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Redfern chosen for Greater Sydney Partnership launch

The Greater Sydney Partnership which was created to promote Sydney as Australia's only global city has selected Redfern as the location to launch its exciting initiative. Held at Carriageworks, the Partnership acknowledged the work of Auntie Beryl and Yaama Dhiyaan for the valuable and positive contribution she and the organisation make to the city of Sydney. Founding Chairman Peter Holmes à Court will be working with up to 70 organisations as part a marketing alliance that will aim to more effectively market the city. The Partnership evolved from the Brand Sydney initiative, which now forms part of the new organisation.

New 'What's On' Calender

The Redfern-Waterloo Authority website now features a "What's On" Calendar to update the community on upcoming events, forums, meetings and other occasions happening in the Redfern-Waterloo area (including Eveleigh, Darlington and parts of Alexandria). This is a calendar to be populated for the community's benefit. Visit www.redfernwaterloo.com.au under the Community house to "What's On". To add your event to the calendar, email the event details (including any flyers, briefs, summaries and contact details) to Fiona Graham at fiona.graham@rwa.nsw.gov.au.

Generation One function at Yaama

Yaama Dhiyaan continues to attract significant events to the local area with a business and stakeholder breakfast for the Generation One campaign initiated by business leader Andrew "Twiggy" Forrest in March 2010. The campaign is aimed at abolishing the disadvantage between Aboriginal people and other Australians. Around 130 business representatives, including James Packer, Ryan Stokes and

about 90 other business leaders and stakeholders were served Indigenous cuisine from the Yaama Dhiyaan menu. The event shows that Yaama Dhiyaan is making real progress in the areas of Aboriginal employment and cuisine. Andrew Forrest praised Yaama and the Les Tobler construction program's efforts in promoting Aboriginal employment and even got his hands dirty working with the construction trainees in the Les Tobler centre.

Heritage update

The Redfern Waterloo Heritage Taskforce will meet again on Tuesday, 25 May 2010 to discuss membership and potential projects raised during the RWA's collection of nominations in February and March. The Taskforce is finalising its indigenous membership and is focused on achieving a balance of representation from the various stakeholders in the Redfern-Waterloo area. Nominated projects, including a Dictionary of Sydney, Office of Rail Heritage, the Performance Space, Aboriginal Connections with Eveleigh, the LES War Memorial, Walking Tours, Eora journey, and the Alexandria Park Community School, were discussed individually, with the RWA initiating activity on the majority of suggestions. To find more about the Heritage Taskforce, heritage projects, the terms of reference, Taskforce membership, and a point of contact for Heritage matters, please visit the [RWA website](#) (Heritage section).

Graffiti Action Day

Local residents in Redfern-Waterloo took part in Graffiti Action Day, an opportunity for communities to engage in the removal of graffiti in their local area. This event, a first in Australia and driven by a partnership between Keep Australia Beautiful and the NSW Government, saw residents supporting non-government and community run facilities by repairing damage caused by graffiti. Activities took place in George St, Waterloo and Morehead St in Redfern.

Farmers' markets on SBS and in Sydney Magazine

The Eveleigh Farmers' Markets appeared on SBS News recently with a number of stallholders and farmers featuring in the report. In addition, the markets appeared in Sydney Magazine's "Fifty reasons to love Sydney" article which was published on 24 March 2010. Market managers continue to be pleased with attendance levels, with the number of visitors reaching almost 3500 in the first weekend in May.

News from the ATP

Australian Technology Park Precinct Management Ltd distributed its April newsletter to subscribers, updating them on the latest news at the ATP. To receive this e-newsletter please visit www.atp.com.au/newsletters and follow the prompts to subscribe. You can also access prior newsletters on this page.

RWA staff update

Redfern-Waterloo Authority wishes to announce the departure of Communications Officer Ben Falkenmire, who left the organisation in April. RWA would like to acknowledge and thank Ben for his excellent achievements during his time with the RWA. Natalie Kikken has taken over the role, and has experience working across a range of communications for not-for-profit, corporate, and publishing organisations. For any communications enquires, please contact Natalie on 02 9202 9112 or email natalie.kikken@rwa.nsw.gov.au.

