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Meeting our Local Sporting Champions

Great to meet with Stirling Local Sporting Champion Dianna Broadhurst who has recently returned from the 2018 Australian School Open Triathlon in NSW. Dianna only started competing in triathlons in October last year and impressively was selected in the WA state team, receiving a \$500 grant from the Federal Government in April to support her in the national competition. Unfortunately Dianna broke her finger during the event, which forced her to withdraw from the competition but she remains positive and is keen to continue training once healed.

Congratulations also to 17 year old Michael Nakhla, another recipient of the grants, who represented Western Australia in Basketball at the Special Olympics held in Adelaide in April and won gold! Well done to Michael and the WildCat Warriors.

For more information or to apply for a Local Sporting Champions Grant please visit https://www.ausport.gov.au/ais/grants_and_funding/local_sporting_champions

With Local Sporting Champion Dianna Broadhurst and Local Sporting Champion Michael Nakhla with his gold medal.

Walk to School Day

It was great to join Takari Primary School for National Walk to School Day on Friday May 18. Regular fitness and exercise is great for students as it helps to keep them alert throughout the school day. Takari Primary School also hosts Run Club every Wednesday and Friday morning which gives students (and parents) the opportunity to participate in fitness by running laps around the school oval with friends. Well done Takari and all Stirling schools who participated on the day.



Speaking to students at Takari PS following the event.

Costumes for Hire

The Gilbert and Sullivan Society of WA is a brilliant local production and performance organisation based in Nollamara. The Society has an extensive wardrobe and props collection specialising in Victorian and Edwardian period costumes and accessories which are available to hire for special events, parties and celebrations. For more information, please contact Veronica Hudson at veronwend2@hotmail.com or phone (08) 9349 4339.

With Gilbert and Sullivan WA members who are wearing some of the many costumes available for hire.

Flags Available

Newborough Primary School student councillors were delighted to replace their old Australian flag with a new one in time for their Anzac Day school service in April. A reminder complimentary Australian, Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags are available from my office for all Stirling schools, community organisations and RSL's. To request a flag please contact my office on (08) 9445 3222.



Easter Competition winners

Thank you to all Stirling schools and students who submitted an entry in my Easter Colouring-in Competition. Over 250 entries were submitted in total which made it extremely hard to choose a winner but congratulations to:

North Morley Primary School - Overall school winner

Max Macdonald (Our Lady's Assumption) - Junior winner

Oliver Wikstrom (Our Lady of Good Counsel) - Senior winner

With Junior winner Max McDonald and presenting Oliver Wikstrom with his certificate and prize.



Speaking with representatives from the Nollamara Sports and Recreation Club.

Fighting for upgrades in Nollamara

Thank you to all Stirling residents who took the time to fill out my survey regarding the upgrade of facilities at Des Penman Reserve. This feedback is important as it enables me to gain a greater understanding of the community need for upgrades in local public spaces.

The feedback provided by more than 140 local residents has revealed an overwhelming desire for improvements to the area. Since receiving the responses I have been speaking with the various sporting and community groups who use the Reserve as well as the City of Stirling in order to achieve the best outcome possible for all clubs and residents.

In May I arranged a meeting with the Federal Minister for Sport, Senator Bridget McKenzie, to discuss with her the need for improvements from local residents. Minister McKenzie was very receptive of the ideas presented and I look forward to continuing discussions with her to determine what funding opportunities may be available to support the Nollamara community.

If any residents would like to provide feedback about a potential upgrade but have not yet done so please send an email to michael.keenan.mp@aph.gov.au.



Speaking to Minister for Sport Senator Bridget McKenzie about the need to upgrade sporting facilities at Des Penman Reserve.

