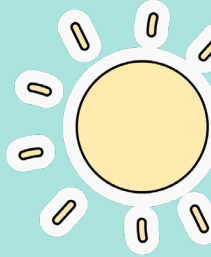


Dive into the brighter days of Bunbury

City of Bunbury presents...

# Summer lovin'

1 Dec 2023 to 31 Jan 2024



Your  
**guide**

to events happening in  
Bunbury this summer.

[www.bunbury.wa.gov.au](http://www.bunbury.wa.gov.au)

# Message from the Mayor

## Jaysen de San Miguel

I am thrilled to present a festival of Summer Lovin' to both our community and those who have chosen to visit the beautiful city of Bunbury. Renowned for its incredible waterways and jam-packed events calendar, Bunbury comes alive in summer with festive celebrations, cultural experiences, and grassroot events. From our always popular **Christmas in the City** to **Beach Flix at Koombana Bay** or stand-up paddle boarding on our beautiful waters, to the **Chinese New Year Lantern Festival** to **SkyFest** fun and everything in between, there is truly something for everyone in Bunbury.

Among the plethora of events and activities happening across the city, Bunbury also has amazing natural assets and waterways for you to enjoy. Spend long summer days cooling off at one of the best and most serene beaches in the world at the Back Beach or park the family up for the day at Koombana Bay.

Hit the trails by foot or by bike and check out the stunning Mangrove Walk as part of the 5km tranquil Leschenault Inlet loop

or take in the coastal air at the Maidens, while the intriguing paperbarks and wildlife residents at Big Swamp Wetlands are also not to be missed. What a way to spend a day in Bunbury before ending it at a **Summer Lovin'** event for some fun and food such as the **Summer Carnival**, **Sunset Markets at Koombana** or **Dinner at Dusk**.

Complementing the glut of food offerings throughout **Summer Lovin'** is Bunbury's established and renowned restaurants, cafes, and small bars – make sure you set some time aside to check them out too. The best summer season is ahead of us, and I'm so excited to get involved in this epic line-up of fun and celebrations. Thank you to all the event organisers, volunteers, business owners and our community for supporting and activating our beautiful city.

Now, get amongst it and dive into the brighter days of Bunbury with some Summer Lovin'.

Mayor Jaysen de San Miguel



## Acknowledgment of Country

The City of Bunbury acknowledge the traditional owners of the land, the Noongar Wardandi people and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to all members of the Aboriginal communities and their cultures; and to Elders past, present and emerging.



# Events in the city!



**You don't want to miss these!**



## Open Night @ BRAG

Friday 1 December

5.30pm to 7.30pm | Free to attend

BUNBURY REGIONAL ART GALLERY

Join us for a magical night at Bunbury Regional Art Gallery as we celebrate an incredible year of exhibitions and the start of the festive season with WA artists, live performances, family-friendly activities, and special pop-up bar.



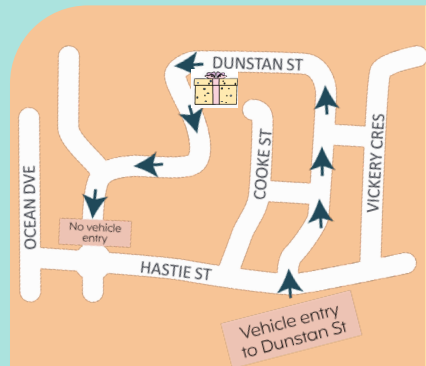
## Sunset Markets at Koombana

2 December, 6 January + 3 February

4pm until late

KOOMBANA FORESHORE

Experience an unforgettable evening, as Koombana transforms into a vibrant marketplace. Discover an array of local treasures, handmade crafts, and artisanal goods.



## Dunstan Street Christmas Lights Display

Christmas Carols

22 December, 7pm to 9pm | Free

48 DUNSTAN STREET, BUNBURY

Christmas Lights Display

22-24 December, 7pm onwards | Free

View the famous Christmas lights of Dunstan Street, on foot or in your vehicle. Please use caution and be aware of road closures, one-way traffic, and pedestrians. This activity is supported by Dunstan Street residents, Rotary clubs of Bunbury, local musicians, Onsite Rental Group and the City of Bunbury.



