



City West Lotteries House

Newsletter April 2026

It's once again time to peek behind the curtain and take a look at what the CWLH community has ben up to! Here's what's been happening over the last few months...

TENANT NEWS

Urban Bushland Council

UBC's committee members have been hard at work lately! Their endeavours have included: assisting member groups with **grant applications** to bodies like VolunteeringWA and the DBCA; meeting with state government ministers and staff to advocate better urban conservation planning; **presenting to the WA Auditor General** regarding environmental offsets; researching and lodging submissions/appeals to land development and clearing in locations like [Hazelmere \(with its proposed data centre\)](#); and **responding to community calls** for guidance and support, such as journalists and journalism students, the Duke of Edinburgh award, and the state government! It's so good to see how much impact is coming out of UBC and their peers, and helping to change WA's environment for the better.

Thanks to Colma for sending this through!

Australian Centre for Child Protection

On 19th February 2026 the Australian Centre for Child Protection and Developmental Disability WA, with support of Disability Inclusion Australia, **held a symposium:** *Building better support pathways for parents with intellectual disability across health, disability, legal and child protection services*. This symposium brought together academic, sector and lived experience perspectives to explore how health, disability, legal and child protection systems can work more effectively to support parents with intellectual disability.

On 25-27 March 2026 **Melissa O'Donnell gave a Keynote Speech** at the Turning Point Symposium: *Reframing Pre-Birth & Infant Safety Reports Through Effective Solutions*. This landmark event brought together voices of lived experience of young parents with leading practitioners, policymakers, and researchers specialising in the first 1000 days of early intervention. Across Australia, young parents are disproportionately represented in pre-birth and infant child protection reports. Evidence shows that early, intensive intervention can reduce the need for child removal and improve outcomes for families, yet current approaches are not addressing the root cause and systemic issues contributing to adverse childhood experiences. Access to intensive and specialised early intervention programs for young parents at risk of child protection involvement, can ensure families are safe and supported.

WA Forest Alliance

The Bob Brown Foundation held [the national March for Forests](#) on 22nd March, and thousands marched in WA, with rallies in Boorloo/Perth, Wooditchup/Margaret River, Kinjarling/Albany and Pwakkenbak/Mt Barker against forest mining. According to the Bob Brown Foundation, **over 15,000 people** participated in the march in over 14 locations worldwide. An incredible turnout for the forests!

Centre for Women's Safety and Wellbeing

The Centre for Women's Safety and Wellbeing welcomed **more than 60 attendees at an International Women's Day event:** *Justice,*

[Barriers, and Restorative Pathways for Aboriginal Women in Western Australia](#). There, they were privileged to hear from Dr Victoria Hovane, Dr Hannah McGlade, and Bronwyn Farrell in a conversation led by Billie Wilkins, who articulated so clearly and powerfully the barriers that continue to prevent Aboriginal women from feeling safe, heard, and able to shape their own futures. Laurene from CWSW says, "We are committed to continuing to create spaces where this expertise and truth telling can be shared, and we look forward to continuing this journey."

Thanks to Laurene for sending this through!

Haemophilia Foundation WA

To mark [World Haemophilia Day](#) on Friday 17th April, a range of prominent landmarks across Western Australia will be lit up red in support of the bleeding disorders community. Participating locations include Council House, Kings Park, the Bell Tower, whole lot of bridges, and even more sites. So, if you happen to drive past one of these landmarks glowing red, take a moment to remember what it represents, and feel free to snap a photo and share the love!

Thanks to Sam for sending this through!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT CWLH

April

- 17th April - (HFWA) [World Haemophilia Day](#)
- 22nd April - (SECCA) [Relationship Education](#)
- 30th April - (DDWA) [What if I Die Tomorrow?](#)

May

- 5th May - (Phoenix) [Burnout Prevention for Human Service Workers](#)

- 6th May - (CWSW) [National Domestic & Family Violence Remembrance Day - Candlelight Vigil](#)
- 13th May - (UBC) Dr Bruce Webber, ['Amending the Cat Act'](#)
- 14th May - (DDWA) [My Rights at Work](#)
- 15th May - (SECCA) [Feeling Safe](#)
- 18th May - (Phoenix) [Identifying & Responding to Adult Sexual Violence & Child Sexual Abuse in FDV Cases](#)
- 24th May - (UBC) From the Scarp to the River: Recognising and thanking community conservation volunteers
- 27th May - (CWSW) [Webinar: How technology weaves into the cycle of family and domestic violence](#)

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