## Woollahra News



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The spacious outdoor area is perfect for summer events

# New event spaces for hire at the Vaucluse Bowling Club & Community Facility

We're excited to share that our \$3.74 million upgrade of the Vaucluse Bowling Club and Community Facility is complete and the new-look and accessible spaces are now open for hire. It's the perfect location for your next event.

There's a main hall which can be booked for gatherings of up to 75 people and a separate meeting room for 15 people (with kitchenette), plus accessible bathrooms and a commercial kitchen. There's also a large lawn which can be hired. These spaces are ideal for social events, birthday parties, recreational activities (yoga, dance, and exercise classes), community group meetings and workshops, conferences and seminars.

Families and carers with babies and young children will also benefit from the Maternity and Child and Family Health care services which will be provided from the venue by South Eastern Sydney Local Area Health from September, including midwifery antenatal and postnatal assessments, early childhood health and developmental checks, breastfeeding support and New Parent Groups.

The upgrade was proudly supported by the NSW Government's Greater Sydney Crown Lands Open Space Activation Program, with additional funding from NSW Health.

For more information and bookings go to: **woollahra.nsw.gov.au/vbc** 

### Yarranabbe Park fitness station upgrade

Enjoy the new chin-up stations, parallel bars, step-up boxes – and one of the best views in Sydney!

View the locations of other fitness stations in our local area: woollahra.nsw.gov.au/fitness











### Cast your vote on Saturday 14 September

On election day, you will be asked to vote in a local government election for Woollahra and respond to a Constitutional Referendum question:

Woollahra Municipal Council currently has 15 Councillors. Do you favour reducing the total number of Councillors from 15 to 9?

If the majority of electors vote yes, the number of wards in our Local Government Area would also reduce, likely to be a reduction of 5 wards to 3, with changes coming into effect in 2028.

For more information, scan the QR code or visit:

yoursay.woollahra.nsw.gov.au/referendum-election

To check your enrolment details, or find out more about polling locations and pre-polling options visit: **elections.nsw.gov.au** 

The Local Government election and the referendum will be conducted by the NSW Electoral Commission.



### You can now apply for a resident parking permit online

Visit our website for more information on our quick and easy service, check your eligibility and apply:

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### Whale watch

The Vaucluse coastline is one of the best vantage points in Sydney for whale watching, and it's now even better thanks to the addition of two sets of free public binoculars.

Next time you're out for a coastal walk, take a few minutes to look up, out and along the coast to see what you can spot!

The binoculars are located at Jacobs Ladder in Gap Park and the southern corner of Christison Park. There's also new signage to tell you more about our local wildlife.





What will you spot with our new coastal binoculars?

## Please do not put batteries in the bin



We've recently had two fires in our waste trucks, caused by batteries. Keep our community and staff safe by disposing of your batteries safely.

Bring your small household batteries to the disposal bins at Double Bay or Paddington Libraries, or many local supermarkets.

Alternatively, you can drop them at Randwick City Council's Community Drop Off Centre in Perry Street, Matraville. Or bring them to our quarterly Recycle It Saturday events, where we can also accept larger batteries including car batteries with taped terminals. The next event will be held on

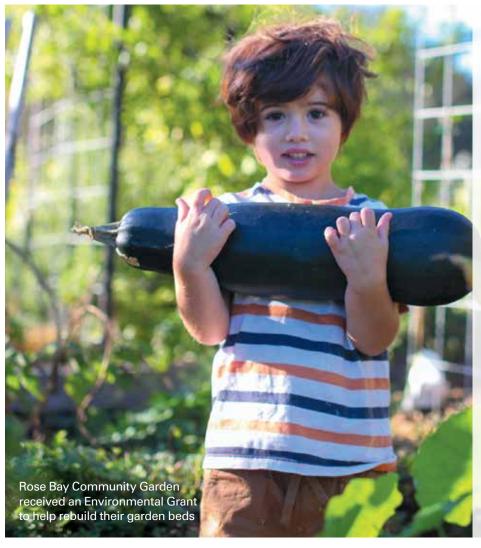
### Saturday 23 November.

Find out more:

woollahra.nsw.gov.au/batteries



The clean-up following one of the recent waste truck fires



# \$260,000 in grant funding to support community initiatives

The 52 successful recipients from this year's Grants Program will use the funding to develop initiatives supporting sustainability in schools, increasing mental wellbeing in the community, delivering green energy to community organisations, youth-led community events and connecting local businesses.

These projects make important contributions to the Woollahra community, and benefit both local residents and visitors to the area.

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## Libraries: much more than books

### 5 things we lend



**1. Video games**PS4, PS5, and Nintendo
Switch games.



Program small robots,

2. Kids STEM kits

code computer games and conduct simple science experiments.



3. Thermal camera

Identify energy efficiency in your home by finding gaps in insulation, compare the performance of different walls and rooms, find air leaks, water leaks or damp issues.



4. Memory boxes

For people with dementia and their carers to spark memories, encourage conversation and connection.



5. Seeds

Borrow some seeds to grow your own food at home, practice sustainable gardening, and be part of this seed swapping program within our community.

Find out more: woollahra.nsw.gov.au/libraryofthings



Rain, hail or shine, it's always fun at Lyne Park playground

### First stage of the Lyne Park playground upgrade open!

We'll be adding an imaginative flying boat – a playful nod to the site's history as the former Rose Bay International Airport – plus an intergenerational activity trail and new Aboriginal artwork later this year.

This project is proudly funded by the Australian Government, NSW Government and Woollahra Council.

Read more about the project: woollahra.nsw.gov.au/lyneparkupgrade

### 2024 Woollahra Small Sculpture Prize

You can explore the 59 finalists in this year's Woollahra Small Sculpture Prize at the free exhibition at Woollahra Gallery at Redleaf from

#### 13 September – 20 October.

You also have the opportunity to hear from some of this year's finalists at the Artist Talks on Saturday 21 September.
Don't forget to vote for your favourite artwork for the People's Choice Award.



**2024 Finalist:** *Mothership* (All in One), 2023 by Mark Eliott PHOTO: RICHARD WEINSTEIN

The gallery is open Wednesday to Sunday and entry is free.

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Spring
School Holiday

**Program** 

30 September - 11 October

**DINOSAURS ARE** ROARSOME!



Woollahra Libraries is hosting a variety of fun and affordable

the Spring school holidays.

dinosaur-themed activities during

Find out more and book your spot:

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- Book a free e-waste collection.

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Woollahra Council acknowledges that we are on the land of the Gadigal and Birrabirragal people, the Traditional Custodians of the land. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging.

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