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# Frankston City

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# NEWS



## Frankston

## CAD Redevelopment



### Mayor's Message

Music groups from Karingal Park Secondary College and Frankston High School joined representatives of the Frankston Susono Friendship Association (FSFA) and Frankston City Council to visit our Sister City Susono, in Japan recently.

The visit celebrated the 20th anniversary of the Sister City Association, the 30th Anniversary of Susono as a City, and the bi-annual cultural fair.

Frankston City Council would like to thank the students and teachers from Karingal Park Secondary College and Frankston High School who gave a number of musical performances at the Australian Fair in Susono. The students were excellent ambassadors for Frankston City.



In Susono, Council was presented the Australian Sister Cities Association National Award for the "Best Single Project" for the Frankston Japanese Fair.

The Sister City relationship between Frankston and Susono has enabled a valuable exchange of friendship, culture, education and business between the people of both cities.

The role of the two sister city associations - Susono Overseas Friendship Association and the Frankston Susono Friendship Association - have been integral to the success of the sister city relationship.

Christmas is a wonderful time to be enjoying celebrations with your family and friends but it is also a time of year when we need to be particularly careful on the roads.

Frankston's record of fatal crashes has reached an alarming road toll this year, with the busiest time of year still ahead - leading up to Christmas and New Year.

Speed, alcohol and fatigue have been contributing factors in most of the recent fatal crashes. Motorists - as individuals, families and friends - can all reduce the possibility of becoming road crash statistics, by being responsible in respect to these three factors when driving.

Council is committed to improving road safety in Frankston. As an outcome of our Road Safety Plan, a new Road Safety Officer, Mr Daniel Petrillo, has been appointed to strengthen our ability to deliver road safety initiatives with the community.

Daniel can be contacted on 9784 1794 or via email [daniel.petrillo@frankston.vic.gov.au](mailto:daniel.petrillo@frankston.vic.gov.au) and will be contacting various community groups to promote road safety in coming months.

Have a merry Christmas and please drive safely throughout the festive season.

Cr Cathy Wilson  
MAYOR

Over the past two years Frankston City Council made available three commercial sites for development within the Frankston Central Activities District (CAD) - the North of Beach Street Car Park site; Sherlock and Hay Car Park site; and Former Police and Law Courts site.

Extensive negotiations for the development of the CAD and a detailed evaluation of the submitted proposals, was undertaken with two short-listed parties. The parties included Gandel Retail Trust and Harbour City Consortium.

Negotiations are presently continuing with the Gandel Retail Trust and Harbour City Consortium, with a view to obtaining an outcome that is acceptable to the Council and Frankston City community.

Council is committed to creating a balance in development across the CAD, which incorporates southern end investment and revitalisation.

The process will be guided by strict rules of confidentiality, to protect information of a commercially confidential nature. The new round of negotiations will also be overseen by the probity auditor, PricewaterhouseCoopers, to ensure that all key steps in the evaluation and selection process are carried out in an objective, fair and reasonable manner.

Frankston City Council will endeavour to keep the public well informed of the project's progress, having regard to the probity principles and issues of confidentiality.

It should be noted that a comprehensive evaluation of proposals will be undertaken, based on the following broad criteria approved by the Council:

- Ability to deliver the developments (financial and project ability).
- Strategic, economic, community and financial contribution to Frankston CAD and Frankston City.
- Approach to use, form and design of developments.
- Car parking and traffic.

Should a suitable proposal be submitted to Council following the current round of negotiations, and be accepted, its approval will be conditional upon a number of public processes.

The community will be able to have input into the final outcome as follows:

- Firstly, any sale or lease of Council-owned land will be subject to statutory processes, as required under the Local Government Act 1989. This will include public notification of Council's intention to sell or lease any parcel of land. As part of this process, the public will have the opportunity to make a submission to Council regarding its intention.
- Secondly, any development of the sites will also require planning approval. Any planning permit application for 'building and works' and 'use' (that requires a planning permit) will be advertised, as required by the Planning and Environment Act, to allow public input.

Should you have any questions regarding the CAD Redevelopment project, please telephone Council's Strategic Planning Co-ordinator, Lidia Orsini on 9784 1089 or e-mail [lidia.orsini@frankston.vic.gov.au](mailto:lidia.orsini@frankston.vic.gov.au)



## Local Drug and Alcohol Action Plan



*Frankston City Council has developed the following initiatives, as part of the Local Drug and Alcohol Action Plan, which aim to help people deal with issues surrounding drug and alcohol use.*

### A Guide for Business - Practical Ideas for Responding to Illicit Drugs in Frankston City

This guide contains useful information for business including dealing with difficult behaviour, conflict resolution and some useful contact details.

