

Local beaches get some summer loving....

Exmouth beaches and boating facilities will get some much needed upgrades and repairs in coming months.

TOWN BEACH

The Shire Works Department will be reinstalling bollards to define the town beach family area. The bollards were removed during recent works to rebuild the beach profile after heavy erosion from rain and weather events. As well as defining the vehicle free area of the beach the new bollards have been designed so that it can be easily adjusted as the beach profile changes.

Fencing at the town beach barbecue area will also be improved to prevent sand blowing onto the grassed barbecue area and allow for easier sand removal if needed.

BUNDEGI BEACH

At Bundegi beach work will begin to remove aging pine railing along the roadside. New fencing will be installed similar to that used to protect vegetation in the Cape Range National Park.



The toilets at Bundegi will also be modified and upgraded. Some of the existing building will be removed and the front upgraded to include new toilets.

The remnant sea search and rescue building foundation will be removed along with the crumbling retaining wall.

Parking at the northern end of the beach will also be changed with the lower carpark fenced off and the site rehabilitated to its original state.

Parking at the northern end of the beach will now be at the established parking area near the toilets and fish cleaning station.

TANTABIDDI BOAT RAMP



Work to repair the toe of the Tantabiddi Boat Ramp is scheduled from February 9-11. The boat ramp end panels have dislodged and sunk. While plastic kerbing is currently supporting and maintaining the alignment of the boat ramp panels, the ramps need to be repaired to prevent any further damage that would make the ramp unsafe.

Each ramp panel will be lifted and concrete injected under the ramp. Up to three additional precast panels will be installed at the toe of the boat ramp to stabilise the footing and minimise sand drift.

The ramps will be repaired one at a time so the facility can remain open but boaties are encouraged to use the Bundegi or Marina boat ramps to launch boats where possible to minimise delays while the facility is repaired.

For more information on any of these works, please contact the Shire Depot on 9949 1699.

Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards

More than 200 people attended the Shire of Exmouth annual Australia Day breakfast at the Paltridge Memorial Swimming Pool on Tuesday. The event was a chance to reflect on the community and an opportunity to recognise those volunteers that give selflessly to the community through the Premier's Australia Day Active Citizenship Awards. This year the individual awards were presented to Russell Levien and Ellen Sanderson. Relay for Life won the community group or event category.

RUSSELL LEVIEN

Russell is a well respected member of the Exmouth community. July 2016 marks 30 years of service at the Exmouth SES for Russell.

During this time he has supported the Exmouth community through some of its most difficult times.

The 1999 bushfires, Cyclone Vance, the 2002 and 2014 floods to name just a few.

As unit manager of the Exmouth SES and deputy chair of the Local Emergency Management Committee, Russell has spent countless hours coordinating the protection, repair and restoration of our town.

ELLEN SANDERSON

Ellen has been a teachers' assistant at Active Inspiration Ballet, giving up her Saturday mornings to help mentor the 40 dance students.

As well as her dedication to ballet, Ellen has been active in the Exmouth Horseman's Club, where she was always on hand to assist with club activities.

Ellen has also participated in arts groups, the community choir and junior cultural music performances in Exmouth.

Ellen is a young person who leads by example and is happy to volunteer her time and talents to assist others in the Exmouth community.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Late last year, more than 190 people gathered at the town oval and took part in Relay for Life.

It took 97 volunteers to put the event together and hundreds more showed their support for fundraising efforts that saw our community raise more than \$80,000 for cancer research.

While the money raised surpassed all expectations, Relay for Life was more than a fundraiser. It was a community building event.

Participants and supporters gathered with the common purpose of walking around the oval for 24 hours.

They left with new friends and a sense of pride in their individual and collective achievements.



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