# Christmas in the City!

Sunday 10 December | 11am to 8pm  
BICENTENNIAL SQUARE, BUNBURY



## Graham Bricknell Memorial Music Shell Stage Performances

**11am to 12pm:**

Junkadelic Christmas Celebration  
Performed by Junkadelic Brass Band

**12.10pm to 1.40pm:**

The Grinch (2018)  
Outdoor Movie Screening



**1.45pm to 2.15pm:**

Falun Dafa Christmas Performance  
Performed by The Falun Dafa Association

**2.30pm to 3.30pm:**

Jingle and Jangle's Christmas Tree Adventure  
Performed by Parties Kids Remember

**3.30pm to 5pm:**

Christmas Street Parade  
Live streaming

**5pm to 6pm:**

Jingle and Jangle's Christmas Tree Adventure  
Performed by Parties Kids Remember

## Carols Concert 6:00pm to 8:00pm

Deck the Halls, One Candle, Dominick the Donkey,  
Hushabye - Performed by Vocal Fusion Youth Choir

Little Drummer Boy  
Performed by Steve Spouse

Joy to the World, The First Noel  
Performed by Helen Porep

Christmas Message  
From Rhys Stanley

Silent Night, Mary Did You Know  
Performed by John Standley

O' Come All Ye Faithful, Go Tell It (This is Amazing  
Grace) - Performed by Courtney Gledhill

Away in a Manger, Christmas Medley (Jingle Bells,  
Rudolph, Frosty) - Performed by Ben Talbot

Angels We Have Heard on High, Santa Claus Is  
Coming To Town - Performed by Codee-Lee Down

We Wish You a Merry Christmas  
All performers



Event details are subject to change, please refer to the City of Bunbury website for up-to-date details.

[bunbury.wa.gov.au/play/events/christmas-in-the-city-2023](https://bunbury.wa.gov.au/play/events/christmas-in-the-city-2023)

**GO2CUP** | The City has partnered with Go2Cup, with more than 10,000 reusable items provided to the food and beverage vendors at Christmas in the City. Swapping to reusable items such as plates, bowls, cutlery and cups means we can minimise waste!

### Chill Out Zone (Under 13 years)

11am to 8pm | Free

Come and enjoy a quiet, safe relaxed place. Join in some Christmas craft activities or sit in our chill zone and listen to Christmas music. This zone is specifically for our little ones with sensory issues.

**Hosted by:** There With Care Support Solutions.

### Chill Out Zone (Older Aussies)

11am to 8pm | Free

Sit and relax and enjoy light refreshments. Have a bash at some Christmas word and number puzzles or try your hand at a Christmas colour-in. This zone is for our older Aussies to cool down and relax a little.

**Hosted by:** There With Care Support Solutions and Red Hat Society.

### Christmas Markets

11am to 8pm

Join in the fun at the Christmas in the City Markets – it's a great way to get some Christmas shopping done from our local stall holders.

**Hosted by:** South West Pop-up Shops and Events.

### Christmas Craft presented by Tronox

11am to 2.30pm | All ages

Create your own unique Christmas card or ornament to hang on your tree or gift to someone special.

**Hosted by:** Tronox and Girl Guides.

### Lions Train Rides

11am to 6pm | Gold Coin Donation

Enjoy a ride or two on Ronnie, the Lion's train.

**Hosted by:** Lions Club of Australind.

### Food Trucks

11am to 8pm

Come and experience some festive good food and drinks. Special note: If purchasing food or drink from our vendors between 3.30pm and 8pm, be sure to return your containers and cutlery to one of the Go2Cup stations located around the event venue.

**Hosted by:** Dinner at Dusk.

### Christmas Photobooth

11am to 7pm | Free

Grab your family and friends for a free Christmas photo.

### Christmas Carnival | Pat Usher Foreshore

11am until late | Prices vary

This December, explore all of the excitement that is the Christmas Carnival. Meet giant Santa, enjoy amusement rides, carnival games, food and show bags – there is something for everyone.

**Hosted by:** Cloutz Event Hire.

### Make a Lantern for the Chinese Lantern Festival

12pm to 5pm | All ages | Free

We are on a mission to display 600 lanterns at the Bunbury Chinese Lantern Festival in January. But we need your help to decorate them! Unleash your creativity on a milk carton, then come along to the festival and see your lantern displayed in the beautiful Bunbury International Friendship Garden.

