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Aldi Opens At Galston

Local residents are set to enjoy high quality retail products, a Smarter Shopping experience and increased employment opportunities when ALDI officially opens the doors to its new store in Galston next week.

From Wednesday 8th October, the new store will provide the community with ALDI's award winning grocery products and popular Special Buys, together with fresh fruit, vegetables and bread delivered daily.



"We are excited to bring the ALDI difference to Galston

and provide local residents with the opportunity to discover Smarter Shopping – a convenient way to shop for high quality products that are equivalent to, if not better than, the market leading brands, at permanently low prices," an ALDI spokesperson said. "Our unique business model has been designed to save our customers' time and money. For the third time in four years, Australians have independently recognised ALDI to be the Most Satisfying Supermarket (Canstar Blue 2014), which is a testament to the great value we continue to offer to the community."

ALDI Galston will include a friendly team of new staff from the local area, who have been training at the Mt Kuring-gai store since May. Leading the team will be Andrew Gell, an experienced ALDI Store Manager, who will continue to recruit staff from the local area following the store opening.

On Wednesday 1st October, ALDI will announce the exciting range of Special Buys on offer to celebrate the store opening. ALDI's Special Buys can be as varied as televisions and toys, to kitchen utensils and clothing.

"Our experience shows customers love the surprise element of our Special Buys. Complementing our everyday range, the limited edition Special Buys appear in store every Wednesday and Saturday and are available until sold out," an ALDI spokesperson said.

"Along with reading the catalogue and visiting our website, customers can nominate to receive our weekly email newsletter, which previews the Special Buy products that will be on sale the following week."

The easy to access store with undercover car park is located at 346 Galston Road, Galston. Opening hours will be 8.30am–8pm Monday to Friday, and 8.30am–7pm on weekends. For more information on ALDI Australia, visit www.aldi.com.au



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Clean Without Chemicals

Learn how to keep your house clean while using less harmful chemicals at Hornsby Shire Council's non-toxic cleaning

The workshop will be held at Council's Earthwise Cottage and features easy, inexpensive tips on how to reduce cleaning chemicals in the home.

With the non-toxic alternatives suggested in the workshop, you can improve your health and the environment.

Saturday 11 October, 10am-1pm

Earthwise Cottage, 28 Britannia Street, Pennant Hills

Free

Bookings Essential: Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/ whatson or call 9847 4856

Tour Kimbriki's Waste and Recycling Depot

Ever wondered what happens to your green waste after you throw it in the bin? You can find out on a tour of the Kimbriki Waste and Recycling Depot.

A bus will pick participants up from Hornsby Park and take them to the Kimbriki site in Ingleside, where green waste is transformed into a usable garden product.

There will also be a visit to the site's eco garden with a short, educational talk.

Wednesday 8th October, 9am-2.45pm Bus leaves Hornsby Park bus stop at 9.15am Free

Bookings Essential: Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/ whatson or call 9847 4856

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Community Urged to Nominate Local Projects

Member for Hornsby Matt Kean today called on the Galston Glenorie community to help nominate projects to improve local community facilities.

Mr Kean said there is \$3 million in funding available to improve lifestyles in Sydney's suburbs by developing parks, cycleways and walkways.

"This is a great opportunity for Council to access funding for better outdoor community facilities and help people make the most of our beautiful area," Mr Kean said.

"The Metropolitan Greenspace Program has funded some fantastic local projects in previous years."

Previous projects in the Hornsby Shire have included:

\$100,000 to construct a recreational mountain bike park near the centre of Hornsby including a 6km cross-country trail, a skills park and a short natural surface bike track;

\$100,000 to complete the conservation and restoration of the main set of historic sandstone steps along the Hornsby Heritage Track; and

\$80,000 to upgrade the popular foreshore path at McKell Park, Brooklyn with a new concrete shared path along the eastern foreshore.

"I want to make sure Hornsby gets its fair share, that's why I'm encouraging Council to make an application," Mr Kean said.

All 41 metropolitan councils as well as councils on the Central Coast are eligible to apply for the grants, which are available if the councils match the funding on a dollar-for-dollar basis.

Further information and application forms are available on the department's website at www.planning.nsw.gov.au. Applications close on Friday 31 October 2014.



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Glenorie Village Shops - New Fence Letters to the Editor:

Could you please find out who is responsible for erecting an ulgy, prison-like barricade between the public carpark of Glenorie Village Shops and the shops on the southern side. Surely it is not permanent? If it is it should be removed .It is an eyesore.

MA -Resident of Glenorie 44 years

I have been living in Glenorie since the late 1960's, which in country terms might just make me a local. Glenorie is a beautiful area and as long as I can remember we have had a wonderful sense of community. People look out for each other. Inevitably things change over time, but over several years now and more recently, in some instances, Glenorie has became very ugly and divided.

Not only is this the case in the appearance of Glenorie, but it is also the case in certain people's attitudes and actions towards other good hardworking people of our community.

Bullies are not tolerated in schools, the workplace, nor will they be tolerated in our community.

Your Sincerely Angry Glenorie Resident

My letter to you is in relation to the boundary fence erected at Glenorie Shopping Village Shops, as a barrier between the two buildings that serve the Glenorie community.

The community may or may not be aware that these two buildings are owned by two separate property owners.

It seems to me that whoever erected the fence has lost their sense of "community" by dividing the shops and businesses in our community, by building a high ugly black chain wire fence.

The way I see it is that each shop within the community complements each other, they all offer different services and goods to our community, and it is healthy in a small community to have some market competition between business owners. So why build a fence??

I think the owners of the fence need to reconsider this decision and see things from a bigger picture, the fence looks ugly and the community is not happy!

Thank you Name and Address supplied

I just wanted to write to express how appalled I am by the installation an ugly face in front of Blush Skin and Beauty. When I was a resident of Glenorie, I was not even aware that these were different properties. This is probably the case for a lot of people. As such, the installation of a fence does nothing but shock and surprise people, not to mention inconvenience them. I no longer live in Glenorie, but I do go back there for my skincare and beauty needs. It is hard to find someone to trust when they are touching your face, so when you do find someone like Lisa at Blush, you don't mind travelling to use their services. I used to stop for a coffee and piece of cake, and browse the other shops while I was there. Sometimes I would buy a magazine, sometimes something from the homewares store, sometimes some sausages from the local butcher. I won't anymore. Whilst there is a gate in the fence, it still feels like I'm not welcome . I believe that others will feel the same way - even those who are not customers of Blush Skin and Beauty. Glenorie has always captured the essence of Australia, and that is to give everyone a fair go, and to fight for the underdog. As a loyal customer of Blush Skin and Beauty, I will continue to support Lisa and continue to use her services. As for the shopping village......Woolworths beckons!



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MORLAND PLACE. But who was Garth Morland ? Older locals remember him as the Kangaroo Man. Garth Morland was born in Launceston in 1911, but his family moved to Eaglehawk, near Bendigo when he was quite young. On leaving school he took a position with the State Savings Bank of Victoria, and

1937

R.A.F. Boxing Trophy

Dural and District Historical Society

If you drive south down

Practice Golf area, you will see a road sign that says GARTH

later he was transferred to the

New Line Road from the Dural roundabout, past the

McKinley.

The Kangaroo Man, Garth Morland

From an article written by Margaret Blackwood in 1995. Adapted by Margaret

head office in Melbourne, where ¹³⁵⁷ he took advantage of the facilities of the Public Library to study and learn to speak German . After 8 years working for the bank Garth's feet became itchy and after hearing that money could be made shooting alligators in the top end, he went off north. But after some hair- raising adventures he changed his mind.

Garth made plans to travel to England, and with very little money for the fare, he approached the captain of a German ship in port, and when it was discovered that he could speak reasonable German he was hired as an "ordinary seaman" and he was on his way. By the time the ship sailed into Portsmouth it was late 1937.

Flying had always been an interest of his, so he decided to join the R.A,F. he was stationed at Blackburn in East Yorkshire and he learned to fly in a Brough B 25. It was during this time that his boxing prowess came into its own, and he won a gold medal in an RAF boxing tournament. About this time he met his wife-to-be and after a whirlwind romance they were married.

After the birth of their first daughter, Heather, they decided to return to Australia, where Garth took up a position with Qantas flying Catalinas between Perth and Ceylon. The missions were top secret at the time, their purpose being to carry VIP's and mail etc across the Indian Ocean. It was a three and a half thousand mile round trip and at 120 MPH a fairly slow one.

After the War, Garth and his young family were living at Chatswood. By now there were 2 more daughters, June and Roslyn, and Garth decided to get away from the bustle of city life. He found 8 acres (for \pounds 600) in New Line Road, which then was just a dusty track. It was not until the early 1960's that it was re aligned and sealed.

Garth built a garage for his young family, and eventually a house and set himself up as a Real Estate Agent.

One day a female kangaroo was killed on the road, and when it was discovered that she had a baby in her pouch, Garth looked after it and reared it. From this chance beginning his Kangaroo Orphanage was started. Sometimes he had as many as forty kangaroos in his back yard.

Garth's family eventually all married and moved away from the district, but he remained on his property caring for his few remaining "friends". Due to failing health he moved to a local retirement village at Castle Hill in the early 1990's, and died a few years later.

The next meeting of the Dural Historical Society will be the Annual General Meeting, and will be held on 11th October at 2 pm. Members are asked to bring something of historical interest, and tell the story about it. All welcome

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Warrah Living Learning Growing

Our First Community Open Day a Great Success!

Warrah is no longer a secret well kept. After our inaugural Community Open Day on Saturday 13th September, with around 600 visitors, many more people from our local community know who we are and what makes Warrah so unique.



So we would like to extend our thanks to

everyone who came out and joined in the fun of the day.

Even though the morning threatened rain, we had a wonderful turn out with visitors treated to all that Warrah has to offer, and more. Over 100 people participated in Warrah Farm tours and the Organic BBQ sold out! With Warrah Special School tours and the Spring festival dancing to the music of the Jacaranda Bush Band, there was something for everyone. Market stall holders were particularly happy with their results, and there have been bookings taken already for 2015!

Days like these wouldn't be possible without many helping hands! We extend heartfelt thanks to West-Pennant Hills and Cherrybrook Rotary and Hills Rotaract for running the Organic BBQ and local Westpac Volunteers. Special thanks to Warrah staff who volunteered on the day, and Warrah's regular volunteers who contribute so much.

Warrah is a disability service charity for adults and children based in Dural. For more information and images from the day visit: http://www.warrah.org/community-open-day-2014-a-great-success

Rotary Peace Fellow Comes to Galston

The Rotary Club of Galston is honoured to have Karla Castellanos as their guest speaker on the 7th October

Karla is the first person in the Rotary International District 6990, South Florida and the Bahamas, to be awarded the Rotary Peace Scholarship for study at University of Queensland, one



of the Rotary Peace Centers in the world.

In 2000-2001, Karla was awarded the Rotary Ambassadorial Scholarship, which afforded her the opportunity to study at the Joint Centre for Urban Design at Oxford Brookes University in Oxford, England. While there, she fulfilled Ambassadorial duties to the Rotary District of 1090. She spoke on behalf of Rotary in three different continents including countries such as Germany, Egypt, Honduras and Ecuador, and made everlasting friendships among peers and Rotarians alike.

After her departure from England, Karla visited devastated communities to illustrate the theory behind her thesis on the positive urban regeneration of human settlements after disaster strikes. She conducted a study in a small sector of San Pedro Sula, Honduras that has rebuilt its infrastructure through local leadership and the financial contribution of international agencies after being affected by Hurricane Mitch in 1998.

