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Bassendean Youth Services

Bassendean Youth Services are situated at 85-87 Old Perth Road Bassendean, on the corner of Whitfield Street.

The Youth Centre is open for young people to 'drop-in' between 3 pm and 6 pm Tuesday to Friday, and offers a broadband internet and computer game café, XBOX, mini skate ramp, guitars, amps and drums, table tennis, squash courts and DVD movie projector.

Everything going on in the afternoons is free, and the centre is available for young people aged 12 to 25.

There is also stuff going on at the centre like LAN parties, graffiti art and sport most weeks. Once a month, there is an activity on a Saturday and this year we plan to go ski-biscuiting on the Swan River, cycle and swim at Rottnest Island and also spend a day at Adventure World. Most of these activities only cost ten dollars.



During each school holiday period the youth centre runs a camp. We have held surfing and skateboarding camps, bush survival camps and have even been on a snorkelling expedition off the coast of Geraldton. The Youth Service is open during the day for young people needing support with accommodation, legal issues, employment assistance and medical things etc.

A JPET program—which helps young people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness—also operates from the centre, as does the RAP Program which can provide assistance to families, young offenders and refugees.



Did you know?

Friday Festivals

Bassendean Youth Service has recently delivered a number of awesome events to young people in the north-east metropolitan region.

The outdoor 'Friday Festivals', which have been held at Stand By Me Youth Service, Midland PCYC, Swan City Youth Service and Bassendean Youth Services saw heaps of young people enjoying amusement rides, dancing to DJs, getting temporary tattoos and watching urban art exhibitions as well as stacks of other cool stuff. And the best thing was... it was all FREE!

'Femme Fatale'

Bassendean Youth Services is running a group for young women on Friday 31st March called 'Femme Fatale'. It will explore health and lifestyle issues and include stacks of other really cool girl stuff like facials and skincare workshops, massage workshops and aromatherapy fun. Then it's movies, music and popcorn till you drop! In the meantime you may want to check out this awesome website:

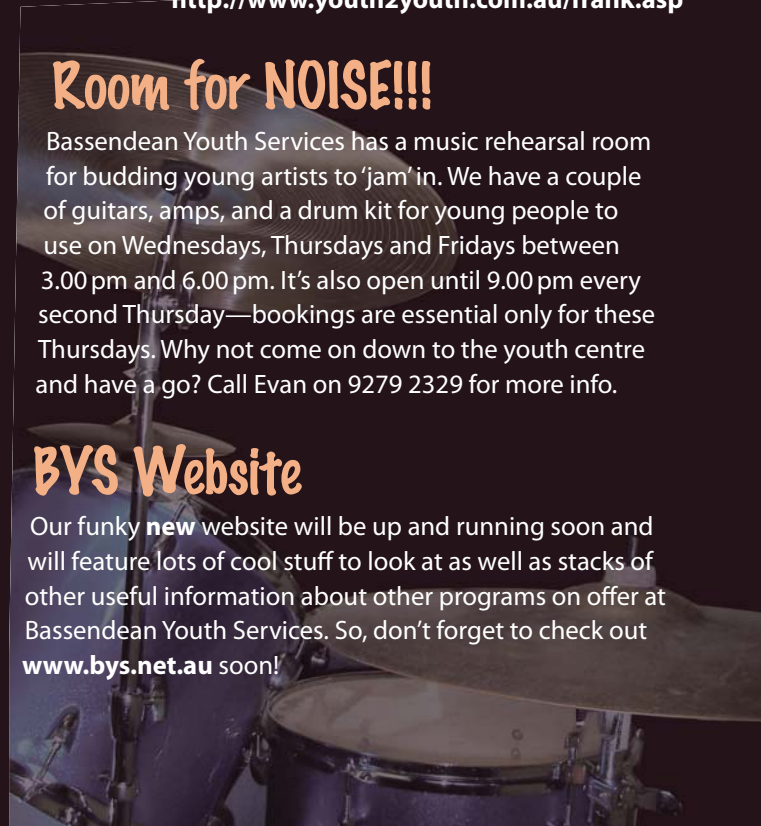
<http://www.youth2youth.com.au/frank.asp>

Room for NOISE!!!

Bassendean Youth Services has a music rehearsal room for budding young artists to 'jam' in. We have a couple of guitars, amps, and a drum kit for young people to use on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays between 3.00 pm and 6.00 pm. It's also open until 9.00 pm every second Thursday—bookings are essential only for these Thursdays. Why not come on down to the youth centre and have a go? Call Evan on 9279 2329 for more info.

BYS Website

Our funky new website will be up and running soon and will feature lots of cool stuff to look at as well as stacks of other useful information about other programs on offer at Bassendean Youth Services. So, don't forget to check out www.bys.net.au soon!



Bassendean Youth Advisory Council (YAC)

The Bassendean YAC is a group of young people who represent their community through a variety of backgrounds, cultures and experiences.

Youth Advisory Councils were set up by the State Government in collaboration with Local Governments in order for young people to have their say on issues affecting them. The YAC meets once a month to:

- Discuss issues that affect young people
- Plan community events and projects
- Provide recommendations to Town of Bassendean
- Act as a sounding board for community members
- Have their say on issues which affect them



Young people and the law...

What is 'arrest'?

It is a process used by Police to bring people into custody so that the process of charging that person with an offence can take place. An arrest can take place anywhere—work, school, public places etc. Police can arrest you at any time of the day or night.



Can I be arrested if I have not committed a crime?

Yes, although Police must have reasonable suspicion that you have committed an offence for them to be able to arrest you.

What will happen if I am arrested?

Police must inform you that you are being arrested and why it is that they are arresting you. Usually they will escort you to the nearest Police Station where they will take a copy of your fingerprints and also take your photograph. You may be kept in a holding cell until a parent or guardian is present. Police will then interview you about the incident.

This general information is not the same as legal advice. For more information, call the Youth Legal Service Inc. (WA) on 9202 1688.

'GRAVIT8'

The Bassendean Youth Advisory Council will host this event for local young people aged 12-18 on

Friday 12th May
from 6.00 pm till
11.00 pm.

A spectacular light show, a pumping DJ, temporary tattoos and a stack of other fun amusements are sure to make this an awesome night. It will take place at the rear of the McDonald Grandstand, Steel Blue Oval, Bassendean. For more info call Youth Development Officer, Evan Hillman on 9279 2329.



'BYS Staff'



▲ Gerri and Sue—RAP program

◀ Lisa, Julia and Barry (absent)—JPET program

▼ Evan (Youth Development Officer), Ayden (Project Officer) and Greg (Manager)

