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Saturday 12 August 1230-1400
- located at the **END OF TURNER ROAD**

Sunday 20 August 1230-1400
- located at the **END OF THE GULLY ROAD**

Saturday 26 August 1230-1400
- located at **CUMBORA CIRCUIT - NEAR THE FIRE TRAIL GATE.**

Saturday 9 September 1230 - 1400 - located at the **END OF BAMBIL ROAD**

Saturday 16 September 1000 -1400 **GET READY WEEKEND, BEROWRA RFS STATION**

Please keep an eye on our Facebook page for changes and updates.

STREET MEETINGS

Berowra and adjacent suburbs have been fortunate to avoid significant bushfires for over two decades.

HOWEVER, the recent influx of new families and residents, coupled with a series of wet summers, may have **inadvertently fostered a sense of complacency** when it comes to bushfire preparedness.

In light of this, the **Berowra Rural Fire Brigade**, with support from **Muogamarra Rural Fire Brigade** and neighbouring brigades, will run a series of **STREET MEETINGS** throughout August to engage the community in preparing themselves and their properties for the upcoming bushfire season. These meetings present an excellent opportunity for residents, both long-standing and newly arrived, to meet and interact with each other and firefighters to discuss the risks and impacts of bushfires on our community.

By taking action now, we can ensure that Berowra is ready for the inevitable. FOR MORE INFORMATION: <https://www.facebook.com/berowrarfb>

BROOKLYN RFB

Celebrating 80 years of dedicated service!

"One Monday 29th June, 1943 Councillor C. H. Somerville, Liaison Officer between the newly formed Brooklyn Fire Brigade and Hornsby Shire Council, attended together with four Officers from the Fire Board, for a meeting held at the Brooklyn School for the purpose of electing Office-bearers for the Brigade."

"It was resolved on the motion of Mr Robinson, seconded by Mr Bennington, that 'the Brigade, to function under the terms of the Local Government Act, be known as the Brooklyn District Bush Fire Brigade'. This was carried unanimously."

"Mr George Hewitt was elected Captain, Mr A. E. Bennington Secretary, Mr Childs Treasurer and a committee of Mr A.M Ritchie, Mr S.J. Creed, Mr N. Childs, Mr J. E. Smith, and Captain G. Hewitt to be a member ex-officio."

The Brooklyn Rural Fire Brigade is excited to celebrate its 80TH BIRTHDAY with dedicated, passionate volunteers giving their free time to serve the local & surrounding communities.

The first members formed the Brooklyn RFS on 29th June with the first meeting taking place Tuesday 29th. Since then members have met every Tuesday night, even displaying those very first Minutes of that meeting in the station!

Led by Captain **Tim O'Mahony** and Senior Deputy **Brad Townsend**, the 30-plus volunteers of Brigade are kept busy with anywhere between 140-160 call outs every year protecting the local and river communities from not only bush fires, but also responding to car, truck and boat fires, motor vehicle accidents, storm damage, and even been known to save the odd kitten stuck up a tree!



Early Brooklyn Fire station

In March 2022 The Brooklyn Brigade received a brand new fire truck, a CATEGORY 1 TANKER and together with the trusty 'Pumper' and **Fire Boat**, the crew is always ready to **respond 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, all year round.**

BROOKLYN RFB IS ALWAYS WELCOMING NEW VOLUNTEERS, so if you're up for a challenge we'd love to invite you to join us!

For more information on becoming a volunteer and joining your local brigade see <https://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au/volunteer>



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2077 AFTER DARK



Something BIG is coming to Hornsby Town Centre

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A Nightlife revolution uniting community, businesses, and entertainment

This ambitious initiative aims to transform the nocturnal landscape by showcasing our town's diverse array of food, beverage, entertainment, and night-time activities. Through collaboration and community spirit, **2077 AFTER DARK** is set to redefine our town's nightlife experience.

2077 AFTER DARK is poised to breathe new life into our town's nightlife economy, creating a vibrant and thrilling destination for our community.

LOCAL BUSINESS ENGAGEMENT

With a vision to revitalise the night scene, the **2077AD District Team** is actively engaging with local businesses and key stakeholders to finalise the campaign for its highly anticipated launch in September 2023.

John Warren, President of the **Hornsby Chamber of**

Commerce said, "We are thrilled by the overwhelming support and enthusiasm we have received from local businesses and stakeholders." "Their contributions are instrumental in shaping the diverse tapestry of experiences that 2077 After Dark aims to deliver," he added.

COUNCILLORS NOMINATED TO THE TEAM

"We are also very excited and pleased to announce that **Cllr Sallianne McClelland** and **Cllr Janelle McIntosh** have agreed to represent Hornsby Council on the **2077AD District Team**," said Mr Warren.

"We are very excited to welcome their passion and knowledge of our local community as a wonderful addition to the strength of the **2077AD District Team**."

CURIOUS? WANT TO KNOW MORE? HAVE SOME IDEAS TO ADD? We want to hear from you! Please go to **2077AD.com.au**



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BEAUTIFULLY HAND-CRAFTED GIFTS GALORE ON SALE AT HORNSBY HOSPITAL!

Those wonderful volunteers, **THE PINK LADIES** of Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Hospital, are inviting visitors to drop in to their Gift Shop where they will find a colourful variety of hand-crafted gifts made by some very talented locals. Thank you to local resident, Eva of Berowra, who brought this information to the notice of *The Bush Tele*; so we can 'spread the good news'!

EVA, A LOCAL RESIDENT, WRITES:

"I recently visited the Hornsby Hospital Gift Shop when I took my husband to the Dental Clinic. I know the shop raises funds for the hospital and is run by volunteers.