You can hear Karla share her experiences as a Rotary Peace Fellow and the importance of Rotary on the 7th October at 6:30 for 7pm at the Galston Club - 21/25 Arcadia Rd, Galston. RSVP to KAYE FITZPATRICK Mobile: 0421 728 120, email: rkfitz@acemail.com.au



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Arcadian Artists Exhibition & Art Trail

8th & 9th November

An event not to be missed!! The inspirational work of around fifty local and visiting artists will be showcased at this year's Arcadian Artists Exhibition & Art Trail. Eight private studios will open their doors to the public over the weekend of 8th - 9th November from 9am - 5pm. Visitors will not only have the unique opportunity to view but also purchase the superb artworks on display directly from their creators. Many exhibitors will also be demonstrating their wonderful talents. Paintings, pottery, glass, sculpture, ceramics, jewellery, textiles, leather & timber work are amongst the items on offer. The standard of work is high and the works range from small inexpensive gifts to collectible investment artworks. It's a perfect chance to get a head start on that Christmas shopping!

Maps, including artist profiles can be obtained from the Galston Village Shops, the Arcadian Artists Information Stand outside the Galston Branch of the Bendigo Bank (on the weekend of the exhibition), and the Tourist Information Centre on Old Northern Road, Dural. Participating venues will be clearly identified throughout the district.

The Arcadian Artists Exhibition & Art Trail is proudly sponsored by the Galston & District Community Bank Branch of the Bendigo Bank.

For further information please visit the Arcadian Artists Facebook page or website at www.arcadianartists.com.au



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Make Your Own Fashion Designs

Learn about fashion design and recycling with Hornsby Shire Council's Project Rags to Runway workshops.

Project Rags to Runway is designed to give young people and adults a chance to learn about fashion and how to bring new life to old clothes or materials.

The workshops will be taught by experienced fashion designers. While some second-hand materials will be provided,

participants should also bring old clothes, jewellery and materials to the workshop.

They will get to create their own outfits or items to go on display in the Project Rags to Runway Show, which will be held in November and is based around the theme of 'IMAGINE'.

Bookings are essential and can be made online by visiting: http://bit.ly/1ssuPgP

What: Rags to Runway workshop, all ages

- When: Wednesday 15 October, 5.30pm-7.30pm
- Where: Wallarobba Arts and Cultural Centre, 25 Edgeworth David Ave, Hornsby

Cost: \$5

Ages: All ages

Roofs Painted? Check Licences

A reader has just reported that she used a tradesman who was advertising "roofs painted" on a sign on a telegraph pole. She paid \$3000 and following the recent rains, the roof started leaking everywhere. Despite several attempts to contact the tradesman, it appears he no longer exists on the phone number, and when looking back at the invoice it had no address.

She eventually called the Department of Fair Trading who advised that when using unknown tradesmen, residents should check their licences on the Fair Trading website, go to www. fairtrading.nsw.gov.au, then home building licence check. All works over \$1000 must be carried out by a licenced tradesman.

There are some very good local licenced tradesmen, please be wary of signs offering cheap deals, they often cost more in the long run.



Thanks!

Natham Constable and Karina Peters, Members of the Hornsby Rockets Disabled Ten Pin Bowling Team

Bendigo Bank, Galston Branch, has generously donated \$1500 towards the cost of supplying new shirts for the Hornsby Rockets Disabled Ten Pin Bowling Team.

They have also donated five \$100 vouchers from local businesses towards their Christmas in July Trivia and Games Night which was held on July 26th at Hornsby RSL.

The bowlers and parents/carers would like to Thank Bendigo Bank for their generous support.

The Hills District VIEW Club

The Hills District VIEW Club will be attending the Pennant Hills VIEW Birthday Celebrations at Beecroft on Tuesday 14th OCTOBER 2014 - Cost \$35

The theme of the day will be black, white and silver so come along and have a great day.

Bookings are essential so please ring 9680 4440 for further information.

The Hills District VIEW Club will be holding the Annual Elections on Tuesday 28th October at the Galston Club - 11am for a 11.30 start - Cost \$22 including a delicious lunch.

Please come along and make this a successful day.

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Give Galston Swim Club A Go – For Free Summer Season Starts

Have you considered competitive swimming as a sport you may like to try? Maybe now is the time!

Galston Swim Club is your local swim club affiliated with Swimming NSW. We are a not-for-profit family focused swim club located at Galston Aquatic Centre; a 25m indoor heated facility. We offer our members the opportunity to gain experience in competitive racing, whether this is to help you achieve your best at your school swimming carnival, or like some of our other members; represent Galston at a District, State or National level. Or maybe you would simply like to have fun in a healthy, family orientated environment, enjoying the social side to being a member of a local club.

Our summer season of racing commences in October. Swim Club meets weekly on a Friday night with racing commencing at 7pm.

Tempted...

We are extending an invitation to all who may be interested in experiencing the world of competitive swimming. Come along and visit our club for a free trial night and see whether this could be your new sport.

Dates:	Friday 17th and 24th October 2014.
Time:	Arrive at 6.15pm for children to enjoy a free
	sausage sizzle. Racing will commence at 7.00pm.
Location:	Galston Aquatic Centre
	412 Galston Road, Galston.

Please register your interest in attending to registrar@ galstonswimclub.com.au prior to the night. Alternatively, feel free to simply come along on either evening.

Swimming at Galston is fun and you are welcome to join in. But be warned, it can be addictive!

Dural Rotary at Orchid Show

Barry Chain

Early August saw the NSW. Orchid Society host their Annual show at Ellerman Park, Round Corner, Dural for three days.

Catering for the event was performed by the Rotary Club of Dural with their fabled cooking skills and exquisite menu. Along with it was a tea and coffee stall having a delicious array of cakes,scones and cream etc. Also a raffle was run by the ladies of Dural Rotary with beautiful floral prizes donated by the Orchid Society. Dural Rotary Club would like to thank our sponsors for their wonderful help in bringing this event to fruition they being:

The Orchid Society of NSW.

Rotarian Col Fell

Paul Rapp for restoration of our bbq trailer

Graeme Murphy of Saddle world at Dural for his manufacturing skills of a canopy for the trailer.

Sam Cali who maintains our bbq trailer.

And last but not least the many people who supported us over the three days to the tune of \$3400.

Galston CWA News

In August we held our International Day, and prizewinning posters on Botswana from Galston and Arcadia Public Schools were sent with others from local CWA branches to be judged by the Nepean Group of CWA. We congratulate the students in Years 3 and 4 from Arcadia Public School who won First prizes in Nepean Group.



Our October meeting will be held on Wednesday 8th October,

at 10am. In the morning we will have our business meeting, and following lunch our committee for 2015 will as elected at our Annual General Meeting.

We meet at the Galston Community and Health Centre, cnr The Glade and 17 Arcadia Rd, Galston. Visitors are very welcome to attend.

The Country Women's Association is the largest women's organization in Australia, and works for the welfare of women, children and communities, especially in country areas.

We are always happy to receive wool and fabrics for charity sewing and knitting.

More details from Janet - 9653 2402 or Val - 9653 1774

Rainfall Chart

Rainfall recorded Galston period 17/08/14 to 16/09/14 is 227 mm

Movie Review: The Hundred-Foot Journey

From the much beloved, best-selling novel comes this surprisingly refreshing movie inspired to delight the whole family. "The Hundred-Foot Journey" follows the story of a young Indian boy and his family newly arrived in a province of France and become neighbours to a famous Michelin-starred restaurant run by the uptight, traditional French Madam (Helen Mirren). Sparks and spices fly in and out of the kitchens while the new residents aim to entice the whole neighbourhood.

Its rich cultural themes add great depth to the story and play a vast role in connecting two culturally diverse groups. With French and Indian traditions colliding, and not only in regards to food history, we are able to glimpse many time honoured traditions being turned on their heads and revolutionised.

The chemistry between the four main actors vividly illustrates the dynamic between experienced and newlydiscovered actors. Another awe-inspiring film by director Lasse Holström and with producers Steven Spielberg, Oprah Winfrey and Juliet Blake who take pleasure in bringing forth a movie with several emotional layers of the human condition as love, passion, hope and anguish.

An uplifting story with natural comedic elements, which appeals to more than just Foodies. Its fundamental idea that family acts as the centre from which all journeys are made possible by the power to follow your dreams wherever they may take you.

It will have your tastebuds singing throughout and lead you longing for a breathtaking meal to play on your recently enlightened senses, which is why I award it Four Michelin stars.

submitted by Natalie Jakstas







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Ward Place, Dural - Celebration Day 25th October - All Welcome

Circus Boutique

Circus Boutique opened in Dural in February 2013, a sister shop to our beautiful boutique in Leura.

Our mantra is to showcase clothing from the best of Australian & European designers. We aim to stock labels that are just that little bit different, classic but with a twist. We love our ladies of all shapes & sizes & endeavour to provide something for all our customers. Circus Boutique is proud to offer our ladies friendly, personalized, caring customer service & fashion advice.

R&W

Our agency is situated on Ward Place with convenient off street parking right out the front. We have a sales team and a rentals department all with many years experience in Real Estate. Our Sales team is comprised of Principal Ken Cheeseman, General Manager John Deves, Jann Fahey and Judy Pope all of whom are Licensed Real Estate Agents, live locally and are extremely knowledgeable of the local area. Our Property Management team is Melinda Cheeseman and Simone Kubecka who both competently lease and manage properties all over Sydney.

Ivy Shoes

We started 4 years ago in Dural, importing quality, stylish European shoes from France, Italy and Spain. Some of our shoes are the top ten shoes in the world in terms of craftsmanship, made from the best leather. Having some experience in leather goods from previous businesses we owned, and combined with an incredible love for shoes, together this gives me an ability to choose the best shoes for our customers. We have a great, extensive range for many occasions, from formal occasions to comfortable everyday shoes. I guarantee if you walked into our shop you will find something to fall in love with.

Cosy Nooks

Established for over 10 years and run by husband and wife team Sam & Rita this Cosy Nook of a restaurant is truly a place worth dining at.

With home cooked favourites like fluffy pancakes with maple syrup and bacon, for lunch try the Cosy Nook beef burger with chips or one of our delicious sandwiches or melts! We have a variety of cakes and sweets for dessert or maybe just come in for a great coffee or freshly brewed tea always served with a smile :) come see us any time.

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My Little Shop

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African Delights

African Delights has been located in Ward Place for 11 years and stocks a variety of South African delicacies and handmade products. Its Biltong, boerewors and droewors has the reputation of being the best in town. The shop is open six days a week and offers friendly staff and great service. If you have recently migrated from South Africa or are just curious and have been searching for some delicacies from South Africa, drop in to African Delights and you will be pleasantly surprised.

Kenthurst's Bushboys Reign Again!

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Where: Community Hall, Galston Seventh-day Adventist Church 49 Arcadia Road, Galston.

The Galston VIEW Club

The Galston VIEW Club was pleased to welcome Mr Gary Mangan, Manager of the Bendigo Bank of Galston to their August 27 the Meeting,

The Bendigo Bank is a great supporter of our "Learning for Life" programme.

We had a lovely day of friendship, and we welcome anyone who wishes to join our happy club, and help us support the Smith Family and Learning for Life programme.



Dural Galston Probus Club

Dural Galston Probus Club will hold its next meeting at 10am on Thursday 16th October, at The Galston Club, 21-25 Arcadia Road, Galston. The meeting will be followed by a BBQ lunch at Fagan Park. Visitors welcome. Come along or contact Anne 9653 1004.







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Cancer the Dragon and You

Where are cancer treatments heading in Australia and overseas ? Profit driven commercialisation of new very expensive treatments tends to obscure and block the development of less expensive treatments. At the annual American Society of Clinical Oncologists meeting in Chicago last May the star attractions



were the Immunotherapy type treatments which were later supported by returning Australian Oncologists hoping to become involved with the well paid trials in Australia. What received less focus was the debate over the side effects and affordability of these new treatments which extended average survival by months rather than years at a typical cost of \$14,000 per month or more. On a global basis these new treatments are affordable to less than 1% of cancer patients. In Australia some cancer patients are spending their limited savings on these new treatments while most however cannot afford the high cost.

The major pharmaceutical companies lobby for their highly priced products to be included on the PBS government subsidised scheme in Australia. Where best is it for the government to spend the limited health dollar to maximise overall survival ? As we saw earlier, dollars spent on Children's Cancers has the potential to save more years of life than the same amount spent on middle age patients but decisions are often not so simple in the politics of life.

