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Arcadian Artists Exhibition and Art Trail 2026

Where do artists get their inspiration and what drives them to create? Visitors are invited to take a sneak peek into the lives of over 35 Artists over the weekend of the 7th and 8th November when 5 rural studios open their doors to the public to exhibit and display the talents of many wonderful visiting artisans, including their own.

As you drive around our beautiful rural enclave of Dural, Galston and Arcadia, arrows will direct you to the exhibiting studios where you will meet artists and artisans whose enthusiasm and passion have set the Arcadian Artists apart for many years. Among them are glass artists, jewellers, painters, sculptors, wood turners, felt artists, printmakers and textile artists – to name a few!

The rural properties on the trail are a delight to visit. All studios vary in their approach and expression so it is well worth trying to visit each one. This is a golden opportunity to chat to the creators and learn about their creative processes. There will be thousands of artworks in the exhibition to simply enjoy or purchase. Why not buy a Christmas present for somebody special?

Many of the venues will have food and beverage trucks on site over the weekend. The CWA will be in attendance this year serving tea and scones and a barbecue supporting our local Arcadia Public School will also be cooking up a storm. The local cafes will also be open for business on both days.

This unique art trail, which was launched some 40 years ago by a small group of local artists, has grown and developed into an iconic, annual rural event featuring 35 talented artists. Put the date in your diary and come along with your family to enjoy a great day out.

November 7th and 8th
9.00am – 5.00pm Saturday and Sunday
Admission is FREE

www.arcadianartists.net.au for all details and a map showing the location of the studios which are part of the trail.

Printed brochures will also be available at all the studios and many of the local cafes.

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New Staff Member with Nine Lives

by Karlene Brummer

Stockman Rural Supplies Welcomes Tabitha as Chief Mouser & PR Director!

Local business Stockman Rural Supplies in Galston is pleased to announce the appointment of their newest team member—a distinguished feline executive named Tabitha!

From Streets to Success

Tabitha was rescued from Sydney's urban environment by FosterJen 2072 (Ms. Jenny Fisher) after a challenging life on the streets. With patience and care, she was rehabilitated and ready for her fresh start in the country.

Foster Jen generously supplied the new recruit with:

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Tabitha is now living her best life as a contented country kitty with her main roles in the areas of rodent surveillance and inventory protection as well as customer engagement and photo ops. She was recently tasked with selecting the winner of an in-store prize giveaway. (please see Stockman Rural Supplies FB page for the detailed selection process) 🐱 and follow @FosterJen2072 for her full back story!



NEWS FROM NETHERBY

Generous Community Grant

The Friends of Fagan Park were delighted to welcome Bendigo Bank's Galston Branch Manager, Savio Pereira, and Board Chairman, Ralph Steele, to Netherby at Fagan Park recently.



We sincerely thank Bendigo Bank for their generous community grant, which has enabled the Friends to purchase four new timber display cabinets for our history room.

With the new cabinets, The Friends are upgrading displays to celebrate the rich history of the

Fagan family, providing visitors with insight into their contributions and legacy.

Bendigo Bank's support is a partnership that will help us preserve local history for future generations.

Julie Graham
Curator, Friends of Fagan Park

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BUSH FIRE

On Friday, 13th September, at 5:20 PM, crews responded to a Triple Zero call of a bushfire on Porters Road in Kenthurst. RFS Brigades from Kenthurst, Dural, Glenhaven, Annangrove, Kellyville Ridge, and Round Corner quickly assessed and contained the fire, while some units remained on scene.

According to the Kenthurst RFB, eight emergency assets were present.

TRUCK CRASH

A man died following a truck crash in Hornsby early Thursday morning, 17th September.

Emergency services were called to Leighton Place shortly before 3am after reports a truck had rolled and struck a pole.

Kuring Gai Police Area Command officers attended and found the man inside the vehicle. He is yet to be formally identified.

A crime scene was established and police are investigating the circumstances surrounding the crash. A report will be prepared for the NSW Coroner.

Anyone with information, CCTV or dashcam footage is urged to contact Kuring Gai Police Area Command or Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

VEHICLE CRASH

On Wednesday, 16th September, crews from Kenthurst, Rouse Hill Rural Fire Brigade and 083 Riverstone Fire & Rescue NSW attended a motor vehicle crash at the intersection of Annangrove Road and Blue Gum Road.

All occupants were out of the vehicles when crews arrived, with no one trapped.

BRING HOME THE BACON

The Hills Catering Brigade, known as the High Rollers, secured the 2nd place in the RFSFA East State Challenge during the NSW RFS State Championships (11th to 13th September).

The High Rollers were one in six catering teams that ensured food was ready for all marshalls, judges, crews, and participants. Northern Tablelands' Hound Dogs is this year's top team while Hawkesbury's catering brigade, Double or Nothing, placed third.

Teams of four were tasked to plan, prepare, and serve one item each from the breakfast and lunch menus, and a bonus Double Down Salad Bar.

Team Leader Stephanie Carter said their breakfast and lunch items, the *Bacon and Egg Burger* and *Chuck Norris Waffle*, were very popular.

"Our breakfast team was a hit with the public, especially since we were the only team that offered hollandaise sauce (which was highly popular)," she said.

"[G]iven that we had an unusual lunch item, a lot of people were a bit skeptical to try our adaptation of chicken and waffles. However, once news spread of how delicious it was, the flood gates opened, and we ended up with 2 queues lining up."

"The judges were quite impressed with how we re-created America's classic, keeping it simple yet really tasty. Being so unique, as we don't really have chicken and waffles here in Sydney, let alone Australia, made us stand out against the competition."

They also had the 1994 tour *Barry Manilow Supreme Tossed Salad*, a famous simple tossed salad, consisting of lettuce, tomatoes, cucumber, a light dressing, and few additions of chopped carrots, green beans, and an oil and balsamic vinaigrette.

