



PHOTO OF THE MONTH

Congratulations to this month's
WINNER!

Michael Hruby

With his fabulous photo of the
'Codock II' in Cockle Channel.

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QUOTES OF THE MONTH

"The smallest act of kindness is worth more
than the grandest intention."

— Oscar Wilde

"Community is much more than belonging
to something; it's about doing something
together that makes belonging matter."

— Brian Solis



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School Traffic Success

Davistown Road / Avoca Drive

After just one month, the new left-turn arrows on Davistown Road installed by Transport for NSW, are making a noticeable difference. Traffic is finally flowing more smoothly and efficiently during morning school traffic times.

First, a big thank you to Adam Crouch MP for following through on this major traffic issue, which I raised with him on behalf of our community earlier this year. After several media releases together and Adam's calls to TfNSW, he ultimately submitted a "Notice of Motion" in NSW Parliament back in March, which did get their attention.

Within a few months, and after a traffic review, TfNSW implemented a practical short term solution involving lane marking changes into Avoca Drive, at the end of August.

The 3 Villages Community Group addressed a major local issue and, working with local government, achieved another positive outcome.

3 VCG Treasurer – Wanted

We need a new Treasurer to join the 3 Villages Committee from December.

Maybe you are familiar with Xero, or would like to learn. You definitely don't need to be an accountant – just have a bit of time each week working from home. Xero makes things simpler, doing all the adding and reconciling and if you'd like to give it a go, we can help.

Please get in touch if you'd like to join our friendly team!

Taia Sansom,
President, 3 VCG
Ph 0414 425301

David Golding

David and Janie Golding love living in Saratoga and it just keeps getting better. When Dave retired, they wanted to leave the increasing congestion of Carlingford, but avoid the summer crowds of Nelson Bay, where they had holidayed for years. Friends at Green Point suggested the Central Coast and Saratoga offered the right balance, close to the water and Sydney, with the village feel they wanted. Over time, it's the whole package that has made the 3 Villages home, great neighbours, a strong sense of community and coffee at the Village Café most mornings.

Retirement certainly hasn't slowed Dave down. He volunteers around 25 hours a month with Marine Rescue, on the radio and as crew. You may also hear "Radio Dave" on Coast FM 963 on Saturday mornings with weather, boating safety and marine updates.

Dave is a prostate cancer survivor and now speaks for the Prostate Cancer Foundation of Australia. Having benefited from early detection, his message to other men is simple: "Get checked." It's a message Dave lives by. Another check led to a heart stent despite few warning signs, and he has recently overcome throat cancer.

Now in remission, Dave considers himself one of the lucky ones. Music, guitar and piano have helped along the way, but his outlook is simple: enjoy life and the people around you. *See Picture P3*

Story by Sue Garling

DAVO' RSL AMATEUR FISHING CLUB

Spring has finally sprung, and September delivered an extra special weigh-in for the Davistown RSL Fishing Club, with the competition falling on Father's Day weekend. To make the day even better, club legend Laurie Setttee made a much loved return to the club. It was great to see Laurie back amongst the crew!

Over in the Rock and Beach competition, Jason Splatt took the honours for the day, getting the better of Jae Woodley, who has his eyes firmly fixed on this year's title. The pressure is on, Jae!

The Deep Sea category once again went to the always reliable Adam Overton, who continues to prove that when it comes to putting fish on the scales, you can pretty much count on Adam to deliver.

Things were a little quieter on the estuary side, but there were still some great results. Brian Harris took out the Sub-Juniors, Cont. P3



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DAVO' RSL AMATEUR FISHING CLUB

Jimmy Kalimeris claimed Men's Veterans, and Karen Atchison won Ladies Veterans. Bobbie Jean Cole took out the Ladies, while Ian Henderson was top rod, finishing ahead of the ever-improving Jeff Carey.

Another fantastic day for the Davo crew, good fishing, plenty of laughs and a special Father's Day surprise. You can't ask for much more than that!

*Story and Photo:
Simon Cole, Club President*



SCHOOLS



Writing A Book In Day For Kid's Cancer Research

Recently, a group of students in Years 7 and 8 at Green Point Christian College took part in 'Write a Book in a Day', raising funds for children's cancer research.

Every book submitted will be made available free of charge to children in hospitals across Australia, helping to brighten their day during a challenging time. At the same time, funds raised will support vital research aimed at getting children out of hospital and back into the classroom sooner.

The finished books are a wonderful reflection of their imagination, dedication, and teamwork. You can read the books and see more photos on the Green Point Christian College website gpcc.nsw.edu.au

Story: Christina Hutchinson, GPCC




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SCHOOLS



An incredible two performances!

Our 2026 school musical, 'When

the Music Was Silenced', was a wonderful celebration of the talent, energy and enthusiasm of our Brisbainia students.

From our youngest performers to our Year 6 students, every child should be incredibly proud of the part they played in bringing our story to life.

A huge thank you to our staff, families and school community for all of the support that made this special event possible.

What a night to remember!