Clinical Trials on more affordable cancer treatments in Australia are being put on hold as the major Pharmaceutical Companies do their best to monopolise Oncologists, patients and resources in Australia.

Cancer patient access to clinical trials of some promising low cost cancer treatments is still possible if you find the right Oncologist.

> Hills Cancer Support Group 834 Old Northern Road Middle Dural Contact Details: Phone 9652-1977 Email : johnahackett@yahoo.com.au

The Sydney Hills Branch of the Association of Independent Retirees

The Sydney Hills Branch of the Association of Independent Retirees' committee is looking forward to provide members and especially new members with a variety of interesting guest speakers throughout the year.

Our meetings are held the first Friday of each month at Pennant Hills Bowling Club Yarrara Road, Pennant Hills our next meeting will be held on Friday 3rd October, 2014. Meeting commences at the new time of 10.30 am. The guest speaker will be State Member for Hawkesbury MP Ray Williams.

If you are a Baby Boomer or recently retired, come along and be informed of any impeding changes. By working together we can make a difference for the future.

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After reaching Jerusalem Bay, the group will stop for a lunch break to take in stunning views before returning to Cowan.

This grade three walk will include some steep sections.

When: Sunday 12 October, 9am-12pm

Where: Jerusalem Bay, meet on the Pacific Highway side of Cowan Station

Cost: Free

Bookings Essential: Book by calling 9847 6832 or emailing bushland@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Generous Gift from a Local Business

Hornsby Shire Council and Maroota Sandstone Quarry have joined forces to fix a notorious dumping ground for illegal rubbish on Old Northern Road.

The quarry generously offered to place 12 large sandstone blocks across the entrance to the site that prevent vehicles entering, free of charge.

"We decided to do it after I was chatting to Council's ranger one day about the problem," says Gary, the quarry's manager.

Reunion For Arv Ex Philip Lodge Staff

A Reunion for Ex Philip Lodge Staff is planned for Saturday 29th November, 2014

> At the Coffee Club, Norwest, Commencing at 5pm.

For bookings please RSVP 1st November.

By Contacting Jan (9680 3723) or Pam (9899 7996).

Please come along and SHARE LOTS OF MEMORIES!

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"It was pretty unsightly when you came past here every day and saw the piles of garbage."

The need for action was made particularly clear this week when a new pile of rubbish was dumped less than half an hour after Council had finished cleaning out the site.

"We're very grateful to Maroota Sandstone Quarry for their generous assistance," Hornsby Shire's Acting Mayor Gurdeep Singh says.

"This is a great example of Council and the local business community working together for the benefit of the entire community."

Each of the sandstone blocks weighs around seven tonnes and is valued between \$500 and \$1,000.

PHOTO: Maroota Sandstone Quarry manager Gary with the newly placed blocks that prevent illegal dumping.



H Whisper of Wings By Mary at Heritage Haven

Butterflies are delightful residents in my garden. This morning, two Painted Ladies are flitting amongst the heliotrope beds. Rapid and seemingly tireless flyers, the ladies alight to feed on fragrant clusters of miniature purple flowers that mimic the essence of cherry pies. My visitors' wings are half-open, displaying a striking interplay of black, orange, brown and white markings. These butterflies are rapid flyers, but eventually they alight upon the nectar-rich flowers.

Lavender, thyme, mint and buddleia are in bloom now to welcome visitors. Patches of overlooked thistles, wild flowers and even flowering grasses tempt the butterflies to linger longer. Flat stones have been placed near water bowls to encourage birds as well as butterflies, bees and beneficent bugs to land and spread their wings to absorb the warmth of the day in the quiet of our herb garden.

Sunny days are increasing and a whisper of wings is apparent as our winged friends compete for flowers and food. Jasmine has spread a curtain of fragrance over a towering old pine tree's stump in the furthest wilderness corner behind the chicken pen ... a contented hum of bees drifts on the warming breeze.

Perhaps, here in the Hills, nothing captures the whisper of wings more than the old Manchurian Pear trees that were planted here as root stock for pear and apple trees many years ago. Today some remnant trees more than ten metres tall remain and display a dome of white blossoms above their mature trunks. In winter the branches were bowed with clusters of miniature pears, welcomed by the wild birds, especially cheeky silver eyes. Today, these remnants of past, farming practices remain a magnificent sight with an attendant hum of busy bees and a delicate fluttering of their white blossoms to carpet the fields like snow.

Dharug & Lower Hawkesbury Historical Society October Excursion? Dubbo Gully Cemetery Saturday 18 October 2014

Join us to walk down Dubbo Gully to visit the historic St Thomas Cemetery. The Cemetery was in use from 1851 to 1949 and contains headstones for a number of well-known families of the area including Craft, Douglass, Woodbury and Watkins.

With great scenery this area has evidence of Aboriginal activity dating back 5000 years. It was also a centre of farming and logging for early European settlers.

Cost is a gold coin donation.

Meet at the Dubbo Gully Road car park - a small clearing about 450m along the un-signposted Dubbo Gully Rd. Dubbo Gully Rd is found by turning left off Waratah Rd when it becomes unsealed, about 4km from Mangrove Mountain shops.

Time: 10 a.m.

Walk is approximately 7 km return with a short steep part. Track rating is moderate.

Please book in advance phone 0404 272 969 or email enquiries@dlhhs.org.au please include your name, contact phone number and name and number of people you are booking for.

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Bush Fire Season Guidelines

The NSW Rural Fire Service (NSW RFS) is reminding Hornsby and Kung-ring-gai residents that fire permits are required during the statutory Bush Fire Danger Period.



NSW RFS District Manager, Superintendent

Mark Sugden said hotter and drier conditions mean fires are more likely to start and spread quickly during the Bush Fire Danger Period, wihich officially begins on 1 October.

"From now until the end of the Bush Fire Danger Period, people wishing to light a fire in the open will require a permit, which are free and can be obtained from your local fire station or Fire Control Centre," Superintendent Sugden said.

"When conditions are particularly bad, such as on days of Severe, Extreme or Catastrophic Fire Danger, the NSW RFS may declare a Total Fire Ban, prohibiting the lightning of any fire in the open, even if you have a fire permit."

On a day of Total Fire Ban the lighting of fires is prohibited. This includes cooking fires using incinerators and barbecues which burn solid fuel, such as wood or charcoal.

Gas or electric barbecues are permitted under the following conditions:

- They are on residential property within 20 metres of the house or dwelling
- They are in a picnic area and the appliance is approved by Council, National Parks and Wildlife Services or State Forest
- They are under the direct control of a responsible adult
- The ground around a barbecue is cleared for 2 metres of all material which could burn
- You have an immediate and continuous supply of water available.

"We urge all residents in the Hornsby/ Ku-ring-gai area to be vigilant and extremely careful with fire during the Bush Fire Danger Period," Superintendent Sugden said.

"Every resident should have a Bush Fire Survival Plan so they know what to do on days of increased fire danger and can immediately put their plan into action if their home is threatened by fire."

Information about Total Fire Ban declarations is published at www.rfs.nsw.gov.au . Locals can also call the Hornsby/ Kuring-gai Fire Control Centre on 9883 2000 or the Bushfire Information Line on 1800 NSW RFS (1800 679 737).



Following the Trail of Wisdom

Pathways Psychology Institute was founded in 2008 by local psychologist Yelena Udy. A practicing therapist since the 1980's, Yelena's passion for working with and helping people with their problems comes from her training in Process Psychotherapy, and the wonderful way in which these methods help a person find their own unique solutions to their problems has inspired her to create training programs for those wanting to develop their own counselling skills. Courses are tailored for curious beginners, professional counsellors wanting PACFA accreditation and Psychology Graduates. We teach simple, respectful methods to help unfold the wisdom within each individual.

Yelena explains how "Each client brings clues to their solution, even in the way they describe their problem. A counsellor needs to notice their processing style: Does this individual tend to see, hear, feel or think about the 'problem'? Which method of exploring matches and enters their experiential world?".

Our courses teach trainee counsellors this flexibility, to adapt counselling methods to the personal thinking / feeling style of each client. Each student goes through a journey of discovery and self development as they increase their own awareness of the many signals present in dreams, body experiences and relationships pointing the way. If you are interested in learning these counselling methods or more information go to the website www.pathwayspsychology.com

Yelena Udy is available to see clients in her Galston clinic on Tuesdays and Fridays (Contact Surja on 0413 111 310).

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Tougher Laws to Prosecute Drug and Alcohol Impaired Drivers

Hornsby State Liberal MP Matt Kean has welcomed tougher new laws to prosecute drug and alcohol impaired drivers which passed the NSW Parliament this week.

Mr Kean said the laws will deliver important changes that will reduce the options by which some dangerous drivers avoid detection and prosecution.

"This is a sensible and common sense reform to make sure police have the necessary ability to gather evidence and prosecute drivers in ambiguous drug and alcohol testing situations," Mr Kean said.

"Sadly, drivers are sometimes so intoxicated that they are physically unable to complete a police breath test. These changes will now allow police to arrange for blood samples to be taken to determine blood alcohol concentration.

"Other key changes include streamlining the urine sample handling process and changes to match modern laboratory processes to improve evidential accuracy of drink and drug driving offences.

"We are constantly looking at new ways to ensure our drug and alcohol testing is robust and effective to remove this dangerous behaviour from our roads and help save the lives of innocent motorists," Mr Kean said.

Mr Kean said the laws include an important change to reinforce police powers to ensure drivers remain on site until testing is complete.

"It is critical that police have the ability to ensure a driver stays at or near the place of testing until the random drug testing process is complete – meaning drivers can't drive away until their samples have come back clear," Mr Kean said.

"Another important change is the ability for police to now require a driver to submit to a sobriety assessment if their behaviour, condition or appearance causes a police officer to believe that a driver is under the influence of a drug but a random breath test is negative for alcohol.

"This is a big win for our road safety and reflects the Government's strong commitment to reducing drink and drug driving-related road trauma," Mr Kean said.

Tribute book for outgoing NSW Governor Marie Bashir

Hornsby State Liberal MP Matt Kean today encouraged the Hornsby community to pay personal tribute to Her Excellency Professor The Honourable Dame Marie Bashir who retires on 1 October 2014.

A tribute book has been set up at Mr Kean's Electorate Office, at NSW Parliament House and online at www.nsw.gov.au.

The tribute book will be available until Sunday 21 September 2014.

"Dame Bashir is the second longest serving Governor of New South Wales in our 226 year history having served since 2001," Mr Kean said.

"Dame Bashir is truly the People's Governor and a remarkable Australian.

"I was honoured to be present representing the Hornsby community this week as the Governor gave her final address to the NSW Parliament.

"I encourage everyone to pay their personal tribute to a remarkable individual who has served this State with distinction, dignity, humility and respect."

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NSW Corporate Volunteer of the Year Awards Open

Hornsby State Liberal MP Matt Kean is encouraging businesses with employee volunteering programs to nominate their staff for The Centre for Volunteering's Corporate Volunteer of the Year Awards by 31 October.

"More organisations than ever are offering corporate volunteering programs, enabling staff to take paid leave to volunteer," Mr Kean said. "We know that around 35 per cent of adult Australians volunteer regularly and workplace initiatives are helping more people to discover the benefits of volunteering by connecting them with opportunities to help great organisations.

"Businesses large and small with corporate volunteering programs have told us they have a more engaged workforce and better relationships with the community as a result. The annual NSW Volunteer of the Year Awards recognises the profound contribution that over two million volunteers make to communities across our state each year. These award categories give special recognition to participants in corporate volunteering schemes who demonstrate innovation and drive to make a difference."

Businesses are urged to nominate their volunteers for one of the following awards:

- 2014 NSW Corporate Volunteer of the Year Award (individual award)
- 2014 NSW Corporate Volunteer Team of the Year Award (team award)

Mr Kean said not-for profit organisations are urged to apply

for a dedicated NSW Excellence in Volunteer Management Award.

