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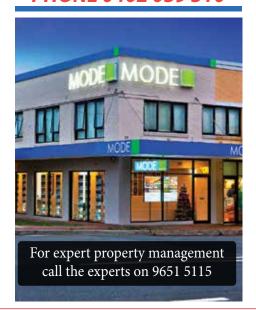
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SENIORS HOUSING PROPOSAL FOR GLENORIF

A Site Compatibility Certificate has been requested from NSW State Planning for a Seniors Housing development at 47 Cairns Road, Glenorie, consisting of 33 self-contained dwellings, associated community room, pool and tennis court. (See location on map).





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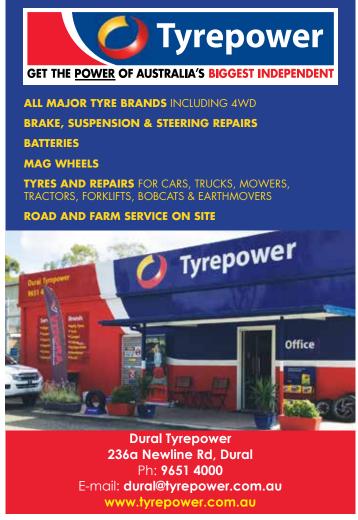


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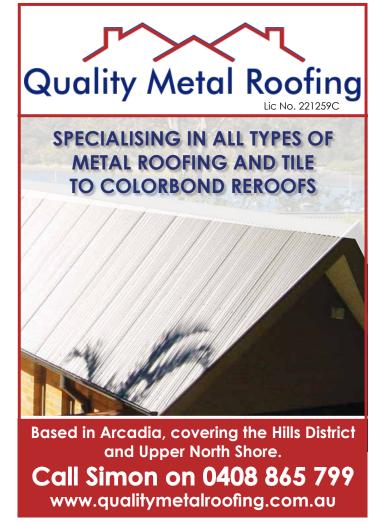
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SENIORS HOUSING PROPOSAL FOR GLENORIE





The Council Pre-lodgement Meeting Comments Letter says "Council raises objection to seniors living development at the subject site as the development would be inconsistent with the objectives of the rural zone..."

As it's Glenorie's first senior housing development we showed the plans to local residents including some close to the proposed development. The majority of those who viewed the plans seemed to look upon it with ap proval. One resident even commented "Oh that's so much better than that huge multi-storey development at Quarry Road. That's much more fitting for Glenorie, and some older residents on acreage would really like to stay in the area. I hope it gets approved".

We will keep the community updated as the application progresses.







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BACKS INVICTUS GAMES

Rob Pirina from Glenorie Bakery has created the "Invictus Pie" which will be sold to raise funds in aid of the Invictus Games Sydney 2018. Glenorie Bakery will donate \$5 from every Invictus Pie sold. So far the team from Glenorie Bakery has raised almost \$2,500 with a target of \$10,500.

Glenorie Bakery has a long tradition of supporting Australians far and wide raising over \$130,000 throughout the years with the annual State of Origin for meat pies being the Pie of Origin. Now the team is sinking their teeth into this meaty challenge to support the competitors at Invictus Games Sydney 2018.

It's time to get behind Invictus Games Sydney 2018, get behind your country and get your Invictus Pie today!

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Pioneer Play Festival WHEN: 23rd to 24th November 2018 Pioneer Theatre, Cnr Castle and Pennant Streets, Castle Hill

WHAT:

Individual events from \$5 - \$50. Festival Passes: from \$52.75. BOOKINGS: via the festival website at

www.pioneerplayfestival.com

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Australian theatre-craft and performance will take centre stage in the heart of Sydney's Hills District for the inaugural Pioneer Play Festival at Castle Hill's new Pioneer Theatre this November 23rd-24th.

The Pioneer Play Festival will bring together Sydney's theatre community, schools and locals for two days of new and pioneering Australian plays, workshops and panel discussions

celebrating the inaugural theme 'Australian Voices'.

Curated by Artistic Director Goldele Rayment the festival will present a dedicated school's program alongside a festival program that includes the Sydney premiere of Felix Nobis' Boy Out of the Country, a searingly funny story of contemporary Australian family, urban development and the progress of life; and a special 50th Anniversary

performance of Alex Buzo's controversial exploration of race, culture and identity -Norm and Ahmed.

The festival will also incorporate the inaugural Pioneer Play Awards, a thrilling new playwriting competition that will recognise an outstanding local young writer (10-17 vears) and an adult writer (18+) with a cash prize, staged performances and glamorous Mayoral reception.







ARCADIAN ARTISTS AND EXHIBITION TRAIL 2018

10TH AND 11TH NOVEMBER 2018

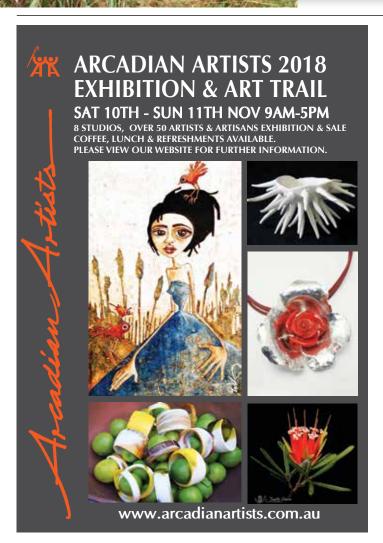
What inspires you? Is it a beautiful scene in the bush, a quiet country lane, a peaceful lake or a rolling surf? What about the wonder of nature or the magnificent splendour of a special sunset? Inspiration comes in many forms and unexpected places. People are inspirational in so many ways too. Their creativity or the ability to overcome adversity and those that encourage and support them to do it.

> This year our Arcadian Artists Trail and Exhibition will inspire and encourage you as you travel through the rural countryside of Galston, Dural, Arcadia and Berrilee. Not only will 50 artists and artisans motivate you to cast off the dreary colours of the world but will give you the opportunity to take with you some of the unique things they have offer. Once again Warrah will be represented at one of our 8 venues. They indeed are an inspiration.

The sights, sounds and smells of the bush will entice you to visit different studios on the trail. The settings are just delightful. Each venue will exhibit a range of goods from a variety of artists and a program of demonstrations is available for those who want to 'see how it's done'.

Food is always important on a day out, and to help you enjoy your day we have included coffee and food vans at many of our sites. The local eateries are also geared up for the influx of visitors to the area over the weekend. Some of the properties have rolling lawns where you can sit with a picnic and sip a glass of wine on a picnic rug.

Studios open at **9.00am** on Saturday and Sunday and close at 5.00pm. There is no charge. An information booth is set up at Galston outside our sponsor, the Bendiao Bank. Follow the signs and arrows to the studios or hop on line for a map. Our website is www.arcadianartists.com.au You will be inspired.









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Badlands has been the one stop shop for locals interested in Sporting, Hunting and Tactical supplies since opening its doors in April of this year at Unit 2/7 Hoyle Avenue, Castle Hill.

The family run business headed by Zac who has been a passionate and avid hunter for much of his life has had great feedback from locals and even those from the wider community, who are so glad to have a store stocking a range of new and quality brands and providing A+ customer service.

Zac and his team pride themselves on being able to help with any industry information, product questions and even special orders for items that they may not carry in-store. They have loved getting to know many of the locals over the past few months and look forward to seeing new faces in the store along with the stores loyal customers.

Badlands are carrying the best of the best high-quality brands accompanied by new never before seen brands previously unavailable to the Australian market. They are also focusing on their online presence and have a fantastic online store which you can visit at ww.badlands.com.au if you can't make it into the retail shop.



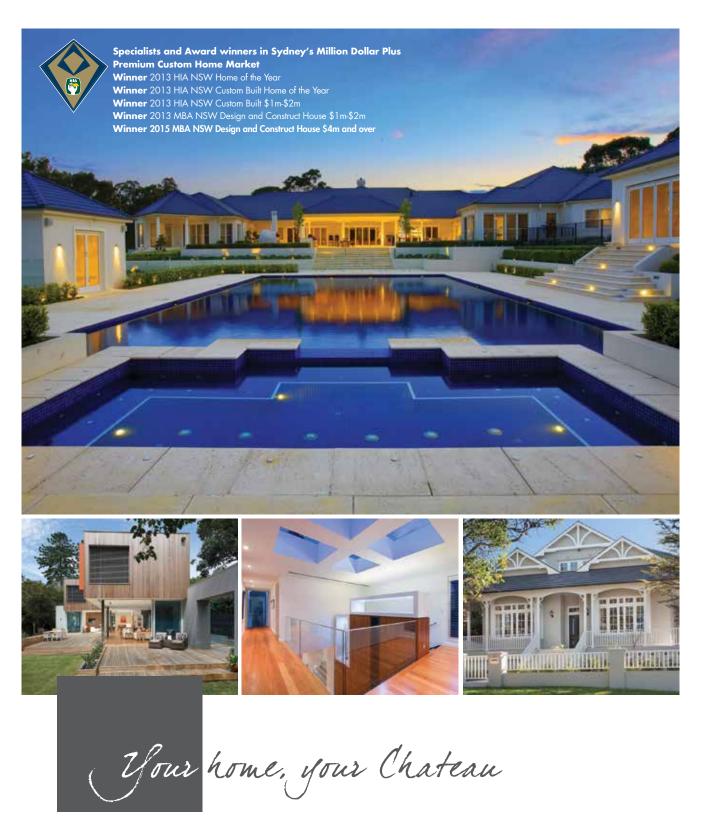
The store has recently opened their ammunition department stocking a wide range of known high quality brands and offering great pricing in-store.

Badlands has also appointed 2 resident firearms safety training officers that are able to administer the Firearms Safety Training course which is the first step for individuals wanting to take part in a fantastic sport. For more details contact the store and one of their team will be more than happy to answer any questions or book you in.





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aChoired Voices, an auditioned community choir for adults based in Castle Hill. believes that making music enriches our lives. This approach to music is reinforced in its motto. With Heart And Soul.

Under the direction of Ansa Fourie, aChoired Voices celebrates the joy of song with a wide range of musical styles, from traditional and contemporary Western European choral music to contemporary Australian works and gospel, folk and world music. Ansa has been the music director since the choir's founding, in 2005.

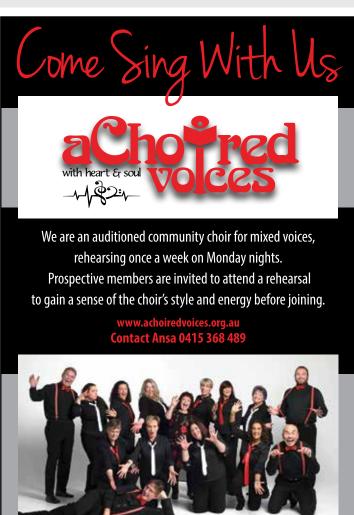
aChoired Voices presents an annual concert to show the year's repertoire and participates in choral festivals, eisteddfods, weddings and corporative functions throughout the year.

New singers are always welcome. The choir rehearses once a week, on Monday nights. Prospective members are invited to attend a rehearsal to gain a sense of the choir's style and energy before joining.

More information can be found on the choir's website, www.achoiredvoices.org. au or by contacting Ansa on 0415 368 489.

aChoired Voices' next performance will be BROADWAY THREE WAYS, on Saturday November 10th at 7.30 pm at Wesley Castle Hill Uniting Church, 32-34 Showground Road, Castle Hill. The choir will be joined by the Hills Harmony Chorus and the Linnet Choir of Sydney to bring you a night of Broadway greats. Each choir will perform a selection of songs and the evening will end with a spectacular, combined number. These are all accomplished choirs who are bound to deliver a high standard of singing. Tickets are available at https://www.trybooking.com/VZRE and at the doors from 6.30 pm.











RURAL ROUNDUP

by Hornsby Councillor, Warren Waddell

Hornsby Council has always provided an efficient response to graffiti. However, when graffiti appears on property that does not belong to Council the odds of its removal are considerably less. There has been an increased incidence of graffiti on assets belonging to other authorities such as the RMS, Water Board, Ausgrid and, of course, private property. This month Council resolved to act directly on all reports of graffiti, even for property we are not responsible for. Council will identify the owner of the targeted surface and contact them to so they can carry out removal. We will then follow up to make sure it occurs. Essentially, we are becoming the central switchboard for graffiti removal in the Shire.

The graffiti hotline is 1800 199 282

Another issue that frequently frustrates residents of the rural area is the process surrounding permits for pile burns and bushfire hazard reduction. This process is now under review and I expect that a more appropriate system will be made available early next month.

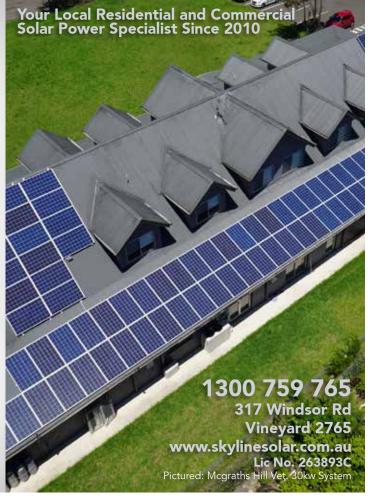
COMMUNITY NEWS

In keeping with the broad community support for local drought relief programs, Council resolved to give \$10,000 to helping people affected. \$5000 will go to charities nominated by our partnership councils, Leeton and Snowy Valley. A further \$5000 will be directed to the CWA and the Red Cross, from parking fees raised at Fagan Park through an initiative proposed by Friends of Fagan Park.

With the dry conditions continuing throughout the Shire it could prove to be a challenging season for our valued Rural Fire Service branches. Your local RFS is a great source of information for preparing your property against the threat of bushfire. In addition, consider supporting the RFS by either joining or assisting with their fund-raising activities.









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UH, WHAT BICYCLE TO BUY FOR HRISTMAS

In terms of your 2019 New Year resolutions- how about chanting this mantra? "This bicycle burns my fat and saves me money!" To the uninitiated, a bicycle is a bicycle. However, just like you don't go and play a game of golf with only one club, these days cycling has evolved into a multi-million dollar global business, with many brands and bicycles for every purpose.

So, which 'tribe' do you want to belong to in 2019?

BMX Bike? Small wheels and frame: designed for racing and jumping on BMX tracks and skate parks with the saddle low, so it doesn't obstruct the rider. Not suitable for riding any distance.

Cyclo-cross Bike? Looks like a road bike, but comes with knobbly tyres to ride both on and off the road on dirt tracks and to carry over obstacles.

e-Bike? A 'Johnny come lately' to the stable, sales of e-bikes have exploded, due to the aging population and the nightmare that is the daily commute. You have to pedal the bike, but when you need a boost to go up a hill or keep up with fitter or younger cycle buddies- the electric engine kicks in to assist you on your ride.

> Fold-up Bike? Designed as bridging transport in response to the 'last mile' issue when commuting on public transport, where it is also not possible (or allowed) to fit a whole bike into a peak hour train carriage or bus.

> > Hybrid Bike? Usually a roadbike-type frame, but with skinny tyres and flat bars. Suitable for riding on good dirt roads, tracks and paved roads or bike paths.

Kid's Bike? Plenty of them available. Avoid buying heavy, cheap bikes aka 'supermarket specials.' (Bicycle shops won't repair such bikes) Buy a quality brand, from a bicycle

shop, and then cycle regularly with your kids & mentor them if you are worried about safety.