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GLENORIE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

Our Community Progress Association

The September monthly meeting brought up lots of issues in our area from the Hawkesbury to Cherrybrook:

Our local MPs and Councillors are going into bat for us on many issues including the **New Line Road bottleneck**; **An Active Transport route (walk/cycle)** from Glenorie to Dural; the **Maroota Friable sandstone quarry**; the **Hawkesbury Catchment** with its' source near Goulburn which meanders through 26 councils; **Wildlife** - Koalas, wombats in our bush and significantly the **Birds on Broadwater** and how we need to protect these migratory birds' habitat on our doorstep. See the informative article on this in our great local magazine and learn about the birds we can protect by treating this area with respect if we visit or live nearby.

We are also looking at the availability of **AEDs in Glenorie** and plan to let you know what you can access in the future and how to use them in an emergency.

But wait, there's more... Scan the QR code for the Four Weeks to Fire Ready program for The Hills residents (and Hornsby) to join up to get into on preparing for this fire season.

You can join these discussions by joining the Glenorie Progress Association at only \$20, \$40 for 2 years or \$80 for 5 years.

Go to <https://www.glenorieprogress.org/> membership or preferably join by Direct credit (no fees):

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Contact us at president@glenorieprogress.org.au or call 0418 432 587.

The GPA will hold its Annual General Meeting at 7:15 pm on Thursday 8th October 2026 in the downstairs function room of the Glenorie RSL club.

Glenorie's amazing Migratory Birds

Migratory Birds are birds that make huge annual journeys between different areas of the world according to the changes in seasons. The birds fly from breeding grounds usually in the Northern Hemisphere to summer pastures in the South, where they can feed and sustain themselves. These journeys can cover thousands of kilometres, a feat so astounding that it is hard to believe that it is possible at all.

One of the ways followed by these migrating birds is the Australasian flyway, a massive migration route spanning over 22 countries from the Arctic Circle through Asia down to Australia and New Zealand. Their journeys can be from 9,000 to 11,000 kilometres non-stop from breeding grounds to summer in Australia.

Over the years bird observers have identified migratory species that use Broadwater and the wetlands of Little Cattai Creek.

Little Cattai Creek rises in Maroota and flows through Maroota Forest to the Hawkesbury River.

The photograph on this page shows a Nathan's Snipe on the Broadwater Wetland. These birds fly from Southeast Russia and Japan to spend the warmer months on the Australian East Coast.

The Nathan's Snipe was once numerous however now sadly their numbers are reducing until now the species is listed as Vulnerable. This is why special places like the Wetlands associated with Little Cattai Creek are so important to conserve.

Thanks to the work of dedicated Birders like Veeraj Sharma we know the importance of



Photo Latham's Snipe courtesy James Hunt

our wetlands. From Veeraj we know that "The Broadwater/Little Cattai Creek System has had many migratory shorebirds such as Latham's Snipes, Sharp-tailed Sandpipers, Red-necked Stints, and Common Greenshanks. It has even had records of Australian Painted Snipes, which are one of the most elusive Australian species."

Broadwater is only a few kilometres from Glenorie and although fairly isolated and surrounded by bushland it can be impacted by damaging behaviour if the Conservation status of the Wetland is not respected.

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Glenorie Probus Club



Glenorie Probus Club this month visited ANSTO at Lucas Heights where they learnt about the activities in the Nuclear Energy field in Australia. After a walk around the site they were

given an insight into the operations there. Its core work and services include the production of a large share of Australia's radioactive isotopes used to diagnose and treat diseases like cancer; the operation of the **Open Pool Australian Light-water (OPAL)** multi-purpose research reactor; and the provision of tools like particle accelerators and neutron beams for studies in health, materials, forensics and the environment. This was very enlightening for the members and all now have an understanding of this important facility and its benefits to the community.

The guest speaker this month was Jenny Bradley who spoke about the History of Hayes Park, Galston from the 1890s when it was the site of the Galston and District Flower and Ag show.

While the Galston & District Flower & Agricultural Show itself is mostly remembered historically, the tradition of gardening and community events continue today. We are grateful for the families that established our local culture.

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

Contact Wendy Black on email wendyireneblack@yahoo.com.au

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Hills to Hawkesbury Braces for Fire Season

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Aussie Pumps is also supplying **FREE** copies of their **Bushfire Survival Guide**. It provides practical information to help property owners prepare before an emergency occurs. The guide covers essential bushfire protection measures, equipment checklists, fire drills and pump maintenance. This year's edition has also been expanded to include information aimed at helping property owners reduce risks to livestock.

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DURAL AND DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

News from History Cottage

The well attended September meeting heard member and archaeologist, Elyssa Fraeme, explain The Convict Trail Project for the Great North Road. This is a volunteer organisation that receives Council assistance to record and preserve a road constructed between 1826 and 1836. The upper Hunter Valley settlers had pressed for a serviceable road to Sydney. As it was to go through our community, its development was, and has been, of great local significance. Feats of engineering and world heritage constructions were created. But by 1836 coastal steamers and later, the railway, made the road redundant and it fell into disrepair. Elyssa's report greatly increased our knowledge of this most significant part of our local history.

The Society will hold its Annual General Meeting on the 10th October. This is always a happy and supportive highlight of the year. After a few formalities; members and friends who have brought an object that is of value to them, give a short explanation of why this is so. The Society invites the community to participate and to hear about some intriguing interests during this Show and Tell.

The Society has been asked to assist "Warrah" in Harris Road, off Quarry Rd, Dural, with archiving its records. "Warrah" was a leader in establishing an organisation to help those who require special assistance with their lives. Their work has been of national significance and may not be fully understood within our community. For this reason the Society is pleased to help.

