and is always associated with a good deal of humour!

Hawthorndene Probus Club is always looking for new members. If you are interested in becoming a member please contact the Club Secretary on 8278 5250.



Above: The inaugural President Tom Wightman and his wife at the 25 year celebration lunch at the Belair Country Club on 14 May 2009. Left: Noel Playfair, having just received the Wooden Spoon for making some irrelevant remark at a meeting. It is the Presidents prerogative to hand out the spoon as he sees fit.

Nominate Your Local Hero

Do you know someone who contributes to our local community? Help Council to acknowledge selfless dedication and excellence in our community by nominating our unsung heroes.

The City of Mitcham is currently seeking nominations from the community for Council's Australia Day Awards and Awards for Excellence. Nominations are accepted in the following categories:

Australia Day Citizen of the Year

Awarded to persons over 25 years who have given outstanding service to the local community.

Australia Day Young Citizen of the Year

Awarded to persons under 25 years who have given outstanding service to the local community.

City of Mitcham Awards for Excellence

Awards for Excellence recognise groups who have given

outstanding service to the Community (Community Service) or individuals or groups who have made a significant contribution through Design (innovations in building and renovation), Sport or Environmental Achievement.

Australia Day Event of the Year

Awarded to the community event which made a significant contribution to the local community.

Nomination forms and guidelines are available on Council's website www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au, or at the City of Mitcham, Civic Centre, 131 Belair Road, Torrens Park.

The deadline for all nominations is 5pm Friday, 30 October 2009.

Blackwood Kindergarten Celebrates 50 years

Celebrate the Blackwood Kindergarten 50th anniversary on Sunday 20 September between 11am and 3pm at Brigalow Avenue, Blackwood.

Relive past memories of your treasured kindy days and join the kindergarten community in celebrating the history of the Blackwood Kindy through a memorabilia display as well

as witness the unveiling of the renovated mud hut and a performance from students.

Visitors will also enjoy a Devonshire tea, hot soup, sausage sizzle, face painting,

music from old scholars, twisted balloons, cake and sweets stalls, commemorative wine and cookbooks for sale.

If you have an item, photograph, artwork, kindergarten memento or historical information that you would like to contribute to the memorabilia wall, please contact Rebecca Carpenter-Mew on 0417 353 776 or email or rebecca.mew@internode.on.net.

Left: Spanning the generations at Blackwood Kindergarten top left Lucy and Madi Duncan (old scholars), Ken Hyde (president of the Governing Council 1962/3), Deb Hodgson (teacher) and Dianne Weber (director) bottom left Angus Resch (old scholar), Hugo Resch, Zoe Mew and Juliette Brusich (all current students).



For further information please contact Virginia Fisher on 8372 8810 or email mitcham@mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au.

Council Celebrates its Volunteers

Council, during National Volunteer Week in May, thanked Council's dedicated volunteers for their wonderful work throughout the year.

Mayor Ivan Brooks, along with Chief Executive Officer Helen Dyer, hosted an afternoon tea at Balyana Conference Centre to thank Council's dedicated volunteers. Over the past year 330 volunteers have contributed 23,421 hours of volunteer work to the community.



Home and Community Care Volunteers

Personal transport drivers assisted 187 residents with 2,007 trips to attend medical appointments, social outings and shopping centres.

Community bus drivers travelled 24,000kms and provided 14,808 door to door transport services to 296 elderly residents to access local shopping centres, libraries and social activities.

Social program volunteers served up 2,116 nourishing lunches, providing 1,288 trips as well as assisting with fun activities for residents who attend weekly social programs.

Library Volunteers

Home Library Service volunteers selected and delivered 11,000 library items to 142 house bound residents.

Library volunteers helped with tasks at the Libraries including shelving thousands of books.

Toy Library volunteers assisted with the care and management of the well used toys, puzzles etc.

Community Information Volunteers

Community information volunteers spent 1,500 hours collating welcome kits for new residents, photocopying, distributing and restocking brochure displays as well as reading the Mitcham Community News to tape for visually impaired residents.

Green Volunteers

Our gardening and environmental volunteers provided over 3,142 hours of volunteer work caring for Nellie's and Gamble Gardens, the Urrbrae Wetlands and removing graffiti from the Mitcham Railway Station area.

Justice of the Peace Volunteers

Justice of the Peace volunteers provided 568 hours of service to the public making themselves available to sign and note documents.