**Hosted by:** Bunbury Chinese New Year Festival.

### Sustainable Christmas Decorations

2pm to 6pm | Ages 3+ | Free

Decorate a range of native seed pods and take them home for your Christmas tree.

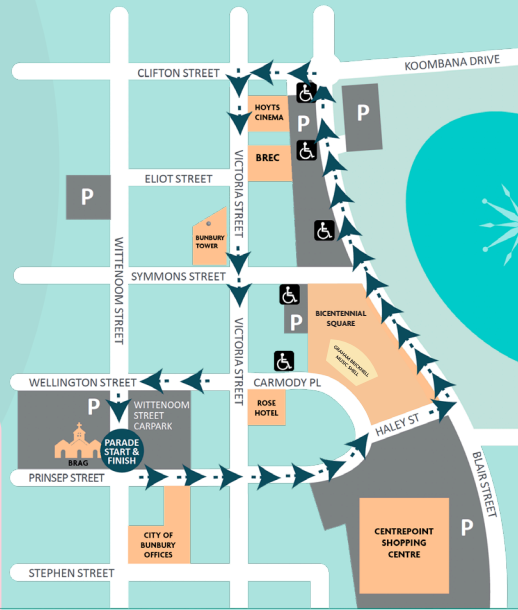
**Hosted by:** City of Bunbury Environmental Sustainability and Waste Education teams.

### Free Play Lego Creation

3pm to 6pm | All ages | Free

Experience the joy that comes with free play Lego and see what Christmas inspired Lego you can create. **Hosted by:** South West Lighthouse Lego Group.

## LiSTNR Christmas Parade Map



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# Bunbury events

## What's on around town!

**BREC PRESENTS**  
*Annual Christmas Gala*  
Festive Feast ♥ Live Entertainment ♥ DJ  
**16 December 2023**  
Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre  
events@bunburyentertainment.com  
081 9292 3342  
bunburyentertainment.com  
*Book your group now!*

### BREC Annual Christmas Gala

Saturday 16 December | 6pm | \$116 per person  
**BUNBURY REGIONAL ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE**

Immerse yourself in the festivities of Christmas at Bunbury Regional Entertainment Centre! Get ready to experience an extraordinary Christmas celebration at BREC's Annual Christmas Gala. The gala will bring the ultimate party atmosphere to make your evening unforgettable.

*Dinner at Dusk*  
Bunbury  
Kooambana Bay

### Dinner at Dusk

8 + 9 December | 4.30pm to 8.30pm | **BICENTENNIAL SQUARE**  
13 January | 4.30pm to 8.30pm | **KOOMBANA BAY**

Kooambana Bay is the place to be at sunset with the most delectable flavours from around the globe! As the sun sets over Kooambana Bay, enjoy the soothing tunes of live music and entertainment that will enhance your dining experience.

### Qigong Silveryogies

Sunday 31 December | 7am to 8am  
**JETTY BATHS**

Qi is the Chinese word for the 'life' or 'vital energy' that flows through everything. Gong means 'work' or 'skill', or benefits acquired through perseverance and practice. Together they mean 'skill or mastery of working with vital energy'. The classes are beginner friendly, gentle, and suitable for all ages and abilities.





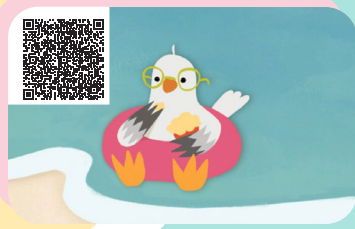
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## Raw Comedy Heat

**Saturday 13 January | 8pm to 10pm | FROTH BUNBREWERY**

Raw Comedy happens every year in every Australian capital city and for the first time a heat is to be held outside of Perth, making its Bunbury debut at Froth Craft Bunbrewery. The winner will go through to the WA semi-finals, to be held in Perth. National finalists get to perform at the Melbourne Comedy Festival. Register online for a chance to perform.



## BREC International Film Festival

**10 to 28 January | Film Program Available Online  
BUNBURY REGIONAL ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE**

Get ready for a cinematic adventure like no other at the BREC International Film Festival Summer 2024! International film will take centre stage, showcasing a diverse selection of flippin' good film transporting you to the far corners of the world and into diverse emotional terrain.