"The Gift Shop had magnificent hand crocheted and knitted blankets, tea cosies, knitted bed socks & toys and an ABUNDANCE OF BEANIE HATS - all at great prices! Also beautiful gifts like soaps etc and much more. Secondhand books were selling for \$4.

"There is a display of numerous colourful beanies out the front of the Shop but with winter almost over it would be great to see them sell out and raise some funds.

"These beautiful items are on sale to the public, not just visitors to the hospital, so why not take a trip up there and see for yourself!

The volunteers do a wonderful job and it would be wonderful if the community can support the Gift Shop.

BACKGROUND: Eva said, "I used to work for a specialist at 51 Palmerston Road. I was told that it was the site of the house where the Matron of Hornsby Hospital lived, back in the day.



"In those days Matron had to live close to the Hospital and not be married! The gentleman who told me was elderly and had grown up in Palmerston Road. At the time that he told me this story he was still living nearby in his parents' house.

"I have lived in Berowra since 1988 and still love it!

"I appreciate the availability of services at Hornsby Hospital and anything that can help buy equipment and other essentials from money raised by the Gift Shop is worthwhile."

The Hornsby Hospital Gift Shop is located at the main entrance to Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Hospital.

Photo Front Cover and above: The wonderful Pink Ladies of Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Hospital with some of the hand-crafted goodies on sale at the Gift Shop.

HORNSBY GANG SHOW MARKS ITS HISTORY WITH BOOK RELEASE

Member for Hornsby **Matt Kean** attended the opening night of the very popular **Hornsby Gang Show** which has seen Scout and Guides producing and performing their impressive performances for 50 years.

"It was an honour to attend the opening night of the 50th annual Hornsby Gang Show," said Mr Kean. "Hornsby Gang Show is a collaborative effort between Scouts and Girl Guides to showcase the many talents of our local kids and young adults."

Local resident and **NSW Scouts State Commissioner, Penny Becchio** has dedicated limitless time and hard work together with the dedication of many local volunteers to help put the Gang Show on the road every year.

To mark the 50th Anniversary of the Hornsby Gang Show, Penny has released a book which documents stories and history from the last 50 years of Hornsby Gang Show along with 500 photographs of performers and events over the years.

"Penny is an amazing author and has had an immeasurable positive impact on our community for many years," said Mr Kean.

"I encourage everybody to get a copy of **'WE'VE BEEN MAKING MEMORIES'**," said Mr Kean. Penny Becchio commented, "This book is the perfect Father's Day gift for the person who has everything. He won't have one of these and he will love it!"

'We've Been Making Memories' is available from the Hornsby Gang Show's website <https://www.gangshow.com/store>. You can choose to have it posted or arrange a local pick-up.



Photo above: Matt Kean MP & Penny Becchio with The Gang Show 50th Anniversary book.

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2023 HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI LOCAL BUSINESS AWARDS



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We may not know their names, but the people behind the counter or desk, who make our coffee, fill our prescription or sell us our lotto ticket often play an important part in our everyday lives.

That's because they're often the ones who listen sympathetically if we're having a bad day, share our excitement when we have good news or just get our morning off to a good day with a smile and a coffee made just the way we like it.

Now is the chance for the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai community to recognise the baristas, pharmacists, newsagents and countless others whose outstanding service makes a difference to our daily lives.

NOMINATIONS for the **2023 HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI LOCAL BUSINESS AWARDS** opened on Monday 10th July, and the hundreds of online nominations already received show that businesses in the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai area have many loyal and happy customers who appreciate their efforts.

Awards founder and **Precedent Productions** Managing Director **Steve Loe** said, "It comes as no surprise that this year's Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Business Awards are off to a strong start."

"The Hornsby-Ku-ring-gai community is always an enthusiastic supporter of the awards, which shows not only the high calibre of the businesses in this area, but the wonderful community spirit of those who live and work in the local area."

"I encourage anyone who hasn't already nominated a business that they feel is deserving of recognition, to fill in an entry form today," said Mr Loe.

Mr Loe said businesses could also **self-nominate** to show staff how much their efforts were valued.

NOMINATING is as simple as visiting the Awards' website www.thebusinessawards.com or voting instore with a dedicated **QR Code poster**.

Mr Loe said the Awards partners wanted to support the efforts of Hornsby Ku-ring-gai businesses and acknowledge their important role in the community. The Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Business Awards are made possible by the ongoing support of Major partners, **NOVA Employment and Support partners**, Hornsby Shire Council, Ku-ring-gai Council, Hornsby RSL Club, Pennant Hills Marketplace, BxNetworking, Hornsby Chamber of Commerce and Cornerstone Community.

NOMINATIONS CLOSE ON TUESDAY 8TH AUGUST.
MEDIA PARTNER The Bush Tele will provide updates on the progress of the Awards program and will also run a special **Finalists' Feature and Winners' Feature**.

For further information: www.thebusinessawards.com.au



**GO AHEAD ...
MAKE YOUR
BARISTA'S
DAY!**

The Bush Tele is the proud Media Partner of the 2023 Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Local Business Awards



Berowra RSL Sub Branch

will conduct a
Commemoration Service

VICTORY IN THE PACIFIC and VIETNAM VETERANS DAYS

Sunday 20 August 2023 - Service to commence at 11.00am

The Berowra RSL Members wish to inform the community of **Berowra, Cowan and Mt Kuring-gai** that the **Victory in the Pacific** and **Vietnam Veterans Day** ceremonies will be held on **Sunday 20th August** at **Memorial Gardens, Berowra Waters Rd and Turner Rd**, starting at **11am**. All members of the community are welcome to attend.

Light snacks and refreshments will be available after the ceremony for the Berowra RSL Sub-Branch members and their guests.

The Members of Berowra RSL wish to express their appreciation to the community for their continued support.