The next open afternoon at History Cottage, beside the Galston Cenotaph, is on Sunday 25th October between 1.00 and 4.00pm.

On the 14th November, David Jehan will talk on the Hudsons and Clyde Engineering.

All meeting are held in the Galston Uniting Church, School Rd Galston starting at 2.00pm. Enquiries to Michael 02 9653 1365.



Elyssa Fraeme enjoyed the audience's interest

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Dural Bocce Club



August was "Action Month" for members of Dural Bocce Club.

Many members spent the beginning of the month fine tuning their skills in preparation for the Annual Mens and Ladies Doubles Championship competitions. There is added excitement each year for this event

as players are able to nominate their team partner. This is different to most competition matches when the composition of a team is decided by names being drawn out of the hat.

August 15th was the big day and this saw eight men's teams and three ladies' teams line up. Competition was intense from the first round and continued right through to the final bowl.

For the ladies' competition the winners were Anna and Silvana, with Mary and Rosa coming in a close second. Meanwhile in the men's competition Guido and Franco achieved the winning grin, just tipping out last years champions Tony and Mario who took out the runners up position for 2026.

Many thanks to club officials who coordinated the event and the many spectators who stayed to the very end to see the tight competition.

Bocce is a sport for all ages so we invite you to visit us on our courts at The Dural Club any Tuesday morning or Friday evening and give it a try. We promise that you will love it!

For more information feel free to get in touch at duralbocceclub@gmail.com

Dural Bowling Club



The Nominated Pairs Tournament has delivered some incredibly tight, high-quality matches on our greens over the recent weeks.

After a series of hard-fought rounds, we have reached the final stage. The championship match is officially locked in with the finalists: Stuart Yeend & Phil Laing vs.

Graeme Giles & Rob Whiddon for the Big Match on Saturday, 19th September 2026. A huge congratulations to our finalists.

There are further major club titles to be disputed before the end of the year. Our premium Major singles tournaments are scheduled as follows:

- **Women's Major Singles:** Starting 6th October 2026.
- **Men's Major Singles:** Starting 24th October 2026.

Our club carnivals always generate a fantastic atmosphere, and this spring is no exception. The Carnival Triples on the 28th September is proudly sponsored by the Dural Club. The Carnival Pairs on 26th October is proudly sponsored by Living Choice.

Our club's two Pennants teams have officially completed the first two of their six rounds for the season. It has been a mixed bag of results so far, with some hard-fought battles and excellent displays of sportsmanship on the greens.

The competition is fierce this year, but with four rounds still to play, there is everything to play for. The club wishes both teams the very best of luck for the remainder of the season.

Anyone that is interested in playing Lawn Bowls. Free lessons by qualified coaches are available Phone: Rob Whiddon 0411 375 580.

Hills Hawks Football Club



Hills Hawks Football Club have recently completed an exciting and successful 2026 season. Our players, representing teams inclusive of preschoolers to over 45s and everyone in between, have come together both on and off the pitch to have fun, get fit and fight some tough battles together.



Eight of our competition teams played in the finals, with three advancing to Grand Finals. Two of our teams - U13/1 Women's Team and U13/4 Mixed Team rose to the top and were both Premiers and Grand Final Winners - a massive achievement!

In addition to our exciting weekend matches, Hills Hawks FC continue to impress the community with our famous BBQ and canteen and host a variety of special events like Gala Day, Female Football Week, Ladies Day, Mini Discos and a laugh out loud Comedy Night.

Seasons like this are possible due to our sponsors and a huge team of volunteer coaches, managers and committee members who dedicate time and energy - a real investment in community. Thank you to all of our amazing sponsors and volunteers.

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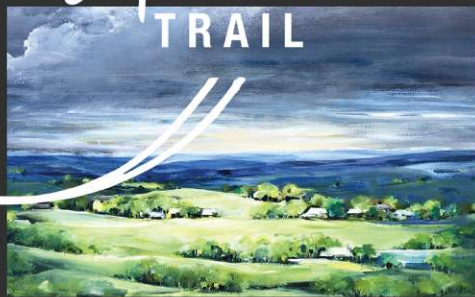
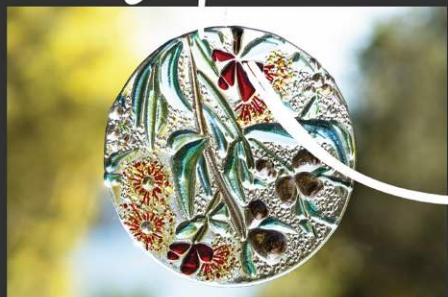
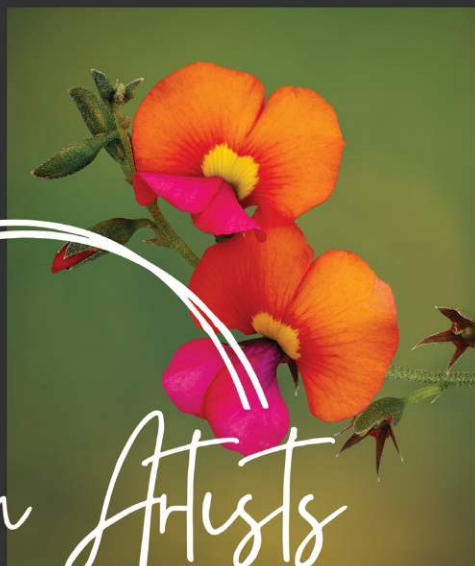
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from the Mayor's Desk

As a council, we are passionate about developing arts and culture in the Shire and strive to support local artists while providing cultural opportunities for our residents. We are fortunate to have the wonderful Wallarobba Arts and Cultural Centre in Hornsby. This month, the centre will be filled with 86 exceptional contemporary artworks when the Hornsby Art Prize exhibition returns from 16 October to 1 November.