"The other side of the volunteering equation is the need for specialist staff in not-for-profit organisations to manage the incoming volunteers so that everyone benefits," he said.

"Volunteer-management is often under-recognised but it's crucial to a successful volunteering experience." The Centre for Volunteering's Chief Executive Officer Gemma Rygate said social entrepreneurs using online and other means to get involved in volunteering were encouraged to nominate for the awards. "The rise of online social entrepreneurs and start-ups means volunteer management is changing. We want to recognise excellence in volunteer management – both traditional and online."

The Awards are sponsored by the NSW Government and also receive generous support from ClubsNSW. To make a nomination go to: www.volunteering.com.au/2014-awards or call The Centre for Volunteering on 9261 3600. Nominations close on 31 October 2014.



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Hornsby MP Matt Kean Urges Residents to Start a Conversation to Help Save a Life

Hornsby State Liberal MP Matt Kean today urged local residents to start a conversation with friends, family, neighbours or colleagues to ask "are you OK?", as part of the annual R U OK Day suicide prevention initiative. Mr Kean said just by starting a conversation with someone who might be doing it tough, residents could help change a life by showing that they care.

"R U OK?' Day is a great initiative which helps to remove the stigma often associated with depression by encouraging mates to get in touch with each other and ask the all-important question – 'are you OK?'," Mr Kean said.

"Talking about mental health issues is often a tough topic to address, but R U OK? aims to assist people to start the most important conversation they may ever have. "You don't have to be a mental health expert to make a difference in someone's life, you just have to show that you care.

"R U OK?' Day is a great way to remind people of the importance of having a meaningful conversation with those that they care about to check on their state of mind. But it's also important that we take up the message of 'R U OK?' Day throughout the year, by keeping an eye out for those people who may be doing it tough and checking to see how they feel. Starting a conversation with a mate is such a simple gesture, but it is one that could make a world of difference to someone who is feeling depressed or isolated."

Those who wish to find out more about how they can start a conversation with a mate, or to find out how to donate to this worthy cause, head to www.ruok.org.au.

Footloose, the Musical - Berowra Musical Society

Classic tale of teenage rebellion and repression features a delightful combination of dance choreography and realistic and touching performances. When



teenager Ren McCormack and his family move from big-city Chicago to a small Midwestern town, he's in for a real case of culture shock. Though he tries hard to fit in, the streetwise Ren can't quite believe he's living in a place where rock music and dancing are illegal. However, there is one small pleasure: Ariel Moore, a troubled but lovely blonde with a jealous boyfriend. And a Bible-thumping minister, who is responsible for keeping the town dance-free. Ren and his classmates want to do away with this ordinance, especially since the senior prom is around the corner, but only Ren has the courage to initiate a battle to abolish the outmoded ban and revitalize the spirit of the repressed townspeople. Fast-paced drama is filled with such now-famous hit songs as the title track and "Let's Hear It for the Boy".

Director - Karen Jones, Musical Director - Narinder Vaccarella, Choreographer - Briony Johnston

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What do you do when your eight year old tells you she is a vegetarian?

Written by Anita Horan www.capturedemotion.com

I desperately wanted to have a second child and when she arrived in the world, I knew she was meant to be.

She didn't talk until she was about 1. All the other parts to her development seemed normal, but for some time, she was virtually a mute. We celebrated when she said her first word and within 6 months she was talking well but at the age of two she suddenly developed a severe stutter. I quickly contacted a speech pathologist and was informed that the stutter was



caused by her wanting to get lots of words out but fearing she would not be heard, so anxiety kicked in and caused the stutter. I immediately implemented the experts advice and my child stopped stuttering as quickly as she started. Over time her personality became clear and it was obvious she is a high achiever and wants to be the best she can be. I now believe the stutter was connected to her earlier impaired speech; as researchers say that long before a baby utters her first word, she's learning the rules of language and how adults communicate. I feel she selectively chose not talk and was observing language and waiting until she knew she would be good at it.

Now 8 years old, she is a very fluent speaker and has enough passion in her personality for ten people. She knows who she is and; who she is - changes regularly. Around the same time her stutter stopped she started changing her name. She wouldn't 'pretend' to have a different name, she would actually re-name herself. If I introduced her by her real name, she would adamantly say (in front of someone we were meeting for the first time), that is not my name, my name is Dora or the next month *Tinkerbell* and the most unique name that lasted for many months was Chadabel's (I have no idea where she got that from, I have never heard of that name). She would also correct me and insist our family use her new name, as that indeed was who - she was. I did not realize she stopped that phase until one day, two years later I heard us all using her normal birth given name and we weren't getting into trouble for it.

Her passion hasn't waned and she still moves from one persona to the next, for which reason I booked her into drama lessons and she was a natural at adapting herself into different characters. Over the past couple of months, she has decided she is vegetarian. My husband was vegetarian for a stint, but that was a few years back now. I believe her decision is based on the fact that she has great affection for all animals and the thought of killing them is very distressing to her and then eating animal is completely against her internal ethics (for this phase of her little life). I would cook and serve the evening meal and she would tell me "I am vegetarian" and not eat the food I had put in front of her. I didn't think too much about it as kids play these kinds of games. Without giving it too much thought, I would have to go back to the kitchen and prepare a second meal for her. Sometimes my dinner would go cold while I tended to this and other times I would say if she wanted me to cook separately for her, she would have to wait, as I wanted to eat my meal while it was hot or I simply made her a sandwich. She never argued or objected, she

simply waited. After 30 days straight of this happening, I realized she was quite serious and was not playing a game nor trying to be difficult. As a parent I believe in raising ethical children, so how could I possibly insist she eat meat if it was against her ethics. She was insistent she didn't eat meat, but was never demanding about her needs, she simply knew this was the cost of having a different ethical standard to everyone else.

I have come to realize this phase is not ready to pass, so now I plan to cook her meal at the same time as ours. She loves simple pasta, which is always easy to prepare as a back up at short notice. But what has caught me out by complete surprise is that when I go to a friends house, we all sit down to eat and she will suddenly refuse her meal and declare to our kind host "I am vegetarian" to which my host becomes very flustered and embarrassed and apologizes profusely and offers to make a separate meal.

- 1. I am constantly shocked by my child's passion and assertiveness.
- 2. If you are ever my host and this happens, please don't worry, a sandwich will be fine.
- It is going to take me another month to remember to tell my host I have an 8 yo who is a self professed vegetarian (by which time this stage may have passed)

There is a job beckoning my attention, which I am currently stalling on. A conversation needs to be had between me and my 8 yo where I explain social etiquette and that having a different set of ethics to the majority, can actually make the majority feel uncomfortable. So she needs to play down her morals so that it does not appear that others need to come to her beck and call because she has different dietary requirements. She needs to perhaps change her approach when a hot sausage roll in placed in front of her - from "I cannot eat this, I am a vegetarian" to "Thank you for preparing this meal, however, I am a vegetarian, so is it OK if I have a sandwich?" or "mum packed something for me" (note to self; pack back-up vegetarian meal for self professed vegetarian 8 yo child).

It happened to me again today, I missed the whole episode. My child was at a party and near the end the birthday girl's mother apologized to me for not knowing my child was vegetarian. To which I was taken a back and apologized for not thinking to tell her (as I had forgotten my child was vegetarian), to which apologies and explanations were firing back and forth with both of us feeling highly uncomfortable. So I wrote this to remind myself the issue must be dealt with.

As the party concluded a game was played where the children would dance to music and quickly have to sit down when the music stopped. Little miss vegetarian, as I mentioned earlier, likes to be good at everything, so I knew it was difficult for her when she was dismissed from the game half way through - for the first two rounds. On round three she made it to the finals, it was down to her and the birthday girl. I watched carefully, knowing she wanted to win; the birthday girl scraped it in by a hair's breadth and all the adults (including myself) thrilled that the girl of the day was the winner. How would my child react, having been so close to victory? Sweat started beading on my brow with all the possible scenario's of what I would see next.

A lump forms in my throat as I tell you, that my little 8yo vegetarian with interchangeable names and persona's, turned to face the birthday girl, put her hand in the air and said "Hi five" and they clapped their hands together in the air; my child commending the birthday girl on her victory. It reminded me that she is not vegetarian because she wants to be difficult; she is vegetarian because she is a beautiful child, who at this time, loves animals more than she wants to eat them.....





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The new co-owner of Wisemans Ferry Shopping Centre, Kevin Pratt, wanted to do something for the wider Wisemans Ferry community as well as breathe new life into the village. Kevin recently bought the shopping centre in partnership with Charlie Camilleri and rebranded the centre Wisemans Ferry Central 2775.

Kevin has lived in the Wisemans Ferry area for 25 years and strongly believed the centre could better meet the needs of the locals and tourists alike and with the assistance of some local input about what they wanted to see in their new shopping centre the refurbishment got underway.

Now Wisemans Ferry Central 2775 is home to a Friendly Grocer supermarket & cafe, artist's gallery, antique store, chemist, hair dresser, solicitor's office, café/restaurant & a real estate office.

Kevin's broad vision was to create a brighter welcoming look & feel for everyone-locals and tourists. The building's appearance, access, space utilisation, feel and usefulness have made the centre more welcoming, attractive and created a significantly enjoyable experience for everyone visiting and or shopping at Wisemans Ferry Central 2775.

Leanne & Peter Woodbury's Friendly Grocer supermarket & combined cafe/bakery opened with excitement and a large patronage. It was the sunny & glorious June long weekend that brought visitors & locals out in their droves. From opening at 6am to close of business at 6pm both Peter & Leanne were heartened by the response from customers. At the end of the day they were exhausted but delighted with their first day's trade.

The Café/bakery provides delicious Toby's estate coffee, teas, a delightful range of pies and sausage rolls baked on the premises with rave reviews, a variety of pastries and cakes, along with a selection of fresh wraps, sandwiches & salads.

Wisemans Ferry Realty's (WFR) office located on-site & operated by locals Paul & Belinda Vella are the hands-on managers for the centre and oversaw the improvement project while at the same time setting-up their office. Kevin says that Paul and Belinda provided valuable ideas for the new centre and he remains very appreciative of their input. Anyone with new ideas for permanent or pop up stores should contact WFR.

Paul & Belinda have been on the hop since setting up their office located at the eastern end of the centre with parking right outside their door and its fair to say that their hard work has paid off with the office's welcoming, bright



and comfortable feel. The office provides a central base for them to service the large local area.

With the new construction complete existing shop operators have noted that the bright and fresh feel of the centre has attracted a lot more foot traffic with visitors conferring their approval and many reminiscing of their earlier visits to the valley when things were so very different.

Kevin's broad style welcomed everyone's ideas right from the beginning which led to the Wisemans Ferry Inn's participation in their streetscape enhancements and in particular the Solomon Wiseman statue restoration with an added water feature.

There is also a planned stairway from the Wisemans Ferry Hotel's playground to the rear of the shopping centre through what is to become a herb & culinary garden with the produce being available for all to enjoy.

Busby's Café Restaurant was fully renovated before opening with new operators Jamie Busby & Rosie Buckley both locals. Jamie's award winning culinary skills are well known in Wisemans Ferry & surrounds having honed his skills in Sydney's high end 5 star hotels & Central Coast before moving to Wisemans Ferry.

Jamie says that their breakfast menu (available 8:00 – 10:30am Sat & Sun) has generated a lot of interest and is attracting repeat customers enjoying their meals on their fully covered deck with river & escarpment views.

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Since the refurbishment there's notably more customers enjoying the centre's rejuvenated veranda having a coffee & a chat with friends while admiring the escarpment views that surround the village. The art gallery & antique store appear to have captured the knock-on effect with the relaxed visitor's attention also drawn to their respective window displays.

An enormous amount of effort has gone into making the veranda the friendly social space it now is. This involved new main stairs & its' approach, an all-purpose mobility access, new and ample seating, large café umbrellas, new rails all round, flooring sanded & sealed and finished off with the repaint.

The renovations were completed early winter and Mother Nature turned on an endless number of beautifully brilliant days affording our visitors the opportunity to test, taste & cast their votes on the new and improved centre. It is easily an all season's destination for visitors and locals alike.

