



Hi everyone

We had a fantastic day for the annual Moorooka Family Fun Day on Saturday 23 August. The sun was shining brightly, and this year was our biggest year yet!

Many thanks to all our hardworking volunteers on a splendid job organising such a terrific free family-friendly event. I'd like to thank the Moorooka Lions—especially Col, Darryl, Tim and their merry crew of fellow Lions—for their wonderful dedication. I'm proud to support the Moorooka Family Fun Day each year and thank Brisbane City Council for their funding also.

I'm pleased to announce Finn, Lucy and Max are our joint winners of the Lolly Competition from the weekend. There were 207 lollies in the jar!

🌟 Congratulations to Finn, Lucy and Max who all guessed 209 lollies.

There's plenty more happening in our community this spring. I'm proud to support the upcoming **Community Koala Party** at Griffith Uni on **Saturday 11 October**, where we'll be celebrating local wildlife, rewilding efforts, and the incredible work being done in Toohey Forest. Free guided koala walks are running throughout the day—make sure to book your spot!

And if you're looking for something spooky and fun for the whole family, **Coopers Plains State School** is hosting a **Halloween Spooktacular** on **Friday 31 October** with inflatables, a free movie on the oval, and fireworks to finish the night.

Keep reading below for more local events, updates and opportunities to get involved.

Regards,

Steve Griffiths

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# Highlights



## Toohy Forest Community Koala Party – 11 October

I'll be at the Griffith Uni EcoCentre on Saturday 11 October, 10am–2pm, and you're invited to join in a day of local fun and learning.

- Live music
- Environmental talks
- Market stalls
- Food and drinks
- Activities for all ages
- [Guided Koalas EcoTours \(bookings essential\)](#)

I'm proud to support this event along with the Rotary Club of Toohy and the Griffith University EcoCentre. It's a

great way to learn about our local wildlife, and keep building momentum for rewilding across Moorooka Ward.

**17** Saturday 11 October, 10am–2pm

📍 Griffith University EcoCentre, Nathan Campus (N68 on the campus map)

**Spots are limited** for the guided Koala EcoTours, so be sure to book your tour here:

[Book your Koala EcoTour](#)

## Halloween Spooktacular – Friday 31 October

Coopers Plains State School is hosting a frightfully fun evening for families, with inflatables, games, a free movie on the oval, and fireworks to finish the night.

- Inflatables and activities from 3:30pm
- Movie screening: *Hotel Transylvania* at 6:30pm
- Fireworks by Smith & Li at 8pm

**Cr Steve Griffiths invites you to FIREWORKS by Smith & Li at 8pm**

**Coopers Plains State School Community Halloween Spooktacular**

**Free Movie on the oval followed by fireworks**  
**Dress up in your best Halloween costume to win great prizes**

Celebrate Halloween in a safe family friendly environment  
 Lots of fun activities for kids including inflatable obstacle course  
 \*There will be a fee for some activities

**Date:** Friday October 31  
**Start:** 3.30pm  
 Inflatables and Activities - 3.30pm to 6.30pm  
**Movie:** Hotel Transylvania - 6.30pm to 8.00pm  
 Fireworks - 8pm  
 Food Trucks - 3.30pm - 7.30pm  
**Location:** Coopers Plains State School  
 61 Orange Grove Road, Coopers Plains

Food & drinks available for purchase  
 Please bring a blanket or chair

Scan the QR Code for more info

**For further information please contact 3403 1730**

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- Food and drinks available
- Dress up to win great prizes!

**17** Friday 31 October

Coopers Plains State School, 61 Orange Grove Road

# GREEN WASTE

FREE DROP OFF WEEKENDS

11 - 12 OCTOBER  
1 - 2 NOVEMBER.

WILLAWONG RESOURCE  
RECOVERY CENTRE



**Cr Steve Griffiths**

Councillor for Moorooka Ward



## Souths Sports Club – Sod Turning Milestone

I recently joined representatives from Brisbane Racing Club and Souths Sports Club to mark the start of construction on the club's new carpark. It was great to be part of this milestone, which will improve access for members and visitors and support the club's continued growth.