BEROWRA WOODCHOP

WARRINA STREET OVAL, BEROWRA

A major event on the **NSW Axemen Association's** calendar, the **BEROWRA WOODCHOP** organised by **Berowra Apex Club** is set to impress again on **SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST, 10AM TO 4PM.**

This event, which began in 1994 has grown year on year. In 2022 the event was moved to a large location – Warrina Street Oval, Berowra.

THIS EVENT IS A FAMILY FRIENDLY EXTRAVAGANZA INCLUDING

- fairground rides,
- petting zoo,
- diverse array of market stalls with something for everybody,
- hot and cold food to cater to all tastes and budgets,
- live music,
- licensed bar
- entertainment throughout the day
- as well as the main event, the Woodchop. Experienced NSW axemen complete against each other in numerous categories to see who comes out top. (see advert page 9)

This is a **FREE COMMUNITY EVENT** made possible by support from Hornsby Shire Council as well as local businesses McGrath Real Estate, the Berowra Village Tavern, Elegant Pools and Nobby Kitchens.



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Junior Club Cricket

Saturday morning competition - Age 8-17 (Mixed)

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AFFAIRS OF INTEREST IN THE CURRENT WORLD meets Berowra: Community Centre, The Gully Rd, 2nd & 4th Mondays (not pub hol) 10am–12pm. 14 August Southern Auroras & Northern Lights - Causes of auroras, locations and times seen. Myths down through the ages. Presenter: Vicki Moss. 28 August Japan The Island Country - demographics, language, religions, constitution and the Imperial Family. Presenter: Ian Thompson. Book: Joan Scott, email: djscott@tpg.com.au Ph: 0405 453 396.

ASQUITH COMMUNITY MARKET Cnr Baldwin Ave & Royston Pde every 4th Sat, Feb-Nov 9am to 2pm. Stall bookings: Barbara, 0468 390 292.

ASQUITH MIXED PROBUS CLUB meets 1st Thurs monthly at Magpies, Waitara – 10am. New members welcome. Enq: Barry: 0419 985 458.

ASQUITH VIEW CLUB luncheon meeting Wed 16th August 2023 at Magpies Waitara 11AM for 11-30 Bookings essential. Enq: Kerry 9476 5910.

ASQUITH SENIOR CITIZENS meet Mt Colah Community Centre, Tuesdays 9.15am-12.15pm morning tea, carpet bowls & outings. Enq: Yvonne on 0438 195 377 or Jennie on 9477 1855 or 0422 474 669.

BEROWRA COMMUNITY MARKETS first Saturday monthly, excl Jan, 9am-2pm. Berowra Uniting Church 4-6 Alan Rd, Berowra Hts www.berowraunitingchurch.org.au/markets and https://www.facebook.com/BerowraCommunityMarkets

BEROWRA DISTRICT MIXED PROBUS CLUB meets 10 a.m. first Tuesday each month at Berowra RSL Club. Enq. Keith Carson 9456 2948.

BEROWRA GARDEN CLUB meets 2nd Thursday monthly Warrina Street Oval Clubhouse at 7.30pm. Enq: President Paul White 0426 109 149.

BEROWRA LIONS CLUB meets 7pm on 3rd Wednesday monthly at Club Berowra. Book: 0414 553 240. More info at www.berowralions.org.au

BEROWRA PROBUS CLUB INC. meets 1st Friday monthly at St Mark's Church hall, Berowra Waters Rd, 10am. Enq: Phillip Boyle 9456 2280.

BEROWRA ROTARY meets 2nd & 4th Wed, 6.30 for 7.00pm, Berowra RSL Club - order meal from Bistro. Visitors welcome. Ph: Peggy 0413 481 854 to book, info & details on guest speaker www.berowra.net/rotary

BEROWRA RSL SOCIAL GOLF CLUB Sunday mornings monthly. New members welcome. Enq: berowrarslsgolf@gmail.com Geoff 0412 597 707.

BEROWRA SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB meets every Wed, 9am, Berowra Community Centre. Enq Cheryl 9456 2139 Tom 9456 0407.

BEROWRA TOASTMASTERS meet 2nd & 4th Thurs 7.15pm for 7.30pm Berowra Community Centre. Enq: Anne 0491 138 832.

BEROWRA WATERS VIEW CLUB meets Club Berowra at 11am 4th Wed monthly. Next meeting Wed 23rd Aug. Enq: Geraldine 9456 2680.

BUSH DANCE WORKSHOPS at Pennant Hills Community Centre below Library Mondays. Beecroft Bush Dances/live band. Ph: 0413 673 339.

CWA GALSTON meets 2nd Wed, 10am. Cnr The Glade & 17 Arcadia Rd, Galston. Enq: 9485 7599 galston.cwa@gmail.com

CWA HORNSBY & DISTRICT BRANCH meets 10am 2nd Fri 10am 4th Friday, St Peters Church Hall Hornsby. Enq: Lyn 0422 580 922.

DURAL & DIST PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT GROUP Blue Gum Centre, ARV, 599-607 Old Northern Rd Glenhaven, 7pm Macular Disease Foundation. Enq: Denis 9629 2645 or Graham 8677 7896.

GALSTON VIEW CLUB monthly lunch meeting 4th Wed 11am at The Galston Club 21-25 Arcadia Rd. Bookings: President Lesley 0413 996 783.

HORNSBY & DISTRICTS AMATEUR RADIO CLUB meets Mt Colah Community Centre, Pierre Cl, 2nd Tues 8pm & 4th Tues 8pm Enq: info@hadarc.com.au Ph: Matthew Ayres (VK2BAI) 0401 992 430

HORNSBY ACHIEVERS Toastmasters Club meet 2nd & 4th Mondays at Hornsby RSL Club. Enq: dkstoastie@gmail.com Diane 0409 605 055.