Keep Fit Volunteers

Keep Fit volunteers facilitated weekly classes for 35 members while the Walking for Health and Fitness Group leaders provided

672 hours to organise and lead walks through many parts of Adelaide.

Trails Volunteers

The Trails volunteers, who only began in late 2008, have already provided 392 hours to build and maintain trails.

History Service Volunteers

The History Service volunteers have provided 4,405 hours of volunteer work staffing the History Research Centre, maintaining and binding collections, working on many research projects as well as organising History Week and building commemorative tables.

Can you help out in our Community Bus Program?

Volunteers provide an essential service to many residents in our community. Currently Council has an urgent need for drivers with an LR or higher class licence as well as helpers, who are fit and well and like to keep busy, to assist our passengers on and off the bus as well as stowing their shopping bags.



If you are interested in becoming a driver/helper or any of the Council's volunteering opportunities please contact Lorraine on 8372 8860.

Mitcham's Community Bus

No way of getting to the shops or library?

Council has two Community Buses which service Mitcham Shopping Centre, Blackwood Shopping Centre and Castle Plaza weekly as well as both the Mitcham and Blackwood Libraries monthly. Every so often trips to Marion Shopping Centre and Central Market are also organised.

The Community Bus provides transport for residents who have limited access to transport with priority offered to those who are eligible for HACC services. The bus offers a door to door pick up service for a gold coin donation.

Bookings are essential. Call 8372 8859 for more information, a timetable or to book a seat.



World Vision 40 Hour Famine

Join local Churches to help raise money for the World Vision 40 Hour Famine during August.



The Blackwood Hills Baptist Church is hosting the Blackwood Global Village 40 hour Famine Challenge from Friday 21 to Sunday 23 August at 72 Coromandel Parade, Blackwood.

The Challenge will start on Friday with a combined church youth group program, a concert on Saturday night and a famine breaking lunch on Sunday.

Over the past two years both the Blackwood Hills Baptist Church and Belair Schools have had the honour of raising more money than any other primary school or church in South Australia.

Last year the local community generously donated over \$20,000 to help save the lives of many children in the Third World. This year, the churches have gathered together to make a greater impact.

To find out how you can get involved in the World Vision 40 Hour Famine in August contact Adam Wood on 0414 285 420.



Mitcham Community Calendar



COMMUNITY GROUPS

MITCHAM KIWANIS

The **Mitcham Kiwanis** meet at the Marion Sports Centre, Sturt Road, Marion on the **second and fourth Monday** of the month. New members welcome call 8294 5689.

BROWN HILL CREEK - MITCHAM MEN'S PROBUS CLUB

The **Brown Hill Creek - Mitcham Men's Probus Club** meets on the **second Thursday of the month at 10am** in the Mitcham Uniting Church Hall, Princes Road, Mitcham. New members welcome. Call 8179 5743.

GET FIT/SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

CLELAND MEMORIAL WALK IN BELAIR NATIONAL PARK

Come along and take part in the annual free **Cleland Memorial Walk**, guided by The Friends of Belair National Park, on **Sunday September 20**. Beginning at the Volunteer Centre, Long Gully at **9.45am for the morning walk or 1.45pm for the afternoon walk**. BYO lunch, snacks, water, comfortable shoes, sunscreen and hat. Come and learn about the flora, fauna and history of the park or just come for an enjoyable walk. Call 8278 1525 or 8278 8986.

BLACKWOOD CHURCH OF CHRIST

The Blackwood Church of Christ at **367 Shepherds Hill Road, Blackwood** have programs for children of all ages including **Kids Zone, Extreme Youth, Scope Youth and Boys' Brigade**. Parents can shop in peace by dropping their children to the **Shopper's Crèche** every Wednesday or take the time

to make new friends at a variety of social programs including **Coffee and Chat, Blokes Brekkie, Friendship Centre, Sunday Roast and Bookworms**. Call 8278 8666.

ALL SAINTS ANGLICAN CHURCH

Bedford Square, Colonel Light Gardens supports families in sharing faith and values with their children and offers a family worship with contemporary music, fun teaching, games and funky food at **Families@five** on the first **Sunday** of the month at 5pm. If you have not been to church for a long time then come home on **Back to Church Sunday September 13 at 9am** and enjoy a traditional service followed by morning tea. **Eucharist**, a quiet reflective worship is held on **Wednesdays at 10.30am** with a **healing ministry** offered on the **first Wednesday** of the month. Call 8177 0252, email clgang@chariot.net.au or visit www.allsaintsandfrancis.com.

ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI CHURCH

On the corner of **South Road and Dinwoodie Avenue, Clarence Gardens** invites you **Back to Church** on **Sunday September 13 at 10.30am**. A **family service**, with modern music, is held on the third Sunday of the month at 10.30am, on Tuesday at 10am a reflective **Eucharist** is conducted and on the third Sunday a **youth group** meets at 5pm for fun, friendship and Christian teaching. Call 8297 8699, email smile_for_rosey@hotmail.com or visit www.allsaintsandfrancis.com.

TAI CHI AND QIGONG

Enjoy gentle exercise to relaxing music at the **Mitcham Cultural Village** on Princes Road in Mitcham. Suitable for all ages. Bookings are essential. Call 8277 8605.

ST FRANCIS COMMUNITY CENTRE

St Francis Community Centre, 833 South Road on the corner of **South Road and Dinwoodie Avenue, Clarence Gardens** invites you to join in a range of activities including **Pilates for Seniors, Quilting and Sewing, Line Dancing (Thursday and Friday afternoons) and Cooking Demonstrations** or come along on Saturday morning from 10am to 12noon for a **Chat 'n Cuppa**. A kids day for children aged 5 to 12 will be held in the October school holidays. For more information or to hire the hall call 8293 2203 or email gandpalmer@bigpond.com.

BLACKWOOD HILLS VIEW CLUB

Invites women to join members for fun and friendship at their monthly luncheon meetings at **Belair Park Country Club**, Upper Sturt Road, Belair on the **third Monday** of each month from 10am. Bookings are essential. Call 8370 6720 or 8358 6305.

FETES, WORKSHOPS AND EVENTS

MITCHAM PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP

The Mitcham Prostate Cancer Support Group meets on the **fourth Thursday of each month (February to November)** at the **Colonel Light Gardens RSL Club**, 4 Prince George Parade, Colonel Light Gardens from **7pm to 8.45pm**. The Group provides information and support to men who have been diagnosed with prostate cancer. The next meeting will be held on **Thursday August 27 at 7pm**. Guest speaker will be Rob George, previously Clinical Operations Manager – Dr Jones and Partners,

Medical Imaging and currently President of The International Society of Radiographers. Rob will speak on "Advances in Medical Imaging and Radiation Therapy – A look at the future". Call 8277 3424, 8271 0513 or visit www.psamitcham.org.

MITCHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Come and listen to guest speaker Richard Irving on "Mines of Mitcham" at the **Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 30 September at 7.30pm**. The meeting will be held in the Drawing Room at Scotch College, Carruth Road, Torrens Park. Join the society on a bus tour through the picturesque **Clare Valley** to the historical towns of Auburn and Mintaro on **Sunday 18 October**. Local historians will share the history on some of the local historic sites. A buffet lunch will be provided at the Pikes Winery and afternoon tea on the grounds of the old Mintaro School. Total cost for day \$75 or

\$65 for members. To book call 8373 3374 or 0402 781 6010. For further information visit www.mitchamhistoricalsociety.org.au or call 8338 5557 or 0430 472 262.

FLINDERS MEDICAL CENTRE FOUNDATION RESEARCH PRESENTATIONS

The Flinders Medical Centre Foundation conducts free monthly research presentations on how world leading research improves the health of our community. **Flinders Biomedical Engineers will present on the development of new technologies to improve patient care at the Flinders Private Hospital on September 7 at 10am**. Morning tea is provided. Call 8204 5216 or email lara.vinaev@health.sa.gov.au.

Health Education Seminars

Learn how to manage your health at monthly Health Education Seminars hosted by Anglicare SA Therapy Services.

Anglicare-SA Therapy Services, with support from the City of Mitcham, are conducting monthly Health Education Seminars to provide information on how to manage chronic illness.

Health Education Seminars

Seniors Information - Navigating the System

Date: 28 August
Location: St Columba's Anglican Church corner of Cross Road and Rosevear Street in Hawthorn
Time: 10.30am to 12.30pm
Cost: Speaker gold coin donation
 Self Management Component \$2.50 per session

Diabetes and Foot Care

Date: 25 September
Location: St Columba's Anglican Church corner of Cross Road and Rosevear Street in Hawthorn
Time: 10.30am to 12.30pm
Cost: Speaker gold coin donation
 Self Management Component \$2.50 per session

Each seminar provides an opportunity to create individual care plans and problem and goal statements to help manage chronic conditions with an Allied Health Professional.

