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



РНОТО OF THE **MONTH** 

**Darren Peirce** 

### **WELCOME**

"You cannot get through a single day without having an impact on the world around you. What you do makes a difference, and you have to decide what kind of difference you want to make." Jane Goodall

"Me and my daughters walk around looking for fun things to do and try to capture a few moments of our time".

Darren receives a \$30 voucher from Shelly's Cafe and \$10 PuppCo voucher from Jas Brewer PuppCo, and a \$50 voucher to spend at the DAVO RSL. Thanks to our sponsors for their support of the 3 Villages Newsletter. \$50 Davo RSL voucher is sponsored by 3 Villages Community Group.



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### **PROJECT REPORT**

With another productive month behind us, I'd like to say the 3 Villages Committee has a lot going on and are always looking for extra help with our many projects. Please get in touch via our website if you'd like to lend a hand.

The next 3 Villages Trivia Night has been booked at the Davistown RSL Club for Friday, 1st December 2023. Our end of year Trivia Party! This is no normal Trivia Night – it's always been loads of fun in the past, with prizes, give aways, games and auctions. We can guarantee you will have a great time, and hopefully walk out with a bargain or two! Save the date as this is a perfect opportunity for your end of year celebrations.

Some great news! The 3 VCG Committee have been in discussions with Green Point Avoca Beach Lions Club, and they have advised they will be donating two brand new picnic settings for the Saratoga Tennis Courts. A community working bee will get together to clean up the concreted area prior to the installation, but this will probably have been done by the

time you read this newsletter. In the future, the 3 VCG will also seek grant funding for shelters to go over the picnic settings. Many thanks to GPAB Lions Club!

On 1st July we met with Dr Gordon Reid MP at Saratoga Oval where some positive discussions were held regarding its condition. Currently, the oval floods regularly and drainage is necessary for it to be usable all year round. To address this challenge, a

petition will be drawn up in the first instance for us to promote and seek support from the community, who would like the oval repaired and fit for use.

Taia Sansom



### THE BELLS AND WHISTLES

#### BRICKTASTIC!

On Saturday, the 17th of June hundreds of LEGO lovers and builders big and small descended on Saratoga Community Hall throughout the day for the first ever 3 Villages Brickfest.

A community fundraising event in collaboration with SYDLUG, the fun day raised around \$2,000 for community projects.

Visitors were able to see both large and small scale models, some including a substantial fortification, a detailed Star Wars display, The Great Pyramid and a motorised railway village. LEGO enthusiasts also had the opportunity to create their own designs and

Below L to R: Suzanne Petrie Sapsford (Saratoga Hawks), Ben Campbell (Kincumber Cricket), Stephanie Blower (3 VCG), Niki Evans (3 VCG), Dr Gordon Reid MP. Member for Robinson and Taia Sansom (3 VCG).







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### THE BELLS AND WHISTLES

enter them into the LEGO building competition on the day. The event also saw many community members and local businesses donate LEGO sets for prizes. A big thank you to everyone who participated, donated, and visited making the day a huge success. We really appreciate all the support and hope it inspired a weekend of LEGO building in your home.





### **MEET THE LOCALS**

This month we would like to introduce Katie and Mark, owners of SecondLife Recrafted. a local company making chopping boards. grazing platters, gifts and homewares using reclaimed and recycled timber. Recently Katie and Mark generously donated to our Brick Fair raffle prizes, and Katie took the time out of her busy schedule to tell us a bit about her. Mark and their family.

"We bought our home in Saratoga in 2012 and have no plans to leave the area any time soon! I grew up in the area and it will always be home to me. We have two young daughters, aged five and three, and our Staffy, Lucy. Mark is planning for our next dog to be male to level out the playing field a bit.

As a small business, our role in the community has been to do what we can to help with donations and assist local community groups with projects and events. It has also been to promote sustainability and to connect people to a little bit of local history through the making of products from timbers sourced from the local area (sometimes from customers' very own homes).

We love meeting locals who purchase from us and we especially love being part of local market events. We feel very lucky to be part of such a supportive community.

For both of us, our favourite sport is probably





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### **How I Can Support You**

My friendly team and I are always happy to support you in matters relating to the Central Coast.

- State Roads
- Health and Hospitals
- Education
- Police
- **Emergency Services**
- Transport
- Social Housing
- National Parks
- Family and Community Services

### **MEET THE LOCALS**

rugby league, but neither of us follow it as much as we used to these busy days!

I was a member of the Davistown RSL Netball Club and Fishing Club as a kid. Mark grew up across the water on the peninsula and was a member of the Woy Woy Roosters Rugby League Club. Mark also played for the Kincumber Colts Seniors for a little while and my parents' involvement with the club is actually how we met each other.

Understandably Mark's hobby is woodworking, but it's extending a little bit beyond just a hobby these days! We both love to go fishing and love taking our boat out in Paddy's Channel and surrounds to cruise around and throw a line in when we can.

Our favourite things about the 3 Villages Community are the beautiful area, the relaxed lifestyle and the lovely locals. We love having Brisbane Water so close by and the hidden gem of Saratoga Island is one of our favourite local spots to visit."



