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MAN ARRESTED AFTER MANS Body Discovered at glenorie

A man has been charged after a man's body was discovered on a property at Glenorie about midday on Friday 14th March 2025.





Strike Force Halderen was established by The Hills Police Area Command and the State Crime Command's Homicide Squad, to investigate the circumstances surrounding the death of a 39-year-old man, whose body was found on the property on Gleness Place.

Following inquiries, two men, aged 24 and 34, and a 35-year-old woman, were arrested at the scene and were taken to Castle Hill Police Station. They were released pending further investigation.

About 2.15pm on Sunday 23rd March 2025, police arrested a 24-year-old man at a home on Meriden Avenue, Glenorie.

He was taken to Castle Hill Police Station where he was charged with murder. He was refused bail, and appeared before Parramatta Local Court on Monday 24th March 2025.

Inquiries under Strike Force Halderen continue.

Anyone with information about this incident is urged to contact Crime Stoppers: 1800 333 000 or https://nsw.crimestoppers.com.au Information is treated in strict confidence.

Its Time! and this is not a political statement

The Ray Whitemans Heritage Fence Fund is almost fully funded. We are now selling the last batch of pavers to complete the project. Please consider buying one to recognise your name in the history of the district. Anyone in the district can buy a paver. We have families from far and wide who used to live here or are memorialising family members who lived here.

Many of the stonework carvings on the piers have been completed, See images and the full story on page 17.



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LOCALS SPOILT FOR CHOICE. SPECIALTY GOODS A BONUS.

BY DIANA PATON

The opening of the new Harris Farm Market at Round Corner Dural on the 26th February unfortunately coincided with Hills Shire Council doing works on the road outside. This caused a massive traffic jam along Kenthurst Road. Fortunately Harris Farm had employed car park marshalls to try to ease the problem as they had expected higher patronage on their opening day.

Having the entrance to Harris Farm on the roundabout itself is not ideal. Shopping outside of peak times will make parking easier.

The inside of the store is bigger than you think. One of the benefits to locals is the vast selection of specialty goods, many of which were not available locally before. For those of us who travelled to Cherrybrook or further buy these specialty products, this is a real saving in time



and travel costs. There is also a great selection of fresh fish, poultry and meats, ready made meals, freshly baked breads, dairy, delicatessen and smallgoods – the list goes on. For those residents who are vegan or have other dietary requirements, the selections are really good. They also have a good selection of "imperfect fruits and vegetables" at very reasonable prices.



Judging by the crowd shopping and perusing the day I visited, this addition to the selection of shops at Dural is just what the community wanted.

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The Galston, Glenorie & Hills Rural Community News prides itself on reporting about a variety of local topics and issues, covering news, features, sports, entertainment and the arts, community contributions, and much more.

We are interested in local stories from: Arcadia, Berrilee, Berowra Waters, Cattai, Canoelands, Dural, Fiddletown, Forest Glen, Galston, Glenorie, Maraylya, Maroota, Middle Dural, South Maroota & Wisemans Ferry.

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Please send stories in editable text (word or email) not in PDF. MAXIMUM words 500.

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We love to hear from our community.







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LOCAL JP's

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Julia Billyard and Darren Bonaccordo, Elude Games, Galston - 8005 0077 Vicki Brownless - 0423 727 826 (South Maroota area)

Cherrybrook Shopping Village, Shepherds Drive, every Saturday morning 10:00 AM to noon.

There will be a JP at Dural Library Wednesdays between 1:00 PM and 3:00 PM. Also available at Cherrybrook Shopping Village, 10:00 AM to 12:00 noon Saturdays. Contact Jane 0427 998 004.

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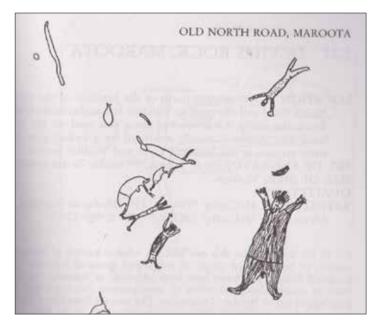
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Aboriginal Rock Engravings in our local area

BY KARLENE BRUMMER



Hidden (sometimes in plain sight) across our beautiful suburbs are scores of ancient indigenous rock carvings. Many have been mapped across the years, and an informative book by Peter Stanbury and John Clegg: *A Field Guide to Aboriginal Rock Engravings* (first published by Oxford University press in 1990) contains a fabulous record of engravings found right throughout Sydney.

While most of the engravings are on rocks in their original bushland landscape, some are situated incongruously amongst very urban settings, including one of a large fish on what is now the floor of a garage in Point Piper, albeit covered with floor boards to protect the integrity of the item. Another figural carving survives in the front yard of a dwelling in Beacon Hill.

Because our area has mostly avoided the scourge of urban sprawl and overdevelopment, we have a bountiful amount of bushland largely untouched and so the engravings in the surrounding topography have escaped imminent destruction or compromise.

Two of the best sites located in Maroota and Canoelands are quite awe inspiring in both their scale and atmosphere. Seeing them for the first time (in the presence of two Aboriginal friends) was something of a near spiritual experience as we wandered silently amongst the rock faces.

Some of the carvings were obviously quite weathered and hard to see, so the pouring of some water on the images brought the details to life. Others were clearly identifiable in both form and image.

The sites of the engravings chosen by the Aboriginal artists were often on hill tops surrounded by panoramic views, or secret places of important environmental character and either had a spiritual or informative component to them. For example, there are several carvings of fish along the sides of waterways at Berowra potentially indicating good fishing spots at those locations.

The Maroota site has a large figure of Baiame the ancient Sky God and creator of the world as believed by the indigenous peoples. From this elevated position you can get a good perspective

DEVIL'S ROCK, MAROOTA

of the surrounding mountains of which he is said to have created. Other engravings are of two smaller figures, a goanna and two (possibly) koalas. The nearby engravings at Canoelands also include Baiame, a large and easily identifiable Emu sitting on a clutch of eggs, and several smaller kangaroos or wallabies. These two sites may have been either initiation sites or had significant spiritual meaning. Without knowledge of the significance of these sites being passed down, it is impossible to determine.

With so much of our early history being swallowed up by progress and modernity, it is imperative that we do not forget to honour and respect the lives and legacies of those who came before us. Over time these rock engravings will weather and erode even further until one day they may no longer be visible at all, so it is wonderful that *A Field Guide to Aboriginal Rock Engravings* has been written to document and record these historical markings for future generations to see, and perhaps one day unlock the key as to exactly what message the depictions were meant to convey.

With thanks to Judy Van Middeldyk for reference material



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NEWS FROM **NETHERBY**

The Spirit Lives on ANZAC Day at Netherby, Fagan Park

The Friends of Fagan Park extend an invitation to all to our Open Day on ANZAC Day, 25th April, 10am -3pm. While wandering around the the old Fagan farm and exploring the past, take time to reflect upon all of those who have served Australia in previous conflicts and those who continue to serve today.

Over at Netherby Homestead, immerse yourself in our very special ANZAC exhibition with a focus on Leslie Rupert Fagan, Samuel and Emma Fagan's son





who lost his life in WW1. There will be an amazing display of memorabilia form WW1 and WW2. Kids (and grown ups) might like to write a postcard to a local hero soldier. Perhaps enjoy a cuppa and an ANZAC biscuit in the heritage garden. Our vintage trucks and tractors will parade around the park at 11am. Next to the old fruit packing shed you can see working stationary engines humming along. You can also watch the blacksmith busy at work.

If you are a car enthusiast, you will be enthralled with The Vintage Sports Car Club of Australia's display of various vehicles in the heritage precinct.

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Sharp, refined lines throughout the design take inspiration from the structured geometry of the tennis court, a defining feature of the expansive rear landscape. These lines create a sense of flow and connection, seamlessly integrating the home with its surroundings.

Seamless Indoor-Outdoor Living

This stunning renovation blends Hamptons elegance with classic country charm, creating a home that feels like a year-round retreat. A seamless first-floor addition enhances the original structure, maintaining its charm while introducing refined updates.

Modern Elegance with a Heritage Touch

The modernised roofline features a sleek, streamlined profile, complemented by a bespoke corbel line moulding on the parapet. This design choice subtly preserves the heritage feel of the property while introducing a fresh, contemporary edge.

Every aspect of Alba is designed with cohesion in mind. The home, tennis court, pool, and entertaining areas are beautifully connected, resulting in a space where style and function work in perfect harmony.

Turrell Building's minimalist approach brings a refined sense of class to the property. Large windows and sliding doors draw natural light deep into the home, enhancing the bright and welcoming atmosphere while maintaining a strong connection to the landscaped backyard.

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Jasmine Cook Young Equestrian heading to Portugal

Hi, my name is Jasmine Cook. I am a 13-year-old showjumper from Arcadia, New South Wales and attend Galston High School, I have been competing with two horses over the 2023-2024 season, Sherbet Wizz Fizz and Summer Thyme.

We compete nearly every weekend, and when not in competition, we actively participate in Local Pony Club activities. Among my recent achievements, I became the 2023 ENSW State Interschool Champion in both the 80 cm and 90 cm showjumping categories. This success led to my selection to represent Team NSW at the 2023 Marcus Oldham Australian Interschool Equestrian Championship in Melbourne, where I won the Australian Interschool 90 cm Champion title and secured the Reserve Champion title in the 80 cm category. Additionally, I was the top point scorer for Team NSW for 2023.

I was also honoured to represent Team NSW at the 2023 Petcock Pony Club National Championships held in Western Australia, with a hub in Melbourne. I competed for the Sub Junior



2025 is set to be my biggest year yet.

team and achieved the title of 2023 Pony Club National Champion in this category, as well as first place in the team event.

Furthermore, I participated in the Pony Club State Show Jumping Competition, where I won the Under 13 years B Grade Champion title and finished among the top four point scorers.

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- Making housing more affordable for both renters and buyers
- Fostering respect for women

I'm here to stand up for all of us, free from the constraints of lacklustre party politics.

Together, we can create a brighter future for Berowra.



Authorised by Tina Brown, 1/149 Peats Ferry Road, Hornsby NSW 2077



During 2024, I was selected again to be a part of the NSW Team to compete at the Marcus Oldham Australian Interschool Equestrian Championship on my new 5 year old Horse ,Summer Thyme , where we came away with 4th in Australia in the 1 m Intermediate.

I also competed at the Waratah World cup taking the win in the 105 cm 5 years old Open class and 3rd place in the 110 cm Jnr Class on Summer Thyme competing against Adults in the Open class.

