

Where to go, what to see and do

AUSTRALIA Day is all about the coming together of our community – so embrace the spirit of the occasion and celebrate with family and friends at one of the many special events happening throughout Perth on January 26.

Armadale

At Minnawarra Park between 5.30pm and 9.45pm, there will a fireworks display.

BYO picnic or buy food on site – bring a rug, sit back and enjoy the entertainment and amusement rides.

Fremantle

The Cicerello's Fremantle Cracker Night, at Fishing Boat Harbour, will feature a fireworks display from 8.45pm.

From 5pm to 6.30pm, the Perth Fortress Salvation Army Band will also perform on Fremantle Esplanade.

Perth

Howard and Sons, the world-renowned pyrotechnics team that designed displays at events such as the Melbourne 2006 Commonwealth Games opening and closing celebrations, have designed this year's Lotterywest Skyworks.

2008's Skyworks theme is Cultural Diversity and more than 400,000 people are expected to gather along the banks of the Swan River and Kings Park for the largest community celebration of Australia Day in the country.

Mindarie

At Mindarie Marina, there will be bands, market stalls and a fireworks display.

Also on display will be entrants from the What Does Australia Day Mean To You competition. The competition's winner will launch the 2008 fireworks display.

Claremont

Claremont Pool will once again be hosting its traditional Oz Day Breakfast, which goes from 8am to 11am. It will feature a sausage sizzle, fruit, muesli and commando run with inflatables.

Stirling

The cities of Joondalup, Stirling and Wanneroo will be jointly hosting WA's largest citizenship ceremony.

It is estimated that more than 1500 new Australian citizens from within the three precincts will be sworn in at the ceremony, which takes place at Stirling Civic Gardens from 8.30am to 10am.

Victoria Park

The Town of Victoria Park will be celebrating Australia Day with a

citizenship ceremony, the awarding of the inaugural Town of Victoria Park Australia Day Awards, entertainment and face-painters for the children.

This event will take place in the Memorial Gardens from 10am to 12.30pm.

Canning

The City of Canning is holding an Australia Day Breakfast and Citizenship Ceremony, which starts at 7.30am, in the civic forecourt of the Administration Centre.

The official ceremony, which starts at 9am, will include the announcement of the 2008 Citizen Awards for the City of Canning

Mandurah

There will an Australia Day Breakfast and Ceremony at the Eastern Foreshore.

From noon, you can view flotillas in the estuary and the Mandjar Markets will be open from 10am to 4pm.

At Keith Holmes Reserve, the annual 97.3 Coast FM Beach Party will feature live music, sand sculpting competitions, a professional volleyball competition and plenty of family fun.

The day will finish off at Dolphin Quay from 3.30pm where there will be live entertainment and the Dolphin Quay Markets will be open until 9pm.

Rockingham

From 6pm, in the heart of Rockingham's foreshore will be a free multicultural concert, which will display multicultural live music and dance before a fireworks display ignites the sky.

Melville

There will be an Australia Day Breakfast and Citizenship Ceremony at Centennial Park from 9am.

At Wireless Hill from 1.30pm, there will be an afternoon of Australian rhyming poetry, presented by many of the best bush poets in Western Australia.

South Perth

At Sir James Mitchell Park from 8am, there will be a flag raising, citizenship ceremony and Premier's Awards.

Then from 9am, all are welcome to attend the Great Aussie Breakfast where there will be free entertainment and children's activities.

Bayswater

From 8.30am, there will be a free Australia Day sausage sizzle, which will feature a bush band and activities for children. Then from 10am, there will be an Australia Day flag-raising ceremony.

Celebrate with family and friends at one of the many special events



A wonderful fireworks evening rounds off the perfect Australia Day celebration