Hard tail Mountain bike? Suitable for riding most cross country trails. Not as efficient or comfortable as a dual sus. over technical terrain. Great up climbs, though!

Dual Suspension Mountain Bike? Excellent for riding any of the technical, custom-built offroad cycling trails or marathon race-courses. Ride efficiently and comfortably through the bush for anything from 10 to 100km.

Enduro Bike: A downhill weapon, with longer wheelbase and serious suspension for this purpose- but built light enough to ride uphill to ride down ...again, and again!

Fat Bike? This is one for mavericks. A lightweight bicycle with fat 'motorbike-style' tyres to ride shorter distances along the beach, or on very muddy, bumpy terrain. Great fun for holidays!

Road Bike? Specifically for cycling at speed along paved roads shared with vehicular traffic, or on cycle path networks. Lightweight, with thin, smooth tyres and drop bars to reduce rolling and air resistance. A vast range of distances can be covered on a roadbike in just a few hours- anything from 25km to 200km.

Now all you have to do from December 25th onwards, is consistently get outdoors on your new bike from Santa, and enjoy exploring this gorgeous area we live in. Leave your bikes languishing outside in the rain, to be cast onto the pavement pick up pile with all the other exercise equipment- and you will definitely end up on the naughty list!

> Illustrated by Susanna Mills http://www.zazzle.com.au/wirebike

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By Dane Maurer

In this 'connected' world it seems that we are more in touch with global affairs and trends than news from our own beautiful community and the people who keep it beautiful. Two of those people who really deserve to be praised and recognised for their wonderful work are Principal Anne 'Millsy' Mills (pic - right) and Sue 'Mrs Mac' McLennan (pic - left), who are part of the great team at Middle Dural Public School.

My 6yr old is in Millsy's class and is coming home smarter and more confident every day, and loves her school. Mrs Mills is as gentle, kind and graceful as she was the day I first sat in her class, 30 years ago, and I am sure my child will have the same happy memories of being taught by Anne.

Not only do we love the school, it is so clear that Anne and Sue have a love of children and a passion for teaching that I didn't believe was possible. I never really considered how many things a teacher does until I became a parent at the school and can find myself overwhelmed at times when two or three children talk to me at the same time when I go to pick up my child. I have never seen a moment where these two passionate, professional women have even seemed flustered or frustrated let alone lost control of what is happening.

With the best mix of discipline, care and love, Anne and Sue have for many years been forging and encouraging the next generation of our local children to be beautiful resilient adults.

Middle Dural P.S is a lovely school with beautiful open land, gardens and wonderful facilities, but two of its finest assets are Millsy and Mrs Mac.

DESTINY RESCUE

With over one million children trapped in sexual slavery in the world today, Destiny Rescue for many vears has made it their mission to fight this modern scourge. Australian founded, this internationally recognised non-profit organisation has been at the forefront of rescuing trafficked and sexually enslaved children from predominantly S.E. Asian hotspots.

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With horror stories of children as young as 17 months being abused, Destiny Rescue also has many stories of courage, triumph and success to report, with the vast majority of their charges growing up into confident and accomplished young adults.

If you'd like to help, please consider attending the MezeMe Charity Dinner on October 17th or sign up to become a Rescue Partner with a monthly donation of any amount. It all helps. www.destinyrescue.org"



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TAKE CARE OF YOUR SKIN

My name is Nerida Shimizu and I grew up in, and live in, Arcadia. Over the years I have lived in various places, including several years in Japan. However, there is nowhere like the peace and quiet of Arcadia. As well as being a local Mum and teacher I am an Independent Consultant for Rodan and Fields skincare.

My interest in skincare began after experiencing the painful removal of some skin cancers on my face and arm and after seeing close family members suffering from skin cancer. My initial interest was all about sun protection and preventing further skin damage. I used to think that I just had to accept the way my skin looked and the damage it revealed. However, since starting with Rodan and Fields, I have learnt I can improve the appearance of my skin as well as protecting it from further damage. With consistent use of the Redefine regimen I have seen reduced appearance of fine lines, improved firmness and a more even skin tone.

Genetics is only responsible for 20% of how our skin will age. We control 80% of our skin's destiny! Whether you are approaching one of those birthdays with a big '0' in it or you have no skin issues, you can prevent sun damage as well as helping your skin to look the best it can be and age well. All the Rodan and Fields skincare regimens include a sun screen and so they make it easy to protect your skin every day and visibly improve the appearance of your skin.

Rodan and Fields has been the fastest growing skincare brand in North America since 2010 and was the number 1 skincare brand in North America in 2017. The products are developed by two dermatologists who have the goal to give everyone access to dermatology-based skincare.

I hope that you will give these products a try and experience great results for your skin. All products have a 60-day satisfaction guarantee.

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SALVATION ARMY

By Katy Joscelyne

The aims and objectives of the Salvation Army, drawn up many years ago, fit in beautifully with today's rulings on "Political Correctness". Recognised throughout the world for its untiring work, the Salvation Army helps people in need without discrimination against culture, creed, race or belief.

Australia might still be known as The Lucky Country, but, in every state, there are families living in poverty, homeless, hungry, or in need of spiritual and emotional support. To meet their financial needs, a network of volunteers work in the Family Stores on- selling the items which you, the public, so generously donate.

The focus in the Dural and Glenorie stores this month is on **BOOKS**. Every week a busy team of book- birds sort through hundreds of books which arrive in boxes, bags and bundles. Katy, Joy, Kim and Vicki sort all the fiction alphabetically, and categorise other volumes under the following headings: school texts, Australia, travel, both overseas and local, health, special diets, pregnancy, child development, puzzles, personal development, music, gardening, art, royalty, photography, general interest, cooking, old and collectable editions, sports, biographies, coffee table books, and pets. Our children's books are divided into early childhood/ preschool, and young readers. And for a wealth of information on the Christian faith, do browse the separate bookshelf on the back wall in the Dural Store.

If we don't have a particular book or author, please let us know. We have a good success rate in locating what you are after!

We look forward to seeing you any day of the week (except Sunday) for great quality items at realistic prices. And to help us in the run-up to Christmas, we will again be holding a half price day on Wednesday 31 October. Do come and say hello: you are assured of a warm welcome.









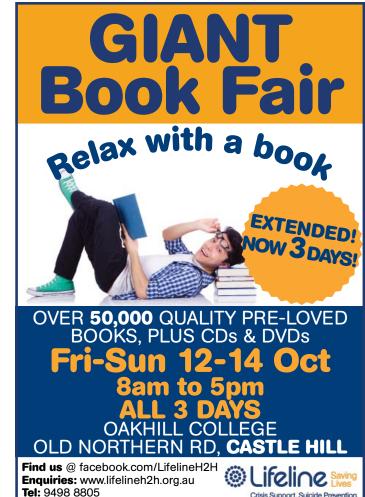
Term 3 has shaped up to be another busy term for all the sections at 1st Dural Scout Group.

Joeys have been busy participating in science based activities, Cubs are working on numerous badges also around a scientific theme and the Scouts have based their term on the TV show "Body Hack", completing many different challenges.

In July the group celebrated "Christmas in July", with a fine feast and bonfire night. It was great to see so many of our families come together for a fantastic night.

In keeping with our core values including "helping others" and "giving back to our community", 1st Dural Scout Group have chosen to donate the proceeds of our August Bunnings BBQ to the farmers in the Coonabarabran local district, who are in the midst of a terrible drought. In addition to the funds raised on the day of the BBQ, we passed the hat around at each section meeting and we now have a whooping combined total of \$1657. We are sure this will be greatly appreciated by the farming community.

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Father's Day was an exciting time for the girls. Dads came along to Guides and played games at the oval. The parachute was a hit for girls and Dads alike!

The girls were honoured to take part in the Kenthurst Fair Orange Blossom Parade.

Please contact admin@galstongirlguides.com for hall hire or enquiries about Girl Guides.



SOME SUCCESS AND A GREAT ALMOST FOR DIIRAI

At Dural Country Club Leone Lesslie added the 2018 Consistency Singles title to her incredible list of successes. It did not come easily as Terri Hezlett, who had played three rounds of impeccable bowls, again played well but Leone's skill and experience won the day. Congratulations.

The Senior Fours team, who had one personnel change, won the regional play-off. After another change, they went to the State Play off where they met Dubbo City in the second round. After rain and lightning delays they were narrowly defeated. According to the team the best part came at after the final when Dubbo emerged the state champions. Well done to the 6 ladies who took Dural so far.

Recently four new ladies started playing bowls and are already enjoying the challenge of the game and the offerings of the coffee shop and the friendship of the members. The club welcomed Terese Giglio, Cheryle Hobart, Carol Lingham and Brigitte Szlasko after they had finished their initial coaching.













Winter has waned and the warmer weather is here, bringing the motivation to spring into action, dust off the cobwebs and get moving.

Walking is the perfect way to get started on your spring exercise regime and parkrun, partnering with the Heart Foundation in a campaign to get more Australians walking for heart health, provides the perfect space to get moving.

According to the Heart Foundation, walking for an average of 30 minutes a day can lower the risk of heart disease, stroke, and diabetes by 30 to 40 per cent, with evidence showing the benefits of walking also extend to the

brain - improving learning and memory skills and reducing the risk of dementia and Alzheimer's disease.

Walking in a group and with friends is both fun and free and the collaboration aims to connect the Heart Foundation Walking network - Australia's largest free walking community - with parkrun to encourage walkers to join in at their local free parkrun event.

Heart Foundation National Walking Manager, Michelle Wilson, welcomed the collaboration as both organisations work towards their shared goal of encouraging more Australians to get off the couch and get active.

Mr Oberg acknowledges that for walkers and newcomers, some perceptions about parkrun could be off putting.

Parkrun is a free community event held every Saturday morning at Fagan Park Galston and other local parks around Australia. It involves a 5km walk or run, non-competitive, with the goal to improve on your own recorded times. Pre-register once online, visit http://www. parkrun.com.au/events/events/

THE SYDNEY HILLS BRANCH OF THE ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT RETIREES

The Sydney Hills Branch of the **Association of Independent Retirees** Meetings have commenced for 2018. We have some very interesting speakers lined up.

Our next meeting will be held on Friday 5th October, 2018. At the Beecroft Presbyterian Church Hall, Welham Street Beecroft. Meeting will commence at 10.45 am.

The guest speaker will be from "Gourmet Journey New Zealand"

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Since the recent refurbishment, Netherby Homestead has enjoyed strong interest, and recently hosted a sizable group of Year 2 students from a district school. The kids showed a lot of interest in the ice chest, a forerunner to the refrigerator, and the old wooden box telephone the Fagan's phone number was Dural 6. They were also impressed with the display of pre-decimal coins associated with the fully functional 1908 National Cash Register. The words 'penny', 'thrippence', 'shilling' and so on, have disappeared from everyday language now, as have all the slang words like 'zac'. 'dinar'. 'bob'. etc.

A recent event was the 16th annual Velocette Day hosted by the Friends. With over 45 mostly historic motorcycles present, it was a very successful day. Velocette

> made a very wide range of models in Britain from 1907 until 1971, and held many racing titles. However, their model LE of the late 1950's was the company's saviour, being adopted as the British 'Postie' bike of the period. Its water-cooled engine was nearly silent. One standout on the day was a Vincent Black Prince super rare and a great privilege to see.

Work on the international truck is proceeding slowly, with the Orange chassis now stripped bare. This is as far as it can be progressed for the moment, while we assess the engine, gearbox etc. We are currently determining the best path to getting the wheels restored, and we have consulted specialists in the Southern Highlands and ACT. The water pump restoration is now complete. I previously mentioned the steering wheel – the new wooden rim looks magnificent! We can be very proud of the skills of our members.

The Friends of Fagan Park are on deck every Tuesday, our volunteering day, and we open the museums on the second Sunday each month during the afternoon. We welcome all visitors and are happy to showcase our treasures.

🚺 lan Browning, Honorary Curator, 0419 435 475.







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IETBALL CLUB

Galston Netball Club has had another very successful season, congratulations to all teams who represented our club so well at Pennant Hills Park on Saturdays (and Friday nights for our younger players) for the past few months. In total 10 of our teams qualified for the finals series, and of these 9 teams made it through to the Grand Finals that were played on Saturday 15th September. Congratulations to our 10/3, 11/3, 11/1, 13/2, 14/3, Cadets 3 & Senior C1, B2 and A1 teams who competed in the Grand Finals; 10/3, 11/3, 14/3, and Cadet 1 all won on the day and were crowned premiers. A big thank you to players, coaches, managers and supporters of all teams who helped make the season such a success. We hope to see you all back next year.

Galston Netball Club is a not for profit sporting club with teams aged 6 years to adult thatt compete in the Hills District Netball Association. Registrations for next season will open in early 2019. For further information please contact secretary.galstonnetballclub@gmail.com









EASTBEND UPDATE AND NOTICE OF 2018 AGN

COMMUNITY NEW

On Monday August 20th there was a quarterly meeting of Eastbend Rural Communications. Items discussed included finances (in good shape), archival recording (e.g. digital scanning of old photos), document storage (for which boxes are still required), and ways to get more people to contribute their ideas to Living Heritage.

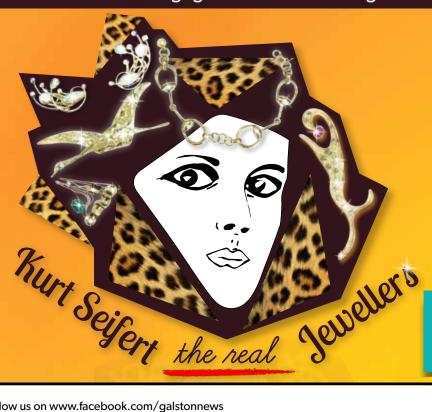
Eastbend's Annual General Meeting will be held at 1.30pm on Monday 12th **November** at the Resource Centre, Maroota Public School. An election will be held to choose members of the Executive Committee for the coming year. If you wish to nominate for any position or have anything you would like to discuss or have help with please come to the meeting. If you can't come yourself, please contact the Secretary, Vicki Brownless on livingheritage6@gmail.com or Tessa Corkill, on 2archaeics@gmail. com or 9652-1470. As always, from 1pm there will be a light lunch and time for a chat before the meeting begins. We look forward to seeing you there!

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THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT... S STAY SECURE...

by Debbie Amos

Whether we are travelling or just staying at home security is something that we are always thinking about. Whether it be security of ourselves, our friends or our personal information, there are Apps available to assist.



One of the biggest concerns for many of us is losing or having our iPhone, iPad or computer stolen. If, or when, this happens Apple Find my Phone is one of the best ways to help locate the device. If you have *Find my Phone* turned on you can then either find

your device from another iOS device or on a computer by going to www.icloud.com. You can then either find your device or take action to 'Erase iPhone'.



The *Find My Friends* app is a useful way of keeping track of loved ones who may have a tendency to wander. It is also useful if you are travelling with a group of friends and you don't want to lose each other. You can share your location for an

hour, a day or indefinitely. Although some people may possibly find this App intrusive, it does have its benefits and you can choose whether you want to share your location or not.



To help keep your passwords safe, and be able to remember them, there are Apps available that you can download and which will synchronise across all your devices. One of the more popular of these Apps is *1Password*. You can save all your passwords in the

App and only have to remember one password. You can also use your *Touch I.D.* as a way to access the App. This makes it very convenient but there is a cost involved.