HORNSBY ART SOCIETY one day workshop of landscapes in Acrylics by Bob Gurney. 10am to 4pm Sunday 27th August. Tea & coffee prov, but bring lunch. Beatrice Taylor Hall, 25 Edgeworth David Ave, Hornsby (adjacent to Willow Park). See HAS website for "sign-up" & details www.hornsbyartsociety.com.au

HORNSBY BEROWRA MEN'S SHED meets Weds & Thurs 8.30-12noon 836 Pacific Hwy Mount Kuring-gai. Enq: Ross 0493 376 984.

HORNSBY DISTRICT ULYSSES MOTOR BIKE CLUB meets first Wednesday monthly at Berowra RSL 6.30pm. Enq: Robert 0409 665 356.

HORNSBY HTS CAMERA CLUB meets 3rd & 5th Tuesday monthly Mt Colah Community Centre – 7.30pm. Enq: Bob 0448 257406.

HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI COMMUNITY COLLEGE Free Digital Mentoring for Seniors with one-on-one support, Tues during term, 10am-11.30am. Learners of all levels welcome. Bookings required: 9482 1189, enquiries@hkcc.nsw.edu.au

HORNSBY KU-RING-GAI PARKINSON'S ASSOCIATION inc. Choir at Snr. Citz's Centre, Turramurra Thurs 10-11.30am; Exercise Mt Colah Community Centre Fri 11.30-12.30pm., Meet: 1st Fri monthly 10am-12noon. Enq: Dick 0450 542 423 www.parkypeople.org

HORNSBY LADIES PROBUS CLUB meets first Tues morning monthly at Magpies Club. Enq: Helen 0417 687 765.

HORNSBY MIXED PROBUS has closed.

HORNSBY NATIONAL SENIORS meet 1st Wed monthly at Asquith Bowling Club. Newly retired, companionship, all welcome. Enq: Kaylene on 0413 297 681.

HORNSBY OLDER MEN'S NETWORK INCORPORATED Retired men meet The Brickpit Golf Range meeting room, 1st & 3rd Wed monthly, 10-12.30pm followed by lunch. Enq: Jock 9484 7041.

HORNSBY RSL COMPUTER CLUB meets 2nd Sunday monthly 3pm. Hornsby RSL Club. Contact Mark 9482 4294.

HORNSBY RSL SUB-BRANCH meets monthly. All local veterans welcome. Enq: hornsbyrslsb@gmail.com

HORNSBY SHIRE FAMILY HISTORY GROUP celebrates Family History Month with a Geneagala Day Sat 26 August 10am-3pm at Hornsby Library. Enq. Coral cshand21@gmail.com

KU-RING-GAI HISTORICAL SOCIETY general meeting 3rd Sat, 2-4pm, Meeting Room 1 & family history 2nd Sat, 10-12m/d Research Room, Old Gordon PS, Pac Hwy. All welcome, www.khs.org.au/events

LET'S CHAT IN ENGLISH Fridays (school term) 10am-12am Mt Colah Uniting Church. Morning tea gold coin donation. Enq: Diana 0427 405 416.

LIONS CLUB OF HORNSBY meets Magpies Club Waitara 2nd Tues monthly except Dec & Jan. 6.30 for 7.30. Enq: Ted 0414 806 840.

MEDITATION ON TUESDAYS Free, non-religious. 7.30 – 8.30pm Sundays, 79 Edgeworth David Ave, Enq: Jane Crancher 0404 445 490.

MOONEY WOMEN'S BOWLS Social bowls every Wed @ 4pm, Competition 2nd Sun @ 9.30am. Mooney Club, Enq: Liz 0414 733 714..

MOUNT COLAH MEN'S PROBUS CLUB meets Asquith Golf Club 10am third Friday monthly. Enq: Geoff 0411 020 050.

MOUNT COLAH MIXED PROBUS CLUB meets last Mon monthly 10am "Magpies", Waitara. web: mountcolahmixedprobusclub.org.au

MOUNT KURING-GAI & DISTRICT PROBUS meets Tues 8th August, 2023 at Uniting Church Mount Colah. Meetings are held 2nd Tuesday monthly, 9.45 for 10am start. Guest Speaker: Jan-Maree Ball 'Aussie Hero Quilts'. Enq: Barry Mews 0414 887 888 or mkgdprobus.org.au

NSW JUSTICES ASSOCIATION HORNSBY BRANCH meets 2nd Monday monthly, 7pm. Magpies Waitara. Enq: Jane 0427 998 004.

PENNANT HILLS VIEW CLUB meets for lunch 2nd Tuesday monthly at Oatlands Golf Club at 11am. Bookings: Margaret - 9873 2402.

PRIME TIME FOR OVER 55s & friends meets 3rd Wednesday monthly at St Luke's Hornsby Hts 155 Galston Rd, 12noon to 2 pm. Mini Church Service, Lunch & Guest Speaker. RSVP primetime@stlukeschurch.com.au or phone Merle 0438 773675. All welcome.

SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF HORNSBY meets Pennant Hills Bowling Club 1st Wed monthly. Enq: Pam: 0425 229 615.

SYDNEY HILLS DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT RETIREES meets at Beecroft Presbyterian Church Hall, Welham St., Beecroft 10.30 for 10.45am. Visitors Welcome. Enq: Mal Steel airsydneyhills@gmail.com

TURRAMURRA SPINNERS AND WEAVERS GROUP meet 10am -12noon Turramurra Seniors Centre, Tuesdays 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd & 29th August. Enq: leonie_peterson@hotmail.com

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ASQUITH SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

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Mayor **Jeff Pettett** and councillors for each Ku-ring-gai ward will be out and about talking to residents every month till the end of this year.