Most recently on Summer Thyme, we travelled to Willinga Park and competed in the Australian Championships in the Children's series where we competed in our first 115 cm together .In October 2024, on my Pony Sherbet Wizz Fizz, I competed in the Jumping NSW State Championships where we won the Children's Champion Title.

In September 2024 I was offered an amazing opportunity to travel overseas to Portugal to be

a part of the Global Amateur Team. I will train on borrowed horses and I will have the chance to sharpen my flatwork and jumping skills under the guidance of world-class clinicians. I will also have the chance to compete in a training environment.

This International experience is an amasing opportunity and I am honoured to have been selected among a talented group of riders. I am fully committed to immersing myself in all activities on this tour to gain as much knowledge and skills as I can whilst I am in Portugal.

It is my chance to show my dedication and passion for show jumping.

My aspiration is to compete at the World Cup level and pursue the Olympic dream and this amazing opportunity is certainly a stepping stone to help me get there one day.

My family has been very supportive in my equestrian dreams ,and to help with the costs to get me to Portugal, I am reaching out to the greater community in hopes that you may consider helping with the cost to achieve my Equestrian goals.

Bendigo Bank Galston contribution, no matter the size, would be greatly appreciated and make a significant difference.

I will be documenting my travel to Portugal via socials to keep all those who contributed and supported me updated.

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As May approaches, we begin to turn our thoughts to Mother's Day – a special time to celebrate the wonderful women in our lives. At The Village Glenorie, we're planning a beautiful Mother's Day experience with plenty of opportunities to treat Mum to something special. From exclusive Mother's Day offers at our local stores to delicious meals at our eateries, we'll ensure that this Mother's Day is one to remember. Whether it's a relaxing brunch or a thoughtful gift from one of our unique retailers, there's no better place to show Mum how much she means to you.

With plenty of undercover parking, shopping at The Village Glenorie couldn't be easier or more enjoyable! With new retailers joining The Village Glenorie it's the ideal time to visit, browse, and support your local retailers.

So why wait? Bring your family, friends, and loved ones down to The Village Glenorie this School Holiday, Easter and Mother's Day. We can't wait to see you!

The Village Glenorie – Where shopping meets community.



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OOD SERVICES

DRINK DRIVING

At approximately 11:44 PM on Wednesday, 12th March 2025, Hills Police responded to a two-vehicle crash on New Line Rd, Dural.

The 32-year-old driver of a white Holden Colorado veered into oncoming traffic, causing a head-on collision with a red Toyota Camry.

Upon arrival, officers detected the odor of alcohol and observed the driver was unsteady on their feet. A roadside breath test returned a positive reading. Subsequently, a breath analysis at Castle Hill Police Station recorded a reading of 0.163.

The driver has been issued a Court Attendance Notice and their license has been suspended.

KNIFE POSSESSION

Yesterday afternoon, a teenager was arrested at Castle Hill Metro station after being found in possession of a knife. When police attempted to interact with him, he ran off, allegedly throwing the knife into the bush.

As in previous posts, Hills Police are actively patrolling these stations, targeting anti-social behaviour and weapon possession to ensure the safety of our community.



ALLEGED STABBING

Four teens have been charged following an alleged stabbing in Sydney's north.

At about 3:00 PM on Saturday 8th March 2025, emergency services responded to reports of an assault at a shopping centre on the Pacific Highway, Hornsby.

Police were told a 21-year-old manand a 27-year-old woman were approached by two teenage girls and three teenage boys who allegedly began assaulting the man. The woman was also allegedly assaulted when she came to the man's aid.

The man suffered a stab wound to the leg and had personal belongings allegedly stolen. He was treated at the scene by NSW Ambulance paramedics before being taken to Royal North Shore Hospital in a stable condition.

Officers attached to Ku-ring Gai Police Area Command, Hornsby Police Transport Command and The Hills Police Area Command were able to locate four of the five alleged offenders a short time later at a shopping centre in Castle Hill.

The four teens were taken to Castle Hill Police station where they were charged as follows:

- 16-year-old boy charged with aggravated robbery with wounding
- 16-year-old boy charged with robbery in company and assault occasioning actual bodily harm in company
- 16-year-old boy charged with robbery in company
- 15-year-old girl charged with accessory before and after to robbery in company

The three boys were refused bail to appear before a Children's Court today, Sunday 9th March 2025. The girl was released on conditional bail to appear before a Children's Court on Tuesday 18th March 2025.

BREAK & ENTER

On Wednesday, 5th March 2025, a joint investigation between The Hills Police Area Command and Hawkesbury Police Area Command resulted in the arrest of a 19-year-old male. He was arrested for committing multiple Break and Enter offences on residential properties in both The Hills and Hawkesbury areas.

Between 11th February and Saturday, the 1st of March, entry was forced into three sheds at three separate residences, located at Glenorie, East Kurrajong and North Richmond. While inside these structures, a total of 10 off-road motorbikes were taken spread across the three locations.

The 19-year-old was charged with three counts of Break and Enter in circumstances of Aggravation. He was refused bail to appear before Penrith Local Court. It is likely that further charges are coming.

If you have any information on any of the above, please contact Crime Stoppers NSW at 1800 333 000



We would like to apologize to the Persimmon Place for jumping the gun in our last edition on the opening date of the new SALT Café within their premises.

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We also need to have an awakening of our inherit need to live in community. We need to reject the concept of isolation and look for ways to revive the lost art of home hospitality and making people feel welcome. Perhaps you never thought about it, but hospitality is the key to so many areas of a fulfilling life. Those who practice hospitality are usually the most joyful people.

I would also like to point out that I think there is a difference in the essence of hospitality verses entertaining, though there is nothing wrong with entertaining. Hospitality is welcoming the stranger and the friend into your home as it is, warts and all, and helping them to feel that, for just a little while, it's their home too.

I've had the wonderful opportunity to invite friends and strangers to my house recently and found that serving a nourishing immunity building soup garnished with our farm fresh Taylor Fine Foods Beef has been the most enriching experience. Can I encourage you to reconsider home hospitality and farm fresh produce and to not neglect getting together with your friends and making new ones.

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Oopsie!

Bus Shelter Bus Bingle

The Bus Shelter at Glenorie is looking a little worse for wear! We have been told a bus mis-judged the 'pull up'. While passengers were on board, we understand no one was injured. It is not known what happened to the bus or driver except, perhaps, for a red face.



Food Truck Fridays at Galston

BY KARLENE BRUMMER

It was another very successful Food Truck Friday at the Galston Recreational Reserve on the evening of 7th March. With over half a dozen cuisines to choose from, beverages and entertainment, the park was full of



people eager to have a night out with a difference. The Food Trucks are now a regular occurrence within the Hornsby Shire, travelling to different locations each week. To keep updated on where they will be next, go to the Hornsby Shire Council website: www.hornsby.nsw.gov.au and search for 'Food Truck Fridays'.

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AGRA's next meeting will be held at The Galston Club on the 29th April at 7pm

We will have a presentation from the team at Hornsby Council regarding the Galston Village Public Domain Plan. Hornsby Council sees the works will commence during this year, with upgrades between the two roundabouts. This includes traffic calming devices, footpath upgrades, safer parking, landscaping and playground, pedestrian crossings and seating which will enhance and beautify Galston Village.

Furthermore, I would like to invite those who have not yet attended our meetings to join us, it is an excellent opportunity to contribute and learn about what is happening locally. Your presence and input are highly valued, and together, we can work towards creating a thriving and cohesive community. Membership is \$10 to join & \$5 each year afterwards.

SONJA CAMERON, PRESIDENT PRESIDENT@AGRA2159.COM.AU



Arcadia Galston

Next Meeting 29th April at 7am The Galston Club

Agenda Item: Galston Village Public Domain Plan

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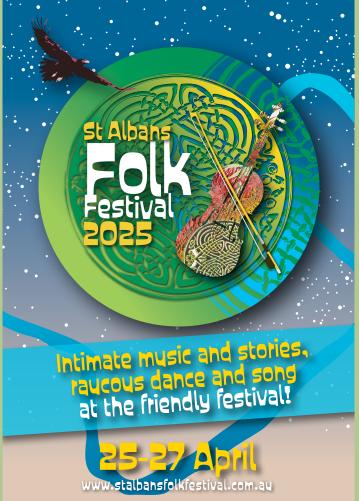
Join in at music and dance workshops and sessions, grab something delicious to eat at the Festival market, or stay up late listening to tunes at the iconic Settlers Arms Inn.

A welcoming festival with a relaxed atmosphere, St Albans is for audiences of all ages. Special activities are scheduled just for children. In 2025 we're hosting songwriting workshops, bush music sessions, and maypole dancing just for kids.

Visit for the day or camp for the weekend on the banks of the McDonald River. Adults from \$65, youth from \$30 and free entry for children under 12.

Get your tickets, volunteer, or follow the Festival on social media at: https://linktr.ee/StAlbansFolkFestivalAUS





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GLENORIE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

It's time!!! And this is not a political slogan...

Let your family become part of the history at our local Memorial Hall. We are going to lay pavers so you can add your name to the heritage of this area. To date over 170 families, individuals have purchased paver(s) to remember loved ones, to honour our veterans, to simply let everyone know that we live or lived in the Glenorie vicinity. Hornsby Council are planning to lay the pavers after the construction of the Ray Whiteman Heritage Fence by 30th June this year. But... more about the fence later.



The Glenorie Memorial Hall. located on Old Northern Road near the school, was built in 1932 and opened in 1933 to commemorate locals who served in World War I. Constructed with full-brick walls and a metal roof, the hall was funded by the community at a cost of over £1000, partly through the sale of sandstone from the original School of Arts hall and Glenorie Public School. It features window decals (painted by the man himself, Ray Whiteman) of the three military services, a map of Australia, and the RSL symbol. In 1976, management was transferred to Hornsby Council, actually gifted to the Council, to ensure its preservation. In 2015 the community rallied together to "Save Our Hall" when the Council planned its sale. The Community won! and our Hall has been enjoyed for years by Glenorie locals. The Hall Committee looks



after the interests of our Memorial Hall and Council is responsible for it's upkeep. If you are wondering about the current works, it is removal of asbestos in the upstairs projection room, for all users' safety. The planned upgrade to the Hall will include our many pavers at the front of the Hall so please order your pavers by **31st May 2025** so you don't miss out.

We will have more Open Days at our Hall or outside Woolies to help you order the pavers. Ask about a gift certificate to give to your family members when you purchase a paver.

Best way to pay (no fees), unless cash at our Open Days, is by Direct Credit to Bendigo Bank:

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The **RWH Fence** has two more beautiful carvings completed... the fruit tree denoting our agricultural heritage and the flora pier = the flannel flower. Thanks to **Bendigo Bank** for their considerable sponsorship.