For more information about the seminars or to book your place contact Naomi on 8229 6737.



Centennial Park Cemetery Wins Environmental Award

Centennial Park Cemetery has received an Environmental Best Practice Award in the United Nations Association of Australia's 2009 World Environment Day Awards.

The Environmental Best Practice Award recognises Centennial Park Cemetery as an environmental leader in Australia's cemetery industry.

Centennial Park is the first cemetery in Australia to manage its entire greenhouse gas emissions with a carbon offset scheme. This scheme was introduced following a study into the environmental impacts of cremations and burials.

This covers all cremations, burials and funeral services as well as emissions from buildings, garden maintenance, vehicles and equipment.

Centennial Park had reduced operational waste sent to landfill by 97.3%, energy consumption by 9%, vehicle emissions by 10% and its reliance on mains water. The Cemetery has also improved the crematorium to reduce gas consumption by 5% and electricity consumption by 10%.

The Cemetery is committed to becoming a world leader in its field by continuing to examine ways to reduce its impact on the environment.



President Richard Heathcote of Brown Hill Creek Rotary Club presenting Helen Tepper with a Paul Harris Fellow Award in recognition of the tremendous effort and support that Helen provides to the residents of Disability SA (previously Julia Farr Services).

Domestic Hard Waste Collection

Council's annual hard waste clean-up campaign will begin in September.

All residential areas will be covered over a twelve-week period with each household being notified in advance of the week of their collection.

It is important that you place your hard rubbish out for collection **NO EARLIER** than the Saturday or Sunday immediately prior to the actual collection.

All material will be collected on the same day. However, you may wish to place your scrap metal items in a separate pile from your general rubbish materials as some sorting may occur on the collection day. A final separation

of material will happen at the transfer station. Green organics, scrap metal and other recyclables will all be salvaged.

WE WILL remove general household type rubbish generated by normal household activities on your own property including scrap iron, metal, timber, old white goods, including refrigerators (please remove the doors for safety), mattresses, old furniture and tree and shrub prunings cut into 2 metre lengths and tied in bundles (max of 30cm diameter).

Hazardous articles such as old medical prescriptions, garden and pest sprays, fertilisers, cleaners and paints can be disposed of by contacting the EPA on 8204 9401 or visit www.epa.sa.gov.au.

Collections will take place in your suburb on the following dates:

Hawthorndene and Upper Sturt including Footts Hill Road, Suffolk Road, Olave Hill Road, Pole Road and Hilltop Road your rubbish will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 14 September**.

Glenalta, Belair, Crafers West and Leawood Gardens including Sheoak Road, Charlick Road, Emmett Road, Eagle Road, Old Mt Barker Road, Mt Barker Road and Pony Ridge Road your rubbish will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 21 September**.

Blackwood your waste will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 28 September**.

Bedford Park, Bellevue Heights, Craighburn Farm and Coromandel Valley your waste will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 5 October** (Labour Day Public Holiday).

Panorama and Eden Hills your waste will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 12 October**.

St Marys and Pasadena your waste will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 19 October**.

Melrose Park and Daw Park your waste will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 26 October**.

Cumberland Park and Clarence Gardens your waste will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 2 November**.

Westbourne Park and Colonel Light Gardens your waste will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 9 November**.

Hawthorn, Lower Mitcham and Clapham your waste will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 16 November**.

Mitcham, Torrens Park, Lynton and Brown Hill Creek including Brown Hill Creek Road and Tilleys Hill Road your waste will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 23 November**.

Urrbrae, Springfield, Netherby and Kingswood your waste will be collected during the week commencing **Monday 30 November**.

Watch your letterbox for notification of your collection week, your local Messenger or visit www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au. Notices will include details of how to present hard refuse for pickup.

DO NOT include the following:

- No tyres
- No asbestos
- No engine blocks
- No gear boxes
- No car batteries
- No concrete
- No rocks
- No bricks or rubble
- No explosives or ammunition
- No gas cylinders
- No plate glass
- No loose vegetation or tree prunings
- No timber pallets
- No liquid waste ie paint, oils, etc
- No computers or monitors
- No televisions

Council anticipates this year's service to again be clean and efficient with all material removed from your street by the Friday afternoon of your allocated week. Please help maintain Mitcham's tidy street environment by keeping your unwanted material neatly piled up to minimise the risk of items blowing away or being disturbed by scavenging.

Are You FloodSafe?