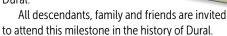
Androids have their own versions of being able to find a phone or friend. 1Password is also available for both Android and Apple devices and computers.

If you are concerned about your device being secure why don't you book a One on One session so we can look at the best way of ensuring your information is safe.

To organise a One on One session please call Debbie on Mob: 0418296217.

ROUGHLEY FAMILY GATHERING

On Sunday 14th October from 9.00am there will be a celebration of the arrival of Joseph and James Roughley in Australia on that day 200 hundred years ago. The venue will be Roughley House, 'The Pines' 656a Old Northern Rd.



James Roughley married Harriet Kentwell, of Castle Hill, in 1825 at St Johns church Parramatta and were to become one of the original settler families in the district.

Like many who were convicted of a minor crime and transported, through hard work and perseverance, the Roughleys become wealthy landowners and farmers and respected members of the community.

The day will feature a welcoming speech, tree planting, photo opportunities, music, house inspection and family memorabilia

Contact Max 96513397.

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Enjoy the friendly atmosphere with people from all walks of life who gladly assist one another to learn one or more of the Lapidary and Allied Crafts taught at our club.

We live our club motto of "share your Knowledge".

Contact: Club rooms - [02]9484 0014 or visit our website www. ndlapidary.org.au or try Twitter: http://twitter.com/ndlapidary or Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/pages/Northern-Districts-Lapidary-Club/273401459146

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OF THE MONTH Whoever plants a tree, plants a hope. Lucy Larcom. **American Poet** 1824-1893.

Continuing our exploration of cemeteries this month we look at trees found in and around the older cemeteries. We are defined by how we relate to and interact with plants, animals, other humans and this applies also to trees within our world. In the language of the cemetery, trees have specific meanings and superstitions attached to them being used not just for landscaping ascetics or shelter. Planting mountain ash or rowan for example are said to deter evil spirits from bothering the dead although the basis for this belief is unknown. Cypress trees have been in voque since Roman times and its branches have been used to adorn the areas where the departed have lain in state and were carried by mourners as a sign of respect. Hollies were believed to protect tombs and monuments from lightening strikes, probably due to their spiky leaf margins.

The long line of tradition continues in the use of ivy which has been used to cover tombs and gravestones in the spirit of friendliness and a representation of immortality. Complimentary to ivy is the myrtle symbolising achievement and also eternal life together with the laurel and the bay tree, the former representing accomplishment and heroism and awarded by one's peers, the latter perseverance.

Oaks are revered in many myths, legends and folkloric beliefs. Sacred to both Zeus and Odin the mighty oak acts as a conduit for lightening, the authority of the sky gods, to earth. Oak leaves traditionally meant power, authority especially military and victory. Palms are of course synomonous with religious beliefs, with Christians

Ophelia wistfully observed that rosemary was for remembrance and traditionally it was placed on coffins and given to mourners as a favour. It is still planted in cemeteries and is the universal symbol of remembrance.

Although not often seen in cemeteries these days, mourning.

toxic and just like taxes can hasten an early demise.

There is symmetry between trees and cemeteries as they both share the common crumbled earth where we have entrusted our dead so that the wind may stir their voices.

The trees mentioned are all northern hemisphere species however one Australian species, our national floral emblem, Acacia Pycnantha or golden wattle represents unity which is appropriate as it unites us with the departed to complete the art of Remembrance.







using it to mark the Passion willows represent perpetual which ended in Christ's victory over death. The Proving that death palm has also been used to and taxes are our ultimate commemorate victories and end the English Yew is a reminder. The tree is sacred heroes have been greeted by crowds bearing palm to Hecate quardian of the fronds in celebration of their underworld, death and the deeds. afterlife. Every part of it is

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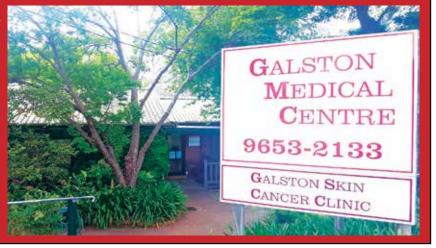
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GLENORIE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

by Callum Hoogestegar

Do you love where you live? Do you love the community and the beautiful environment we enjoy in the Glenorie area? Do you not want to see Glenorie swallowed up by Sydney's urban sprawl? Would you like to see infrastructure in place before development? You can make a difference.

Glenorie Progress Association exists to give you an effective voice within the Glenorie community, particularly working with local Councils and State Government. Join online today at http://glenorieprogress.org.au/apply-tojoin/ or come along to our next meeting 7:45pm, 11th October 2018 in the function room, Glenorie RSL.

We would value your opinion to help form our priorities in how we represent Glenorie. Within 3 minutes, at no charge, you contribute your ideas for Glenorie at www.glenorieprogress.org.au/survey/

GLENORIE BAKERY

Glenorie Bakery revised its DA to extend its trading hours on 21 Aug 2018. You can track the DA on the Hills Shire website with tracking number 2181/2005/HD/A.

The Glenorie Bakery extended hours was discussed extensively during the latest GPA meeting with the membership coming to the following conclusions: The majority of members truly appreciate and value Glenorie Bakery. Members noted the passion for great product, service and ambience that the Bakery displays and how it has become a destination for residents and visitors alike. Also, its commitment to charity. All members understood that the Bakery is a business, and like any business, operating to turn a profit. GPA is pro-business and understands how the extended hours could be good for business. No one wanted to "cramp" the growth of the business, however members were concerned that the appetite for growth and profit must be balanced against the needs of the wider community, in particular the need

for children in the Glenorie village to be able to sleep on school nights. The Membership reviewed the submitted hours and resolved that if Glenorie Bakery were to amend its submission to more reasonable hours it would endorse that submission, in writing.

Proposed by Glenorie Bakery	Proposed by Glenorie Progress Association (hours of operation the GPA would endorse)
Monday to Wednesday:	Sunday to Wednesday:
6:00 am – 10:30 pm	6:00 am – 9:30 pm (important school nights)
Thursday to Saturday:	Thursday:
6:00 am – 12:00 am	6:00 am – 10:30 pm
Sunday:	Friday to Saturday:
6:00 am – 10:00 pm	6:00 am – 12:00 am

BORAL CONCRETE

Glenorie Progress Association continues to oppose the potential upgrade of the Glenorie Batching Plant by Boral and will continue to remain vigilant for any development with the potential DA.

CONGESTION

Old Northern Rd, Dural and further un-sustainable development.

It is not uncommon for Glenorie residents to sit in a traffic jam starting from St Judes Church, intersection of Galston Rd and Old Northern Rd, snaking to Pennant Hills, the M2 or Castle Hill, anytime of a weekday or weekend



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morning. This is a ridiculous state of affairs. The residents of Glenorie, Galston, Dural and wider regions have been abandoned by successive state governments with a lack of planning and investment on this particular matter. Your drive could now get worse. A submission has been made to Hornsby Council (DA 668/2018) to develop 146 Units, 74 Aged Care beds and 383 Car Spaces, up to 14m high, over 29,695 m2 (2.96 Ha) in Vineys Lane, Dural.

The deadline for submissions has closed, but regardless, feel free to voice your concerns to your local members and councillors. GPA is opposed to this development particularly while there is zero commitment by the government to badly needed significant roads and infrastructure. The current situation is untenable, why should it be exacerbated. Why should the entire community be disadvantaged to benefit the profit of a few land speculators?

COMMUNITY EVENTS

Glenorie Progress Association congratulates:

- Glenorie Memorial Hall Committee with their recent incorporation.
- Glenorie Memorial Hall and Glenorie Mission Church on a very successful annual bush dance, stay tuned for next year's bush dance.
- Glenorie P&C and Glenorie Public School on a very successful and enjoyable Country Fair. We also appreciate the very generous sponsors and orgainsing committee who make this great event possible.
- The Glenorie Environment Centre on the recent report of Koalas returning to the Glenorie area.
- · Glenorie Preschool on its recent enhancements through the volunteer working bee.
- Glenorie RFS on their bushfire awareness campaign. Skye and Brad Browne for continuing the very enjoyable Glenorie Growers Market, please support them.

Join us at the next meeting: 7:45pm, 11th October 2018 in the function room, Glenorie RSL.



Lifting the mask from mental health is something that the Positive Vibes Foundation strives to do.

It will be holding it's fifth Moonlight Masguerade Ball in the Hills on October 12 in collaboration with major sponsor, the Windsor Road Private Clinic.

The glittering event will be held at Bivianos in Dural and will feature former AFL player Jake Edwards, who runs the organisation, Outside The Locker Room, as guest speaker.

The former Carlton player will talk about his struggles and the challenges of living with depression for the past 10 years.

Tickets are \$150 per person.

Masks are available on the night if you don't have one. There will be raffles, auctions, music and entertainment during the night.

Gold sponsor Lionel D'Cruze from Ironfish said: "I have lost a few of my friends to depression so I hold this close to my heart. Mental health is an area we need to talk about."

The Windsor Road Private Clinic Moonlight Masquerade Ball is on Friday, October 12 at Biviano's, 628, Old Northern Rd, Dural.

To book tickets visit www.trybooking.com/371709



Heartbeats is about recognising the good news stories which are happening in our community.



Kids giving hearts

From a fantastic break in Coonabarrabran, our children saw the devastation of the drought.

Our 12 year old son, Sam brought this issue up with his Principal Mr Jarvis, he presented a Power Point presentation and raised \$1900 through our lovely school, Galston Public school.

We are so proud of him for using his compassion and achieving such a fantastic result.

We donated to 'Water 4 West' and 'Drought Angels'.

A huge thank you to the families at Galston Public School for their generosity.

Our 6 year old, Lucy noticed many empty paddocks and donated \$100 of her own money to 'Buy a Bale'.

Well done kids

Belinda & Matthew Crofts

Fagan Park... did you know

Hornsby Shire residents can get annual parking permits for Fagan Park. For frequent uses of Fagan Park you can purchase an annual entry fee for \$40. This is could be helpful for all those parents of young children who find it convenient to park within the grounds.

Praise for Fagan Park

It is not usual to give Hornsby Shire Council a bouquet but on this occasion it is well deserved.

Council is to be congratulated on wonderful job it has done in constructing a new children's playground in the Carrs Bush area of the Park.

This new playground features new interactive areas for children to play in, new softfall treatment, brilliant new swings (I've tried them and they are adult safe) and fantastic totem poles exquisitely carved depicting local flora and fauna as well as other activities designed especially for children.

But why, oh why designers and planners is the hand pump bubbler running off into the sandpit? Anyway, apart from that design quirk, the new amenity is sure to please all ages. So take your special child, children, grandkids or just yourself off into the new playground and act like a kid and enjoy the experience. If you do be sure to put your rubbish in the bin as the brilliant Park staff have better things to do maintaining the Park to its existing high standard without being rubbish collectors as well.

Good on you Hornsby Council and park staff.

contributed by Kerron May

More Fun for Fagan Park



After 2 years of intensive planning, which involved many organisations and interested parties a new playground in Lower Fagan Park, at Carrs Road Picnic Area has finally has come to fruition and everyone in the community is a winner!

Along with other community members, Kristie

Chambers, mother of Avalon has been working closely with Hornsby Council to develop a playground which is inclusive of all children. Kristy says, "I am thrilled that Avalon and other children with mobility issues can now have fun with their friends, it has taken a lot of planning but now we have a space which is a starting point all future playground designs in our community". Hornsby Council should be recognised for their vigilant approach and commitment to understanding what a truly accessible and inclusive is and using this knowledge to create an all inclusive play space.

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Surprise 90th

On Sunday the 9th September our neighbour, Mick Winch hosted a surprise 90th birthday celebration for his father, Peter Winch. My husband and I were thrilled to be included to witness the surprise and joy of Peter as he embraced his family members who had travelled from far a field to recognise this important milestone. Among the guests were Peter's daughter who had travelled from Bali for the party and his cousin from the Gold Coast. I couldn't help but shed a tear as I saw the genuine emotion of a family reunited. It was the perfect afternoon with the sun shining brightly so that everyone could enjoy the festivities.

Mickey

From 1962 - 1964, when I was 6 - 8 years old, we had a kangaroo for a pet. She was a "Small Eastern Grey" who had been hand - reared since her Mum was killed. She had 2 owners previous to us.

My older brother and I loved "Mickey. No one else we knew had a kangaroo so we felt especially blessed. Her yard, which had 6" high fences was over to one side of the back of our house. We fed her with long grass and bread. We'd go into her yard and our cats would follow us. I remember once she reared up at me and pushed me backwards with her strong legs. Maybe I had upset her. I don't think I cried.



The other momentous time with Mickey was when I was nearer 8. It was a Sunday morning, early before church when we looked out one window and saw Mickey bounding up the driveway towards the road (Old Northern Rd). We all went crazy Mum, Dad, Brother and I went chasing her up the road. I don't recall she went further than the school but somehow we got her back. That determined it! We realised Mickey must move on from our home so we rang Mr Garth Mooreland in New Line Road. as he had a Kangaroo Park. We were sorry Mickey had to leave us but we were able to visit her. She lived many more years and I'm sure enjoyed the kangaroo company. It's now illegal to have a pet kangaroo but it wasn't then.

contributed by Christine Stockman

BIRTH

COMMUNITY NEWS

Alice and Charlie Herbert are happy to announce the birth of their new son, William Alan Herbert. Weighing in at a weight of 3775 gms and measuring 51 cms.

After a really long day, William arrived at 1.53 pm on the 30th July, 2018.

William has 3 brothers and a big sister. His brothers are Ben, Geoffrey and Thomas and his sister is Elizabeth.

He is the 12th grandchild of Helen and Graham Bell of Galston and the 13th grandchild of Caroline Herbert of Kings Creek formerly Annangrove.

The lucky little boy also has 2 Great Grandmothers. Granny White (Beryl) of Sydney, Granny Marshall from Lismore and Granny Bell of Guildford.

Alice and Charlie and the rest of the family are all enjoying the new arrival.

The Maasai Village

While on my recent stay in Kenya I took time out from my daughter's family to experience a 4 day tour of the Maasai Mara, the knowledge of which had been imbedded within me from my primary school education. Maasai Mara National Reserve is an area of preserved savannah wilderness in southwestern Kenya, along the Tanzanian border. Its animals include lions, cheetahs, elephants, zebras and hippos. Wildebeest traverse its plains during their annual migration. The landscape has grassy plains and rolling hills the area nearby is dotted with villages of Maasai people.

Part of the tour was an optional visit to a Maasi village. From my group I was the only willing to experience the culture. After paying my tour fee I was escorted from my hostel by 6 young warriors who were dressed in traditional wraps and adornments. It was very intimidating when they performed their tribal dance for



me and then expected me to mimic their moves. I love to dance but I found this was most confronting.....a little too tribal for my comfort. I was then taken to one of the mud dwellings and sat inside their confined space, which had only a small shaft for light and air, while they explained their living arrangements. They then tried to sell me trinkets and despite not having any real option other than to buy some things I still loved being immersed in this strange domestic environment. I was then

taken to meet the ladies who had road stalls and was expected to buy more...and yet I enjoyed the smiling open faces of the women trying to earn a meagre existence. I was the taken to the neighbouring school which was a total fascination.