Hosted in partnership with the Hornsby Art Society, the national art prize has attracted entries from across Australia. The quality of this year's entries was particularly impressive, and I encourage you to visit the exhibition to experience the outstanding works on display across the categories of Painting, Drawing, Printmaking, Digital Art Stills and Sculpture. For more information, visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au/artprize.

As we head into spring, it's great to see some warmer weather. While spring is a wonderful time to get out and enjoy the beauty of our Shire in bloom, it's also a good opportunity to start preparing for bushfires and other emergencies.

I encourage you to create an emergency plan using the Australian Red Cross Get Prepared app. The free app helps people make important decisions ahead of time, create personalised emergency plans, establish support networks, prepare emergency checklists and share plans with family and friends.

Finally, for students preparing for the HSC, extended library hours will be available to help them focus during this busy time. All the best to our students across the Shire as they prepare for this important milestone.

Warren Waddell
Mayor of Hornsby Shire

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■ Common Threads: Make & Mend 18+

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Testing demand, creating flexibility

First to See allows vendors to test buyer demand,

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Why it works

Giving motivated buyers earlier access allows them to inspect, ask questions and make an offer before a property reaches a broader audience. For vendors, this early engagement can provide a clearer picture of genuine buyer demand.

In a market where quality stock is limited and buyers are ready to act, creating momentum early can be a significant advantage.

More information, better decisions

First to See won't be the right strategy for every property. Some homes may benefit from a longer public campaign and broader exposure.

However, the flexibility to test demand before committing to a full marketing campaign can help vendors make more informed decisions.

To learn more about First to See and how it could work for your property, contact Belle Property Dural today on 02 9129 2882.

The Ferry Artists are moving! After the last 12 months in Banks Cottage the Ferry Artists will be settling into their new home in the Wisemans Ferry Community Centre. Thank you to Wisemans Ferry and Districts Community Health and Resource Centre for your offer of a room in Banks Cottage in our time of need. Thank you also to Hornsby Council for your offer of Wisemans Ferry Community Centre. We look forward to welcoming our community to the centre for events once we are settled in.

Our Annual General Meeting is coming up in early October. Community members wishing to attend please see our website for details. We welcome attendance from our community.

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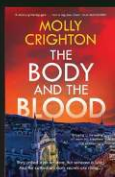
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Rural Roundup

Jane Seaglove

Hornsby Councillor



Hello Residents,

Living in Hornsby Shire means enjoying beautiful bushland and rural landscapes, but it also means being prepared for the challenges that come with living in a bushfire-prone area, while planning for a sustainable and connected future.

Bushfire readiness is something we all need to take seriously as we head into the warmer months. I encourage residents to prepare their properties by clearing gutters, managing vegetation around homes, checking that hoses are accessible, and ensuring everyone knows what to do if a fire threatens. Having a bushfire survival plan and staying informed about conditions and warnings is also essential.

There are also simple ways we can make our homes more sustainable through Council's *Love Your Home* video series of home energy hacks, featuring residents from Cowan and Berowra. Small changes such as installing solar panels, sealing drafts, improving insulation, collecting rainwater and choosing native plants can reduce energy and water usage while helping lower household costs.

In Glenorie, planning is progressing to help shape the village's future while protecting the qualities that make it such a special part of the Shire. The Glenorie Village Investigation report considers opportunities for housing, local services, village facilities and improved connections, while recognising the area's rural and semi-rural character. As Glenorie spans both Hornsby and The Hills Shires, careful coordination and community input is important as planning continues.

I am also continuing to explore opportunities to improve walking connections in Dural. As part of Council's Active Transport Strategy, I am seeking further community interest in a potential shared footpath along Galston Road, between Carters Road and Old Northern Road. This would provide a safer and more accessible connection for residents, young families and anyone wanting to walk rather than drive for short local trips. I have received positive community feedback so far, which will help inform consideration of the proposal.

Together, these initiatives are about preparing for the future while protecting what we value most about Hornsby Shire – our people, our environment and our strong sense of community.

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I always value the opportunity to sit down with local parents and volunteers and hear directly about their experiences. P&C members have a unique perspective because they are part of their school communities every day.

As Shadow Minister for Education, I have the opportunity to take the perspectives of local communities into the broader national conversation about education policy. While our public schools are primarily a responsibility of the NSW Government, there are important areas where the Federal Government can contribute to improving education outcomes and supporting students, teachers and families.

I look forward to continuing these conversations with our local P&Cs and making sure the experiences of families in Berowra are part of the education policy discussions I take to Canberra.



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Galston Early Learning Centre

Connecting Our Community, Country and Nature

GELC educators and families recently came together at Galston Uniting Church for the Rural Fire Service (RFS) Blessing Service, taking the opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the incredible work of our local RFS volunteers.

Our children created handmade cards and native seed bombs as a small but meaningful gift to thank our RFS volunteers for their care, courage and dedication.

A special thank you to Amy Kosilo for leading and organising this appreciation project in collaboration with our Preschool team. We were delighted to see Amy recognised by Galston Uniting Church, who presented her with flowers and a certificate in appreciation of her commitment and hard work.

The project also provided a wonderful opportunity for children to explore their connection with nature, community and caring for Country, extending our ongoing focus on sustainability and environmental responsibility.

Later in the month, Amy Kosilo, Catherine Koutlis and Daniela Palmer continued this journey by attending the

2026 NSW Early Years Nature Connections Conference, themed Nature Play and Sustainability – Connecting People and Planet.

The conference provided fresh inspiration and motivation for our team to continue strengthening our connections with community, deepening our sustainability practices and creating meaningful opportunities for children to connect with and care for the land around them.