Thanks to Perran Sonnex, Curt Schatz, Cheryl Nicholls and Adam Lambert for joining me on the day.

## Council News

### Council's Better Suburbs Grant – Facility Category Now Open

The **Community Facility Category** of the Council's Better Suburbs Grants program is now open. This grant supports upgrades to Council-leased community facilities—whether through planning, design or construction.

Eligible organisations can apply for funding between **\$10,000 and \$200,000 (GST exclusive)**.

Applications close **Monday 27 October**, with AFWs due by **Friday 26 September**.

[Find out more](#)



### Park Renaming – Lillian Avenue Park renamed to Salisbury Quarry Park

Thank you to everyone who supported the petition to rename **Lillian Avenue Park** in Salisbury. I'm pleased to share that Council supported renaming the

park to **Salisbury Quarry Park**, recognising the site's historical significance and its role in shaping our local suburbs.

This name reflects the quarry's contribution to road construction in the 1930s, when dray men like Archie Hastie and Bob Cordingley carted gravel from the site to help connect Salisbury, Coopers Plains and Rocklea.

Thanks again to the Coopers Plains History Group for their research and support.

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## **Green Waste Recycling – Community Info Sessions**


Council is rolling out the **green waste recycling service** across Brisbane, and I'm pleased to share details of upcoming engagement sessions in Moorooka Ward.

These sessions are a chance to learn more about how the service works, when bins will be delivered to your suburb, and how to make the most of green waste recycling at home.

 **Monday 10 November**, 11am–12pm

 Storytime at Annerley Library

**Friday 14 November**, 9am–5pm

 Blunder Road Shopping Village

Council's Waste and Resource Recovery Services team and Brisbane Sustainability Agency will be on hand to answer questions and provide resources.

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## **Business Support**



**Council's Women in Business Grants**

Council's Women in Business Grant is now open for applications. Eligible women-led businesses can apply for funding of up to \$5000 to support business growth through training, essential equipment and professional services. Applications will close at 4pm on Tuesday, 7 October so don't miss out! [Review the application eligibility and how to apply.](#)

## **Vibrantly Vacant Art Decals**

Vibrantly Vacant art decals for vacant shopfronts add colour and interest to precincts while the shops are advertised for lease, as well as inspiring potential tenants. Donna, commercial property owner in Fortitude Valley shared the following about her experience with the program: *The process was easy, and the team was incredibly helpful. Our once-empty commercial properties are now colourful, engaging spaces that deter graffiti and attract attention.* [View the design themes and find out more about this free program.](#)

## **Free business workshops and webinars**

### **Marketing with no money**

Wednesday, 15 October (9 – 11:30am)

Suburban Business Hub Nundah

In this workshop you'll discover that your most potent marketing assets might just be your creativity and strategic thinking. We'll dive into practical, actionable strategies to get your business noticed and drive growth, even with zero dollars spent on advertising.

[Get your free ticket.](#)

### **Reclaim your time: AI for Small Businesses**

Thursday, 23 October (7 – 9pm)

Digital Solutions Online Webinar

Learn how to use AI to save time, reduce admin tasks, and streamline marketing efforts. This workshop is ideal for any business owners uncertain about Artificial Intelligence and are keen to learn how to use it to optimise activities and support business growth.

[Book your spot.](#)

### **Social media that promotes, converts and sells**

Tuesday, 28 October (1 – 3.30pm)

Ashgrove Library

Tired of posting on social media without seeing real results? Learn how to turn your social media into a powerful business tool that builds awareness, engages

your audience, and drives meaningful action. Walk away with a practical framework you can start using immediately to get more from every post.

[Book your spot.](#)

### Canva for Social Media and Print

Wednesday, 29 October (10am – 12 noon)

Suburban Business Hub Nundah

If you already have Canva but would like to gain confidence on how to use it for designing content, this workshop is for you. We'll cover how to use Canva for several business needs including setting up your brand, social media posts, sales presentations, and flyers.

