



recent sales

\$2.08million

DALKEITH

55 Hobbs Avenue

It took 50 years for this house, on a 1012sq.m block near the river, to change hands.

AGENT: Linda Sullivan, Space Real Estate.



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\$2.2million

CITY BEACH

41 Boscombe Avenue

There are ocean views from the balcony of this older-style house near the beach.

AGENT: Rasmus Nielsen, Mavin Real Estate.



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\$2.35million

NEDLANDS

91 Florence Road

Two-storey art deco-style houses are rare in Nedlands, and this one was sold after the first home open.

AGENT: Michelle Kerr, Abel McGrath.



WA architects elect first female leader

Why has it taken so long? That's the question we asked Swanbourne architect Suzie Hunt after she became the first female president of the WA chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects last week.

"In the board room, there are 62 black-and-white photo portraits of all the chapter presidents since 1896, and they are all men," Ms Hunt said.

"Though we have 50% women members, which can be attributed to the work done by former president Philip Griffiths, who actively recruited women members, I think women have a natural reticence to put up their hand for positions like these.

"We feel that of the 10 criteria needed for the position, we can only tick off nine.

"And of course, there is the perennial issue of managing our priorities in the balance of life, between caring for children, parents, partners and professional responsibilities.

"When you are so busy, a role like this is just another ball in the air."

But juggling this ball was a great honour, Ms Hunt said.

"I feel very privileged to have been elected by my peers, and am excited to be working with a team of enthusiastic architects on the chapter council," she said.

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Specialising in residential, interior, hospitality and tourism architecture, Ms Hunt is

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the founder and principal of boutique architectural and interior design practice Suzanne Hunt Architect Pty Ltd.

She has over 30 years' experience in architectural and interior design, documentation, contract administration and strategic management in all sectors in both Australia and the UK.

Most recently, she has been



■ Suzie Hunt became the first female president of the WA chapter of the Australian Institute of Architects.

widely recognised for the Japanese-inspired Bedfordale House, which has won architectural and timber design awards.

Ms Hunt will be among 100 other architects who will present

their AIA Architecture Award entries at a free public event this Saturday, March 18, at UWA.

For more details, please go to Changing Hands on page 75 or www.architecture.com.au/wa.



■ This Dalkeith house, designed by Ms Hunt, will be discussed at an architecture event this Saturday, March 18, at UWA.

Watch a cricket match from the lounge

14 Bostock Road
4 NEDLANDS
Offers around
4 \$3.5million
2 TM Residential

If you think only an ocean or river view is worth a million dollars, you have not been to Bostock Road in Nedlands.



■ Bifold doors connect the alfresco area with the interior space.

"No day is ever the same," the owners of this near-new Webb and Brown-Neaves home opposite College Park said.

"You feel like College Park is your private garden, and it is wonderful to watch life go by, be it dog walkers, runners or footy training," they said.

"Watching a cricket match from your lounge room is pretty special, too."

And if you or your children are more likely to be players than spectators, the home's custom-built steam room, complete with granite benches, will be a post-match treat.

Inspired by a traditional Turkish hammam, the huge steam room is covered corner-to-corner in heated mosaic tiles and the basin is purportedly more than 300 years old.

The nearby poolside alfresco area is tiled and sheltered, making it the ideal spot to relax regardless of the weather, and bifolds connect it to the open-plan living and dining area.



■ 'It's a short dash from the steam room to the pool and, on a cold night, the contrasting temperatures are quite refreshing,' the owners said.

There is also a capacious formal room on the ground floor, with an open fireplace and parkland views through french doors to the front garden.

All but one of the well-appointed bedrooms are on the first floor, as is the games room, which sports a kitchenette and bar.

— Stephanie McGann

Things you will love

- 1 The bespoke steam room
- 2 Parkland views
- 3 Long poolside lunches

AGENT: Tonia McNeilly, TM Residential.