These experiences reinforce an important part of our purpose at Galston Early Learning Centre; building strong connections between children, community, nature and Country. We look forward to continuing to grow our Bush Program and creating opportunities for children to explore, wonder, learn and develop a genuine sense of responsibility for the natural world.

If you have any further questions about Galston Early Learning Centre, our programs or our community, please contact our Centre Director: Daniela Palmer (02) 9653 1475 or galstondaycare@bigpond.com



Learning Comes Alive:

Arcadia's Transformed Library



We are incredibly proud to unveil Arcadia Public School's upgraded library, a vibrant and welcoming space that has truly become the heart of our school.

Our library is a busy learning hub, with all classes enjoying weekly Science and Library lessons with our principal, Mrs Belinda Reedman. Students also use the space to access resources and participate in our high potential Reading and Mathematics programs.

At lunchtime, the library becomes a place for connection, creativity and fun. Through our Wellbeing Wagon, students can connect with friends over games such as Uno and Celebrity Head or get creative with papercraft. Students also design, build and problem solve through STEM activities using cardboard, gears, marble runs, dominoes and more.

The library is also an important community space, hosting parent meetings, school functions and visits from authors and experts. Before and after school, it provides a welcoming space for our on-site Out of School Hours service, supporting families beyond the school day.

Our dedicated P&C committee, supported by our wonderful parents, recently raised funds for new lounge seating, bookcases,

ergonomic student chairs, adjustable collaborative tables and furniture for quiet work. Together with the school's contribution, their generosity has transformed the library into a flexible space where students can learn, create, and connect.

We invite families to join the welcoming, connected community at Arcadia Public School. We have vacancies for all grades in 2026, and Kindergarten enrolments for 2027 are now open to both local and non-local families. Our Kindergarten transition program for enrolled students starts in Term 4 to help children and families become familiar with our school and feel part of the Arcadia school and local community before their first day.

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Teachers know their students. Children know each other across year groups. Older students look out for younger ones. Families know families. And when an opportunity comes along, children are encouraged to step forward and be part of it.

So, if you've ever driven past Hillside and thought, *"It's a lovely little school, but..."* - don't let the word small make the decision for you.

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Middle Dural Public School



Guided by our dedicated drama teacher Dallas, students have been actively participating in weekly drama lessons, enjoying the chance to express themselves creatively as they worked in small groups to practice three different scenes. Everyone had the opportunity to take turns saying a line in each scene, and it was exciting to see them having fun and supporting each other as they brought their characters to life. Our strong focus on High Potential and Gifted Education (HPGE) program at Middle Dural PS led to this initiative that has enhanced potential and unleashed new talents for some students. Throughout the term, students have prepared performance pieces shaped by student voice, with lots of creative ideas coming to the fore through this process. The upcoming CAPA Spectacular will showcase the incredible achievements made possible by their hard work, providing an inspiring celebration of their talents and creativity.



It was wonderful to see so many fathers and special people in our students' lives join us at Middle Dural Public School for our Father's Day breakfast. There was a lovely atmosphere as our families gathered to celebrate this special occasion

together. A heartfelt thank you goes to The Khoury family for generously providing the delicious pizzas, which were enjoyed by everyone and made the morning even more memorable. We appreciate the lovely ongoing support and commitment that our parents offer our school community - from P&C fundraisers, our canteen, and for special events like this one.

Our Book Parade was a fantastic celebration of reading, with students showing off their awesome costumes inspired by their favourite characters. It was wonderful to see so many parents, carers, grandparents, and our friends from Dooral joining us for this special event. We appreciated everyone's generosity at the book fair, supporting our school and fostering a love of literature. And of course, there was lots of excitement when we finally found Wally!

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Glenorie Kids Are Active Kids!



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Our grounds are alive with activity every day. Whether students are playing soccer, running with friends or participating in organised games, there is always space for children to enjoy the outdoors. Our beautiful open spaces are one of the many features that make Glenorie Public School such a special place to learn and grow.

Our playground equipment is equally impressive, offering a variety of options designed to challenge and inspire children of all ages. From our exciting ninja course to the popular spider web climbing frame, students develop strength, balance, coordination and confidence while having fun with their friends. Many children also enjoy exploring our adventure playground in search of natural treasures, sparking curiosity and a love of the outdoors. At Glenorie Public School, every child has opportunities to be engaged, active and connected.

Before school, at recess and during lunch, students can borrow a wide range of sporting equipment organised by our dedicated Sport House Captains. These student leaders help ensure basketballs, skipping ropes, hoops and other equipment are available each day, encouraging active play while fostering leadership, responsibility and inclusion.

All this and more is possible due to the commitment of our outstanding teaching staff, who plan and deliver engaging sport and fitness programs every week. Their dedication ensures every child can experience success, challenge themselves and discover the joy of being active.

At Glenorie Public School, we believe in nurturing the potential of all our students. Our strong culture of inclusion and participation creates an environment where every child is encouraged to move, play and thrive. It's just one of the many reasons why Glenorie Public School is such a wonderful place to belong.

We are currently accepting enrolments for 2027. Book a school tour today to meet our dedicated staff, friendly students and see first-hand everything our school can offer your child! You can contact our friendly office staff on 02 9652 1237.

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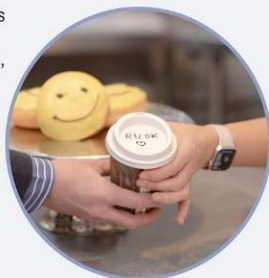
Supporting Young People in a Fast-Paced World



We live in a world that never seems to slow down. Young people today are navigating academic pressures, social expectations, digital influences, and an endless stream of information. While technology has brought many benefits, it has also contributed to a culture where comparison, anxiety, and isolation can quietly take hold.

