



We pay our respects and acknowledge all the traditional custodians of this land, the elders and the descendants, past and present



Photo Of The Month  
**Glenn Staples**

I Live in Emora Ave, Davistown and I often go for a walk in the late afternoon (it's my favourite time of day J ) down to Lintern St and go for a walk along the waterfront. On this day the

sunset was magical and three pelicans were slowly drifting by and thought it would make a nice photo. Fortunately this photo turned out better than expected. Out of the 100's of photos I take every now and then you take one that seems to be special and this one I think is one of those.





## WELCOME

"Christmas Day is in our grasp, as long as we have hands to clasp! Christmas Day will always be, just as long, as we have we! Welcome Christmas while we stand, heart to heart, and hand in hand!" – *Dr. Seuss*

## BUGGS

### BUGG's OFF TO AN END OF SPRING START AT THE "GREAT WALL"

The BUGG's (The 3 Villages Bush Urban Garden Group) and a nice group of keen community volunteers were certainly in action planting out the top of the "Great Wall" of Saratoga a few weekends ago with mostly native bushes and ground covers. Many thanks to all the lovely volunteers who pitched in to plant out the top of the huge retaining wall on Davistown Road opposite the Telstra Exchange. Many hands really do make light work! Those helping on the day were Monique Roy, Tracey Ellis, Pam Northcote, Franco Giacon, Julie Hale, Kate Boni, Kate Moore, Jenny Hartich, Nicki Klausen and myself. Then Ann Cartwright helped water afterwards.

Fortunately, we had some good rain earlier in the morning which did stop just in time for the planting. Special thanks to Nicki Klausen for helping with the supply of water from her water tank and the use of her green bin. Also many thanks to Stephen Bailey for picking up and dropping off the many plants and for supplying several bags of planting soil for us to use on the day. Fundraising monies from the 3 Villages Community Group was used to purchase the many plants and a great shout out to Mitre 10 Kincumber for the discounted tools we purchased. Such great community spirit to see everyone so eager to get the job done and it truly is a wonderful makeover.

*Taia Sansom.*



## PROJECT REPORT

### CHRISTMAS WINTER WONDERLAND CENTRAL COAST

1 Colin Street, Saratoga

- Light Up Date: Saturday 26th November 2022
- 6 to 10 mega Lego displays, complete with over 6,000 pieces and light-up bricks.
- TV screen projector on the front of the house with a planned Christmas Eve countdown to music and synchronised lights/lasers.
- There'll also be 5 Christmas inflatables including a 4 metre inflatable Santa,
- A laser light show with a disco mirror ball,
- 3 snowmaking machines + artificial snow on the lawn "Saratoga Ice Rink".
- Multiple shooting star meteorite shower lights on trees.
- Through-the-looking-glass snow-covered window display for kids = like Harry Potter's Hogsmeade Village.
- \* Collecting for Coast Shelter charity.

Planned Christmas Eve Special with snow ball making and a new surprise to celebrate when the clock reaches 12am midnight Christmas Day.

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## MEET THE LOCALS



### Andrew (Drew) Wong

I am one of those who made the sea change from Sydney to Saratoga about 8 years ago.

After selling my house in northern Sydney & having had enough of city suburban life, I came across the area we call the 3 villages. It is so easy for my family to make new friends, become involved in community (I was treasurer with the local Davistown Progress Association for about 2 years), and other community activities – I am humbly thankful that I have finally found a community that is same as the easy-going lifestyle I grew up in country NSW.

I work in corporate IT as my normal day job.

Plus, having seen locals and businesses struggle with computers/smartphones, I started my own local

small IT business 7 years ago. This has allowed me to meet new friends and have long term relationships to local businesses all over the Central Coast.

I am a single parent and have a 21-year-old son. Many of you would know I hold a **Christmas Winter Wonderland Central Coast** which displays and snowmaking event every December since 2020 during the pandemic as a way to get some exercise (I am scared of heights so losing weight this way has its advantages I guess?). As you can probably tell, I love the snow. Every Christmas approximately 500 people visit my events raising money for the Coast Shelter charity. To date, over \$2000 has been raised thanks to the community attending these events over 3 years. I first got involved with fundraising for the Coast Shelter after I noticed Ray White Saratoga fundraise for them every year. Many thanks to Gabe Vass for introducing me.

