

# LIVING IN Brisbane



*Dedicated to a better Brisbane*



Urban pump track, Victoria Park

Brisbane's lifestyle precincts  
Our iconic Story Bridge  
Oxley Creek Common update



Lord Mayor, Adrian Schinner

## Brisbane's transport revolution: Lord Mayor

2025 is a massive year for better transport in Brisbane.

As one of Australia's fastest-growing cities, better public transport is critical to easing congestion and keeping Brisbane moving.

That's why we've launched the first permanent Brisbane Metro services, with more on the way.

And we're rolling out a new bus network that will deliver an additional 160,000 services to our suburbs each year.

That's the biggest evolution of Brisbane's bus network in generations.

And importantly, it will provide more services to where they are needed, more often.



## Prepare for severe weather

Severe weather can strike at any time. Make sure you're prepared.

- ◆ Scan the QR code below to register for the free Brisbane Severe Weather Alert.
- ◆ Visit our emergency dashboard and tune into local radio stations.
- ◆ Understand your flood risk by using our free Flood Information Online tool.
- ◆ Clean gutters and downpipes and trim overhanging branches.
- ◆ Make an emergency evacuation plan and prepare an emergency kit with supplies for 3 days.
- ◆ Secure loose items in the yard.
- ◆ Follow relevant organisations' social media channels for updates.
- ◆ Create an emergency contact number list with SES, an electrician and insurance companies.

For more information, search 'be prepared' on our website.



Stones Corner

## Discover something new in the suburbs

Autumn is the perfect time to explore and discover the unique charms of Brisbane's suburbs.

From the eye-catching street art and trendy restaurants and bars in Fish Lane to the laid-back atmosphere of Manly Village, there's something for everyone.

New precincts like Howard Smith Wharves and popular favourites like Paddington and Rosalie Village have helped shape Brisbane's incredible lifestyle.

Our Suburban Renewal program will develop more thriving lifestyle precincts and create new opportunities for places like Wynnum and Stones Corner. This is part of our commitment to create more to see and do in the suburbs. Visit our website for more information.

## Summer Dips makes another splash



For the second year, Brisbane residents stayed cool for less through the return of our \$2 Summer Dips program.

With pool entry for adults and children reduced to just \$2, the popular program helped local families see and do more for less across Brisbane.

During school holidays, more than 400,000 Brisbane residents stayed cool in a Council pool, saving more than \$1 million, with the most visited pools including Sandgate Aquatic Centre, Newmarket Olympic Swimming Pool, Yeronga Park Memorial Swimming Pool and Musgrave Park Swimming Centre.

Don't forget, you can continue to use most of our pools through winter to improve your fitness with lap swimming or by joining one of our group fitness classes.



## Popular city markets expand

The much-loved Brisbane City Markets have expanded into Queen Street Mall with up to 10 new vendors at the top of the mall every Wednesday.

The pop-up space hosts new food trucks and market stalls providing more for workers, residents and visitors to see and do.

The market expansion brings new life to the corridor between the CBD and South Bank, providing a better experience for residents and visitors.

It's a win for local retailers and will help attract more people to Queen Street Mall - one of Queensland's most popular pedestrian malls.

## Kangaroo Point Bridge - new bites and sights

It's not just stunning views being served up at Kangaroo Point Bridge.

The bridge's above-water restaurant and bar and riverside café are now open!

Stilts will serve up locally sourced steak and seafood, with panoramic views from above the Brisbane River.

Located at the CBD landing plaza, Mulga Bill's café will also offer up coffee, pastries, mouthwatering woodfired pizzas and grab-and-go food that you can take into the nearby City Botanic Gardens.

More than 750,000 trips have already been taken over the Kangaroo Point Bridge since it opened last year, making it not just a must-do destination, but a critical transport connection that will help keep Brisbane moving for generations to come.



Artist's impression: Boardwalk through wetlands

## Transforming Oxley Creek into a world-class destination

We're working with the Queensland Government to transform the 120-hectare Oxley Creek Common at Rocklea into another world-class lifestyle and leisure destination.

The plans include elevating the site into a premier birdwatching location, creating an educational city farm and a public park with farm-themed playgrounds, a dog park, outdoor fitness equipment, shaded lawns and picnic shelters.