Commuter Chaos on Old Northern Road

BY KARLENE BRUMMER

It was an afternoon of chaos for commuters on the Old Northern Road on Friday 21st March, as Police launched a massive operation in relation to an alleged suspect involved in the recent death of a man in Glenorie in mid March.

The section between Cattai Ridge & Mid Dural Roads was closed to ALL traffic, with commuters travelling south being forced to divert down CRR and make a huge loop via Maraylya, Kenthurst and Dural just be able to get home to Galston and surrounding suburbs. Like hundreds of other drivers, I was caught up in this nightmare – adding another 1.5 hours to my trip home to Arcadia (coming from Glenorie) and saw two accidents in Cattai Ridge Road just to add to the melee. Once reaching New Line Road, the traffic was bumper to bumper all

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the way to the Galston Road turnoff and I actually saw the police cars from the roadblock driving south at around 5pm so I assumed that the road had now been reopened. Many children were stuck at school as parents were unable to collect them due to the road closures, and buses were cancelled creating complete havoc for the community.



Glenorie Probus Club Activities

Glenorie Probus Club has started the year with a tour of the National Maritime Museum in Darling Harbour. This was a fascinating day with many interesting boats and other naval items which are part of our history. The items on display range over the past few centuries from aboriginal craft to Kay Cottees round the world boat "First Lady" which attracted a lot of interest.

The replica of the Duyfken attracted attention as well. The original boat was built in 1595 and in 1606 sailed to Northern Australia with the first Europeans to visit the continent on board. The opportunity to Walk through an Oberon Class submarine was a lesson for all on submariner life. The Deep water diving Ball also fascinated everybody as they considered being in the unit as it dropped to the ocean depths. The tour was a great experience for those who attended.

The club also attended a presentation at Glenorie RSL organized by Ralph Steele of the Bendigo Bank on spotting and avoiding scams. Given the current high occurrence of scams, this was very timely information and an important warning of how scans that appear innocent can

The First Flight



occur in a large range of activities. The presentation was made by a representative from ACCC who was highly trained in the area. A worthwhile and timely event.

The guest speaker for February was David Short of the Dubbo Support Group of the Royal Flying Doctor Service. David outlined the history of the service including original photographs. He then explained how the duties of the service have changed over time to now being 25% emergency work and 75% Medical, Dental and Educational services.

The Club meets at 11.00am on the 4th Wednesday of the month at Glenorie RSL and new members are welcome.

Contact Wendy Black on 9653 1022 or email wendyireneblack@yahoo.com.au



GLENORIE RSL sub-Branch will be hosting the annual ANZAC DAY DAWN SERVICES 25th APRIL 2025 at 06:00am Glenorie Memorial Cenotaph & Galston Memorial Cenotaph

Traffic Control, Road Closures and Local Detours will be in effect for this Service to proceed at Glenorie



Soroptimist International of the Hills

After a busy year Club members wrapped up their projects for 2024 with a project dear to their heart. As long time supporters of **Hills Community** Aid, especially their endeavours to assist local women who have experienced domestic violence.

members of The Hills club were enthusiastic to again contribute to gift bags for the women and their children as a Christmas surprise. On the day of their special Christmas lunch the bags were delivered along with some home made treats for their morning tea.

After a well deserved break activities commenced again in February with a Planning Day for the coming year and a changeover ceremony at our

AGM for for a new President. This is a second time around for long time member Jenny McGlashan and we look forward to working with Jenny on our many projects planned for 2025.



Soroptimist International of The Hills is a part of a global movement started over 100 years ago that advocates to improve the lives of women and girls through education, gender equality and environmental issues. Soroptimist International has a seat at the United Nations. Active in The Hills for over 40 years members also provide support to existing local projects.

Club meetings are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Crestwood Community Centre. Interested Community members can contact the club at sithehills@gmail.com and check our the website at www.seap.org







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> d great fellowship is assured. All serving and exn may wear their m VELCOME TO OUR GUEST SPEAKER, KEN BRADLEY OAM Before us tanight we have pleasure in welcaming Mr. Ken Bradley wha was honorary President of the Australian-Thai Chamber of Commerce in 1937 when the chamber first started the cleaning of the Holffre Pass site at Ranchamburi an the informous Thai-Burne Railway built by sive labour under of the Holffre Pass walable community work. Ken was swarded a Medal of the Order of Australia OAM in 2019 for his valuable community work. Ken was born and raised in Melboure graduating as a pertaleum geologist from the Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology. After working for Australian companies for 3 years he joined an America nil Company and Followad the company overseas with reacourceful wile lenny and two small children. They Iwed in Sumatra Indonesia, Singapore, Bangkok Thailand, Yangan Burma and Baku Aerbabian I N of trana), returning to Australia in 1989 dipt 27 years overseas. Their youngest son was born in Singapore, and they adopted twin Thai baby girls when in Thailand. On setting an five acres at Dural he jained a Garden Club on the Central Coast and became its President in 1999. In 2000 Ken was noninated for the Garden Clubs on the Central Coast and became its President in 1991. In 2000 Ken was noninated for the Garden Clubs on the Central Coast and became its President in 1991. Jisnoc then was noninated for the Garden Clubs on the Central Coast and President of the Dural Historial Saciety and continues as an active member with a particular research interest in the remembrance of local WW1 enlisted men. BookIMS BUE MANZAC COMMEMORATION DINNER 2025 WELCOME TO OUR GUEST SPEAKER. KEN BRADLEY OAM

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Dural Scout Activities

Dural Scout Group has made the most

of the remaining long days of Summer

and have been relishing their time in the

great outdoors over the past few weeks.

The Joeys have discovered a delicious way

to do some campfire cooking with spiralled

forces and had a fabulous afternoon on the

water canoeing, learning how to raft up their

canoes together followed by splashing about

in the water. The Scouts have been incredibly

ice cream. The Joeys and Cubs also combined

apples over the fire and eating them with

Some highlights include...

busy enjoying a canoe camp, doing some fishing down at Berowra Waters, and hosting the Hills District Construction/ Deconstruction Challenge at Hayes Park making catapults. Congratulations to the Dural Scouts for also winning the event this year!

Scouts

The Venturers held a joint night with Scouts doing a nighttime bushwalk to make the most of daylight saving, they made dumplings for Lunar New Year, been bowling and visited the city gifting 'support packages' to the homeless followed by having dinner together in the city.

Scouting has so much to offer our youth and there's a whole lot more outdoor

adventures organised for the remainder of Term 1. We've planned some more camping as well as abseiling, navigation and billy karting to highlight just a few things on the program – so why don't you come along and join in the fun?!

Dural Scout Group has vacancies for Girls and Boys from 5 to 25 years. Joeys (5yo), Cubs (8yo), Scouts (12yo) and Venturers (16yo).

Please contact Phirooza: 0411 731 976 or phirooza@bigpond.net.au or Simon: thewolf_1stdural@bigpond.com

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What is the significance of memorials to communities?

Memorials provide a place for people to gather and remember those who served from their families, local community, region, state or country.

There are few things in life more stressful and heart breaking than the death of a loved one. While end-of-life services are a time for loved ones to come together and celebrate a life, these events are also a whirlwind for the grieving.

Memorialisation.

Memorialisation is the act of preserving memories. It comes in many forms—ranging from ceremonies to gatherings to physical pieces of remembrance like a memorial site.

"Social sciences believe that memorialisation is a crucial part of the grieving process."

How do you want to memorialise a loved one?

A memorial site with a plaque is deeply personal and important to honouring and celebrating those who have passed away.

Why are memorials like this important?

A memorial serves as an everlasting tribute to a life well lived and life worth remembering. It is a representation of that person and how they lived; it is a final gift. It gives all mourners (not just family) access to pay their respects and connect with the one who has died. Additionally, a permanent memorial provides an established location for non-family members to mourn.

It helps us come to terms with the reality of losing a loved one and to begin the grieving. Memorialisation allows a place and time for family and friends to be supportive during such a trying time. ANZAC DAY Proudly presented by







The Palmdale Group will host ANZAC Day Ceremonies at both Palmdale and Greenway on 25th April, paying respect to the memory of our service men and women.

Services and Wreath laying ceremonies will be held at both Palmdale and Greenway.

Palmdale Lawn Cemetery & Memorial Park

57 Palmdale Rd, Palmdale. Commencing at 9am, the service will be held adjacent to the Defence Force Memorial.

Palmdale ph: 4362 1203

Greenway Chapel & Memorial Gardens

460 Avoca Drv, Green Point. Commencing at 11am, the service will be held adjacent to the Defence Force Memorial.

Greenway ph: 4369 2013



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Latest News





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from the **Mayor's Desk**

As a service organisation, engaging with and listening to our residents is of great importance. This month, we have two significant Council documents for you to have your say on.

As outlined last month, our draft Community Strategic Plan 'Your Vision | Your Future 2035' is your plan for how you would like Hornsby Shire to be in 2035. It is the highest-level plan that Council prepares, and every project led by Council is guided by it. The Community Strategic Plan is on exhibition until 21 April. If you have not already had the chance to provide your feedback, I encourage you to do so at yoursay.hornsby.nsw.gov.au

The draft 2025-2029 Delivery Program and 2025/26 Operational Plan (DPOP) sets out the steps Council will take to achieve the community's priorities laid out in the Community Strategic Plan, and how we will respond to challenges that include population growth, housing affordability, traffic, transport, and economic and technological change. The DPOP will be on public exhibition for your feedback at

yoursay.hornsby.nsw.gov.au from 10 April until 12 May.

NSW Youth Week 2025 runs from 9 to 17 April, when we focus on supporting our young people and giving them the opportunity to have their voices heard. This year's theme is 'We are the future, and the future is now!', and we have a range of exciting free events for youth aged 12-24 to come together and celebrate. Featuring a movie night, barista and pottery courses, art exhibition and more, there's lots to get involved in. Visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au for more information.

Warren Waddell Mayor of Hornsby Shire

What's on

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Compost and Worm Farm Workshop Saturday 12 April, 10am-12.30pm Community Recycling Centre, Thornleigh Bookings essential

Chipping for Mulch – Galston Sunday 13 April, 7.30am-12.30pm Council Depot, Johnson Road, Galston

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Have your say on the Community Strategic Plan 2025-2035 yoursay.hornsby.nsw.gov.au



CULTURAL FESTIVAL FRIDAY 4 APRIL, 4-8PM Hornsby Mall



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 Delivery Program and Operational Plan 2025-2029 – Submissions open: 10 April-12 May

 Hornsby Town Centre: Draft Public Domain Plan, Development Contributions Plan and Development Control Plan amendments – Submissions close: 18 April

For more information visit: yoursay.hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Next Council meeting Wednesday 9 April, 6.30pm

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DURAL AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC. News *from* History Cottage

The Society is fortunate to have among its members, people who are willing to share the knowledge of their special interests.



