

MEDIA STATEMENT

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Crowds line the streets for Christmas in the City

About 12,000-15,000 people celebrated the festive season on Sunday 9 December for the City of Bunbury Christmas in the City event.

The CBD was awash with colour and vibrancy as the RAC Street Parade wound its way along the streets before finishing at Bicentennial Square.

More than 40 Christmas-themed floats took part in the annual parade which was met with cheer from spectators who lined the streets of the CBD.

Winner of the best float competition was Cross Security with their Santa's Workshop display while Southern Ports was runner-up with their Good Ship Lollypop themed float.

A popular attraction was the giant inflatable snow dome set up at Bicentennial Square complete with artificial snow. People lined up to step inside and have their photo taken to create everlasting memories.

Also at Bicentennial Square were Santa and his helpers which drew crowds before The Apprentice and Traineeship Company Carols Concert began at 7pm.

The crowd sang along to all the traditional Christmas carols and more contemporary songs.

More than \$1000 was raised from the sale of battery-operated candles which will be handed over to the Bunbury Meals on Wheels and Senior Citizens Association.

Bunbury Mayor Gary Brennan said it was sensational to see so many community members come together to celebrate.

"Christmas in the City is a true community event and it is wonderful to have so many people take part – from local businesses donating their time to young families watching the fun unfold," Mayor Brennan said.

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