Wiseman Ferry Central 2775 is only part of the attraction in the 2775 post code. Its' boundary stretches past St Albans up near Bucketty in the north, past Spencer & Mangrove Creek in the east, Maroota in the south and Leets Vale in the west, embracing several national parks & many significant Indigenous & European historical points of interest to NSW & Australia.

2775 is amazingly blessed with abundant natural beauty with the Hawkesbury & McDonald Rivers meandering through the topography which is home to a myriad of native creatures &



flora that in the writers view would take a lifetime to document photographically.

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Galston Rural Fire Brigade News

Specialist Training

As a village firefighting crew, Galston Brigade understand the importance of maintaining skills in fighting structure fires and are committed to ongoing training which enables us to better protect



our community. On the weekend of 30/31 August, five members (Peter Griffiths, Adam Peanna, Paul Stockman, Steve Stockman and Andrew Whiddon), along with three support crew (David Simpson, Brad Farckens and Dennis Stephenson), set off for the Eurobodalla RFS Training facility in Mogo to undertake an Advanced Structural Fire Fighting course. This weekend allowed the team to safely observe and identify different fire behaviours within structures, practice the use of their Breathing Apparatus equipment and tackle a simulated building fire in a purpose built structure. This was a weekend well spent improving and reinforcing important skills.



Fire Season

1 October sees the beginning of the Bush Fire Danger Period and a Fire Permit is required for burning activities during this period. A Fire Permit helps ensure that fire is used safely and that you minimise any danger to you, your property and the community.

Obtaining a Permit is simple and free. Simply contact your local Fire Control Centre (Hornsby/Ku-ring-gai Phone: 9883 2000). Special conditions may be imposed on any permit, depending on the circumstances, but all permits contain the following conditions:

- permit is to be carried by the permit holder, on site, at the time the fire is lit
- the permit is to remain on site with those present until extinguished, if applicable
- the fire must be supervised at all times unless the permit says otherwise
- notifications are given to the NSW RFS, and adjoining neighbours at least 24 hours (unless specified otherwise) prior to the fire being lit and
- the permit may be varied, cancelled or suspended, depending on weather conditions.

Substantial fines and penalties apply to those breaching this requirement.

Welcome

We would like to welcome a new member, Will Rosner, who recently joined our brigade. We look forward to having Will as a part of our team.

Galston Netball Club

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Diwali Fesitval of Lights - Cherrybrook

Sunday 12th October 12pm to 8.30pm Greenaway Pk

Diwali also known as Deepavali, is the most important Indian festival of lights celebrated by Hindus, Sikhs and Jains for religious significance. Diwali has now became an Indian Cultural melting pot and reached beyond its religious significance and is being celebrated by all Indians.

We are expecting more than 5000 people to attend this event. Event is targeting around 18,000 strong Indian population within Hornsby Shire, Hills Shire & Ku-ring-gai Shire, North Shore and 95,000 Indian population in Sydney and wider Australian community in the local area. We are planning to run free shuttle bus service from Castle Hill Bus Stand and Pennant Hill Trains Station to Event venue

Throughout the day, there will be Stage performances including:

- Indian Cultural performances
- Bollywood performances
- Punjabi Bhangra Dance
- Stage show on the significance of Diwali
- DJ, Song & Dance performances
- Puppet show
- Lucky draw prize
- Grand 10 minute Fireworks display

There will be Indian food stalls selling full spectrum of Indian food from hot n Spicy curries, popular Indian Street food to yummy Indian Diwali special Sweet, Face painting, Mehndi (Henna), Joy rides for families and more to keep guest engaged and entertained.

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Galston Garden Club - Open Gardens

October features the second group of gardens in the 'Galston Open Gardens' held from **Friday the 17th to Sunday 19th October**. As stated last month, they encompassing everything from park like, native, formal and topiarised with an added bonus of being able to visit Ray Nesci Bonsai Nursery.

Morning and afternoon teas will be available at gardens No 1 and 6, and a number of eateries are available listed on our brochure for lunch or avail yourself of a picnic lunch in any of the gardens.

As all funds raised go to charitable organisations, your continued support would be greatly appreciated. If you require further information please contact Liz Muller on 9651 4405, Pam Watson on 9653 1036, or Bill Fleming on 9653 2394. "

Garden 5 - Brackenridge, 11 Ballanda Place Dural

Presented by Sue and Ian Fisher



This is a steep block with magnificent rock outcrops and views across the adjacent bush valley. The current owners are restoring an older garden which had been neglected and overgrown for years. There is a waterfall and ponds, and a wide range of azaleas, camellias, orchids, cacti and succulents scattered throughout, all surrounded by natural bushland. Not suitable for wheelchairs.

Garden 6 - Savannah, 51 Mid Dural Rd Middle Dural

Presented by Richard Howard and Hugh Crompton



A five acre garden featuring tall Angophora and White Gums under planted with many azaleas, camellias, rhododendrons, Mollis azaleas and interesting shrubs. A watercourse crosses the garden with water gardens and themed bridges. Garden seats are placed amongst many rare advanced specimen trees in a park like setting which also displays a range of garden statuary.

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Galston Garden Club - Open Gardens

Garden 7 - Paralang, 7 Hunt Avenue Dural

Presented by Janet and John Sefton



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Garden 8 - Madison, 24 Sagars Road Kenthurst

Presented by Julie and Rod Cartledge



A formal style garden featuring beautifully maintained garden beds at the front of the house and extensive plantings throughout. There are hundreds of roses, and a large collection of fuchsias and begonias. An avenue of Chanticleer pears is framed by topiarised buxus and lilly pillies, leading to a large lake and pergola. At the rear of the property is a large woodland garden with natives and deciduous trees, plus a vegetable area. Toilet

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Arcadia was founded in 1894 when the local public school was officially recognised by the Department of Education. Arcadia Public School P&C recognised that there has been a significant contribution from local families to the area in the past 120 years and wanted to ensure that this rich history was not lost. The Proudly Arcadian 120th Committee was formed with 8 people of past and present P&C members. The committee undertook to recorded historical events which have taken place within the school and local area. A grant was applied for and was successful in July 2013 from the Australian Government's Your Community Heritage Programme. This was significant, as it enabling the committee to complete other important projects along with the initial commitment of the donation of volunteer's time for historical recording.

The Proudly Arcadia 120thCommittee laid a historical walkway with past and present students & Principals names alongside the creation of a historical corner in the school grounds. The committee has preserved old documents, photographs and films which are now scanned and stored correctly. Researched and documented the important historical buildings, the 1905 water well and trees of significance. A 120 paged book 'Proudly Arcadian 120 years' was written and a website launched - www.arcadiahistory.com.au, which includes events and photos. A Captains honour board was also purchased after finding 34 years of Arcadia Public School Captains during our research. Facebook gave us a social media site to get in contact with past locals and enjoy the old photos and stories found and also engaged with a wider audience. An event was held in May to celebrate the achievements of Arcadians.

The Proudly Arcadia 120th Committees work enables this rich history to be documented for the community to read and enjoy and for future generations. Arcadians have always been happy to put their hands up and volunteer and this spirit is still alive 120 years later. The Proudly Arcadian 120th committee is special group of individuals whose commitment to preserving the proud heritage of Arcadia which should be commended. The skill set of the members is varied and this has enabled this project to be so special and all encompassing. The broader benefits to the committee were the friendships created and help from complete strangers during the project. These people have obviously been touched by our work to keep the history of Arcadia alive for the future.

The Centre for Volunteering has an annual awards program promote the importance of volunteering to the community. The



Proudly Arcadian 120th Committee are thrilled to have won the Hornsby/ North West Team Award and now head into the State finals which will be held on the 5th December.

The members of the Proudly Arcadian 120th Committee are Sonja Cameron, Lori Modde, Meegen Gamson, Suellen Lister, Kathryn Fehon, Kathy Carter-Jones, Peter Jones, Dana Dyer. Pictured with Ray Williams and Matt Kean.

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Movie Review: Magic in the Moonlight

2 1/2 stars

By Natalie Jakstas

The latest movie both written and directed by Woody Allen follows his similar tastes towards the unusual. In typical Woody Allen style, the lines between reality and mystical are often blurred creating a kind of illusionary world. It rather resembles a vegetable soup where Allen chooses to combine several themes, and even mixes more or less certain issues like the belief in a Divine Being or a belief in Magic.

Well known actors Emma Stone and Colin Firth although normally may seem to be an ill suited match, Allen manages to pull it off with the use of comedic elements and witty dialogue displayed between them. Set in the 1920's, the film follows the encounter that Stanley (Firth) an arrogant magician has in attempting to unmask a young American clairvoyant Sophie (Stone). Although the portrayal of cynical Englishman Stanley lends itself to a link with the Mr. Darcy complex; he begins to open up and question his own rational worldview due to Sophie's possible powers.

Unlike his other well-received films such as Midnight in Paris, the feelings of uncertainty throughout the film lend itself to a semi-predictable finale. The lively period costumes bring to mind a relation to Brideshead Revisited and its many enlightening and gorgeous approaches to the time period. With its breathtaking scenery along the French Riviera, the experience of immersion within the landscape is a true delight.

Although, it is a rather enjoyable film on the whole with a positive ending, unlike other Allen films, it lacked a certain spark which may fail to keep certain members of the audience fully captivated.

Diggers Songs with Warren Fahey and Marcus Holden

16th Oct 2014 6:30pm Organised by: Council

Diggers Songs commemorates Australia's role in WWI through stories, songs, ditties, letters and humour. Author of 30 books and countless recordings, Warren firmly presses nostalgia buttons wherever he performs. He is considered a National Treasure. Accompanied by Marcus Holden on the fiddle and mandolin, Australian history will be brought to life.

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All children grow and develop at different rates, but when a child has an additional need of any kind, early intervention is a necessity to give the child the best chance to meet their individual potential. says Founder Melissa Scaife. The Fit Kidz Foundation is a non-profit organisation established to help children and families navigate their way through the journey of early intervention, the challenges of accessing the right professionals and finding the resources to help.

One of our gorgeous little girls is Miss Eva Pym who is currently enrolled at one of our centres. Eva's wonderful parents spend a great deal of time and money accessing support services and our staff try to offer as much assistance as possible. "Eva is doing extremely well and has been an inspiration in the establishment of our foundation", says Melissa. We see the challenges faced by both Eva's parents and feel that this service will offer a family like the Pyms extra help and support.

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Dural Music

Last Thursday night saw the Galston Club come alive with music as it hosted Dural Music Centre's Student Showcase, an annual event aimed at highlighting the musical prowess of Dural Music Centre's music school students.

A wide variety of musical styles – including heavy metal, Disney, jazz, and classical - kept the audience on its toes and made sure the evening was full of music to suit all tastes. But this showcase was devoted as much to student enjoyment as it was to that of the audience. Natural pre-show jitters quickly giving way to smiles and brilliant performances as the stage lights came up and the students expertly navigated their way through their solo, duo, and group pieces. Some students were even giving the opportunity to be backed by a full band consisting of Dural Music Centre teachers.

There were also some clear audience favourites amongst this talented group of young performers. Yohan Ebadi Rad (11) wowed the audience by channelling both Axl Rose and Slash during his guitar/vocal performance of Sweet Child of Mine, demonstrating why he won the Hills Shire Council's open mic event, and has been selected to perform as a featured soloist at this year's Schools Spectacular. And Ruby French (12) stunned the audience into silence during her performance of her own song, London, whose lyrics and well-crafted melody could have easily been mistaken for the work of a professional songwriter three times Ruby's age.

The Dural Music Centre Student Showcase also serves to further the work of the Missionaries of Charity orphanage in Naga City, Philippines. Each year, one of the DMC teachers travels with their family to the Philippines to lend a hand to this special orphanage which depends solely on donations for all of their funding. While there, they purchase essential items to help care for the residents of the orphanage, as well as the sick, aged, and destitute. DMC supported their charitable efforts by hosting a raffle, 100% of the proceeds of which went to helping those less fortunate children and adults in need.