Brisbainia Public School Facebook

ENVIRONMENT

Davistown Wetlands Restoration Work Underway

More than 10 years of research, petitions and advocacy by members of the DPA Wetlands Committee, led by Convenor Jenny McCulla, paid off last

November, when Council voted unanimously to develop and fund a 10 year plan to maintain, protect and repair the Council owned, Davistown Wetlands.

The first area to receive attention was the wetlands at the end of Romford Cl, where a specialist team spent more than 150 hours removing invasive weeds, including asparagus fern, morning glory, madeira vine and buffalo grass.

This work was an important step forward in restoring the natural habitat of the wetlands, and helps native plants and animals return and thrive, as it brings back the natural food, shelter and breeding habitat the local wildlife depends on.

The current restoration project is the foreshore end of Magnolia Ave and three wetland parcels along Kincumber Cres.

*Jenny McCulla,
Convenor of DPA Wetlands Committee*



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We all love the waterways that surround the 3 Villages, however, many are unaware of a group called **Clean4shore** who are helping to look after these areas.

For 16 years **Clean4shore** has been engaging with schools, youth and community groups to remove litter and rubbish generated by floods, illegal dumping, storm water and general littering, conducting 100 field trips annually.

Clean4shore is a member of Landcare NSW with compliance and approvals from National Parks, Councils, Maritime and the Department of Education.

Landcare NSW recognises **Clean4shore's** achievement and awarding the group:

- National Landcare Award 2018
- State Landcare Award 2016 & runner up in 2012, 2018, 2020
- NSW Coast Care Award 2020 & 2024
- Regional Landcare Awards 2012, 2014, 2018, 2020, 2022
- Central Coast Council community Award 2026
- OAM to the coordinator Graham Johnston 2026



Commencing in 2010 on Hawkesbury River, work soon began in Brisbane Water and from there to Tuggerah Lakes, Lower Lake Macquarie, Port Stephens, the Hunter and Karuah Rivers.

Clean4shore currently has 42 school and community groups involved, gaining valuable education through hands-on active participation. Student groups ranging from "support", marine science, disengaged, indigenous and year twelve 'Earth & Environment Science. Community groups also include indigenous welfare community integration programs and volunteer members of the community.

Collected data from 2014 to June 2026 indicates an outstanding contribution to the community and the environment, e.g.:

- About 1,200 Field Trips Completed
- Almost 700 Tonne of litter and rubbish delivered to Council Landfill
- Over 8,000 volunteers involved in the program
- Over 30,000 hours of voluntary community service completed.

Rotary Kincumber is the driver of a number of Central Coast Rotary Clubs who have formed a partnership with **Clean4Shore**. Rotary provides a tax deductible facility through an established Environmental Trust for businesses and private individuals to sponsor a school group.

Peter Rea

Kincumber Rotary's operational area takes in the eastern side of Brisbane Water plus down the coast south of Avoca to Broken Bay.

Meetings most Monday nights at The Davo'

Website: rotarykincumber.org.au



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Every Sun	Central Coast Farmers Market – Gosford Showground 7am–12pm – Fresh local produce, gourmet foods, and artisan products.
Every Wed	Crescendo – Live Music by the Sea 10:30am – 12:30pm – Killcare Surf Club
Sat 3rd	Terrigal Beachside Markets - Artists, Food Stalls and Handmade Products 9am–3pm – Local makers, artists, gourmet food
Sat 3rd	Social Dance Featuring RareTreats 6.30pm – Saratoga Community Hall – Kyeema Ave
Sun 4th	Australian Music Legend Ross Wilson & The Peaceniks 1:30pm – Celebrating 50 yrs of hits – Avoca Beach Theatre
Wed 7th	Golden Boots & Old Roots Country music with Shane Edwards 11am–1pm – Davistown RSL
Fri 9th & Thurs 15th	Rick Price - Australian Music Favourite 8pm – Call on Me Tour – Avoca Beach Theatre
Fri 9th - Sun 11th	Blues by the Beach – Annual Festival Live Music & Entertainment Ettalong Beach
Sun 11th	Woytopia Family Friendly Sustainable Living Festival 9am–4pm – Woy Woy South Public School
Sat 17th	Norah Head Ocean View Seaside Markets - Mazlin Reserve 9am–2pm – Featuring local makers, food, live music and workshops
Sun 18th	Clothes Swap – Davistown Progress Hall 1-3pm – Run by Davistown Progress Association
Sun 18th	Entertainment Royalty – Lucky Starr & Little Pattie 2pm – An afternoon of nostalgic music – Davistown RSL
Fri 23rd - Sun 25th	ChromeFest – Classic Cars, Retro Markets, Entertainment & Dancing 11am–4pm – Family day out with vintage glamour The Entrance
Sat 24th	The Vallies – Tribute to Frankie Valli Motown & Rock 'n' Roll 8pm - Classic Hits – Avoca Beach Theatre
Sun 25th	Avoca Beach & Long Jetty Markets 9am–2pm – Stalls with local produce, art, handmade goods, live music

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