At the March meeting, Judy Horton, well known for her garden tours and radio presentations, told of research she carried out for a tour of Belle-Ile off the coast of France. She researched an Australian artist, John Peter Russell, who had built a home on the island. There he entertained many of the artists who were members of the Impressionist movement. Through his own wealth and artistic ability he became most influential in the development of artists whose names are known to all. While well recognised in Europe, it is only now that Australia is becoming aware of the vital part Russell played in the development of art.

On Sunday the 16th March the Society opened its research centre in History Cottage at 412X Galston Road beside the Cenotaph in Galston Park. Over the last six months archivist, Toni Phillips and helpers, have been working on the Society records, archives, library and indexes. So inviting is the result of their work it was decided to hold an open afternoon to let the public gain some idea of what is available for research. The excellent map collection generated much interest as did the more than 2000 photographs, Colonial microfiche records and well stocked library. Enquiries for further investigation is welcomed.

On the **12th April** Vern Sotter will be our guest speaker. Fagan Park and the Fagan Family play an important part in the history and life of Galston and Hornsby Shire. The Society again calls upon the knowledge of a member, when Vern tells the story of the Park and the Fagan Family. This "Gem of Hornsby Shire" is enjoyed by so many and continues to mature and add to the facilities. Come to the April meeting and hear more of the family that so generously gave their land to the people of New South Wales and Hornsby Shire, more particularly.

On the **10th May** the guest speaker will be, Carolyn Broadhead. Carolyn will speak on her French connections. These fascinating stories include Society research of a World War1 soldier who wanted to stay in France at the war's end; of the family of the bride who had one of their members come to Australia in early Colonial times; maybe a film "The Reluctant Soldier" as well.

Meetings are held in the Galston Uniting Church School Road Galston starting at 2.00pm. Entry is free with a gold coin for afternoon tea. Enquiries Michael Bell 02 9653 1365.



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Leny Willemsen 25/3/1935 - 29/12/2024

Born Helena Litjens on 25th March 1935 in Velden, Limburg, Netherlands, Leny was the middle child of five.

Leny worked in the family hotel doing the rooms and working in the bar and kitchen. To get extra money she took on the backbreaking work of asparagus picking.

In 1956, when Leny was 21, she married a local farmer – Harry Willemsen. Harry was ambitious and determined to make his fortune by emigrating to a land of opportunity so just a few weeks after their wedding Leny and Harry flew to Australia. In those days the trip took 3 days, stopping each night. What a brave move to go to the other side of the world with virtually no knowledge of what was in store for them, and, in Leny's case, not being able to speak the language. They started their new life just outside of Adelaide in South Australia.

After nearly four years in South Australia and two children (Maureen and Jeffrey) later, Leny and Harry moved to Galston in 1960, close to Harry's cousin, Lou Janssen and family. For three years they lived in a caravan on the property of Mrs and Mrs Moulds in Crosslands Road, while Harry worked in an

Engineering Factory in Turramurra and Leny sewed children's clothes. During this time a third child, Shirley, was born.

A five acre block of land, later famously known as The White Duck, was purchased in 1963 and became the start of a prosperous farming period. Leny and Harry over the years farmed ducks, pigs, oranges, lemons, peaches and nectarines on the increasing land they acquired along Chadd Street. The farming enterprise was a whole family affair. Later on Harry got into Dexter cattle and naturally Lenv got on board with that too.

Of course Leny was a hard worker and did it very tough in the beginning but as time went on she became an avid traveller. Harry wasn't keen on travelling but was more than happy for Leny to go wherever her fancy took her. From her first visit back to the Netherlands in 1971 it is impossible to count the number of overseas trips Leny made; let alone the numerous bus trips around Australia. Leny's chicken dance became legendary on these trips.

Leny also volunteered much of her time to the Galston Public School Mothers Club, Ladies Auxiliary Club, Hills Soccer Club, Netball, Meals on Wheels;



and was active in the local View and Probus Clubs up until early 2024. She loved shopping, clothes and jewellery. Leny was always immaculately turned out at every occasion and won numerous "Best Dressed" prizes. After losing her husband of 48 years in

2004, Leny kept up her fast pace of life and travelling, while continuing to live alone at The White Duck.

In late 2023, following a decline in mobility and body weight, a serious fall hospitalised Leny and she subsequently entered aged care at Arcare in Glenhaven. This was unavoidable but devastating to Leny who had lived in her lovely house for 54 years. While pining for her home, Leny's health continued to deteriorate until her passing on 29 December 2024.

Leny leaves behind 3 children, and their spouses; 8 grandchildren, and their spouses; and 19 greatgrandchildren.



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ADULT FICTION

WHERE THE BIRDS CALL HER NAME BY CLAIRE VAN RYN

When Saskia's mother leaves her a caravan in her will, it doesn't make sense. Saskia is a schoolteacher, tied to plans and schedules. When Saskia finds clues in the van about her mother's past, she travels to Tasmania with her daughter Anouk, who shares her late grandmother's fascination with birds. In the process of uncovering her family history, Saskia realises that her mother's final act might enable her to rediscover who she really is.



Set in the breathtaking landscape of Tasmania's north-west, this is a moving and highly evocative novel of family bonds and betrayals.

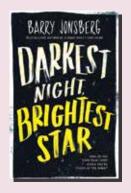
YOUNG ADULT FICTION

DARKEST NIGHT, BRIGHTEST STAR BY BARRY JONSBERG

Thirteen-year-old Morgan lives with his dad and brother. He hasn't heard from his mum since he was two. He works hard to meet his father's high expectations and 'be a man' but what that means isn't always clear. When Morgan makes a new friend, gets injured at footy, and his long-lost mum turns up, everything changes and soon he must decide what kind of man he wants to be.

Shining a timely and much-needed light on different kinds of masculinity, this is a unique and compelling novel from a masterful storyteller.

Reserve your copy at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library, via the Hornsby Shire Libraries app or call Galston Library on 02 9847 6160.





Quilting News

Housing is a BIG subject at the moment along with affordability.

The word 'house' creates thoughts of safety, warmth, security and a personal space.

While our humble quilts cannot solve the "big picture" problems we can and do work towards putting a warm connection into a room where it is needed, be it a care-home or a safe-house, a child's bed or a simple cuddle-rug for a tiny child.

We are giving what we can make to those who need help and our reward is 'joy in sharing'.

One of our endof-year projects was this "houses-quilt" (now complete and seen right), ready to add to our growing pile of Community Quilts. 2025 is proving to



be as busy as last year with our meeting days well attended where the ideas flow and hands are busy.

This month we look forward to meeting a Co-ordinator from the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter making yet another connection within our Community.

We meet on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesday of every month.

For further information about our group please contact Carole on 9894 7749.



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Dural Musical Society Presents The Broadway Musical Little Women

Dural Musical Society (DMS) enjoyed a successful 2024 season featuring the toetapping Oklahoma! and groovy production of The Marvelous Wonderettes.

2025 is set to begin with a much beloved classical production of the Broadway musical Little Women. The production team features

director Isabelle Venice, choreographer Gigi Simic, musical director

Roderigo Noel and assistant director Erica Williams. The all-star cast, including returning leads from

DMS's Charlie and the Chocolate Factory (2022), are 'Delighted' to put on this beloved story with heart melting numbers such as 'Take a Chance on Me' and 'Small Umbrella in the Rain'.

Little Women is showing from the 16th- 31st of May 2025 at Dural Soldiers Memorial Hall, 604 Old Northern Road, Dural.

You are cordially invited to book your choice of reserved seating or general admission at duralms.org/tickets



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The Broadway Musical Little Women

Little Women the musical, based on Louisa May Alcott's novel, follows the March sisters—Meg.Jo, Beth, and Amy—during the CNil War. The story explores their personal growth, family bonds, dreams, and challenges in a time of social upheaval.

Each sister is distinct: Meg dreams of a traditional life-jo, an independent writer, seeks adventure; Beth is selfless but struggles with health issues, and Amy is artistic, eager to shape her future: Their journeys reflect themes of love, sacrifice, and pursuing one's dreams.

With strong musical numbers and emotional moments, Little Women connects deeply with audiences, especially those familiar with the novel, and resonates with anyone who values family and resilience.

https://www.duralmusicalsociety.org



All authorised performance materials are also supplied by Music Theatre International (Australasia) www.mtishows.com.au

Castle Hill Art Society



Art Demonstration – 7th May | 7pm Mariana Ariza "An Impressionist Approach to Seascape Painting" – Acrylic or Oil

By taking an impressionistic approach to capture what's essential, Mariana will demonstrate how to create a captivating composition, how to interpret and mix the right colours, and other techniques with the aim of capturing an impression of the scene that conveys both its visual beauty and its emotive nature.

Mariana enjoys many different subjects and often works on commissioned pieces. The ocean is one of the themes that most captivate her, with its ever-changing shapes and play of colours. She has been a teacher at CHAS for a number of years.

Visitors are welcome to join with the Castle Hill Art Society 7.00pm at Castle Glen Community Centre, 157 Ridgecrop Drive, Castle Hill.

Enquiries please visit www.castlehillartsociety.org.au







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First-time homebuyer's checklist – what you need to know before purchasing your first home

Deciding to buy your own home is an exciting milestone but it can also feel overwhelming as it's likely to be one of the biggest financial decisions you will ever have to make. So, where should you start?

1. FIND OUT WHAT YOU CAN AFFORD

Your budget will be determined by how much you have saved for a deposit and the amount you can borrow from a lender, such as a bank, building society or mortgage broker.

To find out how much you can borrow, the lender will calculate a maximum loan based on your income, savings, assets, expenses and credit history.

2. WHAT GOVERNMENT GRANTS, DISCOUNTS AND SCHEMES ARE YOU ELIGIBLE FOR?

In each state, there are incentives in place to help make it easier for you to get into your first home. Make sure you do your research to work out whether you are eligible for any concessions that reduce stamp duty or taxes, which may significantly affect the overall purchase price of your home.

3. HOW TO FIND THE RIGHT PROPERTY?

Consider what type of property will work best for you and the factors that will impact your final decision.

Some factors to consider:

- What type of property do you need for the immediate future?
- Would you be willing to purchase a property that will need work done or would you like a property that has already been renovated?

- Think location, size, features? What is important to you and your current phase of life?
- Are factors like proximity to shops and public transport, schools etc, important?

4. START LOOKING AT PROPERTY AND UNDERSTANDING THE MARKET

Start attending open-for-inspections in the areas that you are considering purchasing in, to get a better understanding of what you can afford with your budget. Look at what these properties are selling for – rather than what is being asked – as this will give you a more realistic picture.