Oxley Creek is one of 4 key leisure and lifestyle destinations being revitalised, alongside Victoria Park, Kedron Brook and the Wynnum, Manly and Lota foreshore.

We can't wait to see these spaces come to life to create more to see and do in Brisbane's suburbs.



## Local news



### COMMUNITY TREE PLANTING

Norman Park residents are invited to contribute to a sustainable Brisbane by planting new trees in their community on 22 March. The new trees will increase shade and cooling, reduce stormwater runoff and improve Brisbane's subtropical landscape. Search 'greener suburbs' on our website for information about how you can join in.

### DONATE YOUR BOTTLES

You can now donate to the Lord Mayor's Charitable Trust by putting recyclable drink containers in 3 new bins in Queen Street Mall. To donate, scan the barcode of your container and place it in the bin. Ten cents per item will be donated to the Trust to help care for Brisbane's community.

### SAFER SUBURBS

We're making communities safer by boosting security at 69 sport and community clubs through the Lord Mayor's Safer Suburbs Grants, including clubs in Wynnum, Camp Hill, Norman Park and Tingalpa. The funds will support safety initiatives such as security cameras, alarm systems and night patrols. Another grants round will be available to clubs later this year.

## More KittyCat trips to keep Brisbane moving

Travelling on the Brisbane River is even better with the latest upgrade to our Cross River ferry services.

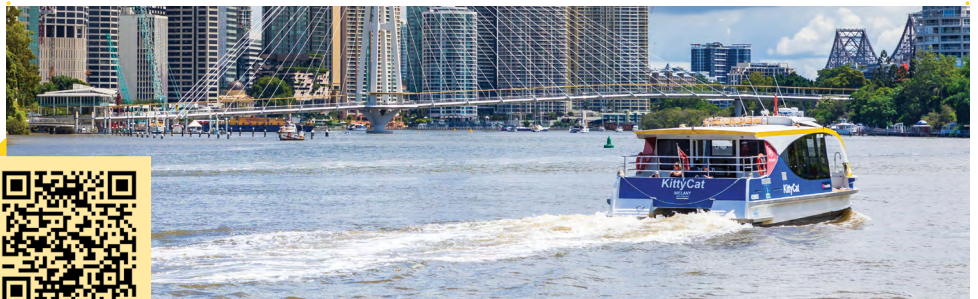
Now you can expect more services between:

- ◆ Dockside and Sydney Street
- ◆ Holman Street and Riverside
- ◆ Maritime Museum and QUT Gardens Point.

There are more than twice the number of KittyCat services at these ferry terminals than before.

We also recently upgraded the Mowbray Park ferry terminal to increase capacity, improve lighting and safety plus create better accessibility for you while waiting for a ferry.

To learn more about our ferry services, visit our website and plan your journey using Translink's 'Journey Planner' tool or simply scan the QR code below.



## Upcoming kerbside collection

Kerbside collection is coming to the following suburbs. Make sure you have your large items ready for collection by these dates.

9 MARCH

~~Belmont, Chandler, Gumdale, Manly, Ransome, Wynnum West~~  
**SUSPENDED**

16 MARCH

Manly West, Tingalpa, Wakerley

23 MARCH

Carina, Carina Heights, Mansfield

30 MARCH

Camp Hill, Carindale

20 APRIL

Highgate Hill, Kangaroo Point, South Brisbane, West End

27 APRIL

Dutton Park

Scan the QR code and download our free Brisbane Bin and Recycling app for tips on what you can (and can't!) put out for collection and other ways to reduce waste sent to landfill.



### DID YOU KNOW?

You can easily report a pothole by calling Council's 24/7 contact centre on **3403 8888**, logging a job via Council's website or sending an SMS to **0429 2 FIX IT (0429 234 948)**.



## We're naming our metros after Brisbane icons!

Footy legend Darren Lockyer is the first Brisbane icon to have a metro named after him - and was even one of the first to board our new M2 service between the University of Queensland and the Royal Brisbane and Women's Hospital.

This is just the first stage, with more services and major infrastructure to come online later this year to keep Brisbane moving.

In the meantime, make sure you keep an eye out for Brisbane icons on our metros when they're travelling along our busways!

## Works wrap up at Beams Road

We have finished upgrade works on a 1.3km stretch of Beams Road between Lacey Road and Balcara Avenue at Carseldine.