## Introduction to Stand Up Paddle Boarding

**Every Tuesday + Friday in January | 10am + 11.15am  
BUNBURY SURF SCHOOL**

SUPing is one of the fastest growing water sports and for good reason – it's not only lots of fun, but also very easy to learn. Enjoy the protected waters of Bunbury and reconnect with nature – maybe even meet the local dolphins splashing in the bay!



## Beach Flix

**Thursday 28 December + Thursday 25 January | 7.30pm  
KOOMBANA BAY | HOSTED BY 62 THIRTY CAFE**

Nestle up on the sandy shores of Koombana and enjoy an outdoor movie against the backdrop of a breathtaking beachfront sunset. Bring your own blanket or beach chair and enjoy the ultimate beachfront viewing experience. Food available from the café.



## Sunset Markets at Koombana

**2 December, 6 January + 3 February | 4pm  
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## Chinese New Year Lantern Festival

Friday 12 + Saturday 13 January | 6pm to 10pm | Free  
BUNBURY INTERNATIONAL FRIENDSHIP GARDEN

Experience Chinese culture and more than 800 lanterns decorated by the community at the International Friendship Garden. BYO picnic and enjoy traditional music, lights and lanterns in a variety of stunning displays.



## The Bunbury Markets

Saturday 2 + 16 December | Saturday 6 + 20 January  
8am to 1pm

QUEENS GARDENS, COBBLESTONE DRIVE, BUNBURY

Enjoy a sunny Saturday, supporting local artists and makers. Special visits from Santa and Mrs. Claus!



## Produce in the Park

Saturday 9 + 23 December | Saturday 13 + 27 January  
8am to 12pm

QUEENS GARDENS, COBBLESTONE DRIVE, BUNBURY

Discover delicious produce from the South West.

# Exhibitions at the Bunbury Museum



## 2023 WA Women's Hall of Fame Exhibition

30 November 2023 to  
28 January 2024 | Free  
Please check opening hours

Celebrating the social, economic, historical, scientific, cultural, and political achievements of remarkable Western Australian women.



## Women of Dardanup Exhibition

30 November 2023 to  
28 January 2024 | Free  
Please check opening hours

Curated by the Dardanup Heritage Collective, this display shares stories of seven remarkable women from Dardanup.

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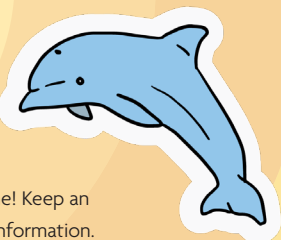


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1 Arthur Street





## Splish Splash Family Fun Day

Friday 12 January  
10.30am to 1pm  
BUNBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY

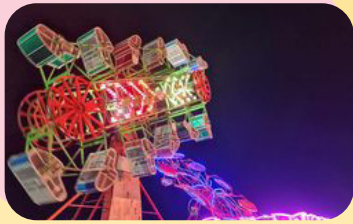
A free day of outdoor fun for everyone! Keep an eye on the library's website for more information.



## School holidays at the Library

Tuesday 2 to Thursday 25 January  
BUNBURY PUBLIC LIBRARY | Tickets on sale 1 December

The Bunbury Public Library has a host of programs lined up over the long January holidays including scavenger hunts, family quizzes, bucket loads of craft activities and even a hilarious musical show about jokes!



## Summer Carnival

8 + 9 December | 4pm until late | PAT USHER FORESHORE  
24 + 25 January | 4pm until late | KOOMBANA FORESHORE  
27 + 28 January | 1pm until late | KOOMBANA FORESHORE  
HOSTED BY CLOUTZ EVENT HIRE

Hours of fun in the holiday sun with something for everyone, from amusement rides to carnival games, show bags, food and icy cold drinks all set along the beautiful Koombana Foreshore.

# Exhibitions at BRAG



## Painting my Country Rhona Wallam

18 November 2023 to  
4 February 2024 | Free  
Please check opening hours

A celebration of artist Rhona Wallam, journeying through her life of painting Country as a Wardandi, Wadjuck, and Balladong woman and Elder.



## Naked in the Land Stewart Scrambler

9 September 2023 to  
23 January 2024 | Free  
Please check opening hours

One of WA's most prolific and respected ceramic artists. The works in this show reflects Stewart's response to the land.



