

MEDIA STATEMENT



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New museum attracts a lot of interest

The new Bunbury Museum and Heritage Centre is attracting strong interest with an average of 55 people visiting the facility each day since opening its doors earlier this month.

The Museum, which is located in the 130-year-old Paisley Centre on Arthur Street, has drawn praise from visitors who have remarked on the professional fit-out and quality of displays.

Museum Curator Laretta Davies said it was encouraging to see so many people discovering more about Bunbury's rich history.

"The feedback has been extremely positive as people have enjoyed a unique experience created by intertwining new technology and significant objects," Ms Davies said.

Among the many highlights is a suspended sculpture of a ship, which represents the city's maritime history, including its many shipwrecks.

Other objects include a scale model of the ship Geographe and a vintage movie projector, while an audio/visual highlight has been the history of road racing through the city streets.

Ms Davies said the museum was still building its collection and any objects relating to Bunbury's history were more than welcome to be donated.

"The objects on display represent just a small part of the museum's collection, but we encourage anyone who has something of significance to drop in for a chat," she said.

"We will look to update the pieces on display when appropriate to ensure we tell Bunbury's story in the best possible way."

The Museum, which is owned and operated by the City of Bunbury, is open to the public from 10am to 4pm, Tuesday to Saturday. Entry is free.

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