Council and SES volunteers continue to raise awareness of the risk of flooding in the community through the Community FloodSafe program.

The Community FloodSafe program aims to raise awareness in the community of the risk of flood and provide education to residents on how to minimise flood damage to properties in flood prone areas.

The Mitcham FloodSafe Crew, volunteers from the State Emergency Service, have been visiting community groups, local residents, businesses and schools about what they can do to reduce the risk of flood damage.

Flood Kits for homeowners, businesses and schools are available by contacting the SES Central Region on 8345 9100. The Flood Kit contains information on flood risk, what to do before, during and after a flood, and how to call SES on 132 500 for emergency storm and flood response.

For further information on FloodSafe or to organise a presentation for your group visit the SES website at www.ses.sa.gov.au and click on the FloodSafe icon at the bottom or call Judith Bleechmore on 8345 9100.

FloodSafe at the Soldiers Memorial Gardens provided an opportunity for residents to learn how to reduce the risk of flooding.



For more information contact the City of Mitcham on 8372 8888 or visit www.mitchamcouncil.sa.gov.au

Clean Up Now!

Bushfire prevention is a year round responsibility and necessity. It is far more than a weekend cleanup just prior to the bushfire season.

The fire season is fast approaching and it is essential that you Clean Up Now for summer. Now is the time to remove undergrowth, clear out wood piles, remove flammable material and get your property ready for what could be a long and hot summer season.



Residents who do not clear their properties prior to and during the fire danger season may receive a \$160 fine. This is one of the most important preparations you can make. It is essential that your home be prepared to withstand a bushfire.

For more information about preparing your home for the bushfire season obtain a copy of Council's Living in a High Fire Prone Area information booklet by contacting the Bushfire Prevention Officer, John Zybek on 8372 8894.

FloodSafe Crew Wins Award

Mitcham's FloodSafe crew has been presented with the State Emergency Service - Sturt Unit's Star Award 'for going above and beyond in effort and commitment to their unit'.

Unit Manager, Gavin Graetz presented members of the crew, Allan Cuk, Alan Mundy, Peter Miller and Ken Cocks, who have established a reputation for being the first team to carry out each new initiative in FloodSafe, with the Star Award. During the presentation Allan Cuk, Alan Mundy and Ken Cocks also received their SES long service awards.

For more information about the FloodSafe program contact Judith Bleechmore on 8345 9100 or on mobile 0407 794 756.

FloodSafe crew from left Ken Cocks, Alan Mundy, Allan Cuk and Peter Miller.



RE-LIVE HISTORY WEEK

IN OCTOBER THE MITCHAM HERITAGE RESEARCH CENTRE IS RE-LIVING HISTORY WEEK DUE TO POPULAR DEMAND!

History Week in May was so popular with residents interested in learning a little about Mitcham's rich and diverse history that many of the events booked out early.

If you missed out during History Week now is your chance to discover and share local history and experiences about the district. Learn about cemeteries, historical areas including Colonel Light Gardens, Mitcham, Kingswood and Brown Hill Creek, tour the Mitcham Schools and historical homes to learn a little of the history of these beautiful buildings.

An exciting week of activities has been coordinated by the Mitcham Heritage Research Centre.



[Clockwise from bottom left] Colonel Light Gardens - A National Treasure; Cedar Avenue Reserve Table Talk; The Mistresses of the Mansions in Mitcham (Matilda Waite); Mitcham Schools Tour; Mitcham Cemetery Grave Restoration Workshop.

MITCHAM SCHOOLS TOUR

Come and enjoy a bus tour of the Mitcham School's different homes and learn about the fascinating history associated with the School's 162 years.

Authors of "Mitcham School – 150 Years of History: 1847-1997, Charles Cornwall and Betty Cobiak will lead this informative bus tour.

Date: Saturday October 17
Time: 10am
Cost: \$5

Location: Mitcham Heritage Research Centre, 103 Princes Road, Mitcham

SUFFOLK FARM IN A GERMAN ENCLAVE

Enjoy a guided tour with Stuart and Elaine Nicholson, Pauline Coulls and Maggy Ragless of one of the oldest historic homes, Suffolk Farm, in Hawthorndene. Suffolk Farm, with its European appearance, was built by German pioneers. While the home has been updated over the past 160 years with modern features it has retained its 1850s character.