There were 90 children in the 4th grade class which I was introduced to, with four children and one book to each desk. The whole school housed 1200 students. I was expertly manoeuvred into the school

office, door closed and spiel delivered that the school depends on donated funds, so I gave them all the money I had left which was only about \$15....an underwhelming amount but the result of a series of monetary contributions along this tour path had emptied my wallet. I didn't begrudge spending the money because I was fascinated by my experience, to feel the wonder of a simple life based on ancient traditions while finding a harmony with the modern world.



hree young men from local pioneering families trying to establish their own orchards amused themselves in the evenings by learning to play violin. Soon they were good enough to play at district events and earned a reputation as "fiddlers". They were jokingly said to have come from "Fiddletown".

In 1899 a "Conditional Purchases" notice had been published confirming the application by Horace Henstock for 24 acres, Frederick Henstock for 25 acres, and William Small for 34 acres, at what was then "Upper Galston". The conditions of purchase involved a requirement to spend one night per

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FIDDLETOWN By History Cottage

...every fiddler he had a fiddle and a very fine fiddle had he...

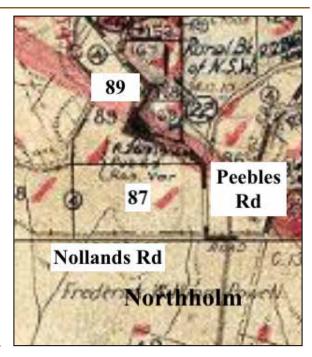
week on the land. The fiddlers usually worked on the properties over the weekends.

The blocks were located just north of the present Northholm school site and now bounded by Peebles and Nollands Roads. The Telstra exchange is now on the corner.

Frederick Henstock left to go to the Boer War (1899-1902), although he was underage, as a horse attendant and joined a horse troop in South Africa. Afterwards he did not return to his block but enlisted for the First World War in 1914 when married and resident in Leichardt. As a Lance-Corporal he was landed at Gallipoli on 25 April 1915 where he was killed five days later.

The remaining two men continued working their orchards, Horace on Portion 89 and William on Portion 87.

The Geographic Names Board officially assigned the name Fiddletown in December 1995. Later on the Postal authority suggested to establish a separate postcode for Fiddletown but the name was retained using the Arcadia postcode.









Latest News







from the **Mayor's Desk**

At the moment 44 percent of the waste collected by Hornsby Shire Council each week is diverted from going to landfill, which is of course a good thing, but it's well short of the 70 percent target we are aiming for.

There is still more than 30,000 tonnes of our waste that ends up in landfill every year. This is one of the major reasons Council is preparing a new Waste Strategy, which will assist in guiding the future direction of our waste management. Members of the community are a key stakeholder in the strategy, both as beneficiaries and as the people who can help us meet our objectives. Council is undertaking extensive public consultation as part of the process in preparing the Waste Strategy.

There are community representatives on Council's Waste Working Group and the pop-up consultation stalls that took place throughout August received a very strong response. We are about to start a phone survey of Shire residents, so please help us out if you are asked to participate. If you don't receive a phone call from the survey takers, you can still have your say by completing the online survey that will begin soon.

Waste management is one of the few Council issues that affect absolutely everybody, so it's vital that you have a say.

Philip Ruddock

Mayor Hornsby Shire Council



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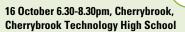
Hornsby Small Business

October is Hornsby Small business month. Join us for a range of topics including: How to set up a home business; using the 'Easy to Do' business program and a series of business breakfasts.

For program details visit:

hornsby.nsw.gov.au/smallbusinessmonth

Community Forum Cherrybrook



Community Forum Meetings are a valuable opportunity for local residents to raise issues and gain feedback from their local Councillors.

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WASTE

MATTERS

Waste Matters Have Your Say

Council is preparing a new Waste Strategy, to assist in guiding the future direction of waste management in the Hornsby Shire. Currently 44% of residential waste in and green lid garden waste bin.

We are committed to increasing the diversion of residential waste from landfill, towards the NSW State Government's resourcerecovery target of 70%.

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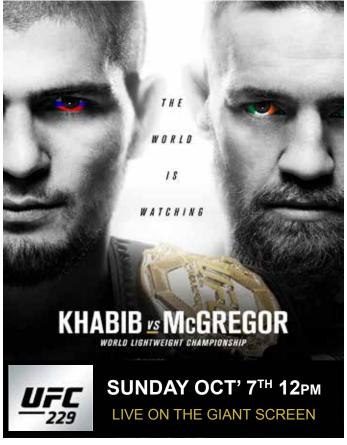


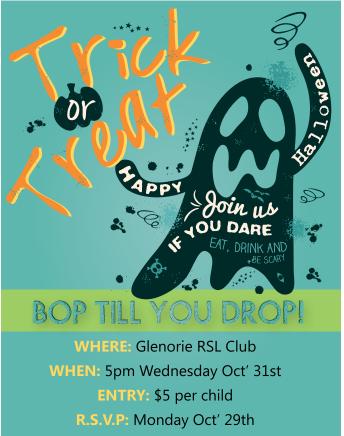


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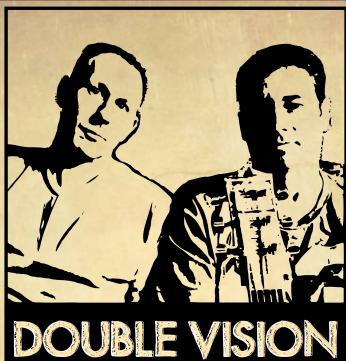
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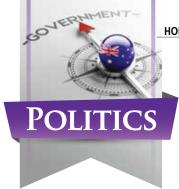
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GREATER SHADE AT CRUSADERS UNION CAMP

I was pleased to help The Crusaders Union provide additional shade for their Galston campers with a Community Building Partnership grant of \$10,000.

he program assists community groups to make upgrades to their facilities, purchase equipment or provide essential repairs. The Crusaders Union is one of 15 community groups who have benefited from Community Building Partnership grants from my office.

With many campers attending the Galston camp during summer months the camp was desperately in need of shade over the low ropes course.

"It was a pleasure to be able to provide the Galston camp with protection for campers from the hot sun."

The Galston Gorge camp can sleep up to 220 guests and sees 10,000 kids come through the doors each year. They have modern lodges with ensuite bathrooms and lounge areas and campers can enjoy many different activities during

"I know when I was a kid I would have loved to have come out to this camp to do the numerous activities they have on offer," Mr Kean said.

The shade sails are already up and I was pleased to get a chance to have a go while visiting the camp recently.

I thank the Crusaders Union for this wonderful facility and for all they do in our local community.





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WICKED FIRE SEASON

Bushfire fighting services have joined with Aussie Pumps in warning farmers and home owners of an early bushfire season this summer! Fires have already occurred in many areas of New South Wales.

Australian Pumps 'Fire Ready' program for 2018 is up and running to help people get prepared for what looks like a very dangerous summer.

"The dry winter has brought not just a devastating drought. It's also brought the danger of extreme bushfires as scrub, trees and general vegetation has become tinder dry", said Aussie Pumps' Product Manager, Brad Farrugia. The company has got a huge program on for genuine Honda powered Aussie Fire Chief pumps and the mighty "Mr T" twin impeller job.

The Aussie Fire Chief is a simple, robust, high performance engine drive, self priming fire pump that

Aussie Pumps' Brad Farrugia with the famous Fire Chief and the comprehensive

outperforms both single and twin impeller competitor pumps in a number of ways. It boasts a 500 litre per minute maximum flow, and offers a maximum delivery head of 75 metres. That's over 100 p.s.i. pressure!

It's powered by a Honda GX160 or GX200 engine with recoil and electric start options. The pump also primes fast, and beats all competitors with a massive suction lift of 7.6 metres.

For applications requiring more pressure, Aussie's Mr T delivers heads to 95 metres. It relies on a Honda 9 or 13hp heavy duty industrial petrol engine and comes with a full roll frame.

"More people are going with electric start these days whether it's Honda petrol or top quality diesels like Yanmar, Kubota or Hatz. When there's a fire coming, nobody wants to wrestle with a recoil cord when they can have instant performance just by turning a key", Farrugia said.

The company's new guide for fire safety is out already! Free copies are available from Aussie Pumps, along with copies of their "Drought Proof Australia" brochures describing how governments could move to provide farmers and our growing cities with water security!



GALSTON RURAL FIRE BRIGADE NEWS By Kara Dubois

Gorge tree removal



Recently our firies attended to a tree down in the Gorge on the Galston side near the one-way bridge. Police were already on the scene upon arrival. Our chainsaw operator made quick work of the obstruction, clearing the road for waiting motorists.

Successful recruitment day





Thank you to everyone who came out to our community BBQs and subsequent recruitment day in September.

It has been one of our largest recruitment drives so far, seeing an impressive number of females and family groups signing up to become Galston RFB firefighters.

The new recruits will now be put through thorough training with the brigade before completing the first essential 'Bush Firefighter' qualification to become active members. Remember you can join the RFS any time of the year, just get in contact with us for more information.

The arrival of the Bush Fire Danger Period

October signals the start of the Bush Fire Danger Period. With the

lack of rain and the immensely dry conditions, the RFS is urging residents living in or near bush fire prone areas to prepare themselves, their families and homes for the threat of bush fire this season

Download and complete a Bush Fire Survival Plan from www.rfs.nsw. gov.au

As a reminder, Fire Safety permits are required (in addition to the Council Permit) in order to undertake any private pile burns within the Bush Fire Danger Period.

Brigade Contact Details: Duty mobile: 0491 119 152 Email: info@galstonrfb.org.au

GLENORIE RURAL FIRE BRIGADE NEWS

By James Wicking

Total Fire Bans

A number of Total Fire Ban's have already been declared since the start of the fire season and with the drought conditions continuing across much of the Sydney Basin and NSW we should expect more this fire season. It is very important to know what your responsibilities are on a Total Fire Ban day.

A total fire ban means **no** fires out in the open. A total fire ban helps limit the potential of fires

During a Total Fire Ban you cannot light, maintain or use a fire in the open, or to carry out any activity in the open that causes, or is likely to cause, a fire, such as "hot works"

Only gas or electric barbeques may be used on Total Fire Ban days.

What is your next step to keep your family, home and property safe should bush fire threaten?

- 1. Make a Plan and be ready to implement it.
 - a. When to leave?
 - b. Where you will go?
 - c. How will you get there?
 - d. What will you take?
- 2. Monitor the Fire Danger Ratings sign.
- Keep up to date with the Fires Near Me app on your phone.



- 4. Prepare your home and property
 - a. Gutters cleaned regularly and fit gutter
 - b. Lawns Keep mown and free of leaves and twigs
 - c. Flammables- remove wood piles and ensure gas bottles are in a safe cleared space.
 - d. Remove low dry scrub from around buildings
 - e. Ensure your house/property number is clearly marked so emergency vehicles can locate you.

LendLease Community Day

Each year Lendlease holds a "Community Day" where staff are encouraged to assist local community groups. The Brigade was lucky to have a number of employees including some local residents participate. They were able to spread mulch, kindly donated by local Bruce Williams, around our station grounds to keep the weeds at bay and looking tidy. This is the 4th year the Brigade has had this assistance from Lendlease staff.

For further information go to www.rfs.nsw. gov.au or contact the Brigade: Station Phone: 9652 2017 (leave a message and someone will get back to you) or talk to a real person, James: 0422 168 914.

Facebook: Glenorie Rural Fire Brigade. Email: glenorierfs@outlook.com

WE'VE JUMPED RIGHT INTO SPRING, FULL STEAM AHEAD! By Peta Gormly

arly afternoon during August, a bush fire started at Coba Point, which in the windy conditions, quickly escalated the fire. A crew from Arcadia attended the fire, where they and other brigades, worked throughout the night carrying out property protection. They had faced trying conditions, it was cold, the wind was relentless. and the terrain was less than ideal. However, spirits remained high as the training they have undertaken at brigade and district level in the months prior, assisted them. This incident was one of many that NSW faced that weekend and highlighted the importance of being prepared. The brigade has kept up with its training, through assisting locals with pile burns, basic skills training at station, and the running through scenarios at Arcadia Primary school, combining bush and village firefighting strategies.

The brigade continues to attend many and varied calls from within the local area. These include: asbestos dumping (along with friends at Castle Hill Fire and Rescue); rubbish pile fires (due for Council collection), a bush fire in Cherrybrook, and on the same day a high pressure gas pipe ruptured.

Part of our work is to test hydrants in Arcadia. Please do not cover them up, we need them. Please keep them clearly marked and clear away any scrub or grass, but be aware of creature that also like to call those hydrants home!



The Mayoral dinner is the event of the year. This 'thank you' event put on by councils is an opportunity for all members to come together to share stories and build on the relationships for the year ahead. Assistant Commissioner, Rebel Talbert was present, and the Arcadian team promptly snapped up a photo opportunity with her. Rebel is an excellent ambassador for women in the RFS, and her words of enthusiasm and encouragement were appreciated by us. This night is particularly important for the brigade, and district, as it strengthens the bonds between all members of the service and their roles

Our Get Ready event was one of many to be held in September throughout the state. One of our

key messages to our community was preparedness for horses during bush fires. We ask if you have a plan for your property and family, that you ensure you made a plan for your horses and other animals. It is important to have a plan for both leaving early and staying for your animals. A few simple ideas include having a list of places to take your horses if you're leaving early, and what items to take, for example feed, water, natural fibre rugs, and owner and identification documents. However, it is not always possible to get to your horse or take your horse from your property. If a fire were to impact your property a safer place for your horses is a large, cleared paddock or opening internal gates to create a larger space, that ideally has a water source, low grass, and

plenty of room for them to run and remove synthetic rugs and halters. Your horses should be familiar with this. Please do not let your horses out onto the road. This has the potential to hinder the access of emergency services traveling through, or cause an accident with those trying to leave. You can leave a sign on your front gate saying if you're home or not, and if there are any animals on the property. It is also important to have a first aid kit at hand, for you and your pets.

Further information is readily available on the NSW RFS website under resources, and you're always welcome to visit us at the station for a chat!

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MIDDLE DURAL RURAL FIRE BRIGADE NEWS By Jo Cameron

fter a very busy August, September was quieter, probably because the fire season was declared a month early. We completed some pile burns for local residents and assisted with a hazard reduction in Kenthurst. In this weather, even a small pile burns with enormous ferocity, as you can see.

Our new member has started his Basic Firefighter course, and some of us are attending a course to reaccredit our First Aid qualification.

One of our members joined a five-day strike team from The Hills and other Sydney districts to assist with massive bush fires out of control near Grafton. It was a valuable experience. Iona commented. She realised how lucky we are in The Hills, to be so well equipped. She made new RFS friends and they all learned to work quickly and effectively together on



the fireground, with local tankers and equipment.

All of us should have our bushfire plans ready, and have a clear understanding of what we will do if bushfires hit Middle Dural. Have you worked out whether you will stay or leave? What

will you do with your animals - horses, dogs and cats? A simple and excellent kit is available on line (rfs.nsw.gov.au) or download the app: MyFireplan App for IPhone or Android. As well, hard copies are available from The Hills District Office in Annangrove Road.

In addition, there are two further steps you can take to help us save your home.

Firstly, do you have locked gates? Please consider how our firefighting vehicles can access your property in a fire emergency. We are empowered to use bolt cutters on your gate. Are you happy with that?

Secondly, do you have a pool, dam or water tank? If so, a sign at your road frontage saying SWS (Static Water Supply) tells the RFS that we would have the means to save your property from impending fire. These signs are available from the District Office (96541244).

If you would like more information, please contact our senior deputy, Ken Middleton (0417 203 088) or District Office. (96541244).

