

from the beach. This is, after all, primarily a beachfront for beach activities. The 'Youth Recreation' involves skate board ramps and a basketball court, none of which are beach orientated. They could more easily be placed in the sports reserve east of the beach, which is closer to the youth's homes, full time shops, transport and other sports activities. But we, the beach users, lost that one.



OTHER FREE BEACHES IN WA – I have just returned from a trip up the coast to Broome (over 7200 kms return) and I can confirm that Mauritius Beach (20 kms north of Exmouth, 3 kms past the Lighthouse Caravan Park along Yardie Creek Rd.) is indeed clothes optional because the sign at the beach says it is! It is also a turtle nesting site Dec. to March. The world's biggest fish, the whalesharks, are from April to July. I can strongly suggest snorkelling off the beach at Turquoise Bay (a further 40 kms on bitumen) for all the family. The weather is much kinder up north during the middle of the year.

Cable Beach at Broome is still going strong, but a bit! hot and humid this time of year. It is packed out at mid year so book your accommodation. Just walk or drive north of the rocks. Cambay Pool is 15 kms north of Nannup on the Vasse Hwy. (approx 300 kms south of Perth) and 7 kms along Cambay Rd. The pool and camping grounds are designated clothes optional. Best during the week. Very scenic in the tall timber area of WA.



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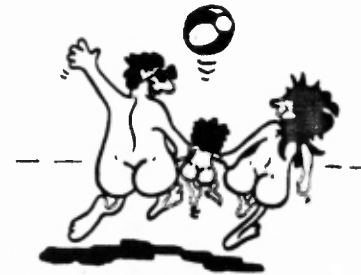
Two Southern Right whales were seen frolicking off our Swany beach on Wednesday 16 July 2003. They were just engaging in normal mammalian behaviour at this beach (except we usually do it in summer).

In Germany, a summer heatwave saw the official nudist movement get somewhat peeved when thousands enjoyed sunbathing naked but refused to become paid-up nudist club members. The nudist's leader said the 'wild' nudists were giving the movement a bad name while the rebels called the club members 'narrow-minded conservatives'. Oooh Ahh.

Some time ago the City of Gosnells sent a letter to its residents indicating the measures they had taken to combat antisocial behaviour at their Skate and BMX Park. This included a security camera, adopting a no tolerance policy, and extra supervision by staff and police.



Bruce ▲



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CHANGES TO SWANBOURNE BEACHFRONT

In mid 2003 the Nedlands City Council called for tenders for the major changes to the beachfront – parking, landscaping, shop, toilets, paths, etc. In August, after reviewing the tenders, they decided to refuse all tenders and establish a committee to investigate cost cutting. This committee's report suggested the following modifications:-

- Playground equipment deleted – replaced by irrigated turf.
- Lower car park entry to direct traffic to upper car park.
- Gross pollutants traps replaced with soakwells.
- High mast beach floodlights deleted.
- BBQ/playground lighting deleted.
- Drop-off area bollards deleted.
- Playground shade sails deleted.
- Add main entry ramp and stairs to access upper car park.
- Revegetation signage deleted.

The estimated savings were \$567,687 or 27% of the preferred tender (for stage 1). As of early January 2004 these changes are to be re-tendered.

The Swanbourne Beach Improvement Plan is in 3 stages:-

- Stage 1. Demolish Surf Club Hall
 - Remove lower car park → extensive landscaping
 - Re-contour and landscape grassed bank
 - Create small short term car park and turnaround on former lower car park
 - Improvements and landscaping to upper car park
 - Modify Odern Crescent but retain existing kiosk and change rooms/toilets
- Stage 2. Develop Café and new toilets/change rooms on former Surf Club Hall site
- Stage 3. Demolish existing kiosk, toilets/change rooms
 - Construct Youth Recreation Area on this site

I still strongly disagree with placing the Youth Recreation Area on such a prime site when the beach users' facilities (parking, shop, toilets/change rooms) are moved further away

Swanbourne lympics

You are most welcome to join with us in the TWENTY SECOND OLYMPIC GAMES to be held at North Swanbourne Free Beach. Remember, still photographs of the events are OK but due to popular demand, **NO PERSONAL VIDEOS OR MOVIES** and for photos of people other than in events, **ASK FIRST!** It's only polite.
 Note: If you choose to join us in our day of fun and frivolity, you must accept any and all risks and consequences associated with that choice. The organizers don't accept any consequences of your choice.

DAY: SUNDAY 15 February 2004

COMMENCES: 10.00am

DRESS: IMMATERIAL

PROGRAMME OF EVENTS

EGGS IN SPACE (Adults)(Kids)
 (Poachers eggspelled)

GIRLS & BOYS AROUND THE BUOY (F)(M)
 (Swim through Swany)

TUTTI FRUTTI (Kids)(Adults)
 (Melon heads come on down)

SAND SCULPTURE (Kids - theme)
 (Bell towers at Swanbourne?)

FILL 'ER UP MATE (All)
 (No containers - 6 per team)

BEST BUM (M)(F)
 (All entrants must have one)

FLOUR SACK STRUGGLE (Kids)
 (How are you in the sack?)

PASS THE BUCKET (All)
 (There's a hole in the - - - - -)

THREE LEGGED RACE (Adults)(Kids)
 (Three-legged folks accepted)

TUG 'O WAR (All)
 (The big pull over)

DURING THE LUNCHBREAK
BODY PAINTING (Adults)(Kids)
 (Paints and brushes supplied)



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