For your copy, contact Frankston City Council on 9784 1888.

### An Information Card and A4 Poster

A handy wallet size card lists all of the drug and alcohol services available in the community. An A4 poster, for easy viewing, is also available listing the same services.

For your copy, contact Frankston City Council on 9784 1888.

### A Resource Section at Frankston City Library on Alcohol and Other Drugs

A Drug and Alcohol Council Web Page  
For up-to-date information on Council's action in relation to Drugs and Alcohol, and some useful links, go to [www.frankston.vic.gov.au](http://www.frankston.vic.gov.au), select "What We Do" and then select "Drugs and Alcohol".

### A Communication Strategy - Including Information and Briefings for the Community and Business

The Drug and Alcohol Officer is available to talk to your group or business on drugs and alcohol, or a related issue.

For more information go to [www.frankston.vic.gov.au](http://www.frankston.vic.gov.au) or contact the Frankston City Drug and Alcohol Officer on 9784 1888 or email [correspondence@frankston.vic.gov.au](mailto:correspondence@frankston.vic.gov.au)

# Frankston City Improvements



## Ballarto Road/ McClelland Drive Traffic Signals

Works have recommenced at this intersection to install traffic signals that are being funded as a State Blackspot Project. The approximate project cost is \$500,000. Delays had occurred with this project due to the time required to relocate a large water main beneath Ballarto Road. The traffic signals should be operating early in the new year.

## Robinsons Road at Bayside Christian College

Works were recently completed on Robinsons Road to provide left and right turn lanes at the entrance to the College, to significantly improve safety at this location. The College and Frankston City Council jointly funded the project.



## Wedge Road Construction Between Frankston- Dandenong Road and McCormicks Road

Works are proceeding on program with the full construction of this collector road. Frankston City Council and the abutting residents are jointly funding the works through a Special Charge Scheme. The approximate project cost is \$1.4m and the target completion date is 1 April 2002.

## Liddesdale Avenue Reconstruction Between Fenton Crescent and Hillside Grove

The works include drainage, replacement of concrete kerb and channel, and an asphalt resurface to return this old street back to a safe, serviceable condition. The project cost is approximately \$180,000 and is fully funded by Frankston City Council. The target completion date is 30 November 2001.



## Pool Fencing Saves Lives

Frankston City Council in partnership with VicSwim and the State Government, are working together to promote the importance of pool fencing and water safety, in the lead up to summer.

Mayor, Cr Cathy Wilson said: "Summer is a critical time to remind all pool owners about the need to ensure your pool fencing meets the State Government regulations."

The pool fencing regulations apply to any swimming pool capable of containing a depth of water more than 300mm on a residential property (including units, flats, motels etc). This includes spas, wading pools, above ground pools, indoor pools and other structures containing water, used primarily for swimming, wading, paddling, bathing or similar uses.

Frankston City enforces the State Government's pool fencing regulations, and could issue \$1000 fines to pool owners, which will soon be increased to \$5000, for failing to meet the pool fencing standards set by the State.

Frankston City has undertaken enforcement on a number of pools throughout the year and as a result, pool owners have successfully managed to meet the requirements of the State Government regulations. In the summer months in particular, Council receives approximately five complaints per week about pool fencing. These complaints are followed up with a site inspection to assess the pool fencing compliance.

If residents are intending to install a new swimming pool or spa capable of containing a depth of water greater than 300mm, a safety pool barrier complying with the requirements of Australian Standard AS 1926.1-1993, must be installed. A building permit may be required for the construction of the safety pool barrier and the swimming pool or spa. Council strongly recommends that a permit is obtained to help ensure the safety barrier is installed with the requirements of the Australian Standard.

Frankston City's Building Section is available to provide advice or answer queries relating to pool safety fencing, and to provide information to help property owners identify and meet their obligations. Phone 9784 1900.

## Come and See A World of Recycled Products

The Recycled Product Centre will be open during the January holiday period for family groups to come and learn how to make their home or business greener by experiencing a world of products made from recycled materials and devices designed for sustainable living. The centre will be open daily at 9.00 am from 7 to 25 January, except on weekends. See and touch hundreds of products.