It's safe to say that, when it comes to the Dural Music Centre Student Showcase, a splendid time is guaranteed for all! The showcase is an annual event that is open to the public, and is a must-see event for all music lovers.





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Arcadia Pony Club

Little people with big hearts at Arcadia Pony Club

At Arcadia Pony Club, even the littlest members of the club are catered for.



"We have a wonderful group of led and beginner riders that love coming to pony club each rally day. We have a specific program for them that allows them to develop and build on all of their horse care and riding skills in a safe environment, whilst also having a lot of fun" said Leanne Davies, Senior Instructor at Arcadia Pony Club.

The program is based on the NSW Pony Club E certificate which includes basic level skills for riding, horse handling, horse care and even general knowledge such as identifying parts of the horse, their colours and markings and how to keep all their riding equipment clean so it is comfortable for the pony.

Each rally day the led and beginner group have a dedicated session on these skills, usually with one of the very patient ponies who is happy to be the 'demonstration' pony for the lesson which includes naming different parts of the pony and being saddled and unsaddled a number of times by different riders.

"They are a non-competitive group at our Pony Club competitions as places aren't awarded in their competitions but of course they don't miss out on the ribbons" said Leanne. "We provide judges and the group all receive individual riding awards for a skill they have demonstrated, we even allow them to pick which colour ribbon they would like, pink and purple are of course always popular choices. And their little ponies are never short of a cuddle afterwards either!"

"It's such a pleasure to see the enjoyment and excitement on the face of our beginner riders when they acquire a new skill or just for enjoying 'pony time'," said Leanne. "Our beginner riders represent the future of our Club so it's important to teach them the right skills safely from a young age. Our club is also very inclusive with the older members of the club also consistently encouraging the younger members at rally days and Zone competitions."

Arcadia Pony meets the first, third and fifth Sunday every month at the Rural Sports Facility in Galston. To find out more about Arcadia Pony Club please visit http://www. arcadiaponyclub.org.au

STOP PRESS: Good luck to Arcadia Pony Club members competing at the upcoming State competitions! Montana Jonker is competing at the State Mounted Games and Gemma Tinney, Ryan Haste & Macy Reen are competing at State ODE.



Little members with big hearts at Arcadia Pony Club - Emily, Sophie, Jessica and Aria with their pony friends

Budgerigar Society of N.S.W. Inc.

Hills Branch – R Galbraith

Congratulation were in order at the recent Annual General Meeting of the Society, when Hills Branch current President **Mr Harry Charalambous** (formerly of Glenorie), **was elected President of the Society.** Harry is a tireless worker for the Hills Branch and over recent times has undertaken various tasks on behalf of the society.

At the previous meeting of the Hills Branch, **Mr Mike Cannon**, **renowned Avian Veterinarian from Wollongong, was the guest speaker.** Mikes talk was very informative and kept both the younger and older members engaged with the wide variety of topics covered within his talk, which incorporated a visual presentation. Such was the interest of the large gathering, that the meeting finished late and other business had to be curtailed.

These talks by various guest speakers are a feature of the Hills Branch Monthly Meetings and when coupled with the Table Show Competition of Budgerigars, and Supper, provides for an evening of interest and enjoyment. In coming months, **Hills Branch will be visited by Bruce and Nola Bradford renowned Avian Photographers,** who will present a visual display of the 2014 National Titles held recently in Adelaide.

The Royal Agriculture Society has recently announced that the 2015 Royal Easter Show is to be held between Thursday 26th March to Wednesday 8th April. The Avian Exhibition will be conducted on the 26th and 27th March, 2015 with additional information in future articles.

Seeking information about Budgerigars or Interested in joining the Hills Branch and viewing birds similar to that shown within this article, then contact should be made with Peter Dodd by telephoning 9888-5631 or peter_dodd@primus.com.au

St Madeleine News

The "Great Book Swap" and crazy hat and sock day

St Madeleine's held their annual book swap accompanied with crazy hat and sock day. It is an important day where the children donate to Indigenous Literacy as well as realise the importance of literature by swapping books with other children in the school. The event was organised by our Student Representative Council, who gave a lot of time and effort to see the day run smoothly. Well done!

Kenthurst Orange Blossom Parade

The Kenthurst Orange Blossom Parade was held on the 14th September. It is very exciting that St Madeleine's was part of the street parade. Over the years many of the children have been part of the parade representing different sporting organisations, dancing schools and preschools. It was fantastic to see so many children and parents demonstrate their commitment to not only our local community but our wonderful school community of St Madeleine's.

Year 2 Transport

After learning about transport in the classroom, Year 2 travelled into Sydney by bus, crossed the city by light rail and sailed across the harbour by ferry. It was a lovely day experiencing different types of transport and the opportunities it offers us. We were also very lucky to get a special visit from a vintage car. The children were amazed at how different it was to the cars of today.





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Our 2014 school athletics carnival was all about active participation for all students, Kindergarten to Year 6 and there were many huge smiles and tired legs



to prove it! Congratulations to all our students who represented their school, competing with pride at the 2014 Zone track and field athletics Carnivals.

2014 marked the 60th anniversary of the first Education Week. The tagline for the original, 1954 Education Week was: "Lighting the way to a better world" and this slogan was adopted once again for 2014. Arcadia Public School celebrated Education Week 2014 in style with performances by our whole school band as well as student solo performances. Our wonderful choir performed and there was a distinct French feel to the morning as the students showed off their language learning through song and comedy skits.

Students, teachers, parents and the community share responsibility for and strive to maintain the exceptional environment of Arcadia Public School. Each year we enhance our playground and mark National Tree Day in July. This year Overland Nurseries donated a lovely flowering ash. It was planted with care in a bed of compost made as a component of the student's gardening and sustainability education program.

With great pride two of our wonderful students Tsara in Year 4 and Liam in Year 3 received first place awards in the Nepean Region Country Women's association research project. This is an outstanding achievement as the children competed against 14 other CWA branches encompassing many other schools. Congratulations Tsara and Liam!

Cassandra, Matthew, Scott and Ethan will long remember September 15, 2014 as a day of nervous anticipation. Yes, this is the day that they represented their school at the Premier's Spelling Bee district final and we are extremely proud of their talent and courage – it is no mean feat to stand up in a crowded hall and have your spelling tested!

We are now enrolling for Kindergarten 2015. Please contact our school on 96531207 or visit the website www.arcadiaschool. com.au for information or enquiries.

Galston Long Day Centre

Same, but little bit diff'rent

Each day the children that are leaving for "big school" next year have time set aside to work as a small group, discussing and working on more complex and difficult issues and projects.

On 10th September during the School Readiness Project time the children followed a request from one of the parents, to focus on acknowledging that everyone is different.

Even if our peers or people on the street

look a bit different to us, it does not mean that we should be scared or shy away from interacting with them.

but little bit diff'ren

News from Galston High



competitive dance group at Galston High School. The students rehearsed every week, often giving up their lunchtimes to perfect their movements and technique.

This year, a team of talented students established the first

On Saturday 26th July, the dance group entered the prestigious Sydney Eisteddfod, where schools from around the state competed. The students achieved high results and followed this up by competing at the Ryde Eisteddfod on 23rd August.

Students performed a jazz and a contemporary routine and assisted with the choreography, developing their own characters into the routines. This group of students demonstrated our core values of personal best, respect and responsibility throughout both competitions. They are currently working on a new routine to perform at the Galston High School 40th anniversary.



Galston Long Day Centrecontinued

We started off by reading a story called 'Same, But Little Bit Diff'rent' by Kylie Dunstan, which demonstrates differences between an Aboriginal and a non-Aboriginal friend, showing that whilst they may have differences in their lives, they can still do and have similar things.

This then sparked a conversation about different skin tones and whether this makes any difference in the kind of friend the person may be.

We came to the conclusion that it doesn't matter what our friend looks like, it only matters what is inside and how they treat us - whether they are caring and kind. Following this discussion we drew a friend we may meet in the future and what they may look like.

If you'd like to find out more about our school readiness program or simply find out more about our friendly, community-run centre please contact us on 9653 1475.

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At KU Galston Preschool this month we have celebrated Fathers Day through inviting all of our Fathers, Grandfathers and special male role models to preschool for a delicious pancake and fruit breakfast. It was wonderful to see so many Dad's take time out in



their busy lives to chat and play with their preschooler.

As part of our program we have been encouraging the children to think about their Dads as one of the very special people in their lives and to think about why Dad is so special, what does he like to do, what do the children like to do with Dad and why do they love him so much. Some really beautiful and thoughtful ideas have come out of these experiences. From this our discussions have explored ways the children could make Fathers Day a very special day for Dad.

Our silkworms have hatched and we have been busy exploring the lifecycle of the silkworm. We look forward to watching them gobble up the mulberry leaves as they grow bigger and bigger!

We are currently enrolling for 2015, we have limited vacancies. Please telephone 9653 2252 or email ku.galston@ ku.com.au our director Rebecca for more information or to visit the preschool.

Glenorie Public School

The Country Fair was a hit with over 500 people from all over the Galston/Glenorie Community attending. Many students attended and loved every minute of it. Some of the rides featured were; the Dragon Roller Coaster, the Giant Slide, the Flying Chairs, the Junior



Jumping Castle and Lasseter's Gold Mine jumping castle. There were also many stalls that were run by teachers of Glenorie Public, parents of students that attend Glenorie and overall members of the community. Some the stalls that were held contained prizes. Once of the big winners of the day were the \$10 keys, if your key unlocked the padlock, you won a brand new iPad! Congratulations to Trent in 5/6B and his brother Bradley in 2P who won the iPad on the day! This family also sold the winning ticket for our major raffle. The first prize was a HD, LTD, LED, and 3D TV! A big thank you to all parent helpers that helped with the class stalls such as: the Lolly Box stall, (5/6) Hoopla (1, 2, 3, 4), Sand art stall (4/5). Also a big thank you to all the parents that helped run the BBQ. Congratulations to the community for raising so much money for our school, we are yet to have counted the total fund.

On the 17th of October, Glenorie will be holding their annual Performance Night. Pieces include Drama Clubs (My Planet Rules), Senior Dance Group (Summertime Sadness Lana Del Rae), Junior Dance Group (Roar Katy Perry) and the Senior Choir (My Island Home & Go for Broke). This night is well anticipated at our school as it showcases the many talents and achievements of our school. Good luck to all of the students on the night, we hope it's a roaring success.

Middle Dural Public School

By Kate Welshman

Seeking new enrolments at our lovely small school

Middle Dural is seeking enrolments for children throughout the grades, particularly

for kindergarten 2014. Come and join this happy, caring school community where everyone knows your name and every child feels like they belong. The school has been moving from strength to strength in academics, sport and the arts in recent years, but we would love to grow...just a little more!

New music program

In term 4, students will begin a music program operated by the Cool Kids Music Company. Everyone will play their instrument of choice - guitar, ukulele, singing, keyboard, and unfortunately, drums. These music lessons will supplement the school's existing music program



New playgroup: 'Middle Dural Minis'

Our wonderful school is opening a playgroup, which will operate from 9-11am, beginning on Monday 13 October. It's open to parents and carers of children aged from birth to starting

school. All play activities will be designed to foster the children's development while allowing parents to socialise in a supportive and friendly environment. The school's physical environment is very picturesque and relaxing, so if you have a little one, please do consider a visit. Please call our principal Mrs Ann Mills to learn more about this initiative: 9651 1761.

Book week parade

Parents and friends were treated to a costume parade and book presentations during Book Week. The photo does not do justice to the fun that was had!

Glenorie Public Schoolcontinued

FFA (Football Federation of Australia) came to our school on the 15th, to give each class a free soccer workshop! Students learnt about soccer and about the rules and regulations. We also learnt about our local soccer team (Western Sydney Wanderers). Students played some games to put what they had just learnt in to action. Thank you to the FFA for bringing such a wonderful programme to our school.