MEET YOUR MAYOR & COUNCILLOR SESSIONS

- **FRIDAY 4 AUGUST** Phillip Mall West Pymble 10am to 12 noon with the Mayor and Cllr **Greg Taylor** representing the Comenarra ward

- **SATURDAY 30 SEPTEMBER** 10am to 12 noon – St Ives Community Centre with Cllrs **Martin Smith** and **Christine Kay** representing St Ives ward

- **SATURDAY 29 OCTOBER** 10am to 12 noon - at Wahroonga Park with Cllrs **Cedric Spencer** and **Kim Wheatley**

- **SUNDAY 19 NOVEMBER** 9am to 11am – East Lindfield shopping centre with Cllrs **Sam Ngai** and **Alec Taylor**

Mayor Jeff Pettett said the Meet the Mayor & Councillor sessions were aimed at residents who would like to meet their elected representatives in an informal setting.

For more information visit krg.nsw.gov.au/meetcouncillors

Photo above: L-R Cllr Sam Ngai, Cllr Simon Lennon, Cllr Kim Wheatley, Cllr Alec Taylor, Cllr Greg Taylor, Cllr Martin Smith, Cllr Christine Kay, Cllr Cedric Spencer. Seated: Deputy Mayor Barbara Ward & Mayor Jeff Pettett.

HORNSBY COUNCIL ADOPTS 2023-2026 DELIVERY PROGRAM

Hornsby Shire Council has adopted its 2023-2026 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan (DPOP) incorporating the Budget, Rating Structure and Fees and Charges for 2023/24. Hornsby Shire Mayor, **Philip Ruddock** AO said, "For 2023/24, we look forward to delivering tangible results for the community, committing over \$93 million in capital projects, largely funded by external grants and development contributions. As well as progressing our major projects at HORNSBY PARK, WESTLEIGH PARK, AND THE ASQUITH TO MOUNT COLAH PUBLIC DOMAIN IMPROVEMENTS, we'll make improvements to local roads, footpaths, drainage, parks, sporting facilities, bushland and waterways for the benefit of all residents."

By adopting the Rating Structure, Council also determined to apply the first year of the four-year Special Rate Variation approved by IPART.

For more than 10 years, Council has avoided a rate increase for its residents. However, to ensure that Council can continue to support and provide the community with the levels of service it has come to expect through maintaining financial sustainability, it had little option but to apply the SRV at this time.

"We reluctantly put forward the application to IPART to have the rate increase approved, and an independent objective evaluation substantiated what we are seeking to do. We don't do it with any alacrity, we are very reluctant," Mayor Ruddock continued.

To address concerns in the community around financial hardship, Council adopted a revised **Hardship Policy**. Following a review, the Special Circumstances section of the Policy has been broadened and includes all relief that is legally permissible according to the Local Government Act. Further, the pensioner rate concession will increase by \$50, to **\$300 per annum, commencing from the 2023/24 financial year.** The 2023-2026 Delivery Program and 2023/24 Operational Plan was on public exhibition from 13 April to 15 May 2023. 67 submissions were received from the community.

READ the full agenda of the meeting, hornsby.nsw.gov.au

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"These improvements will provide better access for the many community members who use the western side of Waitara Train Station, particularly to access local schools and retirement facilities," said a Transport for NSW spokesperson.

"The new lifts being installed in the initial upgrade will be more accessible, and we have taken that feedback on board," said the spokesperson. "New works will include better pedestrian access on the Pacific Highway side of the station from the street to the new lift entry in the commuter car park and upgrading the commuter car park to provide approximately 16 extra parking spaces with improved lighting and security."

"We're also extending the platform canopy to offer better weather protection between the new lift and the existing station building."

The initial station upgrade, which received approval last year, includes two new station entrances, a new underpass and two new lifts at the northern end of the station.

For more information about the upgrade visit

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Sam's Grandfather Ray was a proud member of the **Lions Club** for over 20 years. It was no surprise that Sam's family turned to the **Lions Club of Hornsby**, seeking help with sponsorship or a donation.

The Lions Club of Hornsby thought it was a wonderful opportunity for Sam, so decided to donate the profits from the **Bunnings BBQ in Chatswood** to help him compete in these tournaments.

Sam, his mother **Renee** and younger brother **Felix** turned up on the day to help. It was a very successful day and all profits were donated to help enable Sam to compete in both tournaments.

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Photo above: Sam (front), with Lions Club of Hornsby members at the Bunnings BBQ.

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The 24/7 service is now open at Berowra Library. Hornsby Shire Mayor, **Philip Ruddock AO** said, "This state-of-the-art resource will provide the community with greater access to literature and other resources. We are proud to see this concept come to life in Berowra."

"At a time when living costs are continuing to rise, there has never been a better time to sign up as a library member and enjoy the wide range of resources on offer, 24 hours a day with this user-friendly, seamless experience."



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Library Members can simply reserve their books and items through the library catalogue, before selecting the Berowra book locker as the pick-up location. Residents will then receive a text message or email when the items are ready to be collected, with five days given to pick-up their items from the locker.

For more information about the BEROWRA BOOK LOCKER, visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

Photo top left: Mayor Philip Ruddock AO with the 24/7 Book Locker outside Berowra Library.

Photo left: Berowra Library is located at Berowra Community Centre, The Gully Road Berowra.



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OPENING OF MT WILGA PRIVATE HOSPITAL OUTDOOR MOBILITY GARDEN

Julian Leeser MP, Member for Berowra cut the ribbon to officially open the **Mt Wilga Private Hospital** new **Outdoor Mobility Garden** on 30 June 2023,

The garden has been designed as a rejuvenating, sense-inspiring space for patients as they rehabilitate. The garden is filled with flowers, raised garden beds containing herbs, wheel-chair accessible paths, and a solar water feature. The garden also has a range of practical features to help patients with their recovery.