BUNBURY REGIONAL ART GALLERY  
WILGER MIA

[bunbury.wa.gov.au/brag](http://bunbury.wa.gov.au/brag)

@bragwa

64 Wittenoom Street



Bunbury Centre Point Shopping Centre presents

## Light up the Night

Friday 1 December | 5pm to 9pm

**EAST ENTRANCE LAWN, STEPHEN STREET**

Come light up the night at Bunbury Centre Point Shopping Centre this festive season! This magical night offers an array of delights, including live entertainment, market and retailer stalls, delectable food trucks, and even a festive-themed pet parade. Witness the dazzling illumination of the giant Christmas Tree as it is lit up to really kick off the festivities.

Suitable for all ages and abilities.



# BUNBURY FRINGE

JAN  
19 - 27

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from Jan 5 - 14!



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**10 - 28 JANUARY 2024**  
**14 DAYS OF FLIPPIN' GOOD FILM!**

**BUNBURY REGIONAL ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE**

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## Christmas in the City



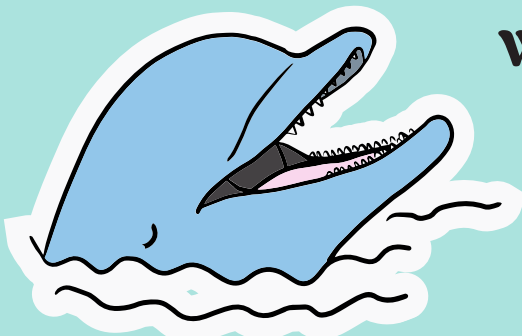
## SkyFest 2024



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## We're lovin your feedback!



What do you think of the **Summer Lovin** events happening in Bunbury this summer?

# SkyFest!

Koombana Foreshore, Koolambidi Woola,  
Koombana North  
Friday 26 January



## Mayoral Breakfast

6.30am | Free

**KOOMBANA BAY FORESHORE**

Hosted by: The Apex Club of Bunbury Koombana.

## The Apprentice + Traineeship Company Fun Run

7.30am | Free

**PAT USHER FORESHORE**

Starts at Pat Usher Foreshore, Blair St, Bunbury.  
Presentations begin at 9.15am.

## Mayors Citizenship Ceremony + Awards

8am | Free

**KOOMBANA BAY FORESHORE**

## Summer Carnival

10am until late | Prices vary

**KOOMBANA BAY FORESHORE CARPARK**

Hours of fun in the holiday sun with something for everyone.

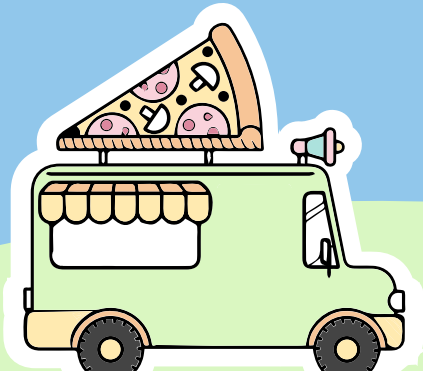
Hosted by: Cloutz Event Hire.

## Taffy's Colouring Station and Comp

From 10am | Ages 12 and under

**TAFFY'S KOOMBANA NORTH, 4/21 HOLMAN STREET**

Get colouring for your opportunity to win one of three delicious Taffy chocolate prizes and while you are busy colouring why not grab some fairy floss for your travels.



## Markets

12pm to 7pm

**MARKET SQUARE, MARLSTON WATERFRONT**

Make your way to Market Square to browse and support our local home-based businesses.

Hosted by: South West Pop-up Shops and Events.

## Lego Construction Station

12pm to 7pm | Free | All ages

**MARKET SQUARE, MARLSTON WATERFRONT**

Unearth your creativity with some Lego play in a Bunbury CBD pop-up space!

Hosted by: Southwest Lighthouse Lego Group plus Bunbury Town Team.

## Lego Mosaic Creations

12pm to 5pm | Free

**KOOMBANA BAY DOME CAFE**

Join Southwest Lighthouse Lego Group at Dome to build a Lego community mosaic! Collect your plate and colourful tiles to make mini artwork.

Hosted by: Southwest Lighthouse Lego Group and Dome Cafe.

## Australia Day Special Race Event

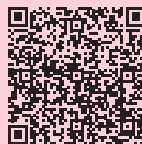
From 3pm

**WATERS OF KOOMBANA BAY**

Watch and cheer from Koombana Bay as members of the Koombana Bay Sailing Club compete in the Special Event yacht race.