The upgrades will ease congestion and make it easier for you to get around sooner and safer.

As part of the works, we replaced the roundabout at Dorville Road with a signalised intersection, enhancing safety for drivers and pedestrians.

We also upgraded bus stops, improved underground utilities and drainage and built new shared paths for pedestrians and cyclists along Beams Road.

This will improve safety and travel times for the 20,000 people who use Beams Road to travel through our growing northern suburbs each day.

We are currently planning the next stage of the upgrade between Carselgrove Avenue and Handford Road, where we will widen the road to 4 lanes and build a pedestrian underpass at Cabbage Tree Creek.

The project was jointly funded by the Australian Government.



## Preserving our iconic landmark bridge

The Story Bridge is one of Australia's most iconic landmarks.

We've assembled a team of infrastructure experts to put together a detailed roadmap to ensure the Story Bridge can serve Brisbane for future generations.

While a major restoration of the Story Bridge will require a team effort, it will preserve one of the country's most recognisable landmarks and help keep Brisbane moving for many years to come.

# What's On



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**FREE AND AFFORDABLE EVENTS**



**FREE**

## **SHERWOOD ARBORETUM CENTENARY PICNIC, 2-5PM, 23 MARCH**

**Sherwood Arboretum, Sherwood**

Get your friends and family together and bring along a picnic to celebrate 100 years of our heritage-listed Sherwood Arboretum. Find a spot among the 1,300 trees and enjoy the afternoon's activities. [brisbane.qld.gov.au](http://brisbane.qld.gov.au)



**FREE**

## **PRECIOUS, 2 APRIL-1 NOVEMBER**

**Museum of Brisbane (MoB), Brisbane City**

From textiles to tin toys and micro-architectural marvels to marine treasures, delve into incredible stories behind Brisbane's prolific collectors and their remarkable keepsakes. [museumofbrisbane.com.au](http://museumofbrisbane.com.au)



**FREE**

## **THE QUBE EFFECT LIVE PERFORMANCES, SUNDAYS IN APRIL**

**The Triffid, Newstead**

See the future of music in Brisbane with live performances from The QUBE Effect finalists. These are all-ages events. Under-18-year-olds need to be accompanied by an adult. [brisbane.qld.gov.au](http://brisbane.qld.gov.au)



**FREE**

## **BIG FAMILY RIDES, 13 APRIL**

**Brisbane Showgrounds, Bowen Hills**

Enjoy the ultimate Sunday ride through Brisbane, perfect for all ages. Kids aged 8 and older can ride solo, while younger kids can join parents in a bike trailer or seat. [tourdebrisbane.org](http://tourdebrisbane.org)



**FREE**

## **BRISBANE'S BIGGEST EASTER WEEKEND, 18-21 APRIL**

**Victoria Park, Herston**

Put on your bunny ears and hop into some Easter fun these school holidays with free activities, including arts, outdoor adventures, workshops and an appearance by none other than the Easter Bunny! [brisbane.qld.gov.au](http://brisbane.qld.gov.au)



**VARIOUS**

## **BRISBANE COMEDY FESTIVAL, 23 APRIL-25 MAY**

**Various locations**

Don't miss the side-splitting hilarity of the city's biggest comedy festival with more than 100 of the world's best and brightest comedians across 4 locations. [brisbanecomedysfestival.com](http://brisbanecomedysfestival.com)



Please check details and confirm with organisers that events are still going ahead before you make plans.



Check out the Brisbane app for more event listings!



FREE

### MEET DEB OSWALD

13 March, 6-7pm,  
Carindale Library

Join author Debra Oswald, as she shares her latest novel. To book, visit [eventbrite.com.au](https://www.eventbrite.com.au)



FREE

2-5 YRS

### MUSIC BEAT KIDS GROUP

17 March, 11.15-11.45am,  
Preston Road Park, Carina

Enjoy the great outdoors with your little ones while you move and make music together. [brisbane.qld.gov.au](https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au)



FREE

GOLD

### TAI CHI QIGONG

26 March, 7-8am,  
C. B. Mott Park, Holland Park

Feel relaxed, refreshed and calm with this dynamic activity. Suitable for seniors. [brisbane.qld.gov.au](https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au)