5. KNOW AND UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU NEED TO HAVE READY BEFORE You make an offer

Once you have found a property that you are ready to make an offer on, make sure you have had all the necessary property inspections done.

Purchasing a house comes with plenty of paperwork. Engaging a conveyancer can help you ensure all the legal processes are followed and make you feel confident that all the necessary steps are followed before signing legally binding documents.

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Galston Swim Club: A Legacy of Excellence Since 1897

Galston Swim Club has made a strong comeback since the reopening of Galston Aquatic and Leisure Centre on 3rd February 2024. But did you know that the club has been part of our community for well over a century?

Founded as the Galston Pioneer Swimming Club on 16th January 1897, the club began with 20 members, a president, a captain, an instructor, and a secretary. Ahead of its time, the first Club Meeting instilled on its members the values sporting groups are proud of to this day, including:

- Members receiving three warnings for bad language could be suspended for the rest of the season.
- Proper bathing attire was mandatory.
- All accounts and subscriptions had to be settled monthly.
- No intoxicants were allowed during practice or public competitions.

Without a public pool in the area at the time, club meets were held at Foster's waterhole - the 'Kingfisher' emblem in the club logo reflecting that history to this day. The venue changed when Galston Pool officially opened on 11th October 1969, becoming the indoor home of Galston Swim Club. Since then, the Club has produced some exceptional swimmers, including Scott Markich, Ellie Overton, Steven McBrien and Tane Bidois who between them took the Galston Pioneer Swim Club from Foster's waterhole to the world stage.

Today, Galston Swim Club is thriving, led by an energetic committee with Jeremy Laws as President and Logan Potts as Head Coach. The Club regularly sends swimmers to Metropolitan, State, and



National contests. Galston's home meets, held every second Friday evening, provide swimmers with firstly a fun environment but also the formal backing for swimmers to qualify for future competitions. These are fun events – but with purpose, and are well attended by both swimmers and parents.

Since Bendigo Bank arrived in Galston, it has been supporting its local Swim Club, Just prior to COVID, The Community Bank funded the replacement of the Club's 55 year old starting blocks. These blocks remained unused but when the world (and Galston Pool) woke up again, Bendigo was still there and once again supported the Club's relaunch and new uniform needs with a further \$5,000.

Local children with a passion for fun, fitness and personal growth are encouraged to join. Galston has been welcoming new members for 128 years. If you're interested, just drop by the pool and speak with Logan – he would be delighted to help anyone continue the best traditions of a wonderful sport.

It would be fascinating to know what the founding members might think of the community spirit and gleaming new facilities they had a hand in creating back in 1897!

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Dural Bowling Club News

The Open Gender Drawn Triples final took place on Saturday 15th February 2025 with the team of David Shrubb, John Lennon and Michael Kennedy victorious over the team of Ray Vindin, Terri Hezlett and Nick Sheerin in an enthralling game.

Congratulations to the winners and commiserations to the losing team.

PENNANTS TRIAL

The regional Pennant competition that started on February 22nd is progressing well with 2 great wins from 3 games.

CONSISTENCY CHAMPIONSHIP

This commences on **Tuesday 8th of April**, Neil Mansfield the defending champion is looking forward to defend his title.

Anyone interested in playing bowls please contact Robert on 0411 375 580



Arcadia Public Arcadia School

Arcadia Public School prides itself on supporting each child to reach their full potential. We have revamped our student leadership guidelines to enable students to self-nominate for roles that suit their talents and help develop leadership skills. We announced our complete leadership



team at a recent assembly and in our newsletter. These students are filling a variety of leadership roles in the following areas; Wellbeing, Gardening Club, Library and Sports Houses. Our School Parliament is an

opportunity for all students to come up with ideas to improve our school or with solutions to problems in the playground.



Last year we used our School Parliament to seek advice on changes to our Positive Behaviour for Learning, which we implemented this year. Our students had the opportunity to join the leadership team as key stakeholders on the School Parliament team. This enables students with leadership potential to be identified, develop their talent and improve their abilities.

This year our school has had a strong start supporting students' social skills and

emotional strength with the introduction of You Can Do It! It is an Australian program providing explicit teaching in the five key areas: confidence, persistence, organisation, getting along and resilience. It also supports us in developing our leadership team.

Our students with high potential in creativity, intellectual and physical pursuits are also being offered extra opportunities to develop their potential.



At Arcadia Public School, we offer small class sizes in an idyllic community-based setting. Before and after school care is offered here on site by Northwest Community Childcare. Places are available every day for both sessions.

If you are interested in finding out about opportunities we can offer your child and booking a school tour, please contact the Principal, Belinda Reedman, on 9653 1207. Enquiries are welcome for an immediate start or to start in 2026 or in later years.

We are a proud local primary school offering an outstanding local education.

BELINDA REEDMAN -PRINCIPAL





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Pacific Hills Christian School The Little Mermaid, School Musical



Get ready to relive the action and sing along to some of your favourite Disney tunes as Pacific Hills Christian School proudly presents, The Little Mermaid! Students and staff have been honing their craft, rehearsing their lines and creating some phenomenal stage sets in preparation for TWO amazing weekends of performances!

The show will be a wonderful celebration of the student's gifts, all coming together to bring joy to our School and local community. Performances will run from **Friday 9th May – Saturday 17th May** with six performance times to choose from. Our matinee performances are sure to be a hit with the littlies who are encouraged to dress up as their favourite Disney character!

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Aspect Opens New State-Of-The-Art Autism-Specific School In Sydney's Hills Shire

Sydney, NSW – Aspect (Autism Spectrum Australia) is proud to announce the opening of Aspect Hills Shire School, a new purpose-built, autism-specific primary school. The new school will provide a tailored learning environment for up to 72 students on the autism spectrum from Kindergarten to Year 6.

Located in *Gables*, a growing suburb in Sydney's north-west, Aspect Hills Shire School has been thoughtfully designed to support the unique needs of Autistic students, with innovative and adaptable learning spaces.

The two-storey school features twelve autism-friendly classrooms, a multi-purpose hall, a sensory outdoor area, life skills kitchen, technology room and library, all designed to nurture engagement, independence and optimal learning.

Maryanne Gosling, Aspect's National Director of Education, said the new school will meet the growing demand for specialist education in the region while offering more choices for families in the Hills District.

"We are thrilled to expand into the Hills Shire, one of the fastestgrowing areas in New South Wales," said Ms Gosling. "With Western Sydney now home to over a quarter of the state's population, and Aspect's latest estimate that more than 1 in 40 Australians are Autistic, the demand for specialist education continues to rise.

"More parents and carers are actively seeking schools that align with their child's learning and developmental needs. Aspect Hills Shire School is specifically designed for Autistic students, incorporating calm spaces, specialist educators and sensory accommodations to enhance their educational experience."

Hon. Warren Kirby, Member for Riverstone said the Aspect Hills Shire School is a welcome addition to our community. "With the recent growth in our area, our community is now home to the most young people in NSW. This has seen a dramatic uptick in students with special needs in our local schools.

"Most schools in our area are over capacity and this is particularly challenging for Autistic students. Having a school specifically designed to cater for their needs ensures they have the opportunity to reach their full potential.



"The NSW Government contribution of \$5 million to the Aspect Hills Shire School demonstrates the Minns Government's commitment to providing educational facilities where every child feels supported and encouraged."

The Gable

Aspect Hills Shire School is the tenth autism-specific school to be opened by Aspect across NSW and SA. Each school is dedicated to providing targeted early intervention, expert teaching methods, small class sizes and specialised learning environments to support each student's personal growth.

"Whether the goal is transitioning to a mainstream school or developing key life skills for future independence, Aspect's approach ensures every child is supported in reaching their full potential," added Ms Gosling.

The development of Aspect Hills Shire School was made possible through a \$10.2 million investment jointly funded by the NSW Government's Western Sydney Infrastructure Grants program and Aspect.

Shane Morris, Principal of Aspect Hills Shire School, expressed his enthusiasm for the new campus: "This school represents a commitment to high-quality, autism-specific education that empowers students to thrive. We have recently welcomed our first cohort of students in K-2 and their families into this exceptional learning environment."

ABOUT ASPECT

Aspect (Autism Spectrum Australia) is one of Australia's largest autism-specific service provider, with one of the world's biggest autism-specific schools programs. A not-for-profit organisation, we work in partnership with people of all ages on the autism spectrum and their families to deliver distinct services, practices and research that recognise a different brilliant® - understanding, engaging and celebrating the strengths and interests of people on the autism spectrum.



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We often discuss the importance of getting bushfire prepared, as we should. However, it's no less important we're prepared for other natural disasters, especially the fallout of major storms.

From fallen trees to major flooding, our electorate can never be complacent.

We are all grateful that the situation in Queensland wasn't worse than expected. However, we never know which of us is next.

We can never forget our region is vulnerable and preparation is key.

While storms always remain a threat, the resilience of our local and state-wide volunteers remain as strong as ever.

Six volunteers from the NSW Hills SES were deployed to the affected areas to support the NSW and QLD SES to face and recover from ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred.

They continue the service of the 11,000 volunteers who came together in 1955 to save people across the Hunter Valley, Central West, and North-West of NSW, when catastrophic floods swept across those communities. It was after those devastating floods that the SES was formed.

70 years later, the incredible work of the North-West Region and the advocacy from their community means that our SES are still central to the work of the NSW SES in keeping our community safe.

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Hello Residents,

The **Community Strategic Plan**, *Your Vision | Your Future 2035*, is now on public exhibition. Hornsby Shire Council's top plan created with input from the community covers 2025–2035, highlighting key priorities, goals, and strategies to guide the Shire's future and all Council projects. The challenges seen by Council for the next 10 years include population growth, housing affordability, traffic, transport, economic and technology changes, the environment, climate change, and supporting social diversity and resilience.

"As a Council, it's important that we remain community-led in all our projects, decisions and plans. That's why we're excited to seek your feedback on *Your Vision | Your Future 2035*, our Community Strategic Plan," said Mayor, Warren Waddell.

Hornsby Shire Council is thrilled to host **Taste of the World**, celebrating cultural diversity at Hornsby Mall on **Friday**, **4th April**, from 4 PM to 8 PM. Enjoy music, dance, workshops, a pop-up bar, and food trucks, with entertainment starting at 5 PM, featuring Lily Guerrero & Band, Bollywood dancers, Samba Brazil, and more. Mayor Warren Waddell highlights the event as a celebration of the Shire's vibrant multicultural community.

Last week I attended **Food Truck Fridays at Galston Reserve** which was a fabulous event with people of all ages attending. We look forward to the next round when the music and the food associated with this event returns to Galston.