Please note: KBSC is a members-only club and is closed to the general public during Australia Day and SkyFest.

Hosted by: Koombana Bay Sailing Club (KBSC).



Event details are subject to change, please refer to the City of Bunbury website for up-to-date details.  
[www.bunbury.wa.gov.au/play/events/skyfest-2024](http://www.bunbury.wa.gov.au/play/events/skyfest-2024)

## **Southwest's Strongest Man + Woman**

**3pm to 8pm | Registrations essential**

**KOOLAMBIDI WOOLA (YOUTH PRECINCT)**

Witness an exhilarating display of sheer strength and unwavering determination at the third annual Bunbury's Strongest Man and Women regional competition. This showdown features some of the strongest athletes in the region as they compete for the coveted title of Bunbury's Strongest in four classic strongman events. More info/register at: [www.southweststrength.com.au](http://www.southweststrength.com.au)  
Hosted by: South West Strength.

## **Beach Volleyball Come and Try Drop-in Games**

**3pm to 5pm | Free | Ages: 12+**

**KOOMBANA BAY**

Come and try a drop-in game of beach volleyball. Open to first-timers, novices and social players. For more information, check out Bunbury Volleyball on Facebook.  
Hosted by: Bunbury Volleyball Association.

## **Dinner at Dusk Food Trucks**

**2pm to 9pm**

**KOOMBANA BAY FORESHORE**

Enjoy something delicious to eat while watching the sunset over the bay.  
Hosted by: Dinner at Dusk.

## **Lebanese Cuisine and DJ Beats**

**4pm to 9pm**

**CEDAR BY THE WATER**

Experience some tasty Lebanese cuisine accompanied by vibrant DJ beats. For more information, check out Cedar by the Water on Facebook.  
Hosted by: Cedar by the Water.

## **Beachside Concert + Entertainment**

**4pm to 8.30pm**

**KOOMBANA BAY FORESHORE**

Enjoy various free activities and entertainment, including kite displays and stage performances from local musicians.

## **Shipwreck Talks with Barbara Rae**

**4.30pm to 5.30pm | 6.30pm to 7.30pm | All ages**

**Bookings via the Bunbury Museum website**

**KOOMBANA FOOTBRIDGE**

Relive the stories of Bunbury's stormy past and the ships that sank into the silver sands as we walk through the ghost ship's hull of the Koombana Footbridge.  
Hosted by: Bunbury Museum and Heritage Centre.

## **Beach Volleyball Exhibition Matches**

**5.30pm to 6.30pm**

**KOOMBANA BAY**

Watch and cheer some of Bunbury best on the sands of Koombana Bay.  
Hosted by: Bunbury Volleyball Association.

## **Uptown Balcony Beach Party**

**6pm to 10pm | \$85 for food and entertainment**

**DOLPHIN DISCOVERY CENTRE**

Style up in your best beach gear, watch the fireworks, and come party, Barbie and Ken style. Champagne cocktail on arrival, grazing table throughout, music and parking. Bookings via [dolphindiscoverycentre.com.au](http://dolphindiscoverycentre.com.au).  
Hosted by: Dolphin Discovery Centre.

## **Hit95.7 Outdoor Broadcast**

**5.30pm to 8.30pm**

Stop by and say hey to the Hit crew as they broadcast live for SkyFest!

## **Fireworks Display!**

**8.30pm**

The annual spectacular fireworks display over Koombana Bay. BYO picnic rigs, chairs, blankets and get ready to enjoy the display!

**Turn the page  
for your  
SkyFest map!**



### **Where should I park?**

City of Bunbury parking bays are free on public holidays but some may have time limits. Scan the QR code for more, or visit [bunbury.wa.gov.au/live/handbook/smart-parking-in-bunbury](http://bunbury.wa.gov.au/live/handbook/smart-parking-in-bunbury)



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For event updates and more information on shuttle services.