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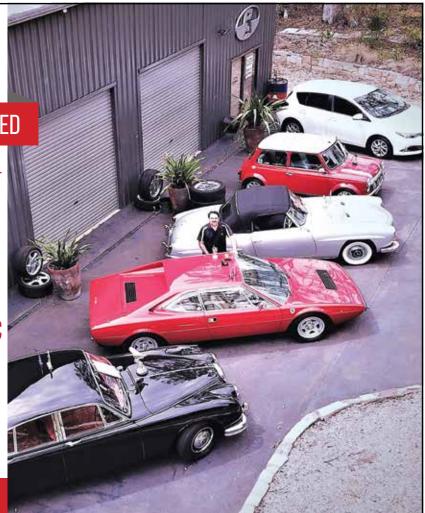
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GALSTON EQUESTRIAN CLUB HORSEMANSHIP, JUMPING, WORKING EQUITATION AND TALKS!

Our Horsemanship day on 21st August saw a small group gathered to practice some ground skills or 'online savvy' with some of our very interesting obstacles, including our magnificent bull "Ferdinand", created by Kim Milne. The day provided an excellent opportunity for new members to bring their horse to a new setting, meet our friendly members and explore our excellent grounds and GEC equipment.

James Cutler from Toprail Equine gave a fascinating talk to the 40 horse lovers who attended the Galston Club on the evening of 23rd August. He discussed the many bits available and their uses. A few riders have given good feedback since changing their bits. Horseland Dural have a wonderful "borrow /try before you buy" system of the Toprail Equine bits, which is excellent!

The weather reports leading up to the Show Jumping on Sunday 26th August were not favourable, and we thought we might get rained out. Which would have been lovely for all the horse paddocks, but as it turned out, that was not to be. Very little

rain fell in the couple of days leading up to Sunday, and we had only a few sprinkles during the actual day. Considering the weather forecast, we were very surprised to see so many horse and rider combinations come out and enjoy the show jumping at the Rural Sports Facility grounds. A full day of jumping was had, with 61 rounds completed, and many riders trying new heights for the first time, and indeed some riders and/or horses having their first ever outing, or first ever jumping outing. Well done to all of you and we hope we have inspired you to come and join us more often.





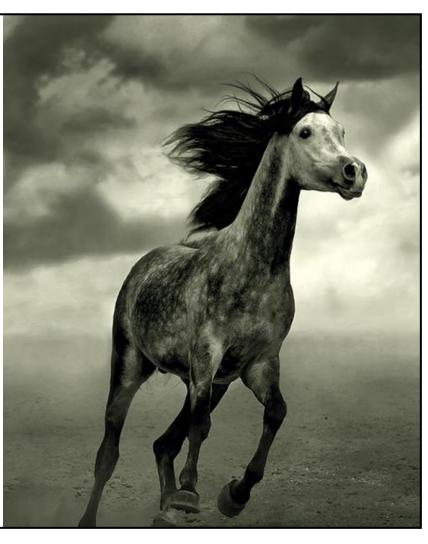
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We had made it a little different this time, by adding some optional jumps in the course. These optional jumps were somewhat more interesting, and for some a little problematic, but most riders had a go and the far majority of them were successful. Well done to all you brave riders.

Our next show umping day will be on Sunday 28th October with a competition, the type of competition yet to be decided. Show Jumping is always popular at GEC, and we look forward to seeing you all at the next event.

On 9th September we held a practice Working Equitation Day. Our wonderful volunteers helped build a course so that we could practice each obstacle, and then practice the flow of a course. The day was an enjoyable social day with our horses and a great opportunity to develop confidence in the horses with the Working Equitation obstacles. We look forward to more opportunities for instruction and practice with the sport of Working Equitation. If you love dressage, small jumps and a bit of sport, then Working Equitation has it all! GEC will keep you posted about our next Working Equitation day.

As usual, please check our Facebook page and our website for all up-to-date information on all our events. Visit http://www. galstonequestrianclub.org.au/

UPCOMING EVENTS:

2 October Training day with Caroline Hooper - Flatwork, and

Sandy Lucas – Showjumping

14 October Agility with Suzanne Bellette

16 October Horsemanship

18 October Keira Burns evening talk on "Stress/Anxiety/

Nervousness in horses and riders" at the Galston Club

28 October Showjumping and Legerete Training

11 November **Jumping Training Day**

20 November Horsemanship





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SAVE THE DATES! ARCADIA PONY CLUB EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY

With just over three months left to go until the end of the year, make sure you mark your diary as we still have a number of events planned at Arcadia Pony Club and within Zone 23.

Our annual Closed Showjumping event is on Sunday, 30th September. It's the start of the school holidays so we're sure to have a great turnout.

We are also running a rally day during the school holidays for those members who need some pony time. And as it's the school holidays there is sure to be some fun games and events as well.

Our fabulous Zone 23 Jamboree will be held at Dural Pony Club on the weekend of 20-21st October. Entries close the 28th September so make sure you get them in!

We are also running our Closed Dressage and Sporting competition on Sunday 4th November, entries will open for this shortly.

On Sunday 18th October, Zone 23 Dressage Competition will be run at Avondale Pony Club at St Ives.

Then for December, we will run our last rally day on Sunday 2nd December which will be a fun day with lots of mounted and unmounted games including some water fun!

Thinking of instructing?

Do you love horses, enjoy teaching children and think you may have an interest in becoming a pony club instructor? We would love to hear from you. We provide a safe and structured learning program in line with Pony Club NSW guidelines.

And last but not least, our Annual General Meeting and Award Presentation will be held on Sunday 9th December at The Galston Club.

Save the dates! We look forward to seeing you there!

Come ride with us - join us for fun, friendship and competitions!

Arcadia Pony Club has a "come and try" programme for riders aged between 4 - 25 years with their own horses or ponies where you can come along to a Rally Day and gain some riding instruction, meet new friends and have a lot of fun.

We meet the first and third Sunday every month at the Rural Sports Facility in Galston. To find out more about Arcadia Pony Club and to see our instructor profiles, please visit http://www.arcadiaponyclub.org



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OCTOBER — DECEMBER 2018

BUSH WALK

Saturday 13th October | 10am and 12noon

Explore the upper reaches of Darling Mills and Stevenson Creeks. There are deep valleys full of tall eucalypt trees, the loud call of birds and creek crossings to discover on this well-hidden walk.

BIRDS OF A FEATHER

Thursday 25th October | 10am to 11.30am

Birds of a feather do flock together and they can be recognised not just by their feathers but in a number of ways. Learn more about native birds and how to capture their diversity through photography.

BUSH WALK

Saturday 27th October | 10am to 12noon

The Hills Shire area contains a diversity of plant communities which provide critical habitat to a range of species. Explore the habitat of a number of fauna and flora species on this bush walk.

FERMENTED DRINKS AND VINEGARS Thursday 1st November | 10am to 12noon

From kombucha to kefir to hard cider fermented drinks are easy to make and enjoy during the hot summer months. They are considered good for your health, tasty and vinegars have practical applications.

ART CLASS

Wednesday 7th November | 10am to 1pm

Natural landscapes and wildlife images are important components of many art works. Create your own natural wonder in easy steps with helpful hints from a friendly and experienced practitioner.

SEWING CLASS

Thursday 8th November | 9.30am to 12noon

Make your own beautiful Christmas Stockings. In this 2.5 hour workshop learn how to make your own fully lined stocking or Santa sack. All fabric supplied. Attendees can participate or observe.

KEEPING CHICKENS

Thursday 15th November | 10am to 1pm

The chicken fulfils a number of roles; it is a composter, weed and pest controller, natural fertiliser and food producer all in one. Learn about chicken breeds, housing, handling, health care and much more.

KEEPING BEES

Thursday 29th November | 10am to 1pm

Discover the unique world of Australian native bees and their activities. Be amazed by the great diversity of native bees such as the stingless honey bee. Establish or sustain native bees in your yard.



Places are limited. Bookings are essential.

To book visit www.thehillsenvironment.eventbrite.com.au Location: Community Environment Centre – Currie Ave, Annangrove Park, Annangrove



STUDENT LEADERSHIP AT **ARCADIA PUBLIC SCHOOL**



rcadia Public School Year 5 students, Georgia and Darci, had a fantastic idea to support those affected by the drought. Why not enjoy some delicious cupcakes while raising money for others? What a fantastic initiative. Therefore, it was decided that Arcadia would have a Pyjama Day fundraiser, along with yummy cupcakes and a great deal of fun! We decided to raise the funds for Cumnock Public School, a small school

and community like ours. We raised \$740 thanks to the generous support of our Arcadia Public School community. The Principal of Cumnock Public School stated that she has "been completely overwhelmed by the generosity and thoughtful efforts of all students and staff towards our wellbeing through this unrelenting drought. We truly appreciate your efforts and are very humbled by all the support, kind wishes and fundraising that you have embarked upon." What a wonderful feeling it is to show support to others in

need and make a special connection with another school community. It's a timely reminder that one small idea can grow into a big success and make a big difference. Brilliant effort Arcadia!

It's that time of the year approaching when pre-school students, and their parents, are starting to think about Big School. At Arcadia Public School, we are excited about all pre-schoolers coming and learning about the wonderful experiences that await them at our amazing school as they begin their educational



journey. Starting Big School dates are as follows; Wednesday 24 October, Thursday 1 November and Friday 9 November. Sessions are between 2:15-3:15pm.

1 Visit our website www. arcadiaschool.com.au or phone our wonderful office staff on 9653-1207 to learn more about what makes Arcadia Public School such a great place to learn.

GALSTON PUBLIC SCHOOL

hat an amazing effort for our little school. Generous donations from our wonderful parents for the Farmers' Fundraiser has enabled close to \$2,000 being raised for two charities namely, 'Water4West' and 'Drought Angels.'

Also, due to the very generous sponsorship of the school P & C and the Bendigo Bank, Galston Branch new playground equipment with an accompanying sandpit has been built. At a ceremony held recently to officially open this wonderful playing area both Mrs Kim Alsdorf P & C President and the manager of the bank, Mr Gary Mangan were thanked for their outstanding generosity.

Courageous and determined efforts were displayed by Galston Public School's Athletics Team which competed in the Beecroft PSSA Zone Athletics Field Events carnival. What a fine group of sporting ambassadors these students were. Two students participated in high jump, long jump, shot put and the 800m heats. Amber T. was placed 1st in high jump and 2nd in shot put and Sarah B was placed 1st in long jump. Both these students have qualified for the Sydney North PSSA Regional Athletics Carnival.

More sporting news. At the Beecroft PSSA Zone Athletics Track Carnival a number of students did extremely well in the finals with Amber T., Sarah B. and Alannah (AJ) qualifying for the Sydney North PSSA Regional Track Carnival. As well, Amber T.



By Carole Weiss



was named 11 Year Girls Age Champion this year a HUGH achievement. We are very proud of her.

At the Hills Public Speaking Competition held earlier this term Annabelle L, Michael B, Cooper F and Aiden B performed incredibly well against

representatives from eight other schools. Annabelle and Cooper both received Highly Commended for their speeches.

Something very exciting is underway in the playground. Belinda Nadwie who is a talented local artist along with a group of parents are presently organising and painting an impressive Australian birds (which are local to the Galston area) mural on the southern side of the Assembly Hall. We are all waiting with great anticipation to see this beautiful addition to our school.

Kindergarten Parent Information afternoon and morning Orientations will be held over three weeks in November and the last one being in December. The parent information session will be held on Wednesday afternoon the 14thth November, 2018 from 5:30pm to 6:30pm with the following Orientation days being each successive Wednesday (21st, 28th, and the 5th of December) from 9am to 10am.

If you are thinking of enrolling your child please come along and you will find out about the wonderful programs which have been planned for Kindergarten children in 2019. You will also be able to meet other parents and enjoy a chat over coffee and

So if you would like to know more about our stunning school, please contact the school office (9653 2062) and any questions you have, will be happily answered.







NORTHHOLM AGRICULTURE NEWS

ear Ten Agriculture
Students ventured out of
the classroom and away
from the School's working
farm to explore the Southern
Highlands where they hoped
to gain valuable insights
into a number of different
agricultural enterprises, all of
which related directly to the
topics they have studied over
the last two years.

Their first stop was at Redleaf Farm where Katrina Sparke walked us through her operation and explained the philosophy behind their business model: to live healthily and sustainably, supplying only the finest quality free-range produce to a discerning local market. Animal husbandry is incredibly important

to them as is paddock rotation, stock rotation and organic principles. These philosophies help to maintain their high-nutrient pastures and, as such, happier and healthier animals.

From there they travelled to Country Valley Dairy and Factory in Picton where students had the opportunity to meet the herd Northholm has been supporting with the "Cappucinos for Cows" fundraiser run by student, Chantal Parle. Here they met Tom Fairly whose family has been on the property for over 165 years and who walked students through the whole operation. Significantly, this enterprise has been processing its own milk since 2004 and sells a

range of milk, yoghurt and cream products both locally and in Sydney. It was a lovely afternoon and students were invited to finish the day off with a milk shake in "The Milk Room".

Thursday was spent at Mowbray Park Farm where students were given a history lesson on agriculture in Australia, a sheep shearing demonstration, animal feeding in the nursery and learned about fencing and how forestry could be used as part of a long term investment plan. A demonstration of how drones are used was particularly informative as was the discussion regarding opportunities for how automation is

becoming increasingly important in agriculture.

On Friday, the group had a farm and food experience with celebrity chef Geoff Janz who talked through his philosophies, ideas and methods for creating a beautiful garden from which he harvests wholesome produce all year round to produce some amazing food. "We had a thoroughly amazing day and we look

forward to maintaining this relationship going forward," commented Mrs Stellina Trestrail, Agriculture teacher. "This was a thoroughly enjoyable excursion and a valuable experience for all of the students."

Remember to follow our Northholm Farm Facebook page and also @northholmfarm on Instagram to stay up to date on Aq at Northholm.



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Hills Grammar ArtsBeat – a Community Treat

Two weeks of celebrating a wide variety of artistic endeavours ended with a bang on September 1! The final day of ArtsBeat offered families a quality artisan's market day with old fashioned fair games, live entertainment, a wonderful production of Peter and the Wolf narrated by celebrity Penny McNamee and a beautiful picnic setting for the big finale - a spectacular fireworks display by Howard and Sons. The inaugural arts festival set a cracking pace with over thirty events, workshops and activities for school and community families; from Shakespeare to slam poetry, concerts to creative writing, debating to dance and claywork to calligraphy. Hills Grammar opened its creative doors to all!

"The campus was transformed into a huge sculpture garden with students' artwork displayed throughout the gardens and lawns," commented Co-ordinator Cate Redman. "The annual book parade wound its way through the bush where parents had a great view of the characters as well as the sculptures. It was wonderful to welcome so many friends and families to the school over these two weeks. We will be announcing next year's festival theme soon - stay tuned."

Supporting our farmers

The devastating effect of the drought has touched the hearts and minds of all Australians. Community groups, schools and individuals are supporting fundraising drives with love and conviction. Hills Grammar is no different. From the 3 year old to 18 year old students and their families, a raft of initiatives have gained momentum to help our farming community in

A gold coin donation day (Pre-School to Year 12) started the ball rolling and staff joined in with the 'paper variety' donation at staff meetings. The ArtsBeat Aussie Bush Dance featuring Sydney's premier bush band, the Inland Navigators, was the perfect forum to bring further awareness to this cause. The crowd was entertained by songs of shearers, farmers, stockmen and convicts. Proceeds from the bake sale and sausage sizzle raised more money for the farmers.