In March, Hornsby Shire celebrated **Seniors Week 2025** with events honouring senior residents. Highlights included a Riverboat Postman cruise with 98 attendees, the "Time to Shine" art exhibition at Wallarobba Arts Centre, and the Senior & Student Sing! event at Galston Club, uniting generations through music.

For these or any other issues please feel free to contact me on jseaglove@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Riverboat Postman

Seniors Week 2025







Celebrating our next generation of Sporting Champions

As a community, we take immense pride in celebrating the remarkable achievements of our young people.

Recently, I had the honour of hosting an awards ceremony recognising the exceptional accomplishments of our Local Sporting Champions and Local Para Champions, who have excelled in their sports at state, national, and international competitions.

Our local champions were also able to hear from our local Olympian and world renowned softballer, Ellen Roberts, who provided an insight into their future trajectory as an athlete based off her own local experience and left some inspiring words of advice to ensure these local champions continue to excel into the future.

These inspiring young individuals include:

Local Sporting Champions:

- Lachlan Donoghue and Marcus Morsink who competed at the 2025 Football Australia National Futsal Championships
- Makenzi Gartner who swam at the 2025 Australian Age Swimming Championships

- Vera Gerasimova who swam at the 2025 Synchronised Swimming Australian National Championships
- Hannah Lemus Gonetskaya who competed at the 2024 Australian Figure Skating Championship
- Hayley Paterson who competed in the 2025 Australian Underwater Hockey Championships
- Jungi Zheng and Thomas Abbott who swam in the 2025 Australian **Open Water Championships**
- Gary Zhu who competed in the 2025 Musto Australian **Optimist Championship**
- · Hannah Croker, Travis Leadbeatter and Kamran Norgard, who competed in the Australian Youth Water Polo Championships
- · Evie Moore-Mulcahy who competed I the Australian Track and Field Championships
- Jamie Lau who competed in the U16 Girls National Softball Championships
- Mason Li who competed in the 78th Australian Dancesport Championship

Local Para Champions:

- Tallow Ra who will compete in the 2025 Junior Wheelchair National Championships
- Maddison Hinds who swam in the 2025 Para Swimming World Series Australia and the Swimming Australia Open and Para National Championships 2025.

Their dedication, perseverance, and remarkable talent set a powerful example for all young people in our community. Encouraging and supporting the involvement of young people in sports is vital-not just for their individual development but also for promoting teamwork, discipline, and overall community wellbeing.

Congratulations again to all recipients-your dedication, perseverance, and remarkable talent inspire our community, and highlight the importance of supporting youth sports to keep our community spirit strong.





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Find pre-loved treasures as the Second Hand Market returns to Hornsby

Hornsby Shire Council is excited to announce the return of its popular Second Hand Hornsby Market on Sunday 13th April 2025 at Coronation StrEat, aimed at encouraging the local reuse economy.

The Second Hand Hornsby Market provide residents with an opportunity to declutter some of their pre-loved items in an environmentally conscious manner, offering others the opportunity to discover thrifty treasures. The market is part of Council's Second Hand Hornsby initiative, which also includes an innovative service on Council's website allowing residents to advertise their garage sales, with advice on making them a success.

Council is encouraging locals to reduce the number of items sent to landfill by instead opting to give their unwanted items a new lease on life. Some of the items that are expected to be on offer at the Second Hand Hornsby Market include clothing, toys, books, sporting equipment and household items.





Residents were quick to book out the 30 stalls, and now Hornsby Shire Mayor Warren Waddell, can't wait to see the local community come along to the market to help keep preloved items in circulation and out of landfill.

"Events like this help to inspire a shift in how we approach consumption. The markets are a fantastic opportunity for the community to support sustainable living and take home some bargains," Mayor Waddell said.

The Second Hand Hornsby Markets will run on the second Sunday of April, September and November 2025 from 9am-1pm in the car park on Coronation Street and in the Coronation StrEat space.

Second Hand Hornsby aligns with Council's *Waste Matters Strategy* and is part of several initiatives, including Bicycle Repair and Clothes Swap events, to assist Council to maximise resource recovery and stimulate the reuse economy.

For more details on the Second Hand Hornsby Markets, visit https://www.hornsby.nsw.gov. au/shh-market



BY LACHLAN TURNER

Hidden in the Hills

MOUNTAIN DEVIL

Sometimes referred to as "Honey Flower", the Mountain Devil (Lambertia Formosa), gained its more common name from the shape of the seed pod which is said to resemble the head of a "devil". This common name gained popularity due to the seed pod being incorporated into a tourist souvenier in the form of small doll-like figures associated with the Blue Mountains of NSW during the early to mid 20th Century.

Lambertia Formosa is the only member of that species endemic to Eastern Australia. Its habitat distribution is mainly in the bushland areas around, and to the west of, Sydney as far as the Blue Mountains. All other members of this species are located in Western Australia.

This plant is readily located along most tracks in local bushland. It can be quite straggley in form when growing in less suitable positions as it does like protection from the sun as well as good soil in which to grow to its best condition. In more favourable growing conditions the plant can grow up to 2m high and around 2m wide, with flowers appearing a very bright red.





Leaves are approximately 50mm long ending in a sharp spike which can be quite painful if handled carelessly. The spikes protruding from the flower can also be quite sharp. In spite of its other name, (Honey Flower), which is gained from the flower's ability to attract nectar feeding birds and insects, the flower can emit a pungent odour which can be detected when close to the flowers.

Although it has a reasonable level of popularity, mainly due to the rich red colour of the flower, it is a plant that has been a challenge to propagate and grow for the home garden.

Galston Garden Club

Our next meeting will be on 9th April 2025

The Galston Garden Club welcome new members and visitors to our meetings. Come and enjoy the friendship of other enthusiastic gardeners, rambles and listen to interesting speakers. The speaker for March was Eric Date, the Agricultural teacher at Galston High School. A very interesting talk with slides.

If you haven't already sown your Sweet Pea seeds, it's not too late. Sweet Peas are delightful and very popular annual climbing plants. They combine delicate and very pretty flowers with a beautiful fragrance. Sweet Peas can cover a fence or tepee in gorgeous flowers or dwarf varieties are perfect for garden beds, pots and hanging baskets. St Patrick's Day (March 17th) has been the traditional day to sow Sweet Peas, however it's often best to wait for cooler conditions in April to sow them.

Sweet Peas need at least 6 hours of sunshine a day so choose a sunny position in an area with well-drained soil. Protection from strong winds is also recommended.

Improving the soil before sowing seeds will give the plants a great start. Sweet Peas do best in slightly acidic to alkaline soil. It's best to sow Sweet Pea seeds directly into the ground as transplanted seedlings tend to suffer transplant shock. For tall varieties, sow seed next to a 2m tall trellis, tepee or support. Dampen the soil and sow seeds 15-25 mm deep and at the spacing indicted on the pack of your chosen variety. Don't water the soil again for another few days – if the soil is too wet the seeds may rot before germinating. Avoid watering over the leaves to prevent Powdery Mildew.

Applying mulch around the base of the plants will keep the soil moist. Snails and slugs are on of the biggest problems for young Sweet Pea seedlings, particularly during damp weather. Well-fed plants will

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be healthier and produce more flowers, so regular feeding is important. Once the seedlings are established (around 4 weeds after sowing) start feeding the plants every 1-2 weeks with a soluble fertilizer. Depending on the variety, Sweet Peas will start flowering 12-16 weeks after sowing. Once they start flowering, pick bunches of flowers as often as you like. Frequent picking will help promote a longer flowering season.

> The Galston Club meets in the 2nd week of the month. Our next meeting will be the **9th April**. We look forward to meeting you.

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Bromeliad Autumn Show 3rd-4th May

The Bromeliad Autumn Show will be held at the Federation Pavilion, Castle Hill Showground, Castle Hill on Saturday, 3rd May between 9am-4pm and Sunday 4th May between 10am-3pm.

Exquisite and rare Bromeliads from local, interstate and collectors will be on display and for sale to the public including Tillandsia experts Harold Kuan, Chris and Lap Larsen,



BSA's competition winners Nina Woodcock, Elizabeth Mudriczki, Bill Homer, David Scott and Kerry McNicol together with Anna Ernst and her amazing artistic bromeliad wall hangings. Mark Belot with a variety of Giant and colourful Alcantareas and Angela and Gary Flemming.

Harold Kuan is a passionate Tillandsia enthusiast, an award-winning Bromeliad grower, and an internationally accredited Bromeliad judge. When he's not tending to his own plants, Harold volunteers his time at the Royal Botanic Gardens Sydney, helping to care for and maintain their Tillandsia and Bromeliad collection.

His fascination with Tillandsia—often called "air plants"—began after he was captivated by their remarkable ability to grow without soil. Their unique nature, from attaching effortlessly to wood, to their graceful, sculptural form and silvery, furry leaves, set them apart as one of the most intriguing plants.

At the upcoming show, Harold will be bringing along a selection of Bromeliads and Tillandsia, offering both a chance to admire their beauty and with opportunity to purchase one for home.

20 plant sale tables are continually restocked, books, pots, information and free advice available from experienced growers.



There will be a display of the Bromeliad Show competition winners. There is plenty of parking on site, admission is free to the show and please bring a box for your purchases.

For further information call lan Hook on mobile 0408 202 269 email: ianhook1@bigpond.com or check out the website https://www.bromeliad.org.au



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Who is Jesus Christ?

This month we'll continue our theme for 2025, by exploring some of life's big questions!

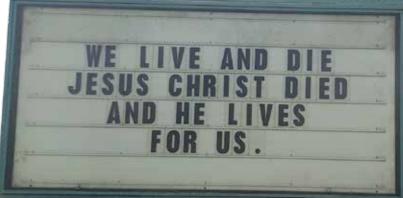
I did hear about packets of hot cross buns being sold in the supermarket on Boxing Day - and now Easter time is here, when we think about its true meaning, ie. the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Therefore, a snapshot of understanding about Jesus Christ and who He is becomes very timely and appropriate for this April edition!

The famous author, C.S. Lewis made this observation: "You must make your choice. Either this man was and is the Son of God or else a madman or something worse. You can shut Him up for a fool; you can spit at Him and kill Him as a demon or you can fall at His feet and call Him Lord and God. But let us not come with any patronising nonsense about Him being a great human teacher! He has not left that open to us. He did not intend to." ("Mere Christianity," rev.ed. Pge41).

Because we can spend every day of our lives learning about who Jesus is and what He's done for us all, I am, once again, offering a snapshot from "The Thirst Quencher Bible"NLT, edited by Greg Laurie. I encourage you to find and read the following Bible verses which support each statement.