Mr Leeser said, "The new Mt Wilga Outdoor Mobility Garden is a fantastic, innovative space that will make a real difference to patients at Mt Wilga. The garden reflects the care and dedication to their patients that is consistently demonstrated by the staff at Mt Wilga."

The project was led by **Jennifer King**, the Director of **Allied Health** at Mt Wilga.

Ms King said, "The positive influences for patients to access outdoor areas in a hospital environment cannot be understated. It is so fantastic to see patients and NDIS participants enjoying tailored therapy in the new Mt Wilga Mobility Garden, to achieve their personalised goals as well as watching visitors bringing their family member into the garden to discuss the plants that they see!"

The garden came to life through the hard work of Mt Wilga staff and landscaping businesses.

Planters Patch in Arcadia was particularly generous in supporting the project, donating a large number of plants and provide pro bono advice on the final planting design of the garden.

Photo above: Mt Wilga staff, patients, and doctors with Julian Leeser MP (centre).

Photo right: The new Outdoor Mobility Garden at Mt Wilga Private Hospital Hornsby.



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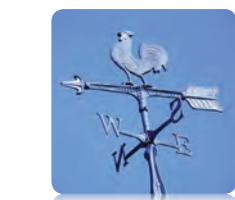
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MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE TO HELP MORTGAGE HOLDERS NAVIGATE RISING INTEREST RATES

Julian Leaser MP Member
for Hornsby

Owning your own home is a core part of the Australian dream.

We've long been told that if you work hard and play by the rules, you'll get ahead. Unfortunately, interest rates, inflation, and the rising cost of living are increasingly tightening the financial vice around so many Australian families.

I am deeply concerned about the impact of rising interest rates on hardworking Australians. Between 2011 and April 2022, interest rates did not rise once. In the last 15 months, Australians have faced 12 interest rate rises, with interest rates increasing from 0.1% to 4.1%. Those interest rate rises, as well as inflation and the rising cost of living generally, mean that a typical Australian family with a mortgage is now \$25,000 worse off than they were this time last year.

This is directly affecting the tens of thousands of people across the Berowra electorate who own their home with a mortgage.

At the last census in 2021, the median mortgage repayment in

Berowra was almost \$700 per month higher than the state-wide median. At the time, almost 20% of Berowra residents were paying more than 30% of their household income on mortgage repayments. That number is even larger today, as interest rates continue to rise and wages remain stagnant.

This doesn't just impact younger Australians attempting to break into the property market, or families who are struggling to meet their mortgage obligations at the same time as raising children. Increasingly I am hearing from parents and grandparents who are fortunate enough to own their home outright, but are deeply concerned about the financial vice that their children and grandchildren have been placed in. I will continue to advocate for the State and Federal Governments to do more to support our local community during this exceptionally difficult economic period.



THE DISH DAY OUT

On a brisk sunny morning in July, 30 friends of **The Dish of St John's** accompanied by six volunteers boarded a **Countrywide Coaches** for THE DISH DAY OUT!



Our destination was **Shepherd's Hill**, a rocky headland in **Newcastle** upon which still stands the remains of Australia's WWII coastal defence system. After some morning tea that had been prepared by Year 9 students from **Pacific Hills Christian School**, our friends set off on the **Anzac Memorial Walk**, a walk commemorating the contribution of the Anzacs in WWI that sweeps past the coastline towards **Bar Beach** where we were treated to a display of whales playing off-shore. We then enjoyed a BBQ lunch prepared for us at **King Edward Park**.

While the most obvious contribution of The Dish to the vulnerable community in Hornsby is the meals provided every **Tuesday and Friday from St Peter's Anglican Church**, this outing was geared to meet a more important basic human need – **community**.

Many thanks to The Dish co-ordinator **Leisa Liddelow**, for her enthusiasm and organisation, and to **Greg Sadler** from **Countrywide Coaches**, for facilitating this excursion without charge. The day was such a success that I think a couple of day trips each year will be in the planning.

Someone did say, "Can we do this every month?!"

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Story: Lucy Bergagnin

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So next time you find yourself in Brooklyn, be sure to pop into the Anglers.

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We have Card Facilities on Saturday.

The Berowra Community Markets on Saturday 2nd September will also be featuring the very popular LEGO EXHIBITION.



MARK HURNDELL

20/1/53 ~ 19/7/23

To all of Mark's people, his family and friends.

It is with great sadness that I have to announce that my beloved husband Mark has passed away. Mark was known for his gentleness, generosity, and great sense of humour; someone who was always there to lend a hand, or a listening ear.

We will miss him greatly.
Sue, Tim, John, Liam & Hunter and family.

DURAL COUNTRY LAWN BOWLS CLUB NEWS

Dural Lawn bowlers love a party so when member Margaret Holden said she was moving to Queensland a group of Tuesday bowlers decided to take her to lunch.

What a happy gathering it was! The weather was pleasant and the company excellent. Keen tennis followers may remember Margaret Gallahar from her days playing with the Aussie squad when Margaret Smith was queen of tennis and the bowlers were often entertained with stories from those days.

Margaret's ball sense and skill are still evident! The good wishes of the club go with her to Queensland. Her sense of fun will be missed.

Anyone interested in playing bowls or having a Barefoot Bowls Party please contact Robert on 0411 375 580.



PANTOMIME PLEASURE

By Lorraine Wilson



As part of their Christmas in July festivities, Berowra Mixed Probus Club members performed "Aladdin", a pantomime, produced by one of our own, Shirley Menary. Starring as "The Dame" was our President, Brian Engert OAM; with Aladdin played by vice-president, Nerida O'Neil.

The cast spent many hours rehearsing and producing a very funny version of the tale. An audience of over 80 Probus members were entertained at our July general meeting and voted this a success.