Individual students were particularly moved by the plight of the farmers and made personal contributions. Year 5 student Lachlan Ashenden made and sold his handmade "Furever Friends" at the ArtsBeat artisan markets. All proceeds from his handmade face washer friends were donated to the appeal. Six year old Yug Katiyar in Kindergarten decided that instead of receiving presents for his 6th birthday he would ask his friends and family to donate to the farmers instead. Both boys raised over \$1000 for the appeal. There was even a corporate matching gift!

The school community also donated over 40 formal dresses, suits, bags and shoes to the Canowindra community so that farming families could enjoy the traditions of a school formal without needless expense. There will, no doubt, be further creative ideas and actions to come but for now we thank the Hills community for their generosity and care for a great cause.





ast month the children decided that they would like to raise money to buy food for all the animals that have no food due to the drought. We researched the different ways we could help and decided to buy a bale. We set our target high at \$1000 and decided to have 2 days where we would either come to preschool with crazy hair or on the alternate day we would wear silly socks. We were amazed at the generosity of our preschool community and were able to raise \$1170.75 to go towards feeding the animals. Thank you to everyone for their support.

We have been amazed to watch the hive and activity of our native bees as the weather warms up. They enjoy the warmer days and have been busy collecting pollen from our garden. Our bees have a new home thankyou to a clever Dad and help from his little helper. We have been learning about honey bees and how honey is made? We have all been interested to learn about the dance of the bees which tells us a lot about the richness of the food in the area & which way for their friends to fly to collect pollen & nectar. We were amazed to learn that a bee needs to visit approximately 1000 flowers to fill its stomach prior to returning to the hive!

We will be holding a Bake Sale out the front of the Bendigo Bank on Saturday 20th October from 8am. We will have a variety of baked goods for sale, we hope to see you all there!

We are currently enrolling for 2019 and have limited vacancies available for children aged 3 years to school age. You may not be aware but the State Government is extending the Universal Access funding to include 3 year olds commencing in 2019. This is a wonderful initiative as there is much evidence that shows the benefits of a 2 year preschool program prior to commencing formal schooling. If you would like to find out more about our beautiful preschool or would like to visit please contact our Director Rebecca Onslow on 9653-2252 or at ku.galston@ku.com.au.



NEWS FROM GALSTON HIGH SCHOOL By Lisa Pieper

Minister's Award for Excellence in Student Achievement



Mark Scott, Callum, Chloe and GHS principal Jillian Tourlas

Congratulations to two outstanding members of the Galston High School community, Year 12 students Chloe Lawler and Callum Trethowan, who were recognised for demonstrating excellence across a number of areas including academic, sporting, cultural, community and leadership. As the proud recipients of the Minister's Award for Excellence in Student



Rob Stokes presenting the award to

Achievement, Chloe and Callum were also honoured to deliver the vote of thanks on behalf of all the award winners.

The ceremony took place in the lower Town Hall and the presentations were made by Mark Scott AO, Secretary of the NSW Department of Education and the Hon Rob Stokes MP. NSW Minister for Education.

Dural Rotary Parent Forum on building resilience well received



The principal, Jillian Tourlas, Sue Colman from Rotary and Leanne Hall

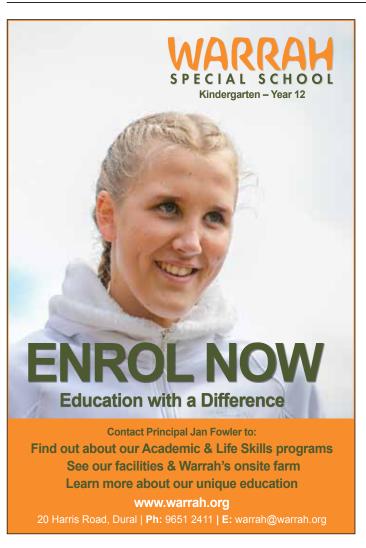
Thank you to the Rotary Club of Dural and Leanne Hall, an experienced psychologist and well-known media identity, for a fascinating and informative presentation and question time on how we can all build resilience, and how we can help to build resilience in our own children. The presentation was well-attended by parents from Galston High School as well as our community of schools.

Morris Gleitzman visits GHS during Book Week



Morris Gleitzman with our student librarians

Internationally renowned author and Children's Laureate for 2018-2019 - Morris Gleitzman - visited our library to share the secrets to his creative writing process and answer questions on some of his most popular books. The 130 Galston students who were joined by 20 primary students from the Galston Community of Schools, were captivated by Morris' speech and were able to have personal copies of his books signed.





NEWS FROM GALSTON EARLY LEARNING CENTRE

he Early Childhood National Conference for 2018 is being held in Sydney this year! We are delighted to announce that we have

been able to offer this great opportunity to Amy Kosilo and Kathryn Smee, who have worked very hard together over the past year to improve our educational program.

Amy and Kathryn have shared their passion for Early Childhood throughout this time and we hope that this opportunity will further their knowledge as well as motivate them to bring back some diverse and innovative ideas for the rest of our team!

The conference this year will bring together the world's best thinkers and experts in early childhood to learn from, share their knowledge and inspire the participants to work together to be the difference in their individual work environments.

On behalf of Galston Early Learning Centre we will like to say a big thank you to Amy Kosilo and Kathryn Smee for all their hard work and dedication to their individual roles. We hope you enjoy your time away and look forward to hearing about what inspired you and how these ideas could improve our centre.

Please come visit our lovely centre on Friday the 19th of October to enjoy our Twilight Markets!

If you have any further questions please feel free to contact the Centre Director Daniela Balmer on 9653 1475.



HILLSIDE RELAY TEAM FIRST AT SYDNEY NORTH ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

ur small schools relay team won first place at the recent Sydney North Athletics Carnival held at Homebush. The team -Aaleyah, Madison, Samuel and Harrison will now represent the school at the NSW State PSSA Athletics Carnival early next term. Everyone is very proud of their achievement. Our Touch Football Team is playing in the finals at the end of the term. A wonderful result for our first year of competition.

Hillside is currently enrolling for 2019. If you are wanting a school where

- the classes are not overcrowded,
- every student is encouraged and nurtured to do their personal best,
- students learn tolerance and understanding because of our peer activities,
- there are outstanding facilities including a dedicated STEAM room (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art and Maths)
- there are more sporting opportunities as a small school,
- there is a 1:1 ratio of iPads and Notebook computers.

then Hillside is your school.



The senior students recently returned from camp where they learned

many new sporting skills such as archery and canoeing. They were challenged to work collaboratively to complete the initiative course and build a fire to cook their dampers. It was a wonderful but challenging three days for our senior students.

Term 4 is always very busy in any school, but more so at Hillside as our students and staff work hard to produce a pantomime for our families and friends. Music and drama are integrated into the Hillside classroom programs and students enjoy the opportunities afforded them in performing for their parents and friends.

Description Every day is Open Day at Hillside, so please visit our wonderful school. Contact the school office on 9652 1459 if you would like more information.







GALSTON GALA

The Galston Gala on **Sunday 18 November** in Galston Uniting Church will conclude *The Galston Concerts* **2018** series.

recital on 16 September by Hornsby resident and internationally acclaimed pianist Tonya Lemoh. Tonya's program of works by great pianists Liszt, Debussy and Beethoven plus Mussorgsky's virtuoso Pictures at an Exhibition, had her audience enthralled imagining the pictorial expression of the music. The overwhelming feedback from the audience was encapsulated in a comment by one patron ... "Truly, it was superlative!"

The **November 18 Gala** will feature the performers from this year's Classics Concerts Cruise, the Lanyon Trio & Friends, performing popular Classics linked to famous cruises – the Rhine-Danube, Scandinavia & the Baltic, Caribbean & the Americas

The Gala finale will be Saint-Saens famous Carnival of the Animals – fun for young and old, with humorous poems courtesy of Galston Uniting Church minister Rev Geoff Smith.





Dural Musical Society

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trials, Chicago follows Roxie Hart, a wannabe vaudevillian star who murders her lover and is arrested, despite her attempts to convince her pushover husband, Amos, to lie for her. In the Cook County Jail, Roxie meets her hero, the famed doublemurderess and nightclub performer Velma Kelly.

When both acquire the same lawyer, the greedy and lustful superstar, Billy Flynn, tensions come to a head as they vie for the spotlight—though instead of onstage, they're mugging for

the flashbulb of the newspaper reporters.

For this show we are doing things a little differently. We have set up the hall in 2 sections. At the front of the hall, closest to the stage we have reserved 24 seats setup in tables of 2 and 4 seats each. These seats are great if you want to be up close to the action. These seats also include a cheese plate.

The second section is our normal unreserved general admission seating.

Go to our our bookings page for details of how you can book your tickets.

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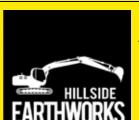
Friday, October 12 – 8pm Saturday, October 13 – 8pm Sunday, 14th October – 2pm (Matinee)

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Wednesday 7th November 7.30pm

Kristine specialises in semi-abstract still life and landscape paintings. She often starts sketching with watercolour then uses either oil or acrylic paints to complete the painting, depending on her surroundings and how indulgent she wants to be with colour.

"Learning music should not be a grind. Sure, back in the 50's and 60's when I was growing up, it was a daily grind of scales, obscure classical pieces which were mandatory for one's education and progression, and heaps of theory. Ugh!

Yes, it worked well: the really driven and committed students followed this regime and eventually passed high level exams. A great many of us fell by the wayside: we ticked the

Music Box, found it sorely lacking in spontaneity and enjoyment, and moved on.

The benefits of learning a musical instrument in our senior years are well documented. Music

is known to light up all areas of the brain and helps to keep us in a learning arena. BUT IT HAS TO BE FUN. Why would we pursue something in our retirement years which is arduous? The answer is: we don't!

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GALSTON UNITING CHURCH TURNS 30



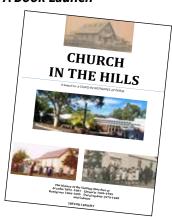
Hey everyone - we're 30! It's time for us to celebrate and we'll be doing just that on the weekend of 26 - 28 October - and there'll be something for everyone.

■e've been 30 years at Galston, but in fact we have a heritage that goes back over 176 years to the early settlers of the district. These were the orchardists and market gardeners who followed the good soils out along the ridge tops to establish their farms and provide fresh fruit and vegetables for the Sydney market. They soon established places of worship as well, initially in people's homes before they were able to build a church. These churches became a focus around which communities were built. Many community leaders were also leaders in the church.

Galston Uniting was formed by folk from three of these former churches; Arcadia Uniting, Dural Uniting, and Glenorie Uniting, when they came together to worship in the mid 1980's.

At that stage we had no home of our own, so we were lovingly accommodated by our Christian friends of the Seventh Day Adventist Church at Galston, until our own church was completed in School Road in 1988.

A Book Launch



The rich history of these churches and the people who have been a part of them, is the subject of a book which is to be launched on 27 October to coincide with the anniversary. The book is titled "Church In The Hills". The author Trevor Knight, is a lifelong Hills resident and member of Galston Uniting. The book of 150 A4 pages, contains over 100 photographs of what life was like in this important agricultural area, the fun they had and their experiences of life and faith. In addition, it details some of the highlights of our last 30 years at Galston.

The book will be available for sale to anyone who would like to order a copy at the cost price of \$37 plus \$15 postage and handling. Copies may be ordered

by contacting Elizabeth Garlick (9653 2039), at the church office on Tuesday's and Fridays, or email: elizabeth.guc@westnet.com.au.

Anniversary Events

On Friday 26th October: 5.30 -7.30pm is the BIG BIRTHDAY BASH with free entry, amusement rides, face painting, entertainment, animal farm, games, prizes, food stalls and great family fun to celebrate.

On Sunday 28th October: 10 am WORSHIP. a time of thanks and praise to celebrate 30 years of God's blessing.

All at the church: 11 School Road, Galston. Contact 9653 2039 Visit www. GalstonUnitingChurch.com

CHRISTIAN LIKE A SECRET

o what is a Christian? It's more than a label, like a clothing brand. It's more than a concealer, like make up. In fact Christianity is a lifestyle, all encompassing.

Why then, does it so often appear that Christianity seems like a secret society, an "in club" or cult.

For many Christians it seems that we are happy, or

at the very least committed, to going to Church on Sundays (or Saturdays) and for the remainder of the week hope this gathering does not interrupt the rest of our week or our busy lifestyles.

In fact sharing our weekend gathering is inconvenient.

After all, we wouldn't want others to join would

We may have to share our coffee machine, or not be able to sit in our regular

We might not even like them, what if they don't fit in.

As Christians we are not called to a secret society. filled with whispers, secret handshakes, encoded signs. Rather, we are called to be the light of the world, like a city on a hill that cannot be

By Corri Bryne, Pastor

hidden.

Being Christian is something we should shout from the rooftops, in the hope that others will share our joy. Not turn or burn shouting, but praise and worship, love and joy pouring out of us as we bask in the glory of the Lord.

James 1:22 says "Do not merely listen to the word, and so deceive yourselves. Do what it says."

The Gospel is good news, not a secret society! It's to be shared.

Seek opportunities to share the Gospel. not necessarily through preaching and teaching, but as Francis of Assisi said, "Preach Jesus, and if necessary use words."



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NEWS FROM ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH

Luke and Chrissy's wedding



In 2016 St Benedict's parish helped raise funds to support two of our young parishioners, Luke Neely and Karen Brown, on their pilgrimage to World Youth Day in Krakow Poland

While in Krakow Luke met Chrissy from Gladesville and in August this year, to our delight, Luke and Chrissy were married. The wedding was celebrated in the picturesque historic village of Little Hartley in the Blue Mountains. Two very special guests were Luke's grandparents, Freda and Bernard Smith, from Yorkshire in the UK. Freda and Bernard have visited before to catch up with Luke and his family including their daughter Theresa, Luke's mum, so we look on them as honorary parishioners. We enjoyed having them join us for a number of Sunday masses while they were

Congratulations to Luke and Chrissy and best wishes from all at St Benedict's. The picture shows the happy couple at their wedding in Little Hartley.

Catholic Mission Appeal

Once again we were visited by one-time local girl Kathryn (Endicott) Allen and her husband Rob who told us about some of the good works of Catholic Mission around the world. Kathryn was very pleased to report that the funds we raised last year for the St Buini Health Centre in Uganda had enabled the centre to purchase an ambulance

vehicle and an ultrasound machine. This year Kathryn and Rob shared information about a program to help set up and run schools in remote areas of Myanmar. The aim is to promote education and help heal this nation that has suffered so much in recent years.

Playgroup

Don't forget our St Benedict's playgroup meets every Monday morning in school terms. Please contact Sandra 0410587735 if you would like to join us.

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.

NO PERSON IS AN ISLAND

By Pastor David McKibben Galston Seventh-day Adventist Church

uring his lifetime Howard Hughes was one of the richest men in the world. He had influence in the corridors of power and many beautiful women were attracted to him. Yet despite all theses apparent assets he died a lonely and isolated man, who was despised by those who had dealings with him.

Why was he so unloved and so unhappy? Because Hughes never learned to enjoy people. It is an old saying that God gave us things to use and people to enjoy, but Howard Hughes got things the wrong way around.

