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

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#### **WELCOME**

It's my favourite season of the year and I just love watching all the trees change colour, and feeling that crisp bite of winter in the air. This is also the best time of year (in my opinion) for the best sunsets in our glorious 3 Villages. We are lucky enough to be able to overlook Yattalunga Jetty and Gosford/Kariong mountains in the distance, and some afternoons it is just so amazing to watch the sunset progress and change. "Never lose hope - good things will come soon."

Ally Adamson

#### PHOTO OF THE MONTH

Winner: Nathan Spare
In the beautiful words of Roald Dahl
"And above all, watch with glittering
eyes the whole world around you
because the greatest secrets are
always hidden in the most unlikely
places. Those who don't believe
in magic will never find it." And if
you see a sunset like this, stop and
enjoy it!

Photo of the Month Winners receive a
\$30 voucher from
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who we thank so much for their support
of the 3 Villages Newsletter.



#### **PROJECT REPORT**

#### **LOCAL SECURITY - ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR & VANDALISM**

Local residents via our Facebook page and directly have sadly raised the issue of local security concerns. It is a shame that residents of our lovely 3 villages have to experience this. We are very fortunate to have many beautiful public spaces which the whole community is able to enjoy. All of our rates contribute to the upkeep and maintenance of these public spaces, however antisocial behaviour at unsocial hours can be distressing for local residents who neighbour these spaces, and generally, they are the ones left to clean up the mess. Some are elderly and live alone and it can be guite intimidating when there is unruly behaviour until the early hours of the morning.

As a community this behaviour has an effect on all of us. Often with rubbish left to pollute our parks and waterways as well as vandalism and destruction of our community assets. While we cannot stop it instantly we can all work together as a community to combat it. The most effective tool we have is to report any instances to crime stoppers. The more reports received build a profile for our area. This can then be used to have a higher police presence. It also triggers us to qualify for security cameras to be installed in problem areas. Reports can be made the following day after an event, but the important thing is that each event whether it be vandalism or antisocial behaviour does get reported!

We have begun the actions involved to have cameras installed, however there have not been enough incidents reported for any areas to qualify. This is why police reports are important. They might seem useless at the time, but they are vital for building a profile which can be acted upon in our attempt to get funding for the security cameras.

A local neighbourhood watch group could perhaps be an idea if community members are willing to set one up. There are resources for this and we can assist if there is interest and arrange for a local police sergeant to talk to the community about the issues we are having. We have a wonderful area, with beautiful spaces we all want to be able to use and enjoy, which is why it is important we come together as a community to try to help resolve local security issues. These links are worth familiarising yourself with

https://nsw.crimestoppers.com.au

https://www.police.nsw.gov.au/safety\_and\_prevention/policing\_in\_ the\_community/neighbourhood\_watch\_nsw

Brisbane Water Police Ph 4323 5599

https://www.3villages.com.au/contact- get in touch via our website if you are interested in establishing a neighbourhood watch and we can bring interested parties together.

#### THE BELLS AND WHISTLES

#### THE 3 VILLAGES NEWSLETTER **VOLUNTEERS**

Where does all the time go? Already, we are up to Issue 27 of this monthly newsletter which means somewhere around 81,000 newsletters have been distributed throughout the 3 Villages, so I would like to give a huge shout out to all the volunteers involved.

THANK YOU ALL, SO VERY MUCH.

We appreciate having roughly 30, amazing people plus some of their families all volunteering hours and hours to deliver, some go the extra mile and do two or three runs each month. But also, there are so many others behind the scenes doing all the other various jobs related to putting the whole thing together. Some jobs include planning, researching, photographing, writing news articles and stories. Other jobs necessary are the set out, design, printing, storing, sorting, stacking the newsletters for each volunteer and making sure each stack has been collected for distribution.

Gratefully, the newsletter is available to everyone free of charge, but this can





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only happen with many thanks to the businesses who pay to advertise within it. Many volunteer hours are taken up sorting out the advertising spaces each month and then there is the necessary, "not such fun job" of chasing up the accounts.