A moderate cover charge per family will apply and a sausage sizzle and soft drinks will be available.

Recycled Product Centre  
22 Lieber Grove (off Tova Street) Carrum Downs  
Tel: 9775 0161

## Housing Strategy and Neighbourhood Character Study

Frankston City is reaching the final stages of preparing a housing strategy and neighbourhood character study, in close consultation with residents in local neighbourhoods across the City.

The study is an initiative that will provide a clear framework to guide the local housing industry and Council decision-making, on a broad range of housing issues that affect Frankston City.

The issue of neighbourhood character is a major focus of the project, with the unique character of each part of the City taken into consideration to produce town planning policies aimed at protecting and enhancing valued characteristics.

Council engaged consultants, Planisphere, to undertake the study including character surveys and assessment of housing issues in the municipality. Neighbourhood workshops were held in July and August to identify neighbourhood character issues.

The Neighbourhood Character Study has now reached an important milestone, with completion of issues papers for each of the 50 character precincts identified so far by the study team.

The precincts define areas with a consistent neighbourhood character, and they cover the entire residentially zoned and developed areas of the City. Each paper includes a 'preferred character statement' and a description of the precinct's current character, together with information about planning policies, development issues and community values.

The issues papers were presented to a meeting of the community committee in October. This involved members viewing 'precinct picture boards' containing photographs of dwellings in each precinct. Using these boards, committee members were able to compare and contrast the characteristics of different parts of the City.

Members of the committee have now examined the issues papers in detail, including discussing them with other residents, to ensure that they reflect the values and views of local people. This has resulted in a large number of submissions to the project team suggesting ways of ensuring that valued local characteristics are reflected in the study.

The housing strategy component of the study is also well advanced, with a preliminary summary and issues paper prepared for each suburb and an analysis of special housing needs completed after a productive workshop that was held in October.

A public exhibition of draft recommendations and planning controls will be held in the first half of 2002. Opportunities for community input on the draft recommendations and planning controls will be announced in the local newspapers.

Project updates will be provided in future issues of the Frankston City News. If you would like more information about this study please contact John Eichler of Council's Town Planning Section on 9784 1806.

## Community Research on Health and Wellbeing

A survey was sent to 4000 randomly selected Frankston City households earlier this year, to assist the development of a Frankston City Health and Wellbeing Plan for 2001-2006.

### What Did You Tell Us?

Although the majority of the issues were considered important to respondents, the five that consistently gained the highest ratings across all local areas, were:

1. Freedom from violence or crime in the home and community - 4.9 out of 5.0
2. Freedom from infectious diseases like HIV AIDS, Hepatitis and Measles - 4.8 out of 5.0
3. Unpolluted air, water and land - 4.8 out of 5.0
4. Food safety and hygiene in the home, at shops, restaurants and street stalls - 4.8 out of 5.0
5. Access to water, sewerage, gas, power and telephone services - 4.8 out of 5.0

The above issues were rated as very important across most neighbourhoods, with the most important reinforcing residents' concern for safety in the community. The remaining issues related to the high value placed on having a healthy living environment, including access to basic services.

Almost three quarters of those responding said they did feel a sense of belonging with their local area community. There was a mixed response however, as to whether the future of their local area or neighbourhood would be better, the same or worse. A total of 75 per cent of respondents felt that their local area would be the same or better in the future than it is now.

The survey gave respondents the opportunity to comment on what role they believe Frankston City Council should play in improving health and wellbeing in the Frankston City area. Many comments were received about Council, such as encouragement of future developments and leadership; concerns about drugs; and improving community safety.

### Where To From Here?

Council is finalising the preparation of the Frankston City Health and Wellbeing Plan for 2001-2006 that will help us build and maintain healthy communities across our City. The information gathered from residents through the survey and a series of focus groups, has guided officers in the selection of the priority issues. Council will continue consulting with residents as the Health and Wellbeing Plan is progressed.

## Youth Resource Centre

### Services and Programs

#### Youth Counsellor/Family Worker

We provide counselling and support for young people, parents of young people and family members whose main issues concern a young person.

#### Youth Activity Service (YAS)

"YAS" provides fun and interesting activities for young people during the school term and after school, including the school holidays.

#### Family Support Service

Family Support is a free confidential service provided to families who are residents of Frankston City. The service aims to support and encourage families, parents and children to develop strategies and address certain issues in their lives.