A message from Michael

I am very pleased to announce a new round of the Federal Government's Stronger Communities Program will be made available to Stirling's community organisations and sporting clubs very soon. The past three rounds have been incredibly successful with infrastructure upgrades for several community groups including the Stirling Men's Shed, a nature playground for the Telethon Type 1 Diabetes Family Centre, lighting towers for sporting clubs, upgrades to a women's health clinic in Mirrabooka, and many more. If you are a member of a local community organisation or sporting club in need of funding, please contact me at michael.keenan.mp@aph.gov.au outlining your funding priorities and I will be in touch soon. I hope you enjoy reading my newsletter and if you require any assistance with a Federal Government matter please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Keenan MP
Federal Member for Stirling



Office Move:

Please note that the office will be moving from Innaloo to Stirling from July 2018. My new office will be located at Tenancy F3, Level 1, 31 Cedric Street Stirling.

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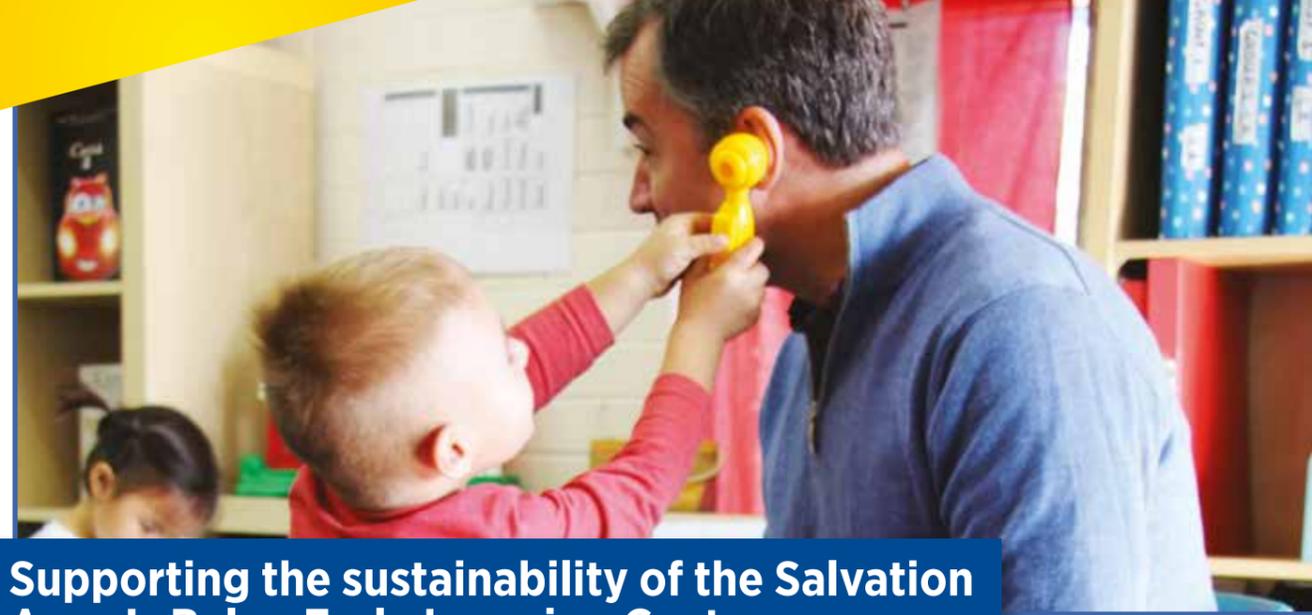
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Supporting the sustainability of the Salvation Army's Balga Early Learning Centre

In May I was pleased to announce the Salvation Army's Balga Early Learning Centre will receive funding of more than \$90,000 to help it continue to support those in need. This includes the introduction of a small doctor's surgery next door to the child care service that will provide medical support to local residents. During the visit I was pleased to be a pretend patient for the children who were able to practice their best surgical skills on me. This is a terrific funding commitment provided by the Federal Government that will ensure the Centre has the appropriate services to support the needs of the Balga community for years to come.

Children put their medical skills to work checking my temperature and heartbeat.



With Damien Croxon of DC Auto Centre in Yokine.