We get to hear the many stories about those letter boxes which can't be found, or tricky to get to or to open, and then the spiders and snails, lizards, lyre birds and dogs to deal with. Some letter boxes are up quite steep driveways and many of our walkers carefully traverse the very muddy ground and unavoidable puddles. Some letter boxes are open to the weather, and we always hope that the newsletters do not get ruined by the persistent onslaught of rain.

Funny enough, several of our volunteers throw a bit of competition into the mix and have races, seeking inside information as to when the newsletters will be ready just to get in early. To make us laugh, a couple went to extreme lengths in picking up their newsletters last month, so I'll finish here and share a couple of pics from Jenny and Greg to give you an idea.

PS: All editions of the newsletter can be found on the 3 Villages website. www.3villages.com.au Would you like to become a volunteer? Please get in touch through the above website.

Taia Sansom

# Saratoga for medical for medic

#### 9th June

Sydney Comedy Festival Gosford Showcase-Laycock Theatre

#### 10th June

Sydney Symphony Orchestra- The art house Wyong

#### 11th June

Glenworth Grazing Festival- Glenworth Valley

#### 11th June

Bouddi Music Festival- Wagstaffe Hall

#### 11th June

Central Coast Harvest Festival- various locations

#### 17th June

Gosford Central Coast Swap- Gosford showground

#### 18th June

Drag Queen Bingo- Davo RSL

#### 19th June

Bay to Bay running festival

#### 23rd June

Talking Weeds- Erina Library

#### 24th June

Roald Dahl and the Imagination Seekers- Laycock Theatre

#### 25th June

The 5 lands walk

#### 25th June

Thirsty Merc- The Sunken Monkey

#### 30th June

Amy Stark- the Art House Wyong

#### 22nd July

Magic Men- Davistown RSL

#### WHAT'S ON NEXT YEAR

In 1823 Govenor Thomas Brssbane commenced issuing grants of land on the northern side of the waters of the Lower Hawkesbury /Broken Bay area. The water ways of the noth reach of Broken Bay, known as the North East Arm was re-named Brisbane Water.

In that same year James Webb occupied his land grant at Blackwall, soon to be followed by Robert Henderson settling at Verteran Hall, Saratoga.

And so next year, 2023 will be the Bicentenary of European Settlement in the Brisbane Water District...but **What's On** to mark the event and also acknlowage the original inhabitants of the area?...watch this space.



#### **MEET THE LOCALS**

#### **WELCOME TO TIKKA TOURS - YOUR LOCAL INDIA AND SRI LANKA DESTINATION EXPERT!**

Since my first adventure to India 35 years ago, my mission has always been to make as many people fall in love with India as possible, just like I had done. Luckily, 8 years ago my dream became a reality when I started my own boutique agency TIKKA TOURS, located in Saratoga. Having already worked in the travel industry for 25 + years, I decided it was my time to create the kind of highly personalized, fully escorted luxury small group travel experiences that I

wanted people to enjoy in both India and Sri Lanka. Now 8 years on, I have developed a growing "TIKKA TRIBE" of clients. who have travelled with me multiple times, as I am happy to say they have all fallen in love with India! Now that we can travel again, I am delighted to launch my next round of India & Sri Lanka fully escorted small group journeys and tailor-made experiences, starting in September 2022. I return to India in April, to experience first-hand post covid travel, so I can return confident and ready to re-assure anyone that is planning on joining me on one of my next adventures. TIKKA TOURS offers a diverse range of experiences, from celebrating HOLI festival in the deserts of Rajasthan to the snow-capped mountains of the Himalayas, big cat safaris in Central India, and Kerala wellness tours including cruising the backwaters, all done in luxury and style. For more information visit my website www.tikkatours.com.au or email me claudia@ tikkatours.com.au

Namaste!





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## **Congratulations to the 2022 Terrigal Local Woman of the Year Nominees**

**Rachel Hilditch** Terrigal Woman of the Year 2022

Kristal Naividi Waverney Innes Dr Yantra de Vilder Kristin Downing Allison Sharkey-Smith Nada Potter Flle Neilson

Kelly Drover Nicole Verhoef Kim McLoughry Taia Sansom Marilyn Lovell Norma Boag Marie George



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



### LIVING LONGER LIVING STRONGER

MONDAY

10AM - 11 AM WEDNESDAY

FRIDAY

"Living Longer, Living Stronger" Program for the over 50's on the Central Coast.