#### Youth Health Service

A doctor and nurse are available for free and confidential appointments.

#### Young Parents Support

Advice is available on feeding, behaviour, and caring for babies and small children. Pregnancy care and advice is also provided by a qualified mid-wife.

#### Special Projects

Youth Services offers a number of interesting and innovative projects and groups for young people including: Secret Girls Business, Boys Only Zone, Get Real, Fresh, Young & Proud, AMPED, S-Cool Club, Rect-Ed, Youth Employment Program, SELF, Gloss, Surf Clinic and a range of Family Support Programs.

For more information please call the Youth Resource Centre on 9784 1868.

*Frankston City Council's Youth Services is dedicated to being an innovative leader in service provision to young people and the community. Our aim is to provide referral and information in a non-judgmental, safe and accessible environment where confidentiality is assured.*



## Stotts Lane Reconstruction and Widening Between Golf Links Road and Escarpment Drive

Stotts Lane is being widened and resurfaced to cater for increased traffic generated by new subdivisions in the area. A new right turn lane into the Baxter Retirement Village has been included in the works. The total project cost is approximately \$90,000 and is jointly funded by Frankston City Council and Baxter Retirement Village (contribution to right turn lane). The target completion date is 31 December 2001.



## Ballam Park Playground Upgrade

The western playground upgrade commenced in September 2001 and will be completed by late December. Local playground manufacturer Allplay is undertaking the works.

## Foreshore Playground Considered In Top 10

The Frankston Foreshore Regional Playground was one of 10 final projects to be considered by judges for the Excellence Awards for Regional Infrastructure Projects recently.



The awards are given for an outstanding contribution or major infrastructure development project that demonstrates particular attention to designs, concepts or systems that maximise benefits to the community, help create economic opportunities and improve the quality of life of the community.

Chief Executive Officer, Mr Jon Edwards said: "Frankston City is pleased that the \$700,000 foreshore playground successfully met all criteria for the awards, matching the high quality of projects valued up to \$10 million.

"The playground has been visited by thousands of children in the past 12 months, bringing families from across the region to the foreshore to enjoy barbecues, picnics and high quality play facilities."

The major award was given to a \$9 million remedial project at Lake Epaloch.



# Frankston City Signs Toronto Declaration

Frankston City has affirmed its commitment to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by declaring its support for the "Toronto Declaration."

The Toronto Declaration, featuring the signatures of supporting local governments across the world, was presented during the international United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change in Morocco during November 2001.

Frankston City's Sustainable Resource Officer Rachel Weaver said, "The signing of the declaration sends a message to the Commonwealth Government that greenhouse gas reduction has been successfully actioned by local government."

Frankston City joins 15 other councils across Australia including the cities of Melbourne and Sydney, who have endorsed the declaration.

"Endorsement of the declaration not only assists in profiling local authorities world-wide in their commitment to greenhouse issues but also promotes the capacity of local government in implementing tangible solutions to global problems," said Ms Weaver.

Frankston City in its efforts to reduce greenhouse emissions has signed all Council vehicles to Green/feet. Council is a member of the International Cities for Climate Protection Program and is currently promoting the use of renewable energy sources such as green power and solar energy in its own operations.

For your free copy of the Toronto Declaration contact Rachel Weaver, Sustainable Resource Officer, telephone: 9784 1006.

## Thanks to Volunteers

More than 500 volunteers have passionately given their time and commitment over the past year, to ensuring that our precious parklands, reserves and school grounds were further enhanced and protected for current and future generations to enjoy.

With expert knowledge and dedication, these groups have taken part in projects such as:

- Tree planting in the 'Green Wedge' and at various school grounds.
- Weed eradication along our many creeks and waterways.
- Planting local indigenous plants along our sensational foreshore, creeks, bushland reserves and our internationally-renowned Seaford wetlands.
- Assisting in the maintenance of the magnificent George Pentland Botanic Gardens.
- Propagating many indigenous plants for our unique local environments.
- Removing numerous amounts of rubbish from reserves that would have ended up in our creeks and our bay.

Frankston City Council would like to sincerely thank and acknowledge the tremendous efforts of all the school children and community groups who have helped with the many environmental projects over the last year.

Without your active and dedicated participation, the City would not be in the position it enjoys, being able to maintain and enhance some of the greatest environmental features in Melbourne.