This is why conversations around mental health have become more important than ever.

Recently, at Pacific Hills Christian School, our school community joined thousands of Australians in recognising R U OK? Day. Through activities, discussions, and meaningful conversations, students were encouraged to check in on one another and to recognise that a simple question can have a profound impact and asking, "Are you OK?" is more than just a slogan. It is a reminder that every person deserves to be seen, valued, and supported and their worth is not determined by grades, sporting achievements, social media followers, or the opinions of others. Rather, it is found in the unchanging truth that they are known and loved by God.



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Dural and Galston School students headed for finals!



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Students have been tackling issues ranging from plastic and air pollution to waste and sustainable food, but the program is as much about developing confidence, critical thinking and communication as it is about finding the winning idea.

Dural Public School and Galston High School will join the 10 strongest teams for the Grand Final at Western Sydney University's Parramatta South Campus on 19th September. Two teams from each school will present their topics.

One of the interesting aspects of the program is that students aren't working in isolation. Rotary facilitators from backgrounds including engineering, education, architecture, law, public speaking and storytelling work alongside teachers, challenging students' thinking and helping them turn an idea into something they can actually stand up and defend.

It's amazing to see what young people come up with when they're given a real-world problem, some guidance and, importantly, an opportunity to be heard.

You are invited to attend the finals if you are able. Please RSVP. There will be a professional photographer at the finals and permission to photograph has been given for many of the students. Please let me know if any additional information is needed.

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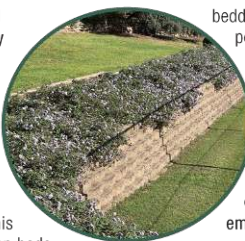
The Galston District Garden Club meets on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the Galston Community Hall, 34 Arcadia Road, Galston at 7.30pm. Visitors are welcome to come and listen to October guest speaker Bronwyn Holm, the subject being "Living Soil" and the lazy gardener". At the end of the meeting we share a cup of tea and supper.

The favourite plant in my garden is Heliotrope "Cherry Pie" (*Heliotropum arborescens*). Why, because it never stops flowering. I have planted this in two homes where we have lived, in raised garden beds as depicted in the image.

Heliotrope Cheery Pie is a beloved heirloom perennial that captures the hearts of gardeners with its intoxicating, nostalgic fragrance. This plant releases a rich, sweet aroma that mimics freshly baked cherry pie, often laced with hints of vanilla and almond.

Native to Peru, this compact shrub features deeply wrinkled, dark green foliage that provides a striking backdrop for its main attraction: dense, domed clusters of tiny, vibrant flowers. These blossoms typically bloom in deep shades of purple, lavender, and violet blue, though white varieties also exist. The flower heads are heliotropic, meaning they gradually turn to face the sun throughout the day.

Thriving in full sun to partial shade and moist well draining soil, the "Cheery Pie" heliotrope flowers spring through autumn (heavily through the warmer months). It is an excellent choice for summer



bedding, border fronts and patio containers where its perfume can be easily enjoyed. Beyond its visual and olfactory appeal, it serves as a magnet for pollinators, drawing butterflies and bees to the garden all summer long. Water regularly during dry summer spells. Prune back hard in late winter or early spring to promote bushy, vigorous new growth.

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This month, we welcome Bronwyn Holm, founder of Earthfood, for a fascinating presentation. Her family roots trace back to Australia's pioneering winemakers of the 1880s, including NSW Vineyards and Hermitage Estate. She has spent decades studying living soil biology, working with home gardeners, commercial growers, and farmers across Australia. Her practical

approach helps people view their gardens and farms differently.

If you've wondered why gardening seems harder than it used to be, why plants struggle despite fertilisers, or what truly makes a garden flourish, you won't want to miss this.

Many gardeners haven't forgotten how to garden—the biggest change is in the soil itself. Modern soils and potting mixes often no longer function as they once did. Without living biology doing its job, plants become dependent on constant watering and feeding just to survive.

Nature has the answer. By restoring functioning living soil biology, gardeners can rebuild natural processes that help soil hold moisture, support stronger roots, and grow resilient plants.

It's not about working harder; it's about helping the soil do more of the work it was designed to do.

Enjoy practical knowledge, fascinating stories, and opportunities to ask questions.

Regular meeting activities include competitions, Raffle, Show & Tell, and "Show"—a newer activity where people can share plants without critical judgment.

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White Cockatoo

However, there are dedicated people whose main focus when out in bushland is to concentrate solely on the birdlife around them.

For these enthusiastic people, "discovering" a

new bird that they have not seen before can be a very satisfying experience.

There are a number of strategies that can be adopted for others who may find bird watching an interesting past time.



Chestnut Teal



King Parrot

In order to "get up close and personal" with small birds who occupy the undergrowth as well as the canopy, a powerful pair of binoculars would be essential. A comprehensive field guide is also very useful when helping to identify most birds. Appropriate clothing and footwear for the bird watcher is also advisable.

Aspects to consider when attempting to determine the type of any bird being observed, is to consider its size and colour, the shape of its head and beak, the colour and length of its legs, as well as any call that can be heard.

Being as inconspicuous as possible is advantageous, as birds, especially small ones, are very wary of unusual movement nearby. Being quiet and patient lessens any disturbance that may interrupt the process of observing the interesting habits of the bird being watched.

For further information about bird identification and observation techniques, particularly for those considering involvement in this worthwhile activity, it is suggested that the reader enter the following web address into their browser: <http://online.fliphtml5.com/awdd/wxbl/>

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Thanking God for our Community

As I read through the articles in our Community News magazine, which has been bringing us local news for over 50 years, I can't help being grateful for the area in which we live and the community of which we are a part.