King Solomon, as he reflected on his experiences, came to understand the value of relationships. His wealth and wisdom enabled him to enjoy a wide range of interests and activities, but he gradually realised that people are a basic source of true happiness. He expressed this discovery in the following words, "Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their work: If one falls down, his friend can help him up. But pity the man who falls and has no-one to help him up!" (Ecclesiastes 4:9-10)

Solomon's second principle for a satisfying life is again simple but profound: Enjoy people. The blessing of friendship is one of life's greatest gifts. Of course, other people can complicate our lives and cause us pain and hurt. but life without others would be unbearably desolate; in fact, a life without people is no life at all. The pop duo Simon and Garfunkel expressed this isolation poignantly in one of their songs in the 1960's, "I am a rock, I am an island ... and a rock feels no pain, and an island never cries." We were not made to live in isolation but to enjoy the company of others; a person cannot be an island and truly live.

But meaningful relationships do

not just happen; indeed, most of the valuable things in life become a reality when we recognise their importance and give them priority. Deep friendships and rich relationships require time, effort and consistent nurture, but the investment is well worthwhile and adds a depth and beauty to life.

At another stage in his life Solomon wrote: "A friend loves at all times, and a brother is born for adversity." (Proverbs 17:17), and the supreme example of such a friend is Jesus. I encourage you to assign priority to your relationships and, above all, that you will enjoy and experience the friendship of Jesus.

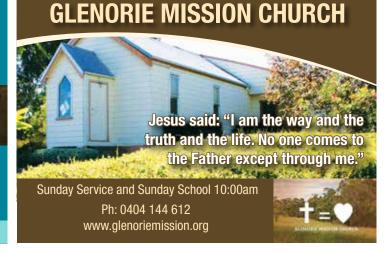
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GLENORIE COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Now son, simply tell me the truth. Did you take some money out of my purse?"

"No," Mike replied.

"Then where did you get the money to buy these lollies?"

"I forget."

Mike's mum patiently explained, "Listen son. What is important here is that you tell me the truth. If you honestly say that you didn't take the money then I'll choose to believe you and we won't say any more about it - but - if you HAVE taken the money and are lying to me about it, you have made TWO mistakes, not just one. I won't be able to trust you in the future if you tell lies and don't own up to the truth of your wrong choices."

How often have we heard conversations like this? Maybe you have said similar words to younger family members, encouraging them that telling the truth and being a truthful person builds trust in one another.

The dictionary defines truth as: "that which is in accordance with fact or reality."

Other phrases describe truth as: "the fact of the matter; what actually really happened."

In the bible, Jesus says in Matthew 5:37 "Let your yes be yes and your no- no." He was explaining to us that honesty will stand us in good stead with our family, friends and in every area of life. When we are true to our words and have integrity, we can be relied upon and solid, deep relationships will be built, based on our trustworthy

Truth, though, is far more than a moral guide. Jesus says in John 8:32, that "you will know the truth and the truth will set you free." He was speaking about Himself!

He said, "I AM the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one comes to the Father except through Me." He also said, "Come to Me all you who labour

and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I AM gentle and humble in heart - and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." (Matthew 6:33).

Do you want truth in your life? Get to know Jesus by reading about Him in the bible. Start in the Gospels - Matthew, Mark, Luke, John- and simply ask God to help you understand who Jesus is - and He will.



VHAT ABOUT SPIRITUAL FRUI

ow can we yield to Him? You say 'what can we do? How can we yield to the Holy Spirit?' You can do it now, but even that is not sufficient. It is daily, hourly yielding to the Holy Spirit, moment by moment allowing Him to have His way in our hearts. May I give you a word of personal testimony?

Years ago when I was thinking much about the work of the Holy Spirit in my life I heard a man of God say that he had learned the secret. Every morning he prayed: 'Lord Jesus, I yield myself to you for this day, so that your Holy Spirit might have his way in me just for today.' I decided that I would try to follow his example and pray that prayer myself

each morning. It has meant so much to me to do so.

I still haven't arrived but I believe that prayer has made more difference than anything else. I recommend it to you.

Resolve now to begin each day with a prayer as suggested. Then let Him maintain that attitude moment by moment through the day. Will you try it? It will make all the difference, as the indwelling Spirit is able day by day to do in you, what He came to do. TRY IT! TRY IT NOW!

Like the orchardist watching his fruit trees. God our Father watches and waits for fruit being produced in the lives of His children. Paul calls this the fruit of the Spirit. This

Spiritual fruit is the life and character of Jesus Christ being lived out and seen in the life of the believer.

But the fruit of the Spirit must not be confused with the gifts of the Spirit. God gives gifts to us as an act of grace and divides them up among the church members. A spiritual gift is a God-given capacity for service within the church and the world. They are given to believers at the moment of conversion. The fruit of the Spirit develops progressively during our life on earth. Like fruit trees, some believers produce this spiritual fruit more quickly than others. However God looks for it in the life of each of His children.

What does this fruit look like?

Although the word 'fruit' is singular, the individual aspects of the fruit are listed in Galatians 5:22-23. 'The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self control.' These descriptive words occur in a section which starts at ch.5 v16 where Paul tells us to 'live by the Spirit and you will not gratify the desires of sinful nature.

- Come and find out more at Bible study at 7.30pm on Tuesdays.
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GALSTON UNITING CHURCH

he thing that impresses me the most about Friday nights at Galston Uniting, is the buzz of activity. That's because its KUCAs night! KUCAs stands for Kids in the Uniting Church of Australia (which is a bit of a mouthful – hence "KUCAs"). KUCAs is for kids K - 6 and we can expect between 30 -40 on any given night.

At 5pm the action starts as parents sign-in their children for the next hour and a half, which may include fun and games, craft and music, a short bible message and a sit down meal.

Each night has a theme, which may include some fancy dress activity such as wearing outback gear or pyjamas. A really popular night is the "Drive-in Movie Night", where the children first make their "cars" out of cardboard boxes before "driving" them in to watch a movie. Other popular nights have been a Scavenger Hunt and a Talent Quest. A new program is produced for each

Our KUCA leader is Mrs Jill Udy, who is always well supported with plenty of adult helpers for supervision. Head chef Mrs Tanya Koorey, has a willing band of helpers and always manages to come up with something different that's delicious and nutritious each week. The cost for each child is \$5 for the night, which covers the costs of the meal and materials used. Of course, Rev Geoff Smith is usually there to help out and is a popular favourite with the kids.

O For more details or a copy of the current program, please contact Jill on 9653 1238 or Elizabeth at the church office on 9653 2039.







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WARRAH SPRING FAI

Warrah Society hosted its fifth annual Spring Fair on the 8th September. With the welcome rain came the lovely sound of squelching feet! This time visitors were given the chance to appreciate more of Warrah's campus than ever before.



long with boutique market stalls, an organic BBQ, international food, white elephant stall and recycled fashion. an art and craft exhibition: there were craft activities, pony rides and a jumping castle. The stage performances brought a real sense of community and enjoyment throughout the day - and provided everyone with a chance to get involved and have a good time.

Many visitors enjoyed a tour of our Biodynamic Farm and delicious food tastings at the Farm Shop, which launched some new products (fresh organic meat, a range of

books and some new lines from boutique organic food producers).

Chief Executive Officer of Warrah, Georgina Michaelis said, "All of us are overwhelmed by the amount of support that we received from people and organisations for this year's Spring Fair. We had a record attendance, an amazing 141 volunteers helping on the day; and donations from over 40 local businesses." Funds raised from the Warrah Spring Fair benefit people with a disability through Warrah's innovative projects.

After all the fun of the Fair, it is back to the wonderful bustle that

characterises spring on a farm. We are cultivating new beds with compost ready for planting zucchini and cucumber. There are still leeks. Dutch carrots; gorgeous bunches of beetroot, salad mix, coriander, parsley, grapefruit, chard and kale being harvested. It is always exciting to do the first pick of a crop you have been nursing. Now we have beautiful strawberries, sugar snaps and snow peas. Along with the cucumbers and zucchinis in the nursery, there are rainbow cherry tomatoes that have just been re-potted. They are going to look amazing in your summer salads!

BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA

Guest Speaker -Sonja Cameron



The Bromeliad Society of Australia will hold their next meeting at the Federation Pavilion, Castle Hill Showground on Saturday, 13 October with plant sales commencing at 11am prior to the meeting.

Access is via the new Showground entrance off Showground Road into Doran Drive, Castle Hill with plenty of parking

Guest Speaker will be Sonja Cameron from the multi awardwinning nursery Planter Patch, Arcadia. This nursery strives to make improvements throughout the business to reduce the impact on the environment. They see the environmental responsibilities extend far beyond their own backyard and they educate their customers and suppliers about the benefits of being environmentally responsible.

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GALSTON OPEN GARDEN WEEKEND By Kim Peterson

19TH, 20TH & 21ST OCTOBER

ith the October Open Gardens weekend fast approaching final preparations are being made to the gardens. We would like to thank all the garden owners for allowing the garden club to present their gardens & for all the hard work that goes into preparing their gardens at their very best, even in a drought. We took a peek at five of the gardens last month, so let's check out the other four now....

Driving up to Glenorie to 10 Venetta Road the current owners are restoring this park like garden, with its impressive tree-lined driveway, beds of azaleas, roses, salvias & perennials, this is the first time the garden has been open.

Not far away is "L'hirondelle" at 25 Harrison's Lane Glenore, this long established park-like garden has many different sections, including a Japanese garden, herbaceous & bulb beds, set amongst magnificent mature trees, as well as Australian Native areas. Here you can view the garden, while enjoying Morning & Afternoon Tea. Coming back now towards Dural to "Boulevard" at 20 Wylds Rd Middle Dural, children will love the large number of sculptures of native & exotic animals scattered throughout the garden. This garden is home to a great number of Australian native plants. Do not miss the magnificent shade house & hot house which contain a fascinating collection of unusual plants in pots and baskets.

Finally we come to "Willow Glen" at 2 Marrakesh Pl Arcadia, an informal rustic garden with large rock shelves, old native trees and a watercourse that feeds a large dam with water lilies. Bridges, seats & children's play area add interest to the garden and of special interest is the fully mesh-enclosed productive garden which is of great interest to food growers. If you need a little more, then don't miss The School of Bonsai's extensive display & demonstration of techniques used to create and maintain bonsai at 26 Sagars Rd Kenthurst (next door to Garden No 1) entry is free. So mark the 19th, 20th & 21st October into your calendar,

make a weekend of it or if you're short for time, you can get round to all the gardens in a day if you are quick! Tickets are available on the day outside the Galston Club 21 Galston Rd Galston or at any of the garden entrances. Ticket prices are \$5 per garden or \$20 for entry to all gardens over the 3 day weekend. Gardens are open from 9.30-4.30.

Our September guest speaker was Elizabeth Swane who has been raised in the horticultural & nursery industry. From an early age Elizabeth knew she loved plants & set about learning all aspects of the industry. Elizabeth has been a prolific contributor to magazines, becoming a free-lance writer 20 years ago as well as a radio commentator on the ABC answering all your gardening questions.

It was always her dream to run a magazine and since 2012 Elizabeth has been working for Central West Lifestyle Magazine a quarterly magazine focussing on country gardens & properties in NSW. She loves the fact that she gets paid to visit people's gardens, to meet the garden owners & see so many beautiful gardens some planned & some that just evolved. Elizabeth spoke of the special challenges they face with the environment, the planting that is practical as well as beautiful & the restoration & preservation of these properties. There are lots of perennial shrubs planted that we don't see as often now on the coast, yet work well in the country garden. Elizabeth encouraged us to forget about the faults we see in our gardens and to stand back & see the glorious beauty as well as reminding us that if the gardener thinks it's good, it is!

We hope to see you at our next club meeting and to join us for another happy gardening year. Garden Club meets on the 2nd Weds of the month at the Galston Community Centre 37 Arcadia Rd., Galston 8.00pm. New members are warmly welcomed. For other information, visit our website:www. galstongardenclub.com.au









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BUDGERIGAR SOCIETY OF NSW INC

By Ray Galbraith

prominent amongst the exhibitors at the Budgerigar Display / Show held between the 20th and 22nd July at the National Orchid Show, located at South Windsor Sporting Stadium. Whilst the Orchids attracted a great numbers of people all weekend, there was consistent interest in the Budgerigars on display. During the time that the birds were being viewed, Budgerigar Society representatives were kept busy answering the many questions from the general public, who identified as residing within a wide range of the suburbs that comprise the Hills Area.

The display of Budgerigars show- casing the various varieties and colours of the birds, was the result of the recent Budgerigar National Championships held at Penrith Panthers, Event Marquee ,during May 2018; where the Orchid Society of New South Wales provided an attractive display of Orchids. The combination of Budgerigars and Orchids has proved to be a very good match when on display, whilst also providing hobbies that compliment each other, and can be enjoyed by various members of a family or partnership.

Hills Branch Meetings have been attracting greater numbers of birds for the Table Show that is part of the each monthly meeting, with the awards being distributed amongst

the various members at all levels of experience. Each meeting, great interest is taken in the products on display and for purchase to members and visitors, at the Trade Table operated by the Branch at reduced prices. This facility is very ably operated by Kathy and Ian Manton and appreciated by the members, and allows our hobby to be further enjoyed, by the purchase of products at reasonable prices.

Interesting Budgie Facts;

• Originally the budgerigars imported to Britain were a greeny-yellow in colour. The other colours that we see today have been developed over time.

- The first Blue Budgerigars in the UK appeared in 1878.
- Budgerigars may be relatively small birds but they have up to 3000 feathers across their bodies.
- Budgerigars a species of parakeet.

At the recent Annual General Meeting of the Hills Branch, Daniel Childs was re-elected as the President, along with all positions being filled by willing and eager branch members.

Care to be part of a hobby that can be enjoyed by an individual, partnership or family, then contact should be made with Peter Dodd by telephoning 9888-5631 or peter_dodd@primus.com



NATURE IS SOMETIMES VERY CLEVER!

By Barry Lees

magine a seed that actually screws itself into the soil to give it the best chance of growing. Now that is cunning!

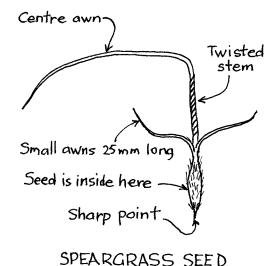
There are some local native grasses are called speargrasses. One of these is Oat Speargrass (Anisopogon avenaceous), that grows up to 1m tall.

When young, the seeds start off green and straight, but as they mature in the seed head, they dry to a straw colour and bend as shown in my drawing. Once mature, (in November), they fall to the ground with the sharp point downwards. Down in the leaf litter and other grasses and groundcovers, it is damp. The twisted stem then unwinds itself and lengthens, but the awns are caught in surrounding vegetation and can't move, so the seed turns and the sharp point is pushed into the soil.

I find this fascinating. To demonstrate, you can take a mature seed from the seedhead, hold the seed, lick your finger and touch it on the twisted stem, then watch the awn slowly turn. The same thing happens with seeds from other local speargrasses from the Austrostipa genus. Seeds from these grasses are similar in shape, but don't have the small awns.

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WHAT'S ON AROUND THE COMMUNITY



THURSDAY 11TH OCTOBER AT 10AM

Dural Galston Probus Club

Dural Galston Probus Club will hold its next meeting on Thursday 11th October at 10am at The Galston Club, 21-25 Arcadia Road, Galston. This meeting is one week early due to our club holiday to Tamworth. Probus is a mixed club for retired and semi retired people who enjoy friendship, good speakers and occasional outings. Visitors are always welcome. Come along or contact Anne 9653 1004.

