

# Village Connect

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## Development Manager's Update

As spring makes way for summer, we are seeing more and more residents making use of the beautiful parklands within our growing community. The warmer weather has also seen us welcome back The Village Markets which are proving a real hit once again!

The wetter-than-expected October weather has provided a welcome watering boost to landscaping activities in the linear parkland off Beaucamp Loop and along Lambeth Circle.

Discussions are underway with potential supermarket operators for the Village Centre. We look forward to sharing more news on this exciting stage of the community's development as it unfolds.

Dust off your welcome mats for the additional homebuyers we expect to see joining the community before the end of the year. The latest releases of the new family blocks were well-received, with the treetop views a drawcard.

We will continue to provide updates on what is happening in your community and, as always, we welcome your feedback on the Wellard Community Information Line on 9285 8028 or email [wellard@creatingcommunities.com.au](mailto:wellard@creatingcommunities.com.au)

## Development Update

Stage	Status	On Sale
20	Titles anticipated January 2012	Now
21	Construction commenced	Early 2012

## Market your community group at the Markets



Martia Harness, Jacques Landuyt, Yvonne Kristal, Don Allanach, Kathleen Verrier & Patrick Harness

Community groups are invited to promote their causes at The Village Markets at Wellard.

The first market day of The Village Markets at Wellard, in October, was a stunning success. More than 1,500 residents and visitors browsed the great variety of stalls and enjoyed the community atmosphere that makes this event so special.

The second market day in November was also a hit! Its environmental theme was perfect for the Friends of Wellard Bushland (FOWB) group, who hosted a stall.

FOWB is a team of committed local residents who would like others to join them in spreading the word about preserving the local environment. The group's current focus is on monitoring the northern and southern bushland and wetlands.

FOWB was established about two years ago. Members meet at 7pm on the fourth Monday of each month in the Wellard Community Pavilion, on Wellard Road.

Yvonne Kristal and Kathleen Verrier are two of the dedicated members who are passionate about the environment. This year, they've made the most of the wildflower season, enjoying all the beautiful varieties in bloom.

"While the kangaroo paws were thin on the ground this spring, there were lots of donkey orchids and a wonderful showing of pixie mops," said Kathleen.

**For more information about the Friends of Wellard Bushland group, please contact Yvonne on 0417 966 723 or email [info@friendsofwellardbushland.com](mailto:info@friendsofwellardbushland.com)**

## The Village Markets in 2012!

The Village Markets at Wellard dates have been set for the remainder of the season, so mark your calendars and diaries: Sunday 5 February, Sunday 4 March and Sunday 1 April.

The Village Markets are a popular and colourful event that's fun for the whole family. Don't miss out!

**If you'd like to host a market stall or supply the entertainment for the day, please call the Wellard Community Information Line on 9285 8028 or email [villagemarkets@creatingcommunities.com.au](mailto:villagemarkets@creatingcommunities.com.au)**



Bethany and Michaela Blogg enjoy the free face painting



The Safety House program is active in the community

## Wishes can come true through the Community Grants Program

Community groups have the opportunity to benefit from The Village at Wellard's Community Grants Program.

Are you involved with a not-for-profit community group in need of a boost?

If the answer is "yes", please call the Wellard Community Info Line on 9285 8028 or email [wellard@creatingcommunities.com.au](mailto:wellard@creatingcommunities.com.au) for the selection criteria and details on how to apply.

**Applications close Friday 20 January 2012.**

## What's in a name?

The story of how Wellard was named.

Wellard is named after John Wellard, an early settler who purchased land throughout the Peel Estate and Cockburn Sound in the 1800s.

Most pioneers who claimed land in this area during the late 1800s and early 1900s tried their luck at agriculture but, for many of them, life was an ongoing struggle.

A descendant of one colonising family was recorded as saying, "We are fortunate that the self-sacrifice and hardships endured by those hardy pioneers have left us much the richer in a heritage of stories of human struggle against colossal barriers."

Despite adversity, the early settlers continued to persevere. Alexander Robert Richardson, another individual recorded in the history books for acquiring land, owned a parcel of land that was transferred to the Crown in the early 1920s and gazetted as the Wellard townsite in 1923.



Arthur & Annie Ingram at Watkinsons Wellard Farm, 1924

## Get involved!

### Keep informed and have your say

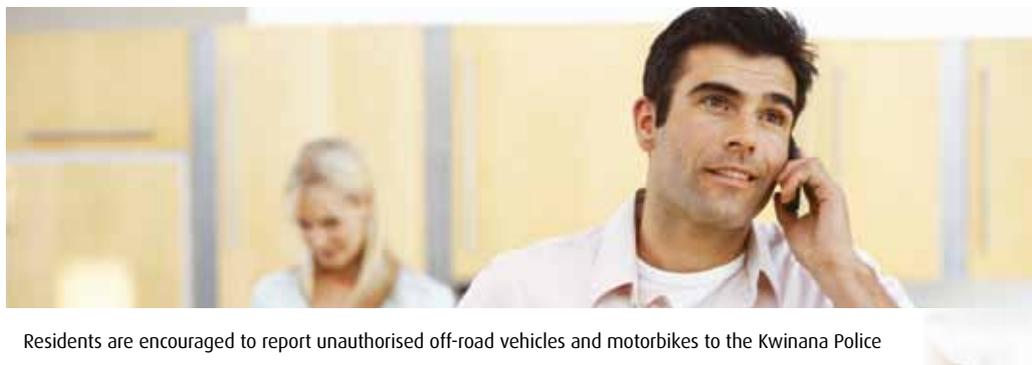
Join The Village at Wellard Residents' Group and tell us what you would like to see happen in your community.

**For more information, or to register for updates, please ring the Wellard Community Info Line on 9285 8028 or email [wellard@creatingcommunities.com.au](mailto:wellard@creatingcommunities.com.au)**

### Join a social cycling club

Local resident, Doug Pritchard, is keen to start a social cycling club. In Doug's words, the rides will be about "making friends and telling life's stories". Lycra shorts and top-of-the-range bikes not required, but cafés, coffees and lots of laughs are a must!

**If you want to have fun and get fit at the same time, please contact Doug on 9439 3145 or email [fluffy@iinet.net.au](mailto:fluffy@iinet.net.au)**



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## Keep a look out for unauthorised off-road vehicle & motorbike activity

Residents are encouraged to report unauthorised off-road vehicle and motorbike activity to the Kwinana Police or Town of Kwinana rangers.

When an incident is occurring, please contact police on 131 444. They will do their best to get to the location as quickly as they can.

You may also contact the Town of Kwinana Rangers on 9439 0200 or 0411 078 264 for after-hours emergencies. The rangers will pass on relevant information to the police.

Remember, providing as much information as possible to the police and rangers will help them catch the culprit.

This includes:

- A description of the vehicle/motorbike, model, colour;
- A description of the rider, including their helmet colour and what they were wearing;
- How loud the vehicle/motorbike was;
- The location of the incident;
- The parking address for the vehicle /motorbike.

**If you would like to learn more about how you can help, please call Neighbourhood Watch Suburb Manager, Zara Fletcher, on 9439 1631 or email her at [zara.fletcher@yahoo.com.au](mailto:zara.fletcher@yahoo.com.au)**