With summer fast approaching, it is a perfect time to get involved in learning and caring about your local environment. To join one of the many volunteer groups, please contact Jenny Hall, Coastal and Vegetation Officer on 9784 1882.

## Green Wedge Calls for Community Expertise

Frankston City Council has established a Green Wedge Community Advisory Committee, a unique 'green' community group, and the first of its kind in south-east Melbourne.

Covering pockets of Carrum Downs, Skye and Langwarrin, the Green Wedge is mostly free of development, providing a large area of open space in Melbourne's much developed south-east corridor.

The Green Wedge is unique and special. Characterised by open grazing country and dotted with iconic River Red Gums, the Green Wedge was originally part of the ancient Carrum Carrum Wetland system, the remnants of which have recently been granted status as wetlands of international significance.

Frankston City is committed to maintaining the conservation values of the Green Wedge within the municipality and has encouraged the community to assist in preserving the Green Wedge for future generations.

Environment Co-ordinator Mark Batty said: "Council has attracted a wide range of interests to the Committee, including community members who have an understanding of conservation and environmental issues, agricultural practices and land development experience."

"We are committed to developing a long-term conservation strategy for this region with full community consultation."

For further information contact Mark Batty 9784 1009, or download from the Frankston City website at [www.frankston.vic.gov.au](http://www.frankston.vic.gov.au)



## Langwarrin Community Centre goes Solar

As part of Frankston City's energy conservation programs, Council recently launched the City's largest solar power system at the Langwarrin Community Centre.

Mayor, Cr Cathy Wilson said: "Frankston City Council is committed to reducing its energy consumption and is continually looking for innovative ways to improve energy efficiency in its own facilities.

"We are celebrating the implementation of the solar panel system, and a number of other energy initiatives that have been developed at the Langwarrin Community Centre to improve energy efficiency and reduce greenhouse gas emissions."

In addition to the solar panel system, three projects have been implemented at the Centre:

1. Lighting sensors have been installed in areas where lights can be left on.
2. A timer switch has been installed on the kitchen's boiling water unit.
3. A fluorescent lighting power control system has been installed to selectively reduce power to the lighting circuits to conserve energy and provide savings in relamping costs.

The reduction in electricity consumption as a result of these projects is estimated at 15,603 kWh per year, which equates to approximately 69 per cent of the Centre's annual electricity consumption and savings of \$1,980 in energy costs per year.

"Langwarrin Community Centre is certainly a great example of how we are making a conscious effort at the community level, to contribute to reducing greenhouse gas emissions by utilising renewable energy sources and reducing our energy consumption," said Cr Wilson.

Frankston City received funding from the Sustainable Energy Authority and technical support from UMG and Solar Charge in the development of the projects for the Centre.

For more information regarding energy saving ideas contact Rachel Weaver 9784 1006.

# Frankston Library Service

## On-Line Reservations and Catalogue

*Do you have access to the Internet from home or outside the library? Using the website <http://catalogue.frankston.vic.gov.au> you can access a new on-line service which allows library members to access their personal records and place reservations from their PC at home, at work or elsewhere.*

The on-line reservations and catalogue facility enables members to check whether the Frankston Library Service has the items that members may require, whether they are available on shelf, out on loan or whether reservations have been placed on them.

To use this on-line reservation and renewal self-service, you will require your library barcode number and a PIN. When you access the above website address, click on 'Patron Information' in the sidebar of the Web Pac screen.

You will be asked to enter your barcode and PIN. Just follow the prompts to register your choice of PIN and place a reservation. You will be notified by mail once the item you have reserved on-line becomes available for you.

Reservations for items out on loan or on order can still be placed at the Information Desk at the library. Requests may also be placed at the Information Desk for new items to be added to the collection.

If an item is bought for the collection, the library member concerned will receive a notice indicating that the new title is available.

Also at the Information Desk, older books not owned by the Frankston Library Service may be requested via Inter-Library-Loan. This is a service whereby books are lent between different public libraries for loan to borrowers. The usual loan conditions apply.

For a trial period to 31 January 2002, holds placed over the Internet will not incur any charge. Reservations and requests placed at the Information Desk at the library will incur the usual \$1.10 fee.