Probus promotes fun, friendship and fellowship between retirees and Berowra Mixed Probus is the embodiment of this ethos.

All are welcome to come and visit on the first Tuesday of each month at Berowra RSL Club, commencing at 10am.

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Dear Bush Tele,

I will be voting YES at the Australian referendum on "The Voice".

I congratulate Mr Julian Leaser, the federal member for Berowra, who has demonstrated his principle by resigning from the Liberal front bench based on his views about "The Voice".

Mr Leaser spoke on "The Voice" in Parliament and included these words from the Uluru Statement of 2017 in his speech: *"We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take a rightful place in our own country. When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish."*

They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country."

Mr Leaser commented:

"Empowerment, decision-making, responsibility, accountability, giving back - these are conservative ideals."

The speech has certainly influenced my views on "The Voice". It addresses many points on "The Voice" about which Mr Lesser has extensive knowledge from his research and experience.

Use the QR to hear Mr Leaser's speech.



Roger Murphy, Hornsby Heights.

Fun Loving Over 55's Looking for Fun Activities!

If you are free on Tuesday mornings and you're looking to do something different, come and join us for indoor carpet bowls ... and some interesting activities!

The location is ideal as it is easy to get to either by car or train because it is across the road from Mt Colah railway station. If you have a car, there is ample parking where we meet at **Mt Colah Community Centre, Pierre Close, Mt Colah.**

We recently went for a **RIVERBOAT POSTMAN** cruise on the *Hawkesbury River*. We stopped at several islands along the way and found out about the history of each place and enjoyed lunch too! We were lucky that the weather was perfect.

We're looking forward to another group outing later this month, *this time for lunch.*

As we're a non-profit organization, we're fortunate to have most of our activities subsidized by the club.

We have lots of fun on Tuesday mornings playing carpet bowls where everybody enjoys a good laugh at many funny moments during the bowling session. We also have a *friendly catch up* during morning tea, and sometimes a special lunch at the Community Centre too. We are mostly retired seniors and our oldest member is 98 years old (99 next month)! *Age is no barrier.* Please come and join us; we'd love to welcome new members.

Contact details: Yvonne 0438 195 377 or Gloria 0405 242 386.

SHIRE COMMUNITY CENTRES GO SOLAR

Hornsby Council has installed a total of 68.6kW of solar systems at **Arcadia Community Centre, Berowra District Hall, Cherrybrook Community and Cultural Centre, Mt Colah Community Centre and Thornleigh Community Centre** to save close to \$15,000 in electricity bills each year and generate 85MWh of energy.

This solar-power switch was funded through developer contributions. By integrating these new solar panels combined with Council's current solar systems, the Council's solar portfolio now reaches an impressive capacity exceeding 270kW.

Hornsby Shire Mayor, **Philip Ruddock** AO said, "Generating renewable energy is one way that we work to achieve our target of net zero emissions by 2050. We are also buying 100 per cent renewable electricity for Council buildings and street lighting."

Meanwhile, **HORNSBY AQUATIC AND LEISURE CENTRE** is also set to switch to solar, with solar panels set to be installed later this year. These solar initiatives are part of Council's Sustainable Hornsby 2040 Strategy. **For more information:** future.hornsby.nsw.gov.au/sustainable-hornsby-2040-strategy **Photo:** Mt Colah Community Centre's solar panels.





LOCAL SCHOOLS FEATURE



ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Asquith Boys High School is focused and committed to the education of boys through innovative and enriching learning opportunities which cater to their learning needs. This is largely due to the passionate educators who engage our boys in the learning environment and inspire them to achieve their personal best, partnered with our community recognised excellence in welfare programs and practices.

Asquith Boys High School prides itself on our tradition of academic, co-curricular and sporting opportunities and is regarded as a school where boys will thrive. Our strength is in our ability to establish an environment that empowers our students to learn through exemplary welfare, learning and support programs and structures. These are embedded in all areas of school life so 'every student in the school is known, valued and cared for' to enable them to grow into the best version of himself.

Our boys are also instilled with a sense of their membership in a larger community and they welcome opportunities to participate in local Anzac Day ceremonies, leadership forums, and fundraise for numerous charity organisations, highlighting our student's commitment to generously contributing back to society.

The school continues the proud tradition of serving and educating our community in the immediate and long-term future.

Bryce Grant, Principal, Asquith Boys High School

Exceptional Learning Opportunities for Boys



ASQUITH BOYS HIGH SCHOOL

Developing creative, adaptable and resourceful young men with a sense of purpose, who build upon the many opportunities offered through their learning to become happy, successful and contributing members of the community.



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For further information please explore the school website, contact the Principal, Mr Bryce Grant, attend Open Nights, Tours of the School or High School Experience Days to experience the school environment.

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EDUCATION WEEK

Alister Henskens MP

Education unlocks opportunities, fosters confidence, and allows our students to flourish.

We are fortunate to live in an area rich in quality educational opportunities for our children and for the important contribution schools make to our community.

The first school to open its doors in our area was **NORMANHURST PUBLIC SCHOOL** which has been operational since 1872. By the turn of the century there were more schools, including **Abbotsleigh, Barker College and Loreto Normanhurst**, with this expansion continuing especially with more public schools to provide us with all 31 schools we have in the area today.

This year marks 175 years of formal public education in NSW and will be celebrated during **Education Week (31 July – 4 August)**. It is always a pleasure to join school communities and students and to share their school and events with them.

Recently I had the honour of hosting Year 12 leaders from each of the eleven high schools in the Wahroonga Electorate for a dinner in Parliament House. Their eloquence, competence and awareness were evident and it is clear that these bright and talented young people will achieve great things. I wish them all the best as they finish their secondary education and begin the next chapter of their lives.

