

Iluka Homeowners Association Newsletter - March 2026



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MARK YOUR CALENDERS

Join us for Iluka's Annual Easter Egg Hunt!
Easter Sunday 5th April 2026 from 9:30am to 11:00am
Sir James McCusker Park, Iluka.

This fun-filled event is a wonderful tradition for our community, and we can't wait to see you there!



- Easter Egg Hunt** – Bring the little ones along for an exciting morning of egg-hunting fun!
- Cuddly Animal Farm** – Get up close with adorable farm animals.
- Beachside Barista** – Enjoy a fresh coffee while soaking in the festive atmosphere.

The event will be **FREE** however a gold coin donation to

Make-A-Wish Foundation
will be greatly appreciated.

This family event is aimed at Iluka children, who must be accompanied by a parent or an adult guardian.

This event is proudly sponsored by the Iluka Homeowners Association

Iluka Sounds in the Park: A Celebration of Community & Music



Such a fantastic way to launch the 2025/26 season! Local favourite, **Natalie from Merlot Music**, transformed the park with smooth jazz vibes and an easy-going, feel-good atmosphere. Her mix of popular classics, nostalgic old-school favourites, and festive Christmas carols set the tone for a relaxed and welcoming start to the summer series.



Perfect Alibi delivered a fantastic live performance, bringing their renowned chilled vibes, energetic rock, and favourite classic covers. Formed just two years ago, this five-piece band unites highly experienced musicians, each contributing their own style and passion. With band members living in Iluka and another with a cherished connection to the area through their wedding, it was truly a special and very local evening.



Much-loved local one-man band **Gaz Fowlie** returned once again and had the crowd singing along in no time. Originally from Aberdeenshire in Scotland, Gaz previously gigged throughout the UK and mainland Spain before settling in Perth's northern suburbs in 2009. His wide-ranging repertoire spans classic hits from the 1960s through to today.



Codamoda brought high energy and heart to the park with their mix of country, rock, and blues favourites. Adding an extra local connection to this dynamic six-piece band, is local real estate agent Joe Buckle on lead guitar! This lively performance and crowd-friendly song choices made for a fun and memorable evening.

22 February – **The Jab** Our final event features **The Jab**, a husband-and-wife duo who originally formed their band while living in Newman. Previously part of Coastal Sounds at last year's event, they've since re-formed as The Jab. Music is their way to relax and connect, and they love seeing how it brings people together. A special highlight this year has been their teenage son, who has been practicing with them more and more and is becoming an important part of the band's future plans. (Pic unavailable at time of printing)



A message from the Chairperson

****Strengthening Our Community: A Call for Volunteers in the Residents Association****

As members of a vibrant community, we all understand the importance of collaboration and mutual support in maintaining the well-being of our neighborhood.

Our Residents Association was established not in response to any specific issue, but as a proactive measure to foster community spirit, organise neighbourhood events, and manage the Specified Area Rate (SAR) for our wonderful suburb. Over the years, we have coordinated much-loved activities such as the recent ***Sounds in the Park*** event and the ever-popular **Children's Easter Egg Hunt**. These gatherings not only bring us together as neighbours but also enrich the overall quality of life in our area.

The work undertaken by the Association—particularly through its partnership with the City of Joondalup to manage the SAR—has helped ensure that our suburb remains a highly sought-after place to live, reflected in the strong value of our properties. In addition to events, we also maintain the community website, manage accounts, and respond to resident and community emails.

Our small committee—comprising just nine of the roughly 2,000 eligible homeowners—has managed these responsibilities effectively to date. However, to ensure long-term continuity, we now need to establish a robust succession plan for all key positions.

If we are to continue delivering the exciting activities that define our community, we need a broader base of support. From ideas to implementation, your involvement can make a meaningful difference and holds the key. We are reaching out to every homeowner to consider joining our team or, at the very least, contributing your thoughts and ideas.

The commitment is not overwhelming: attending one meeting a month, and for those involved in a sub-committee, responding to occasional emails throughout the year. The impact, however, can be immense. Volunteers bring fresh perspectives, creativity, and energy—all essential ingredients for ensuring that our events remain enjoyable, relevant, and successful.

If you ever needed proof of the value of these efforts, think of the joy on children's faces during the Easter Egg Hunt, or the sense of connection we all shared at the recent music events in the park. These moments are what we strive to preserve—but we can only continue them with your help. Events like these don't just happen; they require planning, teamwork, and a collective commitment to meeting the needs and expectations of our diverse community.

If you are passionate about strengthening our neighbourhood and have a little time to spare, we warmly invite you to join the Residents Association committee. Perhaps you have an idea for a new event, or skills that could support our planning, communications, or administration. Every contribution, no matter how small, helps maintain the momentum we have built over the years.

Your engagement is vital to the future of our community events and the continued health of our Residents Association. We ask that you consider this opportunity to make a difference.

For more information on how to get involved, please don't hesitate to reach out at

committee@iluka.org.au or [Iluka Homeowners Association](#)

I am delighted to introduce myself as the newly elected **Councillor for the Central-North Ward**, which includes Iluka, Ocean Reef, Connolly, Heathridge and Edgewater. It is a privilege to represent our community and to advocate for the issues that matter most to local residents.

It's hard to believe it's only been four months since the election and I was well and truly thrown in the deep end! I'm currently sitting on 5 different Council Committees/Panels and 4 external Committees/Boards, so it's been a steep learning curve, but also a great opportunity to get stuck in and start advocating for our community.

At Council, I am focused on supporting initiatives that strengthen our neighbourhoods, enhance community safety and facilities, and ensure thoughtful planning as our City continues to grow.

A key priority for me is transparency and staying connected with the community. To support this, I host monthly **Community Chats**, rotating through a location in each of the five suburbs across the Ward, providing an informal opportunity to meet, share ideas, raise concerns, and discuss local issues. Details of upcoming **Community Chats** along with my weekly **This Week in Council** wrap-up and other City news, are shared on my [Facebook page \(www.facebook.com/CouncillorDeniseMercer\)](https://www.facebook.com/CouncillorDeniseMercer). I encourage you to follow along and stay involved.

I look forward to meeting as many of you as I can at my next **Community Chats**. If you have some time, come on down! In the meantime, feel free to reach out with any important community matters.

Denise Mercer, Councillor, City of Joondalup (North-Central Ward)



Stay in the Loop: Tracking Future Developments in Iluka

Did you know you can find out exactly what development applications are happening in Iluka?

As our coastal suburb grows, staying informed about local planning is the best way to protect our community's character. The City of Joondalup provides several digital tools to help residents track new builds and commercial projects.

How to get the facts:

- Track Applications: Search the status of specific projects via the myJoondalup portal at my.joondalup.wa.gov.au
- Sign up for updates: You can manage your preferences for receiving updates through the City of Joondalup's eNewsletter signup page: www.joondalup.wa.gov.au/city-and-council/enewsletter-signup
- Community Voice: View major projects open for public feedback at www.joondalup.wa.gov.au/community-and-spaces/community-consultation
- Statistics: See local housing trends at www.joondalup.wa.gov.au/plan-and-build/property-and-land-development/building-and-planning-application-statistics

By using these resources, you can stay proactive about changes in our backyard. For direct enquiries, contact the City's Planning Services at (08) 9400 4000.