

## Talk of the Town

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## Park Opens – 80 New Jobs

About 80 jobs have been created in the new hospitality and leisure facilities at the East Fremantle Community Park, parts of which are now open.

The partnership between government, the private sector, sporting and community groups brings new employment opportunities.

The new employees, hired by Belgravia Leisure, are working in the health club, café, bar and restaurant.

The redevelopment is a partnership with the WA Government, East Fremantle Football Club, East Fremantle Bowling Club, and East Fremantle Croquet Club, with funding from Lotterywest.

It supports the delivery of the Town's Strategic Community Plan 2020-2030 to protect, promote and enhance the health, wellbeing, and quality of life of our community.

Open	Facility
30 April	Carnabys Café (7am to 3pm)
30 April	Playground
9 May	Skate Zone
9 May	B Active Health Club
9 May	Half-court Basketball
May/ June	Bar and Restaurant
	Playgroup
	East Fremantle Bowls Club
	East Fremantle Croquet Club
	Fenced dog park
	Football Oval

#### It's Green Waste Collection time from 6 May 2024.

So get your pruning shears out and place your green waste on the verge after April 29.





An all-abilities playground, sandpits and grassed space will be a winner for families with children, including local boys Spike, 5, Otis, 7 and Mack, 6.

The playground has an all-abilities swing, and steps for balance and free play. Better still, the playground is located right next to Carnaby's cafe, so families can enjoy coffee, snacks and meals.



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## Discover a New Sport

### Try out the mallet and ball

Residents are encouraged to drop in to the croquet grounds when it's open to try their skill at using a mallet to hit the ball between the hoops.

Barbara Wyatt first tried her hand at croquet seven years ago and loves the game of golf croquet the best.

"For me, it's all about getting out, walking, talking to people and belonging to a club," she said.

The refurbishment offers a new clubroom and three full courts, allowing 24 players at any time.



Barbara Wyatt

"It's a great social feeling here," he said.

The two grass greens have been replaced with two artificial surface greens, and a shared clubhouse.

"The more acceptable playing surface will give us a chance to recruit new players and become a stronger club,"





Kevin Fox (right) with Steve Reilly, Margaret Gagen and Jim Rawlinson.

#### Getting teenagers

#### to move more

Teenagers can sign up to the new B Active Health Club for \$14.95 a week as part of a strategy to encourage everyone to be active and for all ages to visit the park. Seniors (over 65) can sign up for the same price!

If you haven't joined a gym before, don't worry. All new members get three free personalised coaching sessions to help kickstart your experience. Separate memberships are available for adults. You can choose from cardio and weight equipment, group exercise, cycle classes and Reformer Pilates.

Find out more on the B Active, East Fremantle Facebook page or visit bactiveeastfremantle.com.au

#### New Managers...

#### **Crafting a vibrant** place to meet

Belgravia Leisure are the new managers of the East Fremantle Community Park. The company is no stranger to such projects, having partnered with more than 70 local and State governments across Australia and New Zealand on leisure facilities. They employ more than 5,500 staff in about 230 swim, sports, fitness, health and wellness and leisure facilities. In East Fremantle, they have responsibility for the café, health centre, bar and restaurant, and manage subleases with sporting and community clubs using the grounds and facilities.

#### Make new friends

Kevin Fox dropped in to East Fremantle Bowling Club to play bowls 10 years ago and never left.

The Club is looking for new members, male and female of any ages. Come visit the new club when it's open and fill out a membership form.

he said.

## I am looking forward to



Woof, says six-month old Staffie/Rottweiler cross Maggie, who can't wait for the new dog park to open.

Jack, 7, of Richmond Primary School, wants to kick his soccer ball at the park with his friends.



## Carnaby's Café opens 30 April

The newest café in East Fremantle, Carnaby's, will offer Gesha coffee and for frequent visitors, one free hot drink after you purchase five!

Visitors to the park can grab a snack, meal, hot cuppa, smoothie or the famous Simmos icecream after a playground visit, gym class or social catchup.

For more information, visit www.carnabys.com.au

the gym but secretly wants to try the coffee at the new café.

'I'm ready and excited for B Active's big opening!'





## **Bravo** Maria

Happy Mothers' Day for 12 May to all our mothers, including Maria Lo Presti.

She has worked for 36 years in the family's Lo Presti gourmet food store in Canning Highway, East Fremantle, where her favourite products are the Mediterranean pitted olives and the provolone cheese. She is loved by her three sons and four grandchildren.

This year the family celebrates 60 years of business in this location.



#### Soccer changerooms

Work has started on the upgrade to club changerooms at Wauhop Park, catering to the growing number of women's and girl's teams.

The joint project between the Town and Fremantle City Football Club includes an \$800,000 grant from the State Government.

The project, on the corner of Wauhop Street and Preston Point Road, involves new changerooms and the renovation of existing clubrooms.

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#### **Electrify Your Home**

You're invited to a free workshop to explore the possibilities of rooftop solar, home batteries, electric space heating, heat pump hot water systems, induction cook-tops, electric vehicles, e-bikes, and more.

#### What to Expect:

- Gain insights from local residents and energy experts who have transitioned to all-electric homes.
- Learn practical tips on how to stage the changes.
- Ask one-on-one questions
- See displays of technology.

#### When

Saturday 6 July, 1-4pm

#### Location:

Swan Yacht Club

This workshop is supported by the Town of East Fremantle, East Fremantle Climate Action Reference Group and the Electrify 6158 campaign.

### **Bridge Update**

Works are underway to remove the telecommunications, gas, and water services housed in the existing Fremantle Traffic Bridge, meaning Beach Street will be closed until August 2024.

#### **Royal George Hotel**

The development application has been approved by the WA Planning Commission for a \$23.8 million refurbishment of the Royal George Hotel at 34 Duke Street and a nine-storey apartment building with rooftop amenities.

# Facilities at **East Fremantle Community Park**



#### **Annual Native Plant Sale on now**

Each year, the Town partners with APACE Nursery in North Fremantle to provide native plants at a subsidised cost to East Fremantle residents during the month of May.

- The subsidy scheme starts on Wednesday, 1 May
- Subsidised plants are about \$2.50/ plant, normally priced at \$5 each
- Purchase up to 40 plants/household
- Bring proof of address to verify eligibility
- Payment by EFTPOS ONLY, no preordering, first in, best dressed
- · Location: 1 Johannah St, North Fremantle





#### Sharks fixtures

Visit East Fremantle Football Club (effc.com.au) to join the frenzy for the 2024 season. Follow the men and women's leagues and sync the fixtures to your calendar. And buy the socks!



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