I pondered, What makes up a Community?

Geography is the obvious first aspect - the physical location in which we live.

Then each community is identified by its cultural and social aspects; formed around shared interests and relationships like the Progress Association (page 3) and the Galston District Garden Club (page 21)

Common needs are met through our medical centres and school communities. We are informed of issues through our councillors, local and federal members.

Local churches are a vital part of our community too. I read about the Winter Food Drive, the Granny squares workshop and the annual RFS Service.

Encouragement about our spiritual and emotional life is explained by writers from our local churches, which also provide prayer meetings, Bible studies and thanksgiving to our God;

for who He is and what He has done for us through His Son, Jesus Christ. Each person who believes in Jesus as Saviour and Lord will be assured of everlasting life, both now and when this earthly life ends.

On our church's website is written: "A place of belonging and healing in Jesus".

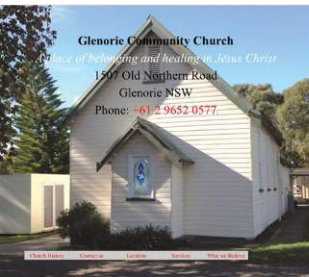
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The Scriptures have been verified and authenticated by the life of one man in history, Jesus, the Christ, who gave authority to them (Matt 21:42) (Matt 26:56) (Mark 12:24) (Luke 24:27).

All the Bible has to be true, otherwise it is up to us to decide what is true or false and since the Bible tells us that none of us can be trusted (Romans 3:23) how could we work out what is right or wrong?

There are lots of different 'flavours' of Christianity as we interpret the Scriptures according to our own biases. However,

if we interpret the Scriptures by the Scriptures in context, we can know the truth. This may not be easy, but studying more shows we are serious about our relationship with God and want to know Him more.

God offers us relationship with Himself and wants to be known by us, therefore He has given us His Word, the Bible, as a foundational guidebook for our lives.

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Galston Uniting Church News



Prayer at GUC

Prayer undergirds all that we do at Galston Uniting Church and we endeavour to seek God's guidance and strength through prayer.

In the Bible, Philippians 4:6 says:

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

At GUC, prayer is an integral part of each worship service.

As well as those prayers led by the minister, a member of the congregation leads "Prayers of the People" which are the prayers that may be on people's hearts. These may be world or national events, such as an end of the war in Ukraine or the Middle East; or more local, in praying for someone who is sick.

Our "Prayer Chain" consists of people who are prepared to pray for others. Here, anyone in the community can contact the church office and request prayer for themselves or someone they know who is in need of prayer. Care is taken with confidentiality if so requested.

In addition, a "Prayer Focus" section is included in the church's monthly publication "Out Of School Road". This provides points for prayer to assist people in their private devotions.



Prayer is the very basis of our relationship with God, so please bring your own prayers to God for those things that are on your mind, or phone Jayne at the church office for Prayer Chain support.

Exercise for Seniors
(with Emma) - Change of time to Tuesdays 11am - 12noon.

Galston Uniting Church Concerts: Save the Date -

Sunday 18th October, 2pm. Violist Robert Harris and pianist Dr Robert Manley will bring us music by the "Best of the Bs", from Bach, Beethoven, Brahms to Bernstein and the Beatles!

Church services continue in church at 10am on Sundays.

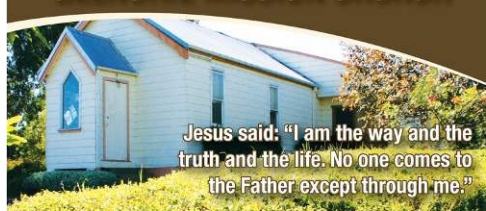
You will also find us on Facebook where you can find live-streams of our service and other information about all our events (don't forget to like us).

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.

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News from St Benedicts

GCEA Spring Dinner

A wonderful evening was celebrated by more than 160 attendees at the annual Galston Christian Education Association (GCEA) dinner held at the Galston Club on Saturday 12th September. More than 40 people from St Benedicts came along to support our parishioner, Paul El Chaar, who for a number of years has been the much-respected Special Religious Education teacher at Galston High. Paul works along with other staff members and student leadership teams at the school and is also supported by Fergus Taylor, Field Manager from Scripture Union Australia. Paul and Fergus are pictured together at the event.

Our Lady of Fatima Feast Day

Once again, for the 29th year, our parish will be celebrating and recognising the day

in 1917 when three Portuguese shepherd children were visited by Our Lady. On Sunday 11th October at 1pm, St Benedicts will commemorate this occasion by holding a special re-enactment of the event, followed by refreshments. All welcome.

Parish needs

We are in need of singers and musicians for our choir, volunteers to help with arranging church flowers once every 6-8 weeks, helpers with morning tea after 9am Mass and adult volunteers to assist with our Kids Youth Group on Friday evenings. If anyone is able to help in any of these situations, please ring and have a chat to Paula at the Parish Office (details below)

Parish Notices

Service times and parish information are found at www.bbcatholic.org.au/arcadia.



Fergus Taylor left, Paul El Chaar right

Click on the News and Events tab to find the weekly Parish Bulletin. Or ring Paula 9653 2312 on Monday or Friday at the Parish Office, St Benedict's Catholic Church 2 Fagans Road Arcadia.

NSW RFS REPORT

Glenorie RFB

Are You Ready for the Bush Fire Season?

As we approach another bush fire season, now is the time to make sure you, your family and your home are prepared. We encourage everyone living in a bush fire prone area to know their risk and have a plan for what they will do if a fire threatens.

There are four simple steps to help you get bush fire ready.

1. DISCUSS – Make a Bush Fire Survival Plan

Sit down with your family and discuss what you will do if a bush fire threatens your home. Decide whether you will leave early or stay and defend, identify evacuation routes and alternative routes, choose a safe meeting place, and make arrangements for pets and livestock.