For further information regarding any of these services, please contact:

Frankston Library Service  
60 Playne Street, Frankston Tel: 9784 1020 Fax: 9783 2616  
E-mail: [libraryenquiries@frankston.vic.gov.au](mailto:libraryenquiries@frankston.vic.gov.au)

Carrum Downs Library  
203 Lyrebird Drive, Carrum Downs Tel: 9782 0418 Fax: 9782 0187  
Web site: <http://catalogue.frankston.vic.gov.au>

## Frankston Library Community Room

Bookings are now available for the hire of the Community Room for 2002.

The Community Room is located on Level 3 of Arts Centre - adjacent to the Library at 60 Playne Street, Frankston. Parking is available in the Arts Centre Car Park with direct access to the Community Room.

The room is equipped with a TV/video, whiteboard and will seat up to 50 people. A kitchen equipped with boiling water and crockery is included.

The room is available for hire to community groups and businesses. The basic charge of \$33 includes the first three hours of use.

For information regarding the hire of the Frankston Library Community Room, please contact Mrs Wendy Everard on 9784 1020.

## Celebrate A Safe Christmas

An event is being held at the Young Street Transport Interchange, from 17 to 24 December to 'Celebrate a Safe Christmas'. Entertainment will include singers, performers and face painting, with main activities held between 11am and 2pm each day.

A marquee will be erected at the Frankston Station entrance and information will be available on summer safety issues including fire safety, road safety, boating safety and responsible animal ownership.



## Discover Frankston's Unique Range of Events!



### Sea Festival at Frankston

Celebrate living by the sea at this unique three-day Festival  
 Location: Frankston Foreshore (near the pier) Contact: 9784 1888

#### Day 1: Sirens By the Bay

- 11 January, 7pm to 11pm**  
Meet the people who make our summer safe and enjoy the entertainment.
- 7pm** - Southern Peninsula Helicopter Sea Rescue demonstration.
- 7pm & 8pm** - Coast Action "Beach Detective" - scavenger hunts for kids.
- 7.30pm** - SES Jaws of Life demonstrations.
- 7pm to 9pm** - Free malibu, jet ski and rubber ducky rides, as well as flag-racing and bucket relays thanks to Frankston Life Saving Club.
- 7pm to 9pm** - "Come & Try" kayak rides and knot-tying demonstrations with Frankston 5th Sea Scouts.
- 7pm to 9pm** - Musical entertainment by "Shelley Inlet" - an alluring sea siren.
- 7pm to 9pm** - Fantasy Island - Australia's biggest jumping castle.
- 7pm to 11pm** - Market stalls and yummy food.
- 7pm to 9pm** - CFA Smoke-house - children's fire safety demonstrations.
- 9pm** - Flare Display by the Frankston Coast Guard.
- 9.30pm** - Free Twilight Movie by the Bay - Toy Story 2.



#### Day 2: Twilight Festival and Sea Ceremony

- 12 January, 5pm to 10pm**  
Come along and enjoy the celebrations as Frankston rejoices being a premier City by the bay. Activities include:
- 5pm to 7pm** - "Come & Try" frisbee demonstrations.
- 5pm to 8.30pm** - Kite flying demonstrations.
- 5pm to 9pm** - Kids marquee - free painting and plaster paints activities.
- 5pm to 10pm** - Cultural stage featuring dance groups, musicians and other entertainment.
- 5pm to 10pm** - Free twilight boat rides with the Boating Industry Association.
- 5pm to 10pm** - Fantasy Island - Australia's biggest jumping castle.
- 5pm to 10pm** - Fishcare "touch tables" - children can touch a range of interesting specimens found on the beach.
- 5pm to 10pm** - Market stalls and delicious food.
- 5.30pm to 7.30pm** - Life Be In It games and craft activities - earth balls, toss mats, parachutes, juggling ball making and kite making.
- 5.30pm to 8.30pm** - Magic Sea Roving - musical and educational entertainment for kids with an environmental message.



- 7pm & 9pm** - Coast Action "Beach Detective" - scavenger hunt for kids.
- 9pm** - Grand Finale - the Sea Ceremony, which takes place as the sun goes on the beach between the pier and Kananook Creek. This year's theme is Freshwater/Saltwater Dreaming - an exploration of the heritage and culture of our indigenous community through story, song, dance, poetry, drama and visual arts performed by members of the local Koori community.