Debating camp will be held on Tuesday the 16th and Wednesday the 17th of September, two students from year five will be attending, to broaden their knowledge on the wide world of debating. Good luck to the two girls attending, we hope it goes well and you can both come back to teach us about what you learn at camp!



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Christianity is much simpler than many believe and can be summed up in a few straightforward steps....

1. God loves you

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten Son that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." John 3.16

"But God demonstrates his own love towards us, in that while we were still sinners. Christ died for us." Romans 5:8

2. All are sinners

"For all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God." Romans 3:23 "As it is written: 'There is none righteous, no, not one.'" Romans 3:10

3. God's remedy for sin

"For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." Romans 6:23

"But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name." John 1:12 "Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day" 1 Corinthians 15:3-4

4. All may be saved now

"Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in to him and dine with him, and he with Me." **Revelations 3:20**

"For whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved." Romans 10: 13

5. Assurance as a believer

"That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved." Romans10:9

"Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgement, but has passed from death into life." John 5:24

6. My decision to receive Christ as my Saviour:

"Confessing to God that I am a sinner, and believing that the Lord Jesus Christ died for my sins on the cross and was raised for my justification, I do now receive and confess Him as my personal Saviour."

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How Can I Be Silent

Why do Christians have to try to convert people who are not interested in religion? Why do they persist in sharing their faith with those who really do not want to know? Surely there are better things to talk about; sport, the weather, hobbies, anything at all.

It might surprise you to know that most Christians find it difficult to share their faith. It is difficult to overcome those social taboos about discussing something so personal and private. Many of us are reserved and struggle with shyness. Sharing our faith can be the opposite of what we inwardly want to do. So why do we do it, why do we present our beliefs, our innermost convictions, often only to be ridiculed and mocked?

Because Jesus Christ, God's only Son suffered and died in our place, taking the punishment for our sin, so that we might be reconciled to God. How can we deny Him?

Instead of glory and honor, He was counted as nothing. He was forsaken, scorned by men and despised by the people. He was mocked and insulted. His hands and feet were pierced. How can we, how can I be silent?

Jesus Christ overcame death so that through Him I might have everlasting life. He is seated at the right hand of God the Father. He will soon return for those who have believed in Him. How can I keep this to myself? I am compelled to tell those around me of God's incredible love for mankind. I have to tell of the Lord Jesus Christ's death and resurrection. I have to shout from the rooftops that God now offers forgiveness for sin for those who believe in His Son. How can I be silent when there are those who have not yet accepted so great a Salvation?

Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. How, then, can they call on the One they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the One of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news." Romans 10: 13-16

News from St Benedicts

The annual St Benedict's Parish fete held on Sunday 21st September was a great success, thanks to the hard work of the many supporters who helped everything run so smoothly. Special thanks, too, to the generous people who donated goods and prizes for the day and the community members, from near and far, who came along to enjoy the fete. In August attendees at the 9am



Mass had the great pleasure of joining with Margaret and Gaston Florian's in the celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. Margaret and Gaston have been leading lights in the parish since they arrived in the district in the early 1990s. The anniversary was made even more special with the surprise arrival a few days beforehand of Margaret's three sisters from England who had been bridesmaids at their wedding all those years ago. After Mass the parishioners joined Margaret, Gaston and their family in a celebration, complete with an anniversary cake. Margaret and Gaston are pictured above.

In late August a group of Year 12 students from Redfield College gave a day of service to clean and tidy around the church and monastery. Their efforts were much appreciated and helped the church to be looking at its best for the day of the fete.

The September Children's Mass was very special as it coincided with Father's Day. The morning was showery and cool but the warmth and conviviality of the post-Mass barbecue and get-together made up for the weather.

Congratulations, too, to Rose Granata and Natalie Kazzi who were recently presented with Certificates of Service for their work as catechists in local schools. Many of our catechists have received Service Awards and we are all very grateful to them for their years of dedication to this important task.

Don't forget to visit our parish website www.arcadia.dbb.org. au where you can keep up with parish news.

Or, to find out anything more about parish activities call the Parish Office on 96532312. The office is open on Mondays from 10am – 4pm and Fridays from 10am – 5pm.

Weekend Mass Times

St. Benedict's Catholic Church Arcadia; Mass at the Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia, at 7 am every morning. Mass at the Parish Centre, Corner Fagans Rd & Arcadia Rd. 7 pm Saturday, 9 am Sunday



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Spring is sprung! (Well, as I write this it is 🙂)

Have you ever had a good idea & spontaneously acted on it? I have, & sometimes they weren't such good ideas... however, one of my colleagues recently had an idea that worked out just fine! It was a lovely sunny spring Sunday morning when I got a phone call "Hey Geoff, why don't we take church to the outside chapel this morning?"



The next thing I know, we're gathering outside to experiences a beautiful spring morning in the sunshine – the birds were singing, as were our men's choir & it was glorious ©

So, we're up & about for springtime, we're looking

forward to seeing some of you & Galston's open garden weekend soon, & are starting to plan for our final 'messy church' for the year (Nov 16) as well as our annual quilt & craft service (Nov 30).

As ever, our groups are on the go & new members are always welcome. Check out our website...

Or like us on Facebook.

See you next month, cheers, Geoff



Cumberland Orchid Circle Inc.

The next meeting of the Cumberland Orchid Circle will be on Wednesday 22nd October 2014 in Barton Hall, which is situated in Gough Drive (off David Road), Castle Hill. The meeting will start at 8.00pm and will last approx 2.0 hrs. At the meeting, orchids in bloom will be benched for a monthly point score competition. This month we will have our Annual General Meeting for the election of committee members as well as a cultural night. Members who are having problems with any plant or have a question about



anything associated with orchids are encouraged to bring it up at the meeting, where other members can offer advice about the problem. If you are bringing along a plant for advice, please let an experienced member see the plant before you bring it into the hall as we do not want a diseased plant in the hall which is liable to infect other plants in the hall. Club member Jorn Villien will talk about Sarcochilus falcatus, the orange blossom orchid at this meeting.

At each meeting there is a sales table selling plants brought along by members, in addition to accessories used for orchid culture. During our supper interval, there will be time to "compare notes" and seek advice from other members.

Visitors & new members are always welcome. For more information, contact the Circle's secretary on 0412 982 830.

Become a Friend of Lisgar Gardens

The Friends of Lisgar Gardens play an important role in caring for a beautiful public facility, and now they are calling for more volunteers to help them.

The organisation was formed by Hornsby Shire Council in 1993, with the purpose of promoting, protecting and helping to enhance Lisgar Gardens at Lisgar Road, Hornsby.

"We're just generally providing a presence in the gardens to meet and greet people, have a chat and provide any assistance we can," member Lorraine Smith said.

The group also promotes Lisgar Gardens by assisting with events such as the Teddy Bears Picnic and annual Camellia Gala Day.

Volunteers are being sought to assist visitors to Lisgar Gardens on Sundays, with no gardening duties required, and there are also opportunities to take on leadership or organisational duties.

Shifts are a maximum of 3.5 hours and volunteers can choose how often they attend based on their personal availability.

"They are just beautiful, peaceful gardens and well worth the time of anyone who's interested in gardens to just give a little something, it's not a big commitment," Lorraine said.

For more information about joining Friends of Lisgar Gardens, contact Lorraine Smith on 0419 018 253 or email lorrainesmi@ozemail.com.au

Galston Garden Club

October features the second group of gardens in the **'Galston Open Gardens' held from Friday the 17th to Sunday 19th October.** As stated last month, they encompass everything from park like, native formal and topiarised with an added bonus of being able to visit Ray Nesci Bonsai Nursery.

Morning and afternoon teas will be available at gardens No 1 and 6, and a number of eateries are available listed on our brochure for lunch or avail yourself of a picnic lunch in any of the gardens.

As all funds raised go to charitable organisations, your continued support would be greatly appreciated. If you require further information please contact Liz Muller on 9651 4405, Pam Watson on 9653 1036, or Bill Fleming on 9653 2394.

Turpentine and Ironbark Transition Forest

By Jutta Hamilton

On a recent bushwalk in Arcadia, I was struck by the beauty of a thick stand of Turpentine

trees along the slopes of a sheltered Hawkesbury Sandstone gully.

The tall, straight and handsome trees with fibrous bark and their dull grey-green stiff foliage set them apart from the surrounding Eucalyptus. Turpentines (Syncarpia glomulifera) are known for their longevity, that can be in excess of 300 years and they can re-sprout after wildfire. Flowering occurs in our area reliably around October. They come in the form clusters of



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creamy white flowers at the end of their branches. Their woody aggregated fruits look like mini spaceships. The timber is very resistant to fire and very durable in salt water. It is highly regarded and milled extensively for structural purposes, telegraph poles, beams and wharfs. They are literally the timber that built Sydney.

Turpentines are common in our catchment and are adequately conserved as a single species, however the vegetation communities in which Turpentine live are highly threatened and classified as Critically Endangered.

Turpentine-Ironbark Forest was extensively cleared for its timber, market gardens and orchards, grazing and urban expansion. Current and future threats are considered to be clearing for development, grazing, mowing, increased nutrient loads, weed invasion and inappropriate fire regimes. A good example of Turpentine-Ironbark Forest is Carrs Bush in Fagan Park. It retains all of the necessary elements of a complete forest from ground covers, understory plants, tall timbers and wildlife.

Turpentine-Ironbark Forest is a rich habitat for mammals and birds, providing homes for species dependant on hollows in tress for shelter, this includes the Powerful Owl and Glossy Black-Cockatoo. So it didn't come at a surprise when the neighbours told me about spotting a Powerful Owl roosting in one of our very tall and mature Turpentine trees.

The forest also acts as a natural water purifier, feeding clean water into the Hawkesbury, helping maintain the health of the river.

So enjoy what we still have, the remaining Turpentine-Ironbark Forests represents 4,5% of the original 26,000 hectares in Sydney and is spread over a handful of reserves like Carrs Bush.

Contact us: StillCreekLandcare@iinet.net.au, ph: 9653 2056. Look us up on Facebook or StillCreekLandcare.com.au.

Noxious Weed Found in Hornsby Shire

An invasive noxious weed has been found in Hornsby Shire and Council is urging residents to report any sightings.

Boneseed, which is classified as a Class 1 noxious weed in New South Wales, has been discovered in Hornsby, Mount Colah, Mount Kuring-gai, Berowra, Glenorie, Dural and Epping.

It may also be present in other suburbs within Hornsby Shire.

The weed is native to South Africa, and has the ability to aggressively invade native Australian bushland while also posing a threat to significant rare or threatened species.

Without effective control, it has the potential to spread into new areas, with most of southern New South Wales under threat.

Its status as a Class 1 noxious weed means it must be eradicated from the land and it is the responsibility of the land's owner or occupier to control boneseed on their property.

Any residents who have seen boneseed growing in Hornsby Shire are encouraged to contact Council's Natural Resources team to report the location by calling 9847 6832 or emailing bushland@hornsby.nsw.gov.au.

Council's Natural Resource Officers can assist with identification and information on control, removal and eradication of Boneseed on your property.



on your property. Boneseed can be identified by the following features:

- Shrubs up to three metres high.

- Flowers are yellow with 5-8 petals and up to three centimetres in diameter. Peak flowering occurs from August to October.
- Leaves are 3-9 centimetres long and alternate along the stems. They are oval shaped with irregularly serrated edges. New growth is covered with white hairs that are shed as the leaves mature.
- Woody stems are branched and upright.
- Young fruit are round, green and fleshy, turning black when mature. They contain a single, smooth, round seed (6-7 millimetre diameter) which is bone-coloured when dry, giving it the name 'boneseed'.

The Australian Plants Society

The Australian Plants Society-North Shore Group meets on the second Friday of the month at 8pm in the Willow Park Community Hall, 25 Edgeworth David Avenue, Hornsby. The speaker for October 12th is Greg Bourke and his topic is "Australian Carnivorous Plants".

The speaker for November 14th is Margarita Clayton and her topic is "Lomandras and Xanthorrhoeas (Grass trees)".