[Get your free ticket.](#)

### Leveraging the Holiday Season

Tuesday, 4 November, (2 – 4pm)

Digital Solutions online webinar

Learn practical strategies to help your business shine this festive season. Create last-minute campaigns that capture attention and sales and build lasting engagement beyond social media. Understand festive habits and position your business for success.

[Book your spot.](#)

## What's On



### Brisbane 100: One City Together – Celebrate Our City's Centenary

On **Wednesday 1 October**, Brisbane City Hall will host **Brisbane 100: One City Together**—a free, all-ages event celebrating 100 years since the formation of Greater Brisbane.

There'll be historic displays, storytelling, family activities, and guided tours of the CBD and City Hall. It's a great opportunity to reflect on our city's past and share hopes for its future.

 17 Wednesday 1 October

 10am–4pm

 Brisbane City Hall

 Free entry



# Lord Mayor's Seniors Cabaret 2025

## A Music Journey Through the Decades

Lord Mayor's Seniors Cabaret Gala  
3pm, Sunday 19 October 2025  
Brisbane City Hall

Enjoy a spectacular afternoon of entertainment from some of Brisbane's most talented seniors and celebrity guests.

Tickets are \$5 and on sale from **10am**,  
**Wednesday 24 September 2025**.

For ticketing information, **scan the QR code**, visit [brisbane.qld.gov.au](http://brisbane.qld.gov.au) and search 'Lord Mayor's Seniors Cabaret' or call Council on **3178 5511**.

 This event will be Auslan interpreted. Bookings can be made by emailing [creative.communities@brisbane.qld.gov.au](mailto:creative.communities@brisbane.qld.gov.au).



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# COMMUNITY BUTTERFLY SURVEYS

Brisbane's Big Butterfly Count and OCCA invite you to attend our upcoming butterfly survey walks with local enthusiast, Cliff Meyer.

- **Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> September, 9 - 11 am**  
Archerfield Wetlands, Bowhill Road, Durack
- **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> October, 9 - 11 am**  
Oxley Creek Common, Sherwood Road, Rocklea



**For more information please visit:**  
<https://www.oxleycreekcatchment.org.au/occaevents/>

# NEW GRANDDAD club

The New Granddad Club is a community for men stepping into one of life's most rewarding roles: being a grandfather. It's an easy space to connect and learn how to show up with play, presence, and purpose for the little ones in our lives.

**DATE**

Saturday  
27th Sept

**TIME**

4-6pm

**VENUE**

Moorooka Clubhouse  
76 Koala Rd Moorooka

RSVP to Julian Mather  
julian@bestgrandad.com  
0408 827 974

Free to attend.  
Food and drink  
available from  
the bar.

**Helping men step into grandfatherhood with confidence.**



**FREE**

# **SOUTHSIDE SENIORS EXPO**

**Wednesday 1 October 2025**

Calamvale Community College Sports Hall  
21 Hamish St, Calamvale QLD 4116  
9am - 2pm



The Royal Historical Society of Queensland (RHSQ) is convening a significant History Conference celebrating the centenary of the amalgamation of 24 cities, towns, and shires into Greater Brisbane as Brisbane City Council. The conference will be held on Saturday, 11th October from 9am until 4.30pm at Brisbane City Hall, with registration beginning at 8:30am.

This event will bring together leading historians, researchers, and writers specialising in Brisbane's history to present papers exploring the social, political, economic, and cultural impact of the 1925 amalgamation.

## **GREATER BRISBANE CENTENARY**

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**SATURDAY  
11 OCTOBER 2025**  
in the Ithaca Room at 8:30am  
Brisbane City Hall

RHSQ  
The Royal Historical Society of Queensland

Greater Brisbane  
1925 2025  
CENTENARY

HINDU COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA



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# Deepavali

Brisbane Largest Celebration



Free Entry

4:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Sunday

5th Oct, 2025



## Attractions

- Ganesh Pooja
- Fireworks
- Garba
- Cultural Performances
- 30 ft Ravan Dahan
- Variety of Food Stalls

**VENUE:** Rocklea Showground, Cnr Ipswich Road and  
Goburra Street, Rocklea, QLD 4106

Book Your Free Tickets :

<https://bit.ly/Deepavali2025>



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