- 1. JESUS IS DIVINE. HE IS GOD. (refer back to my article in March. John 1:1-19).
- **2.** JESUS IS HUMAN. He became our supreme example as God in human form. (Colossians 1:15-20).
- **3.** JESUS HAD A SPECIFIC MISSION TO ACCOMPLISH. He came to save humankind from sin. (John 3:16-17).

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- **4.** JESUS MADE THE ULTIMATE SACRIFICE. He endured horrific suffering for our sin so that if we believe in Him, we can enjoy eternity with Him. (1Peter 2:24).
- **5.** JESUS HAS GREAT POWER TO TRANSFORM PEOPLE. He is mighty to save. (John 5:1-16).
- **6.** JESUS HAS AN ETERNAL DOMINION. Jesus' kingdom extends beyond the boundaries of space and time. (Revelation1:4-9).

Jesus was not just a good man. He was- and is- THE God-man. He says to each of us: "Call unto Me and I will answer you and show you great & mighty things which you do not know." Have a blessed Easter.

Pr. Alex and Dee Valich - Glenorie Community Church. Services: 18th and 20th April Good Friday: 9-10am | Resurrection Sunday: 10am

Bubsie Visits Galston

Last month the Galston Community were invited to see Bubsie, a fully restored 1923 Citroen 5CV, the first car to ever travel right around Australia. Conditions back then were extremely difficult, with many outback areas offering only camel tracks and spinifex.

The two men who took that incredible journey 100 years ago, Nevill Westwood and Greg Davies, were prepared to face many risks such as extreme heat, possible break-down, isolation, and snakes. After travelling almost 18,000Kms in 148 days, their journey was a great success.

During March "The Incredible Journey" team from NSW have travelled around Sydney showcasing Bubsie and telling stories how and why Westwood and Davies made such an inspiring journey. Soon they will head South to Canberra, Melbourne, and Adelaide, before heading to Perth to re-trace the steps of those two pioneering men.

"The Incredible Journey" team and Galston Adventist Church wish to thank the many visitors who came out to see Bubsie and meet the team. Over 180 people attended.

A special thank you is given to Warren Waddell, Mayor for Hornsby Shire Council, for allowing Bubsie to be placed on show at "The Persimmon Place," 375 Galston Road, Galston. We also extend special thanks to Galston High School for allowing the students to participate in this historical experience. Finally, we wish "The Incredible Journey" team safe travel as they continue their journey around Australia. If you missed Bubsie and would still like to obtain a free copy of "The Overlander," the book that tells their impressive journey, and/or "God's Rescue Plan," the book that inspired Westwood and Davies to undertake such as incredible journey, please contact Steve Belson on 0438 459 223.





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News from St Benedict's April 2025

EASTER AT ST BENEDICT'S

St Benedict's will be busy over the Easter period when Christians pay homage and celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Here's the program:

- 13th April Palm Sunday Monastery 7am, St Benedict's Church 9am and 10:30am.
- 17th April Holy Thursday St Benedict's Church 7:30pm.
- Good Friday Stations of the Cross 18th April ٠ St Benedict's Church 10:30am.
- Good Friday Passion of Our Lord 18th April ٠ St Benedict's Church 3pm.
- Easter Vigil Holy Saturday 19th April 7:30pm ٠
- Easter Sunday 20th April Monastery 7am, St Benedict's Church 9am.

FATHER MICHAEL'S 60TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

On Sunday 9th March our much loved Father Michael Kelly celebrated the 60th anniversary of becoming a Benedictine monk. As Paul

El Chaar, head of our parish council, said at the celebration: "Father Michael, your Diamond Jubilee is a testament to your enduring spirit, your generous heart, and your wisdom".

Father Michael served 12 years as the Abbot General of the world-wide Sylvestrine Benedictines. In this role he travelled to many parts of the world and one place he particularly came to know and love was Sri Lanka. As Abbot General Emeritus Father Michael will share this love when he leads a 14 day tour to Sri Lanka in September this year. The cost, including air fares and 5 star accommodation is \$5945 twin share. For more information contact johanne@ettravel.com.au

Picture shows Father Michael with Paul El Chaar at his celebration after the 9am Mass.

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Paula 9653 2312 on Monday or Friday at the Parish Office, St Benedict's Catholic Church 2 Fagans Road Arcadia.

Religion or Salvation

It is over 115 kms from Jerusalem to Galilee. Yet some of the Pharisees walked that distance just to criticise Jesus. (Mark 7: 1-13). The Pharisees were a group of men who, while they believed in God, made a great many more laws or rules than God ever made for His people. They thought that by doing certain things they scored points with God. All they cared about were outward things. But their hearts were not right with God.

It is tragic when men and women go through life doing things which they think will please God when all the time God is looking for the love and worship of their hearts.

Because the Pharisees had added so many new rules of their own to the law which God had given, their rules had taken the place of God's law. Christ mentioned this when pointing out what they had done to the commandment regarding parents (v.9).

Christ wanted to cut through their man-made rules and help people to see the need of obeying God and having a right relationship with Him. Christ always taught that God wants our fellowship, with no sin between us and Him.

The Pharisees thought that sin was a failure to keep their rules. It was some thing on the outside of a person. But Christ said sin is in the heart. It is not just common dirt on our hands, but the stain of sin deep within our hearts

Do you understand the difference? Religion is only something we do. Salvation is something which deals with the heart, and only God can do that.

'What can wash away my sin? Nothing but the blood of Jesus. What can make me whole again? Nothing but the blood of Jesus.'

If we confess our sins He (God) will forgive our sins. 1 John1:9

(A MESSAGE BY THE LATE **REV. ED LONG)**

Glenorie Mission Church Service Time - 10.00 AM on Sundays



Jesus said: "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to

the Father except through me."

Galston Uniting Church Passing the Baton... ...Welcome to our New Minister, Rev Akosita Tangi

Galston Uniting Church is pleased to welcome our new minister, Reverend Akosita Tangi. Akosita has accepted the baton of ministry passed to her by Rev Geoff Smith. She will begin her placement from March and is looking forward to getting to know the wider community of Galston as well as people in the local church. Akosita is of Tongan heritage, coming to Australia when she was in early high school. She comes from a large family and brings with her the enthusiasm and passion for ministry that is common in our Pacific Island communities.

Akosita is a warm and friendly person who brings with her many skills developed from years of giving her time as a lay preacher, as a Scripture Teacher in schools, working in church settings in Castle Hill and South Sydney and leading choirs in her home church at Auburn. She has a strong faith in Christ and is excited to be beginning ministry at Galston. She is keen to get to know members of the community including those who attend the many activity groups of Galston Uniting Church.

Our congregation is open and welcoming to everyone and we hope that Akosita will enjoy being part of our community. We are looking forward to getting to know her better and



benefitting from the gifts that she brings to us. Please, come along to meet her as she gets to know the people of our church and community.

Church services continue in church at 10am on Sundays, and you can also watch our live-streams. You can find Galston Uniting Church on Facebook (don't forget to 'like' us) or "Google" Galston Uniting Church Facebook posts.

If you, or someone you know needs prayer support or just someone to chat to, please do not hesitate to get in touch. The church office is open on Tuesdays and Fridays.

EASTER SERVICES

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Glenorie Rural Fire Brigade

CELEBRATING INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

International Women's Day was on 8th March, and we would like to recognise, and celebrate all the extraordinary female volunteers at Glenorie Rural Fire Brigade. You are truly amazing!



The RFS is a big advocate for creating an environment where all women belong, are empowered to participate, and are valued for their contributions. We thank you for vour courage, dedication, hard work and commitment to our team and to volunteering your time to help keep our community safe.

BEST ROAD HAZARD REDUCTION

The Hills District RFS executed a low intensity hazard reduction burn during the first weekend in March, which has taken more than 4 years of planning. The Best Road HR was in dense bushland area on both the Kenthurst and Middle Dural sides of O'Hara's Creek, which has experienced bushfires in the past.

This complex burn covered 65ha in total, and involved over 65 trucks, consisting of more than 350 firefighters for a 3 day period. The success of the burn is significant because





the reduction of fuel was achieved in such challenging terrain.

Sending a big thank you to all the extraordinary volunteers at The Hills Communication Brigade for ensuring seamless communications, and to The Hills Catering RFS for looking after our firefighters and keeping them hydrated, well fed and energised.

This has been a monumental effort from all the volunteers who put their hand up on such short notice to help and we thank you for your contribution.

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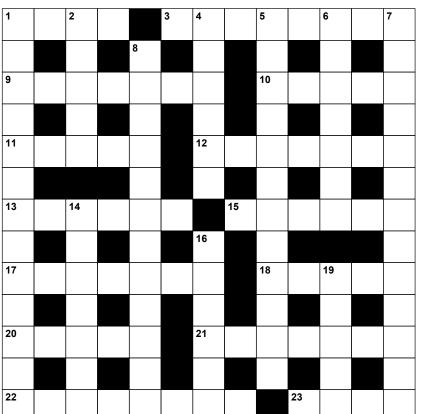
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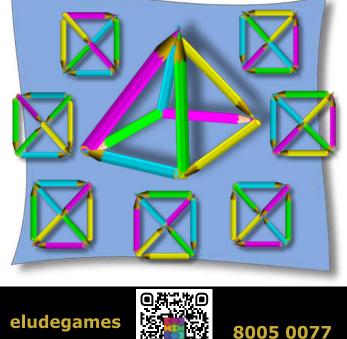
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COMMUNITY CONTACTS

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Stephen Osdorine 04 to 340 789
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 New Members are always welcome.
 Training/Competition days held on the
 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month.
 O Rural Sports Facility Centre off
 Mansfield Road
 Liz 0409 992 920
 www.galstonequestrianclub.org.au

Galston Netball Club Secretary.galstonnetballclub@gmail.com www.galstonnc.nsw.netball.com.au

Adults 18 years to 80- are welcome to swim with us every Tuesday at 7pm. Whether you want to swim laps for competition, fitness, or simply fun and friendship.

Hills AUSSI Masters Swimming Club

Hills Hawks Football Club lan Robertson 0418 211 131 president.hillshawksfc@gmail.com

Our competition is held during the summer season (September to March, excluding

Scason (Geptember to Watch, excluding school holidays). We welcome new members!
 Hayes Park, Galston
 hillshawks.softball.org.au

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O Hornsby Aquatic Centre
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Hills Hawks Softball Club

CALLING ALL Playgroups

If you are organising or running a playgroup in the local area, please let us know. We would like to help you promote your playgroup, and also let our new mums know what groups are open in the area.