# Saratoga for medical for medic

### **SEE YOU AT THE DAVO'**

A brand-new Sydney Hotshots show is locked and loaded, and you are invited! Two hours of non-stop action-packed entertainment from some of the sexiest guys direct from Sydney, performing at the Davo on Saturday, 29th July! The ultimate ladies' night out, complete with high-powered dance routines, spectacular lighting, and fabulous costumes. This show will have you blushing, laughing, and screaming all night long! Leave your worries at the door and have some fun with the Sydney Hotshots!





### WHAT'S ON AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

### **AUG** 4 - 30Our Natural World A celebration to highlight the environment's importance through art and related activities. Art Exhibition Art House, Wyong Sat 5 Council Chemical Clean Out 9-3.30 Kincumber Waste Management Facilit Tues 8 Opening of Gosford Art Prize, Gosford Regional Gallery Tues 15 Wed 16 Ahn Do in Gosford Laycock Theatre Thur 17 Telling True Stories Writing Course, Community Trust Hall, Karalta Road, Erina lovecentralcoast.com/events/telling-true-stories-writingcourse-august-2023 Fri 18 Rhythms of Ireland Laycock Street Theatre Sat 19 ENDLESS Aug Car Show Gosford Greyhounds, Showground Road, Gosford Mon 28 History Ferry Tour, Broken Bay/Hawkesbury, areahistorytours.com.au - Phone 0418 631 313 **SEPT** Sun 10 FibreFest 2023 by Knitters Guild NSW Wyong Race Club & Function Centre lovecentralcoast.com/events/fibrefest-2023-by-knittersauild-nsw **Sun 17** JDRF Walk raising funds for research into Type 1 Diabetes 10am Welcome to Country, Smoking Ceremony and talks 11am Walk officially started by Dr Gordon Reid, MP Alloura Reserve, outside Davistown Progress Hall Thur 21 History Ferry - Brisbane Water, areahistorytours.com.au - Phone 0418 631 313

### PET OF THE MONTH

### **MEET SMOKEY - Taia Sansom**



Keeping nice and dry in the clothes dryer. Smokey is going on 5 yrs old and is an extremely friendly, cuddly cat. He is kept inside at night and just wants to hang around us during the day. He always finds some interesting places to rest in if he can't get a spot on my lap or if there is no cardboard box around. Send in a photo of your beloved pet and tell us a little about them. Each month we'll feature the winner, who will receive a \$10 online voucher to spend at puppco.com.au. Send your entries to threevillagesnewsletter@gmail.com. We'd love to meet them.



Creamy Roasted **Tomato** Soup

**INGREDIENTS** 

- 1.5kg fresh tomatoes
- 4 tbsp olive oil
- 2 red onions
- 2 cloves garlic, finely chopped
- 1 tbsp fresh thyme leaves
- 2 cans Organic Peeled

**Tomatoes** 

2 cups stock

1 cup fresh basil leaves

1 pinch salt

1 pinch pepper

200ml evaporated milk

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Central Coast NSW Retirement Village and Resort Expo

Mingara Recreation Club, Tumbi Umbi

Sun 27 &

Sat 28

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### **SCHOOLS**



### **STAR STRUCK IGNITE 2023**

This year, for the first time ever, Brisbania Public School took the opportunity to audition for Star Struck 2023 and were thrilled to be accepted. After school auditions, 32 hardworking students from Stages 2 and

3 learnt two dances over several lunchtimes and three rehearsals in Newcastle. This finally culminated in our talented students performing two shows held in June at the Newcastle Entertainment Centre. The students performed alongside thousands of dancers, a 500-strong choir, an orchestra, several bands, a team of backup singers and



some amazingly talented lead singers, all of whom were representing primary and high schools from the Central Coast to the Queensland border. We are so incredibly proud of our students for their confidence and determination to perform in front of such a large crowd. This would not have been made possible without the help from parents, P&C and teachers. Brisbania Public School would like to

thank all of you for all your assistance and support. After positive feedback from the students and parents we look forward to making Star Struck an annual event.

### METHOD

Pre-heat your oven to 180°C.

Peel and guarter the onions and halve the tomatoes.

Place on a lined baking tray and drizzle with 2 tablespoons of olive oil. Season with salt and pepper and roast for 1 hour.

Heat the remaining 2 tablespoons of oil in a heavy-based pot and gently sauté the garlic, and the thyme.

Add the tinned tomatoes and the basil, then simmer for 15 minutes. Add the roasted tomatoes and onion, continue to simmer for a further 30 minutes.

Remove from the heat and use an immersion blender to blend until smooth.

Add the evaporated milk, if desired, or just drizzle it on top. Serve with fresh, crusty sourdough.





Reconciliation Week For Reconciliation Week, the students of 2G read 'Open your Heart to Country' by Jasmine

Seymour. They discussed what Country means and why it is important. In response, students wrote a paragraph describing a place that is special to them.

They also learnt that 'warami mittigar' is Darug language for 'hello friend' and decorated 'reconciliation hands' with dot paintings.

## Years 9 and 10 Visual Arts Excursion to Brewarrina

Years 9 and 10 Visual Arts students travelled to Brewarrina from Wednesday 31 May to Saturday 2 June. Students experienced the unique environment of the outback landscape and represented it in various artmaking activities. A highlight was joining the students from Brewarrina Christian School by the river in their Chapel service, followed by a shared artmaking activity. There was also a tour of the fish traps in town; the students learnt to weave with foraged fibres, and created art in the dark around a bonfire. It was a unique and highly valuable experience.