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Dural & Hills District Garden Club - Meetings at 8pm on 1st Wednesday of each month at Mid Dural Fire Station, 57 Mid Dural Road. Further information contact Di Glasgow 0409 909 161 or email duralgardenclub@yahoo.com.au

Dural-Glenorie Scouts - Joeys (aged 6–7 years), Cubs (aged 8–10 years) and Scouts (aged 11–15 years) meet weekly at the Scout Hall in Galston Road, Galston. Learn new skills, challenge yourself, experience outdoor activities, make new friends, have fun! Contact Warren Payne (W) 9622 2251 or (H) 9652 1713. Dural Mens Shed meets at Dural Sport and Leisure Centre corner Pellitt Lane and Kenthurst Rd each Thursday and Saturday from 9am. Woodwork and Metalwork/Welding facilities. Enquiries Chris Thomas 0402478498 . www.duralmensshed.org

Friends of Fagan Park - Volunteer group actively preserving the remarkable rural history of Hornsby Shire. The Friends meet every Tuesday from 9am to 4pm maintaining historic Netherby Cottage and its garden and also restoring farm machinery and implements to working order. Members of the public and new friends are always welcome! Open days are the 2nd Sunday of each month, 1.30pm to 4.00pm, and other special occasions. Contact lan Browning. M: 0419 435 475 E. isandian@tpg.com.au Ferry Artists Gallery – Old Northern Road, Wisemans Ferry 2775. ph: 02 4566 4385, for info on workshops and membership see www.ferryartists.org

Galston Area Residents' Association Inc meets at the Galston Primary School Library, School Road, Galston on the 2nd Thursday of the month at 8pm. Enquiries to 0403 076 175. New members always welcome.

Galston Branch CWA meets on the second Wednesday of each month at the Galston Community Health Centre. New members are sure of a friendly welcome. Enquiries to Janet 9653 2402 or Val 9653 1774..

Galston Community Hall - 37 Arcadia Road, Galston available for functions, air-conditioned, inspections welcome. Bookings call Robyn on 0414 647 638.

Galston Community Health Centre - This centre is an outreach of Hornsby & Ku-ring-gai Health Service and is situated at 17 Arcadia Road, Galston (cnr of The Glade). Enq. 9653 2235. Gaiston Garden Club - New members are always welcome. Meetings held at 8pm on the second Wednesday of every month at the Galston Community Centre. For further information contact Bill Fleming on 9653 2394.

Galston VIEW Club - Galston VIEW Club, will be holding its October luncheon meeting at Dural Country Club commencing at 11am on 22nd October, 2014. We will have some fun with a Trivia Afternoon. Visitors are welcome. Inquiries Vivien 9894-1189

Girl Guides - Girls Age 6-12 meet on Thursdays 5-6.30pm at Galston Guide Hall, 414 Galston Road, Galston. This is an exciting opportunity for girls to learn and develop life skills, meet new friends, enjoy the outdoors, make their own challenges, express their creativity and much more. Contact Mary 0423 353644 or Amy 0415 438210.

Glenorie Maroota Bioregional Forum – Meets at 7.30pm on the first Wednesday of each month at Glenorie Community Hall. Let us know of your local environment and heritage concerns. Contact Carolyn Hall on carolyn@dhphc.com.au

Glenorie Progress Association Holds its meetings bi-monthly (August, October & December 2014) 7.30pm in the Palms Room, Glenorie RSL. All Welcome 9652 2454.

Hills Budgerigar Club Meet on the 4th Friday of each month, except December at the North Rocks Community Hall. Everyone welcome. Enquiries to Peter on 9888 5631.

Hills Community Aid No Interest Loans up to \$1,000 - for whitegoods, furniture, computers, essential repairs etc. Contact Hills Community Aid 9639 8620, enq@hca.org.au or www.hca.org.au.

Hills Farmers' & Gourmet Food Mkt - 2nd Saturday of the month, 8am-12pm, Castle Hill Showground. www.hawkesburyharvest.com.au

Hills Shire Garden Club - Meetings held on 3rd Monday of the month at 1.00 p.m. at Barton Hall, David Rd, Castle Hill. Enquiries 9624-5034.

Hills RSL Sub Branch - Monthly meetings held at The Galston Club, 2pm on the last Tuesday of each month. Enquiries 9653 2565.

Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Four Wheel Drive Club is a family orientated club that meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 8.00pm at Hornsby Heights Community Centre, Galston Road, Hornsby Heights. www. hk4wd.com.au

JP SERVICES are available at Cherrybrook Shopping Village on Saturday mornings from 1000 am to 12 noon; and at Carlingford Court Shopping Centre on Tuesdays from 1100 am to 0100 pm. JP's are also at Hornsby, Pennant Hills, and Epping Libraries on some days. Check with Library for times before attending. Enquiries Brian Heasman JP 0412 885 525, or Gavin Moehead JP 0407 289 203 or 94894662.

The NSW Justices Association Hornsby Branch meets each month on the 2nd Monday evening at 0700 pm, at Asquith Rugby League Club opposite Waitara rail station. All JP's welcome to attend.

Living Life Without Children - Support Group meets once a month for childless couples, now in their 40s and 50s, finding it difficult or lonely living life without children. Contact Carol. email: feather@iprimus.com.au

Pennant Hills Photographic Club meets on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Mondays each month at 8pm in the Uniting Church Hall cnr Boundary Rd and Bellamy St, Pennant Hills. www.phpc.org.au. Rotary Club of Galston meets every Tuesday at The Galston Club at 6.30 for 7pm. New members welcomed. Contact Peter 0419 011 750 peteainscow@gmail.com

Rowland Village Workshop Club invites enquiries about the Club from members of the wider community who are 55 and over years of age. Contact Michael Bell on 96531365.

Soroptimist International of The Hills District Inc meets at 7pm 3rd Monday of the month St Joseph's Convention Centre Baulkham Hills.Details:0407 665 874

Shakespeare Group - meets monthly at Galston on the 2^{nd} Thursday morning, 9am to 12.30. No cost to belong, just a delight in reading great Bards words. Further information call lsabelle 9679 1338.

Social Dance Workshops - Pennant Hills Community Centre, Yarara Road. \$7. Contact Felicity 9456 2860, 0434 437 522. Old time contemporary, set & couple dances. Specialising in Australian, Irish & Scottish Folk Dance. Beginners & experienced dancers.

Still Creek Landcare Group - Have a say and help in the future of our catchments in Galston, Arcadia and Berrilee. We meet at 7:30pm on the 2^{md} Thursday of each month at The Galston Club Committee Room. For more information Visit www. StillCreekLandcare.com.au or e-mail StillCreekLandcare@iinet.net. au or Contact Nick on 9653 2056.

The Hills Trefoil Guild (Guides NSW) - The Trefoil Guild is the adult section of Guiding which links Members, former Members; female Members of the Scout Association; and women who have not been Guides but are prepared to make the Guide Promise. Our meetings are held on the 3rd Friday of the month commencing at 10am, concluding approx 12.45pm at the Guide Hall, Bounty Ave, Castle Hill. For further information please contact Sandra on 9659 3770.

CHURCHES

Galston Uniting Church - Service times 10.00am. Children's programmes KUCA for children K-6, each Friday of the school term 4.30 to 6.00pm. #ThePower (Youth Group) for those in high school. Fridays of the school term 6.15 to 8.30pm. CRAFT group Thursday evenings of the school term from 7.00 to 1 0.00pm. OVER 55's for seniors 2nd Monday of each month from 10am to 12noon. Other groups of interest:-Men's Choir, Ladies Choir. For all enquiries, please call the church office on 9653 2039. 11 School Road Galston or visit www.galstonunitingchurch.com

Galston Seventh Day Adventist Church - Every Saturday 9.30am to 10.45am Bible Study, 11am to 12noon Church Service at 49 Arcadia Rd Galston. Every Wednesday 7.30pm Prayer Group. Contact Minister Andrew Russell 0403 840 348.

Glenorie Community Church - Pentecostal and Evangelical – meets every Sunday at 10.00am. Healing Service at 6.30pm last Sunday of every month. Ladies meeting at 10.30am first Tuesday of every month. All welcome. 1507 Old Northern Road, Glenorie. Pastor A.Valich - Phone 9634 3505, Church 9652 0577.

Glenorie Mission Church - Sunday Service 10.15am, Girls Brigade Tuesdays at 6.30pm. 1409 Old Northern Road (Cnr Muscios Rd), Glenorie. Enquiries 9652 1203.

Hillslife Church - Meets every Sunday at Galston Public School. Pastors Leigh and Heidi Davy. Ph: 02 9653 2807. For more details go to www.hillslife.com

St. Benedict's Catholic Church Arcadia Mass at the Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia, at 7am every morning. Mass at the Parish Centre, Ph. 9653-2312. Corner Fagans Rd & Arcadia Rd. 7pm Saturday, 9am Sunday Parish Priest; Fr. David Orr OSB 0400-371-260.

St. Columb's Anglican Church, Arcadia – Sundays at 9.30 am. Coffee n' craft group meets on Fridays at 9.30 am – enquiries Beverley 9653.1790.

LOCAL SPORTS ASSOCIATIONS

Dural Country Club Bowling Clubs – New members are welcome. Free lessons are available to men and women wishing to learn lawn bowls and meet a new social network. Ring 9653 1250 or 9489 3739 to speak to one of our trained coaches.

Dural Country Club Fishing Club meet at Dural Country Club on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm. Activities include a monthly offshore charter, estuary and open fishing, organised short stay holidays and great social BBQ's. New members welcome. Contact Murray on 0407 950 939 or Bruce on 0428 970 439.

Dural Rugby Club - Enquiries, please contact the registrar Eric Flanagan, email efl86029@bigpond.net.au or phone 0412 230 328 or visit our website http://dural.rugbynet.com.au.

Galston Glenorie Amateur Fishing Club Meets at 7.30pm at The Galston Club on the 1st Wednesday of each month. The meeting has a raffle at 7pm with lots of prizes and every meeting has a guest speaker. Enquiries call Lachlan on 0438 801 170 or Warren on 0416 061 428.

Galston Glenorie Cricket Club - For further details regarding season events, grades and registration, please contact 0400 747 767.

Galston Club Golf Club - Plays Monthly – Variety of courses. Contact - James Roberts 9653 2017 / gm@galstonclub.com.au

Galston Equestrian Club - New Members are always welcome. Training/Competition days held on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at the Rural Sports Facility Centre off Mansfield Road. Enquiries can be made to Liz on 0409 992 920 or to go to the Galston Equestrian Club's website at www.galstonequestrianclub.org.au.

Galston Netball Club All enquiries to galstonnetballclub@gmail. com or visit the website www.galston.netball.asn.au

Hills AUSSI Masters Swimming Club meets at Galston Aquatic Centre on Galston Road on Tuesdays at 7:30pm. Whether you want to swim laps, compete in competitions, or just have fun, fitness and friendship Ring Di on 9652 1215.

Hills Hawks Soccer Club. For season details & registrations call Vivian Mepstead on 0432 333 091 or vivmep@gmail.com.

Hills Hawks Softball Club. Our competition is held during the summer season (September to March, excluding school holidays) at Hayes Park, Galston. We welcome new members! For enquiries please contact our registrar Hazel Postill on 0414 474 461 or visit our website: http://hillshawks.softball.org.au.

Hills Pumas Football Club - For information including registrations, call Sarah Sumskas on 0430883385 or email registrar@hillspumasfc.com.au

Table Tennis – Junior & Adult Coaching & Social play, Dural & Glenorie Ph Chris 0468300822 or spinclub@bigpond.com

Tennis / Squash Social Group - looking for new players. Call Karen 0412 485 411 or email tennisandsquash@live.com.au Tennis Court for Hire Galston - At rear of Galston Community Hall. Available Day or Night, Mobile 0414 647 638.

Tennis Court for Hire Glenorie - Les Shore Reserve. Available Day or Night. Phone 0404 600 460.

Tennis Court for Hire Hillside Public School on Cattai Ridge



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