DEVELOPMENT NEWS

Redfern RSL redevelopment begins

Demolition work has commenced on the redevelopment of the Redfern RSL club for an 18 storey mixed use building featuring retail and commercial space, a new RSL

club and 84 apartments. Demolition and construction is underway with the base of the building scheduled to be completed by around February 2011, with the entire building forecast to be completed by March 2012.

Car park on Gibbons Street exhibition

A public exhibition outlining the redevelopment application of the car park located at 7-9 Gibbons St, Redfern, concluded on 23 April 2010. The Department of Planning will now forward copies of the submissions to the applicant (Lawson Square Pty Ltd C/- Kass Hermes Urban Planning and Development) for their response.

Abercrombie and Cleveland St, Redfern application

The public can view the Environmental Assessment and supporting information for the application for a four-storey mixed use development at 136-144 Abercrombie St and 157-161 Cleveland St, Redfern until Friday, 31 May 2010. A full copy of the Environmental Assessment can be viewed on the Department of Planning's website under their Major Project Register at www.majorprojects.planning.nsw.gov.au. All enquiries should be directed to Wilfred Nino at the Department of Planning on 9228 6462 or via email at wilfred.nino@planning.nsw.gov.au. Submissions should be forwarded to The Director, Government Land and Social Projects, GPO Box 39 Sydney NSW 2001 with the reference MP 07_0180. Submissions should be received by the Department of Planning by close of business on Friday 21 May 2010.

Momentum event in North Eveleigh

The RWA approved a development application for the temporary use of the Clothing Store building at North Eveleigh for a four day art event from 12-15 May 2010, known as Momentum. The Momentum event will provide a forum of gallery spaces in which artists, their galleries, and art professionals from around the world will showcase art of the moving image and art of the moving body. This invitation only event is the first of a global engagement.

WHAT'S ON

Yaama Dhiyaan - 2010 dates

The first term of the year at the Yaama Dhiyaan Hospitality Training Centre finished on 1 April with the second term commencing 3 May. The remainder of this year's course dates are as follows:

Term 3: 26th July to 24th Sept

Term 4: 11th October to 10th December

For more information about the course or to register for a term, contact Andrew Constantinidis on 9202 9100.

The Factory Community Centre:

World Festival of Children's Theatre Germany 2010

The Factory Community Centre's Dance Group has been selected to represent Australia at the renowned World Festival of Children's Theatre in Lingen, Germany in June 2010.

The Dance Group comprises of 12 local children from Redfern and Waterloo who will perform two traditional Aboriginal dance sequences in front of an audience of 3000 international guests.

The Festival covers the cost of hosting the group whilst they are at the event, however, The Factory Community Centre is calling for assistance to raise the funds necessary for the flights and associated travelling costs for the children and their four adult carers.

To assist these young people to attend this life changing event, please contact Patrick Russell or Michael Shreenan on 9698 9569.

The Factory Community Centre is a registered charity.

Waterloo Community Forum

Hosted by the local member and Premier Kristina Keneally from 2pm-4pm on 14 May at the Waterloo Neighbourhood Centre, this meeting between government and non-government agencies and residents is a great opportunity to raise any concerns about your local area and to find out about the various projects and developments that are happening. For more information, please contact Phillip Norman on 9699 8166.

Eveleigh Farmers' Market – every Saturday 8am to 1pm

Eveleigh Farmers' Market is an undercover, traditional, authentic weekly Saturday Farmers' Market held in the historic Blacksmith Workshop of the one-time Eveleigh Rail Yards. It is Sydney's only 'rain, hail, shine' venue and an inspiring heritage backdrop. The Farmers' Market is held every Saturday from 8am to 1pm. For more information please visit www.eveleighmarket.com.au.

Artisans' Market – 1st Sunday of the month, 10am to 3pm

Showcasing the best in Australian independent design, art and crafts, the Artisans' market, hosted by Eveleigh Market, takes place on the first Sunday of the month from 10am-3pm under the heritage listed Blacksmith Workshop.

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