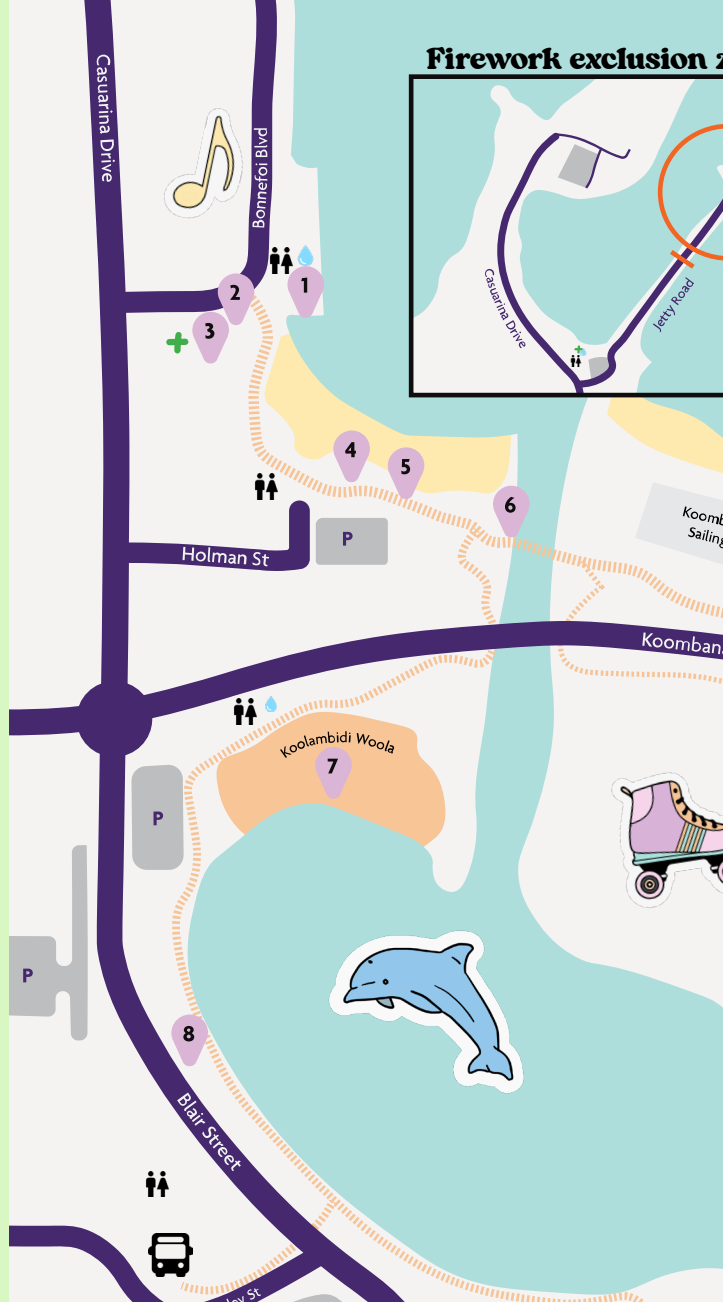
## Cruise on a BEAM scooter!

Simply use the code: SKYFEST24 for a discount.



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## Not to be missed!

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4pm to 8.30pm

KOOMBANA BAY FORESHORE

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zone



**Full Exclusion Zone**  
26 January | 6pm to 9.30pm

**Jetty Road Closure**  
10am 25 January until 12pm 27 January

# SkyFest!

Koombana Foreshore, Koolambidi Woola,  
Koombana North  
Friday 26 January | 4pm to 9pm



## Map key:

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| 1. Lebanese Cuisine and DJ Beats   Cedar by the Water | 9. Australia Day Special Race   Koombana Bay Sailing Club |
| 2. Lego Construction Station   Market Square          | 10. Beach Concert + Entertainment   Koombana Foreshore    |
| 3. Markets   Market Square                            | 11. Mayor's Breakfast + Ceremony   Koombana Foreshore     |
| 4. Lego Mosaic Creations   Dome Café                  | 12. Hit95.7 Outdoor Broadcast   Koombana Foreshore        |
| 5. Colouring Station and Comp   Taffy's               | 13. Beach Volleyball   Koombana Bay                       |
| 6. Shipwreck Talks   Koombana Footbridge              | 14. Summer Carnival   Koombana Foreshore                  |
| 7. SW Strongest Man + Woman   Koolambidi Woola        | 15. Dinner at Dusk Food Trucks   Koombana Foreshore       |
| 8. Fun Run   Pat Usher Foreshore                      | 16. Uptown Balcony Beach Party   Dolphin Discovery Centre |



Public toilets



Water fountains



Bus station



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