You can create your plan online in as little as five minutes at www.myfireplan.com.au, or use the NSW Rural Fire Service Bush Fire Survival Plan guide.

2. PREPARE – Get Your Home Ready

There are simple things you can do around your property to reduce the risk from bush fire. Keep grass short, clear leaves and debris from around your home, and maintain a cleared area where possible. Make sure your property is accessible to emergency services.

3. KNOW – Understand Bush Fire Alerts

Know the NSW bush fire alert levels and what they mean for you and your family. During a fire, monitor the alert level through the



NSW Rural Fire Service website and the Fires Near Me app.

4. KEEP UP TO DATE – Stay Informed

Conditions can change quickly during a bush fire. Keep your phone charged and stay informed through reliable emergency information, websites and apps.

If you have questions about preparing your property or making a plan, contact your local brigade. We are here to help our community get bush fire ready.



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Building A Heart-Safe Community

by Mike Elvidge

Every minute matters in a cardiac emergency. When someone suffers a sudden cardiac arrest, fast action can make the difference between life and death. That is why community defibrillator programs are such an important part of local safety, especially in areas where ambulance response times may be longer than we would like. The Community Defib Project supporting Arcadia and Galston (Community 2159) was created to help communities install Automated External Defibrillators (AEDs) that are accessible to the public 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

This is now an opportunity for our own community to get involved. Over the last 5 years the team has already placed 11 defibs around the local area see map.

A local defib program can only succeed when residents and volunteers come together with a shared

Community 2159 AED Locations

Public access defibrillators - Galston, Arcadia, Fiddletown, Berrielle and Berowra Waters



Community 2159 AED Locations - presented from the community defibrillator register. This map is a guide only and is not a substitute for calling 000.

purpose: making lifesaving equipment available when and where it is needed most.

We are now inviting expressions of interest from people who would like to be part of your local team to support this initiative, you do not need to be a medical expert to help.

If you are passionate about community safety and would like to help build a heart-safe neighbourhood, now is the time to put your hand up and register your interest in joining the local defib team, by emailing Mike of melvidge68@gmail.com

AED locations

♥ = defibrillator (AED)

- 1 **Hayes Oval**
Galston Rd, Galston
- 2 **Roadside cabinet**
Cnr Bay Rd & Chilcott Rd, Berrielle
- 3 **Arcadia Oval**
127x Arcadia Rd, Arcadia
- 4 **Summertime Chickens**
26 Crosslands Rd, Galston
- 5 **Bendigo Bank**
348 Galston Rd, Galston
- 6 **Rural Sports Facility**
18-20 Bayfield Rd, Galston
- 7 **Residential**
14 Thomas Rd, Galston
- 8 **Bus stop**
114 Arcadia Rd, Arcadia
- 9 **Northholm Grammar School**
79 Cobah Rd, Arcadia
- 10 **Berowra Waters Boat Ramp**
199 Bay Rd, Berowra Waters 2082
- 11 **The Galston Club**
21-25 Arcadia Rd, Galston

In an emergency call 000

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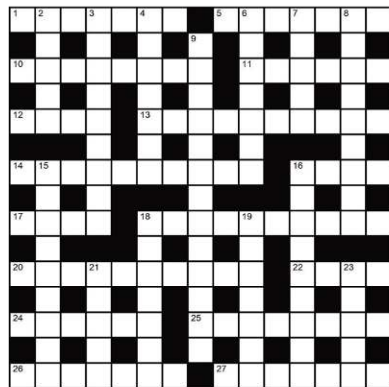
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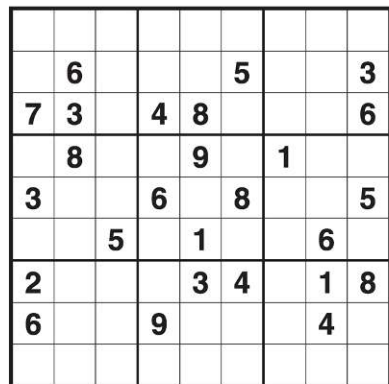
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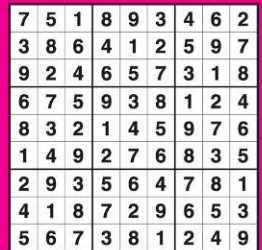
ACROSS

- 01 Illness indicator (7)
- 05 Warning not to trust technocrats (7)
- 10 Type of bobsleigh (8)
- 11 Turbulent (6)
- 12 Wine press residue (4)
- 13 Where Oliver Twist and Jane Eyre were, for a while (10)
- 14 Dressmaker (10)
- 16 Complain bitterly (4)
- 17 Render speechless (4)
- 18 Apelike son thrashed a hockey player (6,4)
- 20 Bolder lady regenerated as punk rocker (5,5)
- 22 Sharp to the taste (4)
- 24 There's nothing in it (6)
- 25 Christian rockers (8)
- 26 Former Deputy Prime Minister Doug --- (7)
- 27 Led down the aisle (7)

DOWN

- 02 Hard work (5)
- 03 Claim peon is beaten up for a public servant (9)
- 04 Frontier settlement (7)
- 06 Student's whereabouts, preferably (2,5)
- 07 Hawaiian hello (5)
- 08 Fuzzy (9)
- 09 Sydney Harbour feature (7,6)
- 15 Amuse (9)
- 16 Held in esteem (9)
- 18 Middle part (7)
- 19 Follow-up punches, in boxing (3-4)
- 21 Moolah (5)
- 23 Banjo Paterson speciality (5)

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Mary Ord, Glenorie - 0400 363 563
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Vicki Brownless - 0423 727 826 (South Maroota area)

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

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