

Thegabba Ward

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This will be my last eNewsletter for 2011 so I want to take the opportunity to wish you a happy and restful Festive season for you and your family.

As always there has been lots of activity in The Gabba Ward.

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Caution needed with Calendar's accuracy

I can guarantee the accuracy of my 2012 Calendar as I waited until the State Government announced all changes to public holidays in 2012.

I am aware that others did not. So if you have already received a Calendar ensure you check to see if it shows the public holiday on 1 October. If it doesn't, toss it out as I am aware of one calendar that is missing a whole week of April School Holidays.

My calendar will be delivered to your letterbox in the week starting 5th

December.



The artist is Jan Clair Abarico, aged 11 years in Class 6-7 at Dutton Park State School.

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Stones Corner Public Art

I am delighted to advise that the Stones Corner Public Art work project is proceeding. It was deferred so the funding could be reallocated to Flood Recovery. The proposed art work will be presented to the Stones Corner traders on 13 December. I have had a preview of the art work and it certainly will catch the eye of everyone passing by and put Stones Corner back on the map.

This project includes replacing the footpath bins, painting the seats and light poles, removing the unused banner poles, removing the tree guards and instead mulching the trees. These measures will de-clutter and “refresh” the streetscape. It is great to see this project back on Council’s agenda.

I will provide you a photo of the artwork once it is publically released.

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Closure of Riverside Drive, West End

I received a phone call a week ago asking when Riverside Drive will be closed to vehicles. I am assured it is happening.

The delay has been due to the turn-around decision to re-surface the road **prior to closing it**. This is not happening. However, you will have noticed the white lines outlining where patching of the road is to be undertaken so that the road can be used safely by pedestrians and cyclists.

Please be assured that not one week goes past without my checking the progress of this project.

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Design of “Floating” Riverwalk

The design of the New Farm Riverwalk has been announced and while it is not in The Gabba Ward, many Kangaroo Point residents are interested in the return of this pedestrian and bicycle link as soon as possible.

It is a fixed structure but in the same alignment as the previous Riverwalk. It will still contain an opening section as moorings are retained inside.



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What's On

Saturday 10 December, *FREE* Brisbane City Council's *Carols in the City* at the Riverstage, City Botanical Garden, gates open at 5pm, carols start at 7.15pm.

Sunday 11 December 2.30 - 4.00pm, *The Harmony Choir 2011 Concert*

At St Andrew's Church Hall, Cnr Creek and Ann Streets, Brisbane
Entry - \$5 each or \$10 family.

Sunday 18 December, *Christmas on the Green* by Metro Community Care

Southbank Institute of Technology, green space at the corner of Merivale and Glenelg Streets, South Brisbane.

From 4:00PM - Food Stalls, Entertainment and Kids Rides

From 6:30PM - Carols on the Green... plus a visit from Santa

Monday 19 to Wednesday 21 December 6 – 7pm, Brisbane City Council's *Christmas Tights* some of Australia's leading circus performers will show off their skills for FREE in King George Square.

Stones Corner Library - Activities for December

Thursdays 9.30am - Children Storytime

Fridays 9.30am – Babies, books and rhymes. Ideal for babies aged up to one year.

Thursday 22 December 9.30am – *Special Christmas storytime.* Christmas in the library with Santa stories, fun Christmas carols and make a Christmas decoration to take home.

For more information phone 07 3403 2170 or email scr@brisbane.qld.gov.au address 280 Logan Road, Stones Corner.

West End Library - Activities for December

Music in the library for December, recorded sound tracks and scores of classic Christmas carols will be played between the hours of 10am - 12noon and 2 - 4pm every day.

Friday 16 December 10.30am - *Domino's Christmas Kerfuffle.* Prepare yourself for a feast of magic tricks and fun!

Wednesday 21 December 9.30am - *Christmas storytime and craft*

Wednesday 21 December 2pm - *Movie: Narnia: Voyage of the Dawn Treader* – Bookings are required.

Friday 23 December 11am - *Make a book owl pendant.* Bookings are required.

Friday 14 December 2pm - *TinTin mania.* Bookings are required.

Children are encouraged to dress up as their favourite TinTin character.

To book phone 07 3403 8620 or email wnd@brisbane.qld.gov.au address 180 Boundary St, West End.

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