



A Greener West End between Anderson and Wilson Streets

## Stage 1 Completed for Greener West End

3000 native shrubs and trees were planted to green and revive the West End section of Port Hedland, along Anderson and Wilson Street.

The first stage of works have included earthworks being undertaken to enable the installation of reticulation and soil conditioning and fertilising. A 300KL water tank was also installed to enable sustainable irrigation options and landscaping.

Another 4,000 shrubs and other vegetation will be planted in March next year, during more suitable seasonal conditions. Stage 2 of the West End Greening project is scheduled to commence during this year. The second component of the project will see more shrub planting, lawn installation, pathway construction and park furniture installed.

The greening project plays a key role in creating a greener, more welcoming and well-maintained environment along the major roads leading to the Port Hedland CBD area.

The first phase of the project was costed at \$695,000 and was funded through the Town of Port Hedland and BHP Billiton Iron Ore Sustainability Partnership.

## Dates for your diary

NOV		
11	Remembrance Day	Town of Port Hedland's Event Coordinator 9158 9360 or the RSL Port Hedland 9173 3311
11	Moving on with books - Parenting session for 3-5yr olds from 7.30pm	Port Hedland Library 9158 9378
12, 14-15	Alliance Dance Company End of Year Concerts	Town of Port Hedland's Event Coordinator 9158 9360
17	Christmas Lights Competition Opening	Town of Port Hedland's Community Development Officer 9158 9365
17	Rhyme Time Session at the South Hedland Library	South Hedland Library 9158 9377
26	Council Ordinary Meeting at the Civic Centre at 5.30pm	Town of Port Hedland 9158 9300
28 - 29	Jabat Dance Group End of Year Concerts	Town of Port Hedland's Event Coordinator 9158 9360
DEC		
1	Rhyme Time Session at the Port Hedland Library	Port Hedland Library 9158 9378
5	International Volunteers Day	HACC Program Coordinator 9140 2306 or Events Team 9158 9360
10	Council Ordinary Meeting at the Civic Centre	Town of Port Hedland 9158 9300
12	Christmas Lights Competition Closes	Town of Port Hedland's Community Development Officer 9158 9365
25	Town of Port Hedland closes for the new year and reopens for business on the 2nd of January 2009	Town of Port Hedland 9158 9300

## Hedland on Show



Photo Courtesy of Mark Maupin: Mangroves at low tide

# Port Hedland

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## Community Safety Partnerships Deliver

Plans and priorities to make Port and South Hedland safer places to live, work and visit over the coming years, have been agreed on, by agencies through the Town's Community Safety and Crime Prevention Plan.

Community Safety Partnerships operate between the WA Police, industry representatives, not-for-profit organisations and the Town of Port Hedland and aim to broaden the understanding, level of responsibility and involvement of the community, to efficiently deter crime.

One of the key projects to roll out of the Plan by the end of this year will be the installation of CCTV camera systems throughout Town.

The system will produce high quality and reliable crime detection information, to support Police initiatives.

The state-of-the-art digital camera recording system will be an important tool in deterring and preventing crime and anti-social behaviour. The project aims to reduce fear of crime within the community and discourage offenders.

A collaborative approach between BHP Billiton Iron Ore and the Town's Safety task force will allow this significant project to come to fruition, to improve the environment for residents as well as target all areas that impact on people's perception of Port Hedland.



One of the highlights of the last quarter: More than 290 primary school students and community members launched the Walk It Hedland Project on the 1st of September

## Project Snapshots

A snapshot of Council's achievements since July 2008:

- Partnerships developed to increase Council's 2008/09 yearly Budget by \$25Million.
- 2008-2013 Plan for the Future finalised after extensive community consultation.
- Town Entry Statement sculpture selected to welcome visitors entering the Town from the North.
- Successful Spinifex Spree festival held, with internationally recognised band Evermore performing to close the celebrations.
- New bins and do not litter sign installed at Pretty Pool beach.
- Tender for designs and upgrades of the JD Hardie Centre as a youth precinct released.
- Streetsmart Handbook made available to young people in Town thanks to partnerships between the Town of Port Hedland, the WA Police and the Hedland Youth Leadership Council.
- Purchase of Council's new green truck which complies with EURO 4 emission standards.
- 2008 community survey distributed to provide residents the opportunity to have their say on Council's performance and services.