FRIDAY 12TH OCTOBER -10.15AM. TO 11.45AM

Red Cross Castle Hill

Red Cross, Castle Hill new venue is Wesley Uniting Church, 32-34 Showground Rd. Castle Hill.

Contact 8850.7056 for details.

SUNDAY 14TH OCTOBER - 9.00AM

Roughley Family Gathering

There will be a celebration of the arrival of Joseph and James Roughley in Australia on that day 200 hundred years ago.

Venue: Roughley House, 'The Pines' 656a Old Northern Rd. Dural. Call 96513397.

SATURDAY 20TH OCTOBER - 10-15AM

Australian Plant Society

APS-Parramatta-Hills' October Activity will Feature Darwin's Walk Led by Dr. Marilyn Cross. Meet at Wentworth Falls Station 10.15am Approximately 5km, steps. Come by train or drive. Blue Mtns Train- Central Station, Platform 6. Leaves 8.24am -- Arrival 10.15am. Provide own morning tea & lunch.

Contact Mob. 0427 632 756 SMS only.

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SATURDAY 20 TH OCTOBER - 11AM - 4PM

Spring Rose Show

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SUNDAY 21ST OCTOBER - 12.30PM

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Venue: Location is Roughley House, 656 Old Northern Road, Dural.

Book online at www.jazzatthepines.org.au or email info@jazzatthepines.org.au

WEDNESDAY 24TH OCTOBER

Galston VIEW Club

The Galston VIEW Club which raises money to support The Smith Family's Learning for Life program will hold its monthly Luncheon Meeting on Wednesday 24th October, 2018 at The Galston Club, 21-25 Arcadia Road Galston, at 11am. There will be a display of Tina's Jewellery. Visitors are always welcome. Bookings Vivien 98941189.

THURSDAY 25TH OCTOBER -10AM - 11.30AM

Birds of a feather

Birds of a feather do flock together and they can be recognised not just by their feathers but in a number of ways. Learn more about native birds and how to capture their diversity through photography. Venue: Community Environment Centre -Currie Ave, Annangrove Park, Annangrove Visit www.thehillsenvironment.eventbrite.com.au

SATURDAY OCTOBER 27TH - 10AM - 2PM

Fete to Fundraise

We are having a Fete here to Fundraise for our Lifestyle Department as we need funds for our residents and we would also like to contribute some to the Farmers plight. We need some Stall holders for the day and I was wondering if you had "contacts" in that area and if so would you mind pointing them in our direction please

Ane from Tallwood's has asked us to do a BBQ for them ,Security guards on their two gates and maybe help with a stall. We will sell Christmas cakes to help fundraise that day for them also. Time help needed from 9am to 3pm. Operational tome 10am to 2pm.

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THURSDAY 25TH OCTOBER - 7PM

Arcadia & Galston Resident Association (AGRA)

Arcadia & Galston Residents Association (AGRA) next meeting will be at The Galston Club on Thursday 25th October at 7pm. Discussion will be about the Galston shopping precinct as there are concerns about the current safety and parking plus the general ambiance. New members welcome, must live in the postcode of 2159. Visitors also welcome particularly the Galston shop businesses.

At our previous meeting we discussed Rabbit and fox baiting program, sending a member of our community to attend the Life Line course, the successful Utopia 2159 Community Dinner last month, writing to Hornsby Council regarding the state of our local roads, and the updating of the Arcadia History website www.arcadiahistory.com.au



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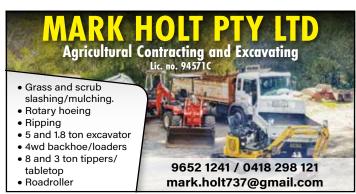




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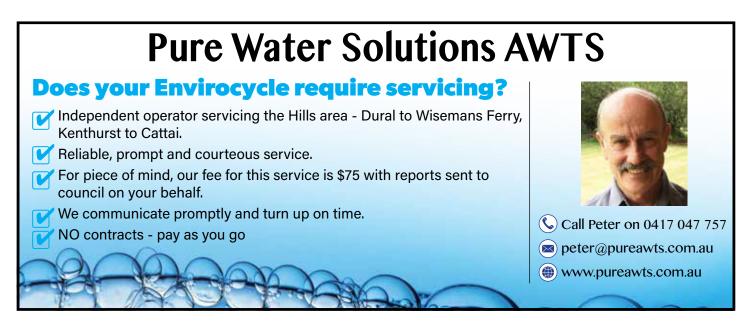


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New members are very welcome to drop in; the first two visits are free. Email galstonkidsplaygroup@gmail.com for info about current session times, or ask at the Galston Community Health Centre office.

GLENORIE

Glenorie Mission Church, Muscios Road, Glenorie. Every Thursday 9am-12pm - bring allergy friendly snacks

ARCADIA

Located at Arcadia Public School, 140 Arcadia Rd. Every 2nd Thursday 9.30 to 11am. Contact Dale 0410 532 562

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DURAL/GALSTON

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COMMUNITY CONTACTS

Avicultural Society of NSW Inc.

Welcomes persons interested in Avicultural (bird keeping). The society holds monthly meetings which include presentations and talks on all aspects of bird keeping an breeding. For further information contact Paul Henry 9872464 or 0408 617686

ACACIA (Living Life)

Exercise programme for over 65's. FREE. Every Tuesday 9.30 to 10.30 am Galston Uniting Church 11 School Road - Galston. Enquiries Melanie 9456 7103

Aglow Australia Pennant Hills

A network of caring women, meeting on the 4th Thursday at 10am-12.30pm. Excellent speakers, child minding and morning tea. Contact Glenys on 0401.770 859. Venue Thornleigh Community Centre, Cnr Phyllis and Central Avenue Thornleigh.

ALANON Family Group

Meets 8pm each Friday at the Galston Community Health Centre. For more details call 9264 9255. Trying to live with someone who has a drinking problem? Come along to these meetings.

APEX Australia

A service organisation that is about making friends, helping others and having fun, open to anyone 18-45. Further info. Please contact Sydney D.G 0412 400 452, National Office 18000 APEX0 or website. "Heart of a Community, Hope of a Nation".

Arcadia Community Hall

136 Arcadia Road, Arcadia. Available for functions. Inspections welcome. Bookings call 9847 6504

Arcadia Markets

May and November at Arcadia Public School, 140 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia. ArcadiaMarkets.com. au. Enquiries: Meegen 0419 262 850 New Stallholders always welcome.

Arcadian Quilters

Meetings held at Galston Community Health and Resources Centre, 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays at 9.50am (day group) and on the 2nd and 4th Monday at 7.30pm (evening group). For further information contact Carole on 9894 7749.

Association of Independent Retirees (AIR) Ltd

Meetings are held on the first Friday of each month at 10 am. Meetings are at Yarrara Rd Pennant Hills. Contact John Guthrie on 9634 6727.

Castle Hill Art Society

Monthly Meetings and Art Demonstrations are held at Castle Hill Art Society - 155 Ridgecorp Drive, Castle Hill on the first Wednesday of each month at 7.30 p.m. Enquires Ph. 98993179

Circular Keys Chorus

Are always seeking would-be Divas. De-stress as you learn to sing acappella 4 part harmony with passionate CKC singers. Rehearsals in Castle Hill Wednesdays 7.30-10.pm. Contact Janet 9655 2959, email info@circularkeys.org or visit www.circularkeys.org

Dural and District Historical Society Inc

holds its fecture meetings on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 2pm at History Cottage, 412 Galston Rd Galston. The Cottage is also open to the public from 10am to 4pm on Wed and Sundays. Enquiries to Michael Bell 9653 1365.

Dural and District Prostate Cancer Support Group

holds its meetings on the third Monday of each month at 7pm at Anglian Retirement Village, Glenhaven Green, 599-607 Old Northern Rd, Glenhaven on Blue Gum Centre. Inquiries Denis 9629 2645 or Maurice 9654 2158.

Dural and Districts Senior Citizens' Club

Come along on any Wednesday at 11.00am to Dural Country Club to enjoy good fellowship with other senior citizens. Some play indoor bowls – beginners included – while others play Bingo and enjoy the prizes. Stay for lunch! For further information please call on 0417 99 5507 after hours.

Dural and Hills District Garden

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.comau

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 0419 280 967.

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, 130pm to 4.00pm, and other special occasions. Contact Ian Browning. M: 0419 435 475 E: isandian@tpg.comau

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'

Meets at the Galston Primary School Library, School Road, Galston on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 8 pm (during school terms). Enquiries 0403076175. New members always

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/Melissa 0408626978.

Galston Community Hall

37 Arcadia Rd, Galston available for functions, air-conditioned, inspections welcome. Bookings call Jane on 0481 900 151.

Galston Community Health

This centre is an outreach of Hornsby and Ku-ring-gai Health Service and is situated at 17 Arcadia Road, Galston (cnr of The Glade). Enq. 9653 2235.

Galston 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

will be holding its monthly Luncheon meetings at The Galston Club, 21-25 Arcadia Road Galston, on the 4th Wednesday of each month. Visitors will be very welcome. Bookings Vivien 98941189.

Girl Guides

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. Junior Guides (age 6-9) meet Thursdays 4.30-6pm and Guides (age 10-14) meet Tuesdays 6-8pm at Galston Guide Hall, 414 Galston Road, Galston. Contact admini@alstongirlguides.com for hall hire or enquiries about Girl Guides.

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 Memorial Hall

Available for Hire. Seats up to 120 people. Tables and chairs available. Small kitchen/servery. To hire, call Ray Whiteman Phone: 9652 2454 or Mobile 0400 008 083

Glenorie Progress Association

meets 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7:45pm at Glenorie RSL Club. Contact secretary@ glenorieprogress.org.au or 0418 432 587

Glenorie RSL Club

3 Post Office Rd, Glenorie (behind Woolworths). The New Hills Hotspot. For bistro bookings call 9652 1199, all other enquiries and bookings 9652 1183. www.glenoriersl.com.au

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' and 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 Homsby Heights Community Centre, Galston Road, Hornsby Heights. www. hk4wd.com.au IP SERVICES

are available at Cherrybrook Shopping Village on Saturdays 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 before at Hornsby.

Libraries on some days. Check with Librar before attending. The NSW Justices Association

Hornsby Branch
meets monthly (except January and June)
on the 2nd Monday evening at 0700 pm, at
MAGPIES WAITARA, formerly 'Asquith Rugby
League Club' opposite Waitara rail station.
JP's welcome to attend. Varied programme.
Enquiries John Tibbitts 9875 1383 or 0408

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

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@

Probus Club of Round Corner

NOW has vacancies for new members. Join our club and enjoy new friendships, interesting meetings and a large variety of activities e.g. Walking Group; Mah-Jong Group, Theatre Group, Tennis Group, plus overseas and extended local tours and local day trips. We meet on the 2nd Monday of the month at 9.30am for 10am at *The Galston Club* 19 Arcadia Road, Galston. We look forward to you joining with us. All enquiries to. The Secretary, PO Box 822, Round Corner 2158 or come one month as a wistlor

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

Social Dance Workshops

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

The Hills District Pipe Band

We practice at Harvey Lowe Pavillion, CH every Tues 7.30-9pm. Welcomes new members and gig enquiries. Follow us on

facebook or www.hillsdistrictpipebank.

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 2nd Thursday of each month. For more information Visit www.StillCreekLandcare.com.au or e-mail StillCreekLandcare@iinet.netau 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, temale 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 Evelyn on 02 9634 4987.

CHURCHES

Galston Uniting Church

Service times 10.00am. Children's programmes KUCA for children K-6, each Friday of the school term 5.00 to 6.30pm. #ThePower (Youth Group) for those in high school. Fridays of the school term 7.00pm to 8.30pm. CRAFT group Thursday evenings of the school term 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.galston.unltingchurch.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. Contact Minister Pr. David McKibben 0474 493 793.

Glenorie Community Church

Pentecostal and Evangelical – meets every Sunday at 10.00am. Ladies meeting at 10.30am last Tuesday of every month. All welcome. 1507 Old Northern Road, Glenorie Pr Valich – Phone 0420 602 989 Church 9652 0577.

Glenorie Mission Church

Sunday Service 10:00 am. 1409 Old Northern Road (Cnr Muscios Rd), Glenorie. Enquiries 0414 584 303 or 0411 422 236.

Hillslife Church

Meets 10:00am every Sunday at Galston Public School. Pastor Corri Byrne Ph: 0416 233 629. For more info go to www.hillslife.com

St. Benedict's Catholic Church

Mass at the Monastery, 121 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia, at 7am every morning, Mass at the Parish Centre, Ph. 9653-2312. Corner Fagans Rd and Arcadia Rd. 7pm Saturday, 9am Sunday Parish Priest, Fr Bernard MGrath 0416032497.

St. Columb's Anglican Church

Sundays at 9.30 am. Coffee n' craft group meets on Fridays at 9.30 am – enquiries Beverley 9653.1790.

St Benedict's Catholic Parish

Every Monday from 10am to 12noon during school term(s). Cnr Fagans and Arcadia Roads Arcadia. All children and their carers are welcome!

St Judes Anglican

Service Times: 8am Traditional; 10am Contemporary with Sunday Kids & Yr 5-9 Teen group; 6pm Evening church for youth & parents. 'Epic' kids club and Youth Group – Fridays (see website for details). Galston & Old Northern Roads. Dural Phone; 9651–1119

St Madeleine s Catholic Church

28 Annangrove rd. Kenthurst. Mass times Mon-Fri 9.15am Sat 5.30pm Sun 8am,10am and 5.30pm

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 0420 399 452 or 0432 181 635 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 BBO's. New members welcome. Contact Murray on 0407

950 939 or Bruce on 0428 970 439

Dural Rugby ClubEnquiries, please contact the registrar Eric Flanagan, email efl86029@bigpond.netau or phone 0412 230 328 or visit our website http://duralrugbynet.com.au.

Galston Glenorie Amateur Fishing Club

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 0404 600 460. ggcc.nsw.cricket.com.au

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

comau

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 secretary.galstonnetballclub@hotmail.com or visit the website www.galstonnc.nsw.netball.com.au

Glenorie Social Golf Club

Plays monthly, visit www.glenoriersl.com.au under 'Branch' for round dates and courses. Contact Stephen Osborne 0416 546 789

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Adults 18 years to 80 + are welcome to swim with us every Tuesday at 7pm at Galston Aquatic Centre. Whether you want to swim laps for competition, fitness, or simply fun 6 friendship, ring Di on 0418 432 587.

friendship, ring Di on 0418 432 587 Hills Hawks Soccer Club

For season details and registrations call Michael Rosier on 0418 676 768 or agminsulations@bigpond.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

Kenthurst Netball Club Registrations. Contact Sally Coppini 0407942986 mitre@tpg.com.au

Tennis / Squash Social Group looking for new players. Call Karen 0412 485 411 or email tennisandsouash@live.com.au

Tennis Court for Hire Galston At rear of Galston Community Hall. Available Day or Night, Mobile Jane on 0481 900 151.

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 Rd is offering
members of the public to hire their tennis
court for a minimal fee. 12 month membership
\$50 per family or \$8 per hour. Please contact
Hillside Public School on 9652 1459.

Thursday Ladies Tennis Competition in the Hills District

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