\$6

OVER 10 YRS

### ABSEILING

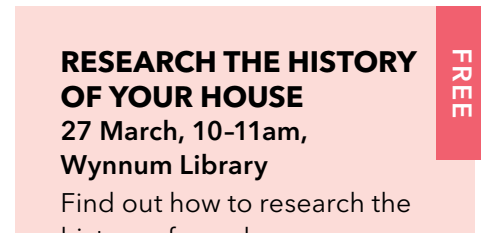
14 March, 6-8pm,  
Kangaroo Point Cliffs Park  
Conquer fears and experience the thrills of abseiling. Bookings essential. To book, visit [pinnaclesports.com.au](https://www.pinnaclesports.com.au)



FREE

### ADULT RUN SQUAD

21 March, 5-6pm,  
Murarrie Recreation Ground  
Try running with fully accredited coaches. All skill levels are welcome. [brisbane.qld.gov.au](https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au)



FREE

### RESEARCH THE HISTORY OF YOUR HOUSE

27 March, 10-11am,  
Wynnum Library

Find out how to research the history of your house. To book, call 3403 2199.



FREE

2-6 YRS

### BALL SPORTS PROGRAM

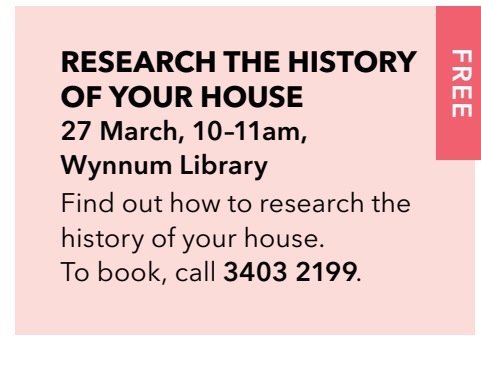
15 March, 10.30-11am,  
Carindale Recreation Reserve  
Ball skills program working on hand-eye coordination and gross motor skills. To book, visit [billysbuddies.com.au](https://www.billysbuddies.com.au)



FREE

### WEST END MARKETS

22 March, 6am-2pm,  
Davies Park, West End  
Shop a wide variety of food and gifts. Stop for a coffee under the beautiful fig trees. [brisbane.qld.gov.au](https://www.brisbane.qld.gov.au)



\$6

10-17 YRS

### FISHING FUN

6 April, 10am-1pm,  
Colmslie Reserve,  
Morningside

Enjoy learning or brushing up on your fishing skills. Equipment provided. Bookings essential. To book, visit [2bentrods.com.au](https://www.2bentrods.com.au)

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## The future of music is here

We recently announced 7 groups and 5 solo artists as the 2025 finalists in our popular music development program, The QUBE Effect.

The successful finalists are Alison Road, Big Blue Eyes, Ella Hartwig, Lara Estel, maira, neish, Princessinit, Remy, strayfold, Tahnee Rose, Tear Drive and TYDE. Make sure you hit up The Triffid any Sunday throughout April to catch the finalists in action at The QUBE Effect live performances.

Since 2015, the program has supported 269 young Brisbane musicians develop skills and industry networks to grow their careers. For more information, search 'The QUBE Effect' on [brisbane.qld.gov.au](http://brisbane.qld.gov.au)



## Holiday fun at Victoria Park



Make the most of the April school holidays with exciting free activities at Victoria Park, including fun-filled events for the whole family at Brisbane's Biggest Easter Weekend from 18-21 April.

For adventure seekers, the urban pump track provides 260 metres of thrilling 2-wheel action. Bring a picnic and enjoy the relaxing open spaces of Spring Hill Common.

Visit [brisbane.qld.gov.au](http://brisbane.qld.gov.au) and search 'Victoria Park' to learn more.

Brisbane City Council acknowledges this Country and its Traditional Custodians. We pay our respects to the Elders, those who have passed into the Dreaming; those here today; those of tomorrow.



## New and easy ways to recycle

You can now recycle even more with 3 new trial community recycling hub locations.

The new recycling hubs will be located at Cherside Library, Downfall Creek Bushland Centre and Karawatha Forest Discovery Centre.

These hubs will accept hard-to-recycle items like blister packs, small e-waste, cosmetic packaging, x-rays, CDs and DVDs, and mobile phones.

This initiative is just one of the many ways we're helping our residents recycle more.

Visit our website to learn what hard-to-recycle items are accepted at each of our community recycling hub locations.

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