Supporting small business in Yokine

I recently met with small business owner Damien Croxon of DC Auto Centre in Yokine. For several years Damien's automotive repair workshop has experienced problems gaining access to technical information needed to repair and service new cars. I had the opportunity to speak with Damien about the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission's (ACCC) review into the car retailing industry, commissioned by the Federal Government, which released recommendations for a mandatory data sharing scheme. I was pleased to let Damien know the Government is currently working with industry and stakeholders in considering the design of a scheme that will better support small independent repairers to make them more competitive. The Federal Government is committed to supporting small businesses and I look forward to continuing discussions with Damien to ensure that the best outcome is achieved for his workshop.

Safer Roads for Stirling

In April I was pleased to announce \$300,000 in Black Spot Funding for the City of Stirling to upgrade three problematic intersections on local roads including:

- ✔ **Nollamara** - \$100,000 to install a traffic island at the intersection of Morley Drive and Constance Street, preventing right turn movements onto Morley Drive.
- ✔ **Osborne Park** - \$100,000 to install a median strip at the intersection of Main Street and Hector Street.
- ✔ **Hamersley** - \$100,000 to fund the extension of left turn pockets on Beach Road and Wanneroo Road.

The Federal Government's Black Spot Programme allows residents to make a submission for a safety upgrade to a road or intersection in their local area. For more information or to nominate a black spot please visit <http://investment.infrastructure.gov.au/funding/blackspots>



With City of Stirling Mayor Mark Irwin at the intersection of Beach Road and Wanneroo Road in Hamersley to announce the funding.



Dianella Guide and Scout Hall receives funding for refurbishment

Funding of \$6,700 has been provided to the Dianella Guide and Scout Hall under the Federal Government's Stronger Communities Programme. The funding is supporting both the Scout and Guide groups through the installation of a new stove, oven, kitchen benchtops, flooring, and improved bathroom facilities that will assist the clubs when hosting their weekly events.

With Dianella Scout Hall President Steve Hunt, Secretary Jillian Lantzke and her son James.

Rebound WA receives sporting wheelchairs

Six new sporting wheelchairs have now been delivered to Rebound WA thanks to a Federal Government grant of \$20,000 under the Stronger Communities Programme. In May I was honoured to be invited to the Herb Graham Recreation Centre in Mirrabooka for a game of wheelchair rugby with talented players Jayde Seed, Adrian Walsh and Australian representative Jake Howe. Every Wednesday evening the club is down at the recreation centre for games where family and friends can also participate. To find out more about Rebound WA or to donate please visit www.reboundwa.com



Testing out the new wheelchairs at Rebound WA with a friendly game of rugby.



Osborne Park Pre-schoolers get head start in STEM

In March I had the pleasure of seeing the Federal Government's Early Learning STEM Australia pilot program in action at Princeton Preschool in Osborne Park. Funding of \$6 million is being provided nationally to trial the program which is bringing STEM learning into the classroom for preschool aged children. Congratulations to the staff at Princeton who are doing an incredible job teaching local children a range of important skills for the future.

With Princeton Preschool Centre Director Alison Wade and James Barry in the 'STEM' room.

Kaleidoscope Program receives Government grant

I was very happy to announce the City of Stirling's Kaleidoscope Program will receive Federal Government funding of more than \$480,000 to develop an occupational mentoring program for local refugees and migrants over the next three years. The program will operate by connecting new graduates, mid-career professionals, and entrepreneurs from refugee and migrant backgrounds with occupationally specific mentors who can help support them to achieve their career goals. I congratulate the City of Stirling for their development of such an important project and encourage Stirling businesses to reach out to the City and participate in the program.



With City of Stirling Mayor Mark Irwin, CEO Stuart Jardine and staff.



Grant awarded to Community Garden

The Mustard Seed Community Garden in Yokine has received a Federal Government grant of \$4,450 to construct 10 raised garden beds that will help to improve disabled access throughout the garden. It was great to catch up with Garden coordinator Russell Bone recently to see how the progress is going. Residents interested in becoming a member of the garden can visit www.themustardseed.org.au.

Russell Bone shows me the progress made throughout the garden.