## Tree-mendously Green Verges



In a go-ahead drive to make the Town appear greener and well maintained, eleven Hedland residents have put in the extra effort to 'tree-mendously' green their verges and taken up Council's free street tree offer.

Council staff have planted 19 trees on verges of proud property owners in Port and South Hedland so far.

The scheme gives residents across Town, the chance to claim up to three street trees per household.

Property owners are responsible for watering and caring for the tree.

Different types of native trees have been allocated to various localities within Port and South Hedland.

Trees that have been chosen for are Summer Red flowering Gum, Pride of Bolivia, Golden Shower, Pink Trumpet Tree, and Yellow Poinciana.

## Graffiti Busting Vehicle Takes to the Streets

A specialised graffiti removal vehicle has taken to the streets of Port and South Hedland to help combat graffiti crime.



Council staff displaying airless spray unit

Council's Engineering Services have fully kitted an off-road vehicle with the latest in graffiti removal equipment to reduce response time and react quickly to reported instances of graffiti, by removing paint sprayed on playground equipment, concrete, fences, footpaths and other public infrastructure which can only be accessed by four wheel drive vehicles.

The tray-back is fitted with an airless spray unit to re-paint infrastructure which cannot be cleaned, together with heavy-duty cleaning chemicals and a high pressure cleaner.

## New Excavator Powers Recycling

A new 30 tonne PC300LC-8 series excavator joins the existing fleet of vehicles, machinery and other resources, used by the Town to efficiently reduce waste and promote recycling and reuse at the South Hedland Landfill.

The \$550,000 machine comes with a series of attachments including a pulveriser, rock breaker, various buckets and a grab attachment.

The excavator will be used to break up and pulverise almost half a million cubic metres of discarded concrete, while also allowing recycling of the steel reinforcement contained within the concrete. The recycled concrete product will be used as road-base material.

Other attachments include shears to cut old tyres to facilitate recycling and shredding purposes, and a magnet and grab combination to allow sorting of large volumes of scrap metal.



## Upgrades for Sporting Reserve to Materialise



Last month, Council endorsed designs layout Land recommendations to redevelop Colin Matheson Sporting Reserve.

The project seeks to upgrade the oval to meet community demand and expectations and offer high-quality recreational reserves to users and residents.

ROSS Planning, specialist in sports, recreation and leisure planning, submitted designs and proposals to upgrade the reserve after engaging in an extensive consultation process with community members, sporting associations

and local industry.

The designs considered the need for high calibre amenities and recreational infrastructure to cater for the Town's growing and active community. The project will see the development of a series of works including turf and irrigation upgrades, eventual construction of a new facility and various other improvements.

The project is being funded by the Town of Port Hedland and BHP Billiton Iron Ore Sustainability Partnership.

## Walk It Hedland

More than 290 people assisted in launching the Walk It Hedland project by taking their first 'giant' collective walk across South Hedland on the 1st of September.

The Walk It Hedland project, supported by Healthway and BHP Billiton Iron Ore, and the Town of Port Hedland, aims to educate residents on the benefits of physical activity, and provide the walking community with an accurate guide of a number of walking routes in Town.

A bright, colour-coded map, highlighting the

various walking routes in Town, was produced following consultation with the community. The map also includes details useful to walkers such as distances and intensity.

As part of the project, pedometers have also been made available to community members wanting to get walking. The pedometers will act as motivational tools for participants who want to increase their level of physical activity, by calculating every step taken.

Walking maps and pedometers are available from South and Port Hedland Libraries.

## Hedland Youth Get Streetsmart



Senior Sergeant Kim Massam and Constable Diana Barradell from the South Hedland Police Station, with Town of Port Hedland Manager for Community and Economic Development, Ms Julie Broad, and Mayor Stan Martin presenting the Hedland Streetsmart Handbook

School leavers and young people in Town now have access to a 'Hedland version' of the StreetSmart Handbook, thanks to close working relationships between the Police, the Town of Port Hedland and the Hedland Youth Leadership Council.

The Handbook is a Blue Light community policing initiative. The booklet is an educational tool designed to guide school leavers through the transition to adulthood.

Streetsmart covers a range of issues including money, cars and the moving out - leaving school period, deciding on a career, and living a healthy life with an in-depth look at specific drugs and their effects and eating disorders.

South Hedland Police Senior Sergeant Kim Massam, commented that he is pleased to see that the strong partnerships in place are coming to fruition, with the handbook being made available to young people and school leavers in Town.