I have a number of favourite local spots. Walking up to Treeview Place and checking out that scenic view of the bay! The top of Llewellyn Street – another amazing view and last of all, Saratoga Island – our nearest beach which was important for me to chill out during the 2020 pandemic. Its not hard to enjoy the natural picturesque beauty of our area.

On my days off, I love to go bushwalking and explore waterfalls, lookouts around the area. I also have a keen interest in growing prize-winning orchids – thanks to Royale Orchids in Peats Ridge, one of my first customers fixing their website and computers 7 years ago. Without them, I would not be the orchid specialist I am today.

My favourite thing about the 3 villages community is the people and they love a good dad joke. I also love our local shops. It is very easy to “support local” when people are so friendly and caring. I remember the first ever burger I


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ordered from Shelly's café 8 years ago on the first day I moved here. Always amazing – thanks Shelly for being my welcoming party. It's so easy for any family who move to our area to call the 3 villages their "forever home". Something about me you probably don't know is my parents owned a Chinese Restaurant and I have been told that I am a

good cook. I cook for family and friends occasionally. I do share photos of my favourite meals I cook on Facebook occasionally. I talk about the food that I cook and people say to me "stop that. You are making me hungry!"...

I would like to thank everyone in making this one of the best communities to live in on the Coast. I will always help out wherever possible in supporting our community for as long as I live. Cheers!

**The Villagers have put on a wonderful Christmas Lights show. Nominations of your favourites are open until Saturday, 17 December 2022. Community voting will be open from Saturday 17 December to Thursday 22 December. How to vote instructions will be advised once the voting is open.**

**SHOULD YOU SEE A CHRISTMAS DISPLAY YOU ABSOLUTELY LOVE SUCH AS A FAVOURITE HOUSE OR BUSINESS, MINI DISPLAY, OR BEST DECORATED STREET YOU CAN NOMINATE IN ANY OR ALL CATEGORIES**

**This is 3 Villages Community Event**




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## WHAT'S ON

- 10th Dec - Hilltop Hoods, Memorial Park, The Entrance
- 10th Dec - Avoca Beachside Twilight Market
- 11th Dec - Central Coast Mariners V Newcastle Jets, Central Coast Stadium
- 15th Dec - Love Actually, The Savoy long jetty
- 15th Dec - Christmas craftanoon, Erina Library
- 17th Dec - 90s Show- Boom Shake The Room, Ettalong Bowling club
- 17th Dec - The killers- Hope Estate Hunter Valley
- 17th Dec - Central Coast Mariners V Sydney FC, Central Coast Stadium
- 17th Dec - Christmas with Khandi, Davo RSL
- 18th Dec - Central Coast Christmas Fair, Gosford Racecourse
- 18th Dec - Gosford City Farmers Market, Showground Rd Gosford
- 21st Dec - Central Coast Mariners V Newcastle Jets, Central Coast Stadium
- 21st Dec - Silent outdoor Cinema, The Grinch, Davo RSL
- 23rd Dec - Single, Mingle, Jingle, Davo RSL
- 24th Dec - Carol in the Park, the Entrance
- 24th Dec - Christmas Eve Community Carols, Kibble Park
- 29th Dec - Lost Paradise Music festival, Glenworth valley
- 29th Dec - True Sports Show, Hardys Bay Club
- 30th Dec - Ice rink play group- Erina ice Arena
- 31st Dec - Cinema Under the Stars, Central Coast Stadium
- 31st Dec - No Scrubs NYE 90s-00s party, Drifters Wharf

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## SEE YOU AT THE DAVO

Bring the kids to a truly unique experience, a Silent Cinema Under The Stars at the Davo. We will be screening *The Grinch* on Wednesday 21st December. Set in the club's backyard overlooking the stunning Brisbane Water you will be able to take in the sunset before the movie starts at sundown. Kick back, sip wine and snuggle up under the stars while the kids are entertained.

**6-7pm Face Painting & games** hosted by the Glass Slipper Parties

**8pm Approx ( sundown) movie starts.** This is a SILENT movie experience, the \$15 ticketprice includes hire of LED headphones to listen to the film.

Bring your own rug, bean bag or pillows to sit on. Popcorn, light snacks, meals & drinks available to purchase on the night.