#### Day 3: Kids Come and Try Pier Fishing Day

- 13 January, 8am to 2pm**  
Kids can come along and have some fun whilst learning tips from the experts. Activities include:
  - Lucky number Fishing Competition - every entrant has a chance to win great fishing prizes ranging from rods to tackle boxes and more.
  - Expert Tuition from Frankston Anglers and Boat Owners Club and Fishcare.
  - Buried Treasure Hunt - Kids can dig in the giant sandpit to search for lucky discs which can then be exchanged for great fishing prizes.
  - Fish filleting and cooking demonstrations.
  - Fantasy Island - Australia's biggest jumping castle.
  - Guest appearances from Melbourne Aquarium's "Octopussy" and "Sharky."
- The Sea Festival at Frankston is proudly sponsored by: Frankston City Council, Festivals Australia, Vic Health, JV Marine and Coast Action/Coast Care.

#### Other Upcoming Summer Events

**Mountain Dew Mindgames Nationals - Pro Skateboarding Jam**  
 Featuring Australia's most talented pro skateboarders in a jam-packed afternoon of spectacular skateboarding action, guest DJs, junior jams, interactive displays, street performers, breakdancers, giveaways and more!  
 Date: 5 January 2002  
 Time: From 2pm  
 Location: Ballam Park Amphitheatre, Cranbourne Road  
 Contact: Paul Harvey - 5975 3779

**The Epiphany - Greek Festival**  
 Traditional Greek ceremony diving for the cross. Enjoy Greek food, music and friendship!  
 Date: 6 January 2002  
 Time: From 12 noon  
 Location: Frankston Pier  
 Contact: Con Sidiropoulos - 9213 5284

**The Melbourne International Travelling Film Festival**  
 See the best from the 2001 Melbourne International Film Festival.  
 Date: 7-11 January 2002  
 Location: Frankston Arts Centre, Davey Street, Frankston  
 Contact: 9784 1060

**The Wizard of Oz - live show and meal for kids**  
 Date: 7-25 January 2002  
 Time: 11am & 2pm  
 Location: Pancake Parlour, Nepean Hwy, Frankston  
 Cost: \$11 all inclusive  
 Contact: Bookings essential - 9789 9978

**The Professionals Australia Day After Dark**  
 Frankston City Council presents a fabulous day of free family entertainment. Including free rides, free twilight movie showing Moulin Rouge, music, food and craft stalls, demonstrations and more!  
 Date: 26 January 2002  
 Time: 4pm - 11pm  
 Location: Frankston Football Oval, High Street  
 Contact: 9784 1888

**Frankston Town Centre Challenge Swim**  
 Date: 27 January 2002  
 Location: Frankston Foreshore  
 Contact: 9784 1970

For further information call 9784 1888 for a summer events brochure or visit Frankston City Council's website at [www.frankston.vic.gov.au](http://www.frankston.vic.gov.au)  
 This information was correct at the time of publication. Please note that some details may change and additional information may be added.



## Frankston Community

### Christmas Appeal

Each year Frankston Emergency Relief Providers (FERP) combine their efforts to provide assistance to people assessed by trained community workers as being in crisis at Christmas time. The Appeal, now in its 12th year, is coordinated through the Frankston Community Support and Information Centre.

Last Christmas, with the goodwill of the people of Frankston, FERP was able to raise approximately \$12,000 in cash donations and contributions of Christmas fare and toys from local business, organisations and individuals which provided nearly 240 Frankston families with food hampers and toys.

If you would like to support this appeal with non-perishable food items, a hamper of Christmas goodies or perhaps a cash donation then either drop in or send your donation to:

The Frankston Community Christmas Appeal  
 C/- Frankston Community Support and Information Centre (FCSIC)  
 68 Playne Street, FRANKSTON 3199

All donations \$2.00 and over are tax deductible and receipts will be issued to you automatically.



## Frankston

### Challenge Swim

The Frankston 1200 Challenge Swim has become an annual event attracting approximately 2000 spectators and involving over 100 volunteers from local clubs and organisations.

The 2002 Swim will be held on Sunday 27 January at 11am, at the Frankston Lifesaving Club providing an opportunity for people to participate in a local Open Sea Swim.

The Swim has gained major sponsorship from Bayside Shopping Centre and offers cash prizes in the Open Section, medallions, bonus \$100 for the fastest swimmer and random spot prizes for competitors. All entries pre-paid before 18 January will receive a complimentary T-shirt designed by Jos law and the chance to win a four-burner barbecue donated by BBQ's-R-Us.

More information about this event can be obtained from visiting [www.frankston.net](http://www.frankston.net) or phoning Vicki Martin on 9784 1970.