Date: Thursday October 1
Time: 10am
Cost: Gold coin donation

Location: Suffolk Farm, 27 Suffolk Road, Hawthorndene

MITCHAM MAGIC

Discover something of the importance of the railway in opening up the hills area, early pioneers of Mitcham and change in housing styles.

Date: Thursday October 8
Time: 2pm
Cost: Gold coin donation

Location: Mitcham Heritage Research Centre, 103 Princes Road, Mitcham

COLONEL LIGHT GARDENS - A NATIONAL TREASURE

Come for a walk and learn about Australia's best 'Garden Suburb' and State Heritage Area, Colonel Light Gardens with Philip Knight from the Colonel Light Gardens Historical Society.

The suburb, designed in 1917 as a 'model garden suburb', is a State Heritage Area and has recently been nominated for inclusion on the National Heritage List.

Date: Saturday October 10
Time: 1pm
Cost: Gold coin donation

Location: Meet at the Garden Suburb's formal entrance on the south west corner of Mortlock Park, Sturt Avenue and West Parkway, Colonel Light Gardens.

THE MISTRESSES OF THE MANSIONS IN MITCHAM

Early pastoralists amassed enormous wealth from their leases, with sheep above ground and copper beneath. Wives of these pastoralists became mistresses of great mansions.

Come and listen to Rose and Sue share stories of these incredible women while enjoying a guided tour of the gardens of Urrbrae House and Carrick Hill, the drawing and theatre rooms of Torrens Park.

Date: Sunday October 11
Time: 1pm to 5pm
Cost: \$10

Location: Mitcham Heritage Research Centre, 103 Princes Road, Mitcham.

MITCHAM CEMETERY GRAVE RESTORATION WORKSHOP

Learn how to maintain a grave and cemetery using the heritage principal of DAMANBALAP!

Date: Tuesday October 13
Time: 10am to 4pm
Cost: \$10

Location: Mitcham Heritage Research Centre, 103 Princes Road, Mitcham

BROWN HILL CREEK - 130 YEARS OF GARDENING IN THE VALLEYS

Deep in the narrow valleys of Brown Hill Creek's tributaries for 130 years generations of families operated commercial market gardens.

Come along and listen to heritage researcher Roger Grigg talk about the market gardens and the valley community of Brown Hill Creek.

Date: Wednesday October 14
Time: 10am
Cost: Gold coin donation

Location: Mitcham Heritage Research Centre, 103 Princes Road, Mitcham

CEDAR AVENUE RESERVE TABLE TALK

Celebrating the turn of the seasons with the Red Gum Gully Our Patch Group and identifying native plants and weeds.

Date: Sunday October 25
Time: 9.30am
Cost: Two hours of labour

Location: Cedar Avenue Reserve. Enter at the junction of Miller Terrace and Southern Avenue, Blackwood.

KINGSWOOD SUBURB WALK

Enjoy a leisurely stroll through the historic area of Kingswood with Philip Vivian who will share fascinating snippets of the history of ten of the oldest buildings in the suburb.

Date: Wednesday October 28
Time: 1.30pm
Cost: Gold coin donation

Location: Meet at the Torrens Arms Hotel.

The Mitcham Heritage Research Centre will be relocating to the Mitcham Cultural Village, 103 Princes Road, Mitcham in August.

BOOKINGS TO OBTAIN TICKETS ARE ESSENTIAL. CONTACT THE MITCHAM HERITAGE RESEARCH CENTRE ON 8372 8261 OR MOBILE 0411 878 575 TO OBTAIN MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK YOUR TICKET.

Blackwood Backwards Historical Bus Tour

The City of Mitcham's Blackwood Backwards Historical Bus, hosted by the Mitcham Heritage Centre and the Blackwood South Neighbourhood Watch, is touring historical sites throughout Blackwood on Saturday 19 September.

Learn about the local history of the Blackwood district and surrounds, see remnants of previous land use - when the district was predominantly rural, the origin of Blackwood and street names as well as a little of the history of old buildings.

The tour will include visits to Gamble Cottage, Wittunga Botanic

Gardens, Cedar Avenue Red Gum Gully Our Patch site and many of Blackwood's oldest homes as well as a sumptuous hot lunch provided by Blackwood South Neighbourhood Watch at the Blackwood Over 50s Club, Young Street, Blackwood. Cost is \$25 all-inclusive.

Buses depart the Coromandel Railway Station northern car park at 9.30am and return at approximately 3.30pm.

For further details and bookings please contact Geoff or Liz Bartlett on 8370 3006 or 0408 117 003.