6 pm -7 pm face painting & games.  
8 pm approx movie starts



Tickets available from reception, club's App, website or scan the QR  
BYO pillow or blanket to sit on

## HERITAGE

Over the past 30 years I have been involved in various projects and campaigns protecting assets which I believed were important to protect for the community. Some of these projects and campaigns were successful, some not so successful. Regardless of the outcome they were all worth the effort, those which were not big winners I don't consider so much a personal loss, but they were a loss to the Community. One campaign I have been involved with recently is the Empire Bay Heritage Boat Shed.

In last months 3 Villages News I brought you the latest information regarding the 100+ year old heritage listed Boat Shed. There had been gathering at the site, which attracted over 200 people including myself, all advocating the preservation of the old facility. The Member for Gosford Liesl Tesch and the newly elected Federal member Gordon Reid were there, Adam Crouch, our State member and Parliamentary Secretary for the Central Coast was unable to attend because of a prior engagement, however, he did indicate there would be a meeting arranged with the newly formed *Empire Bay Heritage Boat Shed Association* and NSW Crown Lands.

This meeting did take place, following which Mr. Crouch announced that because of the heavily polluted nature of the site, requiring full remediation and the dilapidated condition of the facility, the jetties and shed would have to be demolished. However, and this is a BIG 'HOWEVER' the demolition would take place under the supervision of a Heritage expert, all details would be recorded and after the site was remediated the Boat Shed would be rebuilt 'like for like' along with the Jetties. Mr Crouch said on ABC Radio, the new boat shed would not be used as a marina again with both he and the Minister enthusiastic about it becoming a Maritime Museum. If so this would focus on the Brisbane Water District's incredible, national significant ship building history, much of it being within our 3 Villages.

Like many others I've been frustrated that those charged with protecting our history and heritage have not provided a space within the Brisbane Water District that people, including our school children, could come to learn of our area's significant contribution to building our Nation. Now we may well have such a place, a place where every child will come at least once in their school life to learn about their heritage.

While unable to provide marina type maintenance, the aim is to enable Central Coast Ferries to use the facility as a base for their Woy Woy, Saratoga, Davistown, Empire Bay service.

Well done to those people who have driven this campaign, this is a real win for the Community and our heritage.

**Latest News:** The first meeting of the *Empire Bay Heritage Boat Shed Assoc.* meeting was held on Dec. 6, 2022, I was honoured to be endorsed as a member of the committee as a history and heritage consultant.

Peter Rea





## SCHOOLS



### Year 10 Service Day

On Monday 21 November our Year 10 students serviced our school and local community. They cleaned the local waterways, assembled recreational equipment in Erina, spread joy at a local nursing home, served in our Primary school and Yattalunga Valley Christian School, prepared music equipment to be donated to Brewarrina Christian School, assisted the Green team in maintaining the school oval, packed Christmas Hampers and ran a sausage sizzle raising over \$600 for Kincumber Neighbourhood Centre.

Students participating in the 'Clean for Sure' activity collected 14 bags of litter and 980 kilos of litter were removed from South Kincumber foreshore and broadwater, and taken to Woy Woy Tip for disposal. Well done, Year 10



What a fabulous night of achievement for our Aboriginal students and teachers here at Brisbania! Our Tjudibaring AECG put on a spectacular evening of culture with dance, didj performances, speeches, and presentation of awards of recognition for our deadly students.

Congratulations to our Stage 2-3 students who committed to the Dance Project this year, ending in a beautiful dance involving traditional and contemporary pieces.

Our wonderful representatives: Ava H and Brax did a marvellous job as emcees for the Cultural Participation award.

Lana gave a presentation about an inspirational female re: International Women's Day. Many comments were made on how she presented this with such passion.

Nomination certificates were awarded to: Zayne, Zali, Miles, Riley, Mia, Callan and Taylah.

The night commenced with a smoking ceremony. It was followed by the Tudibaring dance group performing a dance which was choreographed by Miss Jade Bush and Miss Michelle Jarman. It was held at Kincumber High School with two representatives from each school emceeing for each awards category. The MCs from our school were Braxton and Ava. Award winners from our school were Indi, Piper, Lana and Ms Simpson.

Written by Lana

A very special congratulations to our teacher Ms Simpson who was recognised for Teacher Contribution Award.



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