Whether you are 50 or 90, tailored, progressive strength and balance training can help you live the lifestyle you choose. Classes here Monday, Wednesday & Friday mornings.

Call or text Katharina on 0410 534 620.



# DAVISTOWN RSL CLUB



Is this a position for you or someone you know? FUND RAISING TEAM LEADER

For ongoing events & competitions

Please contact the 3 Villages Community Group

#### SCHOOLS



## Brisbania Public School has a BIG HEART!

When Brisbania Public School was asked to support

another school during the dreadful floods this year they did not hesitate in saying YES. Wyrallah Public School became their sister school.

Set in the picturesque and historic village of Wyrallah, Wyrallah Public School is



a small rural school proudly overlooking the Wilson River on the far north coast of NSW. The grounds are shared with, and home to, several koalas. Established in 1867, Wyrallah is the oldest continually operating school in the Lismore network.

On the last day of Term One through a K-6 student disco and donations at the annual K-2 Easter Hat Parade over \$1000 was raised and then in Term Two another \$1167 was raised through donations at the Mother's Day breakfast.

A message from the Principal of Wyrallah Public School:

THANK YOU so very much for the active and wonderful support to assist our school community continue its journey to re-establishing stability and to enhance the sense - and the reality - of a safe, nurturing environment.

We still have families who have not been able to return to the homes, having not only lost all their material



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#### **SCHOOLS**



possessions, their homes were so damaged they are completely unliveable.

One of the many challenges in our area is that with such a massive number of houses and apartments devastated, it will take many long months to be able to access builders, plumbers and all the various tradespeople to help them - if they are able to source building materials; and if they are allowed to rebuild in the same location.

One family moved in with a grandfather who was so unwell, he recently passed away - very sad, and compounding their trauma (both children live with ASD).

Another family with 7 children - mum went into significant distress (undiagnosed preeclampsia) leading to early labour and an emergency Caesarean, two blood infusions for both mum and bub, followed by an ambulance dash to the Children's Hospital in Brisbane.

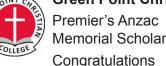
The good news element to the story is that, although the baby boy is still in hospital, he is stable and back in the local hospital. When he comes home from hospital, hopefully next week, he will be living with his family in two caravans.

The money will be put towards funding an ongoing Psychologist, to provide regular support to the students. Our school counsellor will not provide support to them on the basis that she does not 'do trauma support.' A current challenge is accessing a decent Psychologist (preferably) or Counsellor due to many organisations absorbing all available personnel on contracts to places like Services NSW.

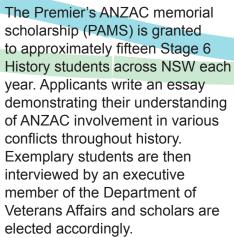
If you would like to make a donation, to support Wyrallah PS, please come into the Brisbania Public School office with cash or a cheque.

All donations will be sent to Wyrallah PS for their flood recovery.

#### **Green Point Christian College Student Achievements**



to Jamaya B (Year 12) who was presented with a Certificate of Commendation in recognition of her selection as a 2021 Premier's Anzac Memorial Scholar. This certificate recognised Jamaya's contribution to her school community, genuine interest in Australian History and her participation in the 2021 tour.



In December 2021, Jamaya embarked on a 12 day tour gaining 'behind the scenes' access to historical ANZAC and military sites across NSW. The scholars were accompanied by the Curator and Head Historian of Hyde Park ANZAC memorial and engaged with a veteran from the Kokoda Conflict and a Polish holocaust survivor.





Jamaya notes that participation in the tour intensified her appreciation of Australia's rich military history as well as deepened her understanding of the strength of the ANZAC spirit.

Photo Left to right: Principal Phillip Nash, Mr Michael Street (Director of Teacher Development and History teacher, Jamaya B (Year 12 student) and Mrs Fiona Fordyce (HSIE Coordinator) Equestrian Achievement

Congratulations to Ellyse B (Year 12) who placed as Reserve Champion in the youth category in her first NSW State Australian National Working Equitation Championships at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre. Ellyse represented Stroud Horse Riding Club in events covering dressage and manageability (obstacle course).