Please send your Playgroup location and meeting days/hours to: editorial@galstoncommunity.com.au

GLENORIE

Located at Les Shore Oval playground, every Thursday (weather permitting) 9.30am onwards. The kids can play whilst the adults chat. Bring allergy friendly snacks to share and a picnic rug. A great informal setting to meet some locals.

LEARNING BLOCKS

St Madeleine's Catholic Church Mass times Mon-Fri 9.15am Sat 5.30pm Sun 8am,10am and 5.30pm. 28 Annangrove Rd Kenthurst

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

U421 315 0/4 or U411 3/5 580
 Dural Country Club
 Fishing Club meet at Dural Country
 Club on the 4th Tuesday of the month at 7:30pm. Activities include a monthly offshore charter, estuary and open fishing, organised short stay holidays and great social BBQ's. New members welcome.
 Murray 0407 950 939 or Bruce 0428 970 439

Galston Glenorie Amateur Fishing Club Meets 1st Wednesday of each month at 7.30pm. The meeting has a raffle at 7pm

meet a new social network. © 0421 315 074 or 0411 375 580

Dural Rugby Club efl86029@bigpond.net.au 0 0412 230 328 http://dural.rugbynet.com.au

Asquith Indoor Carpet Bowls Meets every Tuesday at 9.30-12.30pm. Mt Colah Community Centre, Pierre Close, Mt Colah Senny 9477 1855

Dural, Level 1, 242 New Line Rd Dural at Learning Blocks Dural. It is open to the public free of charge. Hills Playgroup takes place every Mondays restarting from July 6 between 10am-12pm. It's fun, informal and a great way to socialise.

KENTHURST

Thursdays, during school terms, 9.30am til 11.30am at the Literary Institute 131-135 Kenthurst Rd, Kenthurst.

GALSTON

Galston Kids Playgroup is located in the lower room of the Galston Community Health Centre. We have a fully stocked indoor/outdoor play area with sandpit, cubby, ride-on toys, craft supplies and more!

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PLAYTIME AT THE CENTRE DURAL

Thursday's 9:30-11:30am during school terms. Playtime is a welcoming group for children aged between 0-5 and their parents. We have lots of playtime, craft and singing. You are welcome to just turn up on the day. Contact us on 8989 0000 for more information. Located at 1 Pellitt Lane, Dural.

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MUSIC AND PLAY

- Dural Salvation Army, 277 New Line Road Dural (entry from Old Northern Road) Wednesdays during school term. 10am-11.30am. Qualified Music Therapist with a planned themed morning of music, craft and playtime. A great way to meet more local families. For more information please phone 9651 3456

 - EVERY THURSDAY Arcadi DURING SCHOOL TERM 9:30AM UNTIL **11AM** ADIA PUBLIC SO 440 ARCADIA RO ARCADIA P: 9653-120

Q 245664385 Galston Area Residents' Association Inc Meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 8pm (during school terms). New members always welcome. Galston Primary School Library, School Road, Galston 0403 076 175

Galston Branch CWA Meets on the second Wednesday of each month. New members are sure of a friendly welcome

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Galston Community Health Centre
 Patricia 0412 948 787 or Jann 0439 222 217

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 and breeding. Paul Henry 9872 464 or 0408 617 686

ALANON Family Group Meets 8pm each Friday. Trying to live with someone who has a drinking problem?

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 9847 6504

Arcadia Galston Residents' Association Membership is open to all adult residents/ ratepayers of postcode 2159. www.AGRA2159.com.au

Arcadian Quilters Every 1st, 3rd and 5th Wednesdays of each month at 9.30am. © Galston Community Health and Resource Centre © Carole on 9894 7749

Association of Independent Retirees Ltd Meetings are held on the first Friday of each month at 10am. O Yarrara Rd Pennant Hills O John Guthrie on 9634 6727

Castle Hill Art Society Monthly Meetings and Art Demonstrations are every first Wednesday of each month

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Coonara Cherrybrook Probus Club Meets at the Castle Hill Bowling Club 79 Castle Street, Castle Hill on 3rd Tuesday of each

Street, caste million 31 desday of each month at 10.30am. New members welcome.
 Sue 0419 994 948
 sueandjb@bigpond.com

Dural and District Historical Society Inc Holds its lecture meetings on the 2nd Saturday of each month at 2pm in the Galston Uniting Church, School Road, Galston. is open for research by appointment. Winchael Bell 9653 1365

Michael Bell 9635 1365
 Dural and District Prostate Cancer Support Group
 We meet the 3rd Monday of every month. 7:00pm for 7:15pm start.
 Blue Gum Centre Glenhaven Green 607 Old Northern Rd, Glenhaven
 Graham 8677 7896 or 0402 421 060
 Dural and Hills District Garden Club

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④ Warren Payne 0419 280 967
Pural Mage Shad

Dural Mens Shed Meets Thursday and Saturday 9am. Woodwork & Metalwork/Welding facilities. Dural Sport and Leisure Centre corner

www.duralmensshed.org
 Friends of Fagan Park
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 Open days are the 2nd Sunday of each month, 1.30pm -4.00pm, and other special occasions.
 I an Browning 0419 435 475
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Ferry Artists Gallery For info on workshops & membership see O udd Northern Rd, Wisemans Ferry 2775 0 24566 4385

Pellitt Lane and Kenthurst Rd Chris Thomas 0402 478 498 www.duralmensshed.org

Dural Mens Shed

Dural and Hills District Garden Club Dural and Hills District Garden Club Meetings at 8pm on 1st Wednesday of each month. ● Mid Dural Fire Station, 57 Mid Dural Road © Di Glasgow 0409 909 161 ● duralgardenclub@yahoo.com.au

www.cphills.org.au

at 7.30pm. O 155 Ridgecorp Drive, Castle Hill O 9899 3179

Gome along to these meetings.
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Arcadia Community Hall

Galston Community Hall 37 Arcadia Rd, Galston available for functions, air-conditioned, inspections welcome. Bookings call 9847 (050, Galston Community Health Centre. This centre is an outreach of Hornsby and Kurienzeni Walth Service and is cituated of

Ku-ring-gai Health Service and is situated at 17 Arcadia Road, Galston (cnr of The Glade). 9485 7599 **Galston Garden Club**

- New members are always welcome. Meetings held at 7.30pm on the second Wednesday of every month. © Galston Community Centre © Lorraine Muscio 0448 478 161
- **Girl Guides**

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

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 Glenorie Progress Association
 Meets 2nd Thursday of each month at 7pm.
 Glenorie RSL Club
 Secretary@glenorieprogress.org.au
 0418 432 587

Glenorie Probus Club

Genorie Probus Club This Club meets every 4th Wednesday at 11.00am. New members are welcome. © Glenorie RSL Club © Wendy 9653 1022 • wendyireneblack@yahoo.com.au

Glenorie RSL Club Glenorie RSL Sub-Branch meets on 2nd Tuesday of the month commencing at 7pm. Glenorie RSL Club Graham Bruce 0432 391 811

Graham Bruce 0432 391 811 Gregoriana Arcadia We welcome new members to join a community choir, Gregoriana Arcadia, dedicated to learning and singing the ancient, spiritual Gregorian music. It is sung in Latin and without accompaniment. No previous choir experience or knowledge of Latin is required, and there are no fees. We practise from 2-4pm on the second Saturday in the month, in the beautiful chapel. © Bendictine Monastery, Arcadia O Andrew: sinhed@Ammal.com Bendictine Monastery, Arcadi
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 Hornsby Heights Community Centre, Galston Road, Hornsby Heights
 www.hk4wd.com.au
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 Pennant Hills Photographic Club
 Meets on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Mondays each month at 8pm.
 Uniting Church Hall cnr Boundary Rd and Bellamy St, Pennant Hills
 www.phpc.org.au
- Probus Club of the Hills

Is a mixed club which meets on the second Wednesday of each month (except January) at 10am for 10.30am. New members welcome.
 The Galston Club
 Bob 9624 8954 or Ken 9629 6459

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 trins. We meet on the 2nd

plus overseas and extended local tours and local day trips. We meet on the 2nd Monday of the month at 9.30am for 10am. We look forward to you joining with us. © Galston Club 19 Arcadia Rd, Galston © All enquiries to The Secretary, PD Box 822, Round Corner, 2158 or come one month as a vicitor come one month as a visitor.

Rotary Club of Greater Hills New members welcome. Meets every 1st & 3rd Monday of the month at 6.30pm for 7.00pm. Join us and help make a difference

through our local and international projects. Enjoy the fellowship of fellow Rotarians in our Another of the calculation of the calc

Rowland Village Workshop Club Rowland Village Workshop Club Invites enquiries about the Club from members of the wider community who are 55 and over years of age. Michael Bell 9653 1365

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Meets at 6.30 on the 3rd Wed of the month. Crestwood Community Centre Baulkham Hills

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Social Dance Workshops

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 www.StillCreekLandcare.com.au
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 Nick 9653 2056

The Hills Trefoil Guild (Guides NSW)

The mild Tetolo Ioulo (Guides NSW) The Trefoil Guild is the adult section of Guiding which links Members, former Members; female Members of the Scout Association; and women who have not been Guides but are prepared to make the Guide Promise. Our meetings are held on the 3rd Friday of the month commencing at 10 am concluding anonry 12 ASm. at 10am, concluding approx 12.45pm O Guide Hall, Bounty Ave, Castle Hill Evelyn 02 9634 4987

The Shed Studio - Arcadia Womens Shed held on third Thursday of the month 10-12. Different creative projects each month. The Shed Studio on FB Suzanne 0419 603 122

Suzanne U419 603 122 Wanderers Bushwalking and Outdoors Club We have frequent bushwalks, city walks and social activities. Meetings on 2nd Tuesday each month at 8pm. Crestwood Community Centre, Crestwood Community Centre, Crestwood Drive, Baulkham Hills John Harris 0423 167 467 www.bushwalkingnsw.org.au/wanderers

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 Minister Steve Belson 0438 459 223

Glenorie Community Church Pentecostal and Evangelical – meets every Sunday at 10.00am. Ladies meeting at 10.30am last Tuesday of every month.

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 Onr Fagans Rd and Arcadia Rd
 9653 2312 or Parish Priest Fr Shansana 0437 884 233

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

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

All welcome. 9651 1119

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	Can You Find and colour 5 LADYBUGS 1 EASTER BUNNY 13 HEARTS 1 SKUNK WITH BUNNY EARS 1 RAINBOW 17 EASTER EGGS 2 BOWS 14 FLOWERS 1 BABY CHICK	
Name: Mum or Dad's Name:	PLEASE POST TO: Belle Property Dural, 6a/829 Old Northern Rd, Dural	

6a/829 Old Northern Rd, Dural OR TEXT: Carolyn Wheatley on 0407 120 483 to arrange collection

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