The **PENNO HIGH WINTER CARNIVAL** brought together 1000s of locals for an evening of fun entertainment and good company, while raising funds for the school's P&C. I enjoyed the performances, food, markets and meeting many residents. **Thank you to Michelle Scott and her amazing team and to all who contributed to make it a great event.**

At the end of last term, **Malcolm McDonald** finished up 19 years as the Principal at **Beaumont Road Public School**, and many more years of service to public education. The outpouring of love and gratitude from the school community is testament to his leadership, character, humour, principles, and generosity. *He will be greatly missed, and we wish him all the best in his retirement.*

Photos right, from top: Education Week School Captains, Education week - Malcolm McDonald and Penno High Winter Carnival.





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ST BERNARD'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL BEROWRA

Beyond the classroom at St Bernard's, our students are given the opportunity to engage in a wide range of activities to expand their minds and challenge their boundaries.

In Term 2 alone, we entered the **North Shore Broken Bay Debating Competition**, hosted our annual cross-country carnival, took Year 6 to Canberra, submitted artworks in the 'My Language' art competition, developed performance skills in band and choir, and, through dedicated lunchtime clubs, our students have been able to enhance their coding skills, master new chess moves, explore different art mediums and learn new dance moves.

We have also joined over 100,000 students in Australia and New Zealand to participate in the **Maths Olympiad Program**. Designed specifically for Year 1 through to high school, this program aims to enhance skills and knowledge in maths problem solving and has given our students the opportunity to challenge themselves in the classroom and demonstrate their capabilities as they compete against other schools across the country and overseas.

Passionate about providing an engaging and innovative environment, to encourage students to participate, grow and develop a love of learning, Principal, **Gill Austin** continues to seek out and embrace new initiatives, programs and experiences for the school.

For further information about St Bernard's please visit our school for a tour.

Photo above: Gill Austin, Principal.



Ed2023 Week

175 YEARS

Public Education in NSW



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HIGH SCHOOL LEADERS VISIT NSW PARLIAMENT WITH MEMBER FOR HORNSBY

Matt Kean MP said, "I recently had the honour to host our local High School Student Leaders for Lunch at Parliament House."

Students from **Asquith Girls' High School, Asquith Boys' High School, Hornsby Girls' High School, Galston High School, Northholm Grammar School, Pacific Hills Christian School, Cherrybrook Technology High School, Tangara School for Girls & Barker College** accepted the invitation to visit Parliament House and viewed the proceedings of the Parliament from the public galleries.

"I valued the opportunity to hear firsthand from our school leaders about the issues of concern to them and their peers," said Mr Kean.

After lunch they visited Government House to meet with Her Excellency, the Governor **Margaret Beazley AC KC**.

"As well as providing a personal view of how the Parliament operates, I hope it was an enjoyable experience before the serious work of study and exams begin," said Mr Kean.



PACIFIC BEROWRA CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Pacific Berowra Christian School has been providing values-based, community-style education to the children of Berowra and its surrounding areas since 1986.

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We believe each child is created in the image of God with their own giftings and strengths and we help them to become their best. In 2023 we joined the *Pacific Group of Christian Schools* which has a history of more than four decades in Christian Education and campuses across the state, as well as an online school. This relationship provides us with the resources to deliver excellence in everything we do as well as plan for future growth.

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PACIFIC BEROWRA
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



St Leo's students' comedy production of the Addams Family musical.

ST LEO'S CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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For their recent **Addams Family** musical comedy production, students explored their artistic abilities and shone on stage with their exceptional performances.

But that's not all! The State **aerobics championships** were again a huge success for St Leo's. Students brought home several gold medals, showing their skill and dedication, and are now preparing for next month's Nationals.

Fundraising is another opportunity for students to grow. For the **Vinnies Winter Sleepout**, students raised an unbelievable \$36,000 to help fight homelessness - the highest fundraising school in NSW for three years straight! *Leo's students are making a real difference in their community.*

The range of activities highlights the College's focus wider than academics. St Leo's students are given opportunities to discover their passions, excel in different activities, and make a positive impact. It's a place where students truly thrive and become well-rounded individuals – encouraged to dream big and achieve their goals, both inside and outside the classroom.

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ASQUITH GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

During Education week 2023, Asquith Girls High School will be celebrating 175 years of public education in NSW. We will be learning from our past, celebrating our achievements, and embracing the future with confidence.

In celebrating our achievements, we would like to acknowledge **Abigail Morgan** of Year 12. Abigail highlights the culture of excellence that exists at Asquith through her recent achievements in music. Her hard work and exceptional talent has been rewarded through her selection as a featured artist for the **40th Anniversary of Schools Spectacular**. We look forward to seeing Abigail as part of this renowned concert.

At Asquith Girls High School, our values of excellence, commitment, effort and leadership are ensuring that our students can embrace their future with confidence, just like Abigail.

To find out more about what the school has to offer, join one of our **EDUCATION WEEK TOURS** - book through our website:

<https://asquithgir-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/news/2023/4/school-tours.html>

Ed2023 Week

Learning
Celebrating
Embracing

31 July – 4 August

education.nsw.gov.au/edweek

Education Week 2023 will be held from 31 July to 4 August 2023 (Week 3, Term 3). This year's theme is 175 years of public education in NSW and focuses on learning from our past, celebrating our achievements and embracing the future with confidence.

This year marks 175 years since the establishment of public schools in NSW. Founded in 1848, the Board of National Education was formed and tasked with establishing a public education system in NSW. Prior to 1848, schools operated under a denominational system and were the responsibility of churches.

175
YEARS

Public Education
in NSW



ASQUITH GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

EDUCATION WEEK

31 JULY - 4 AUGUST 2023



Join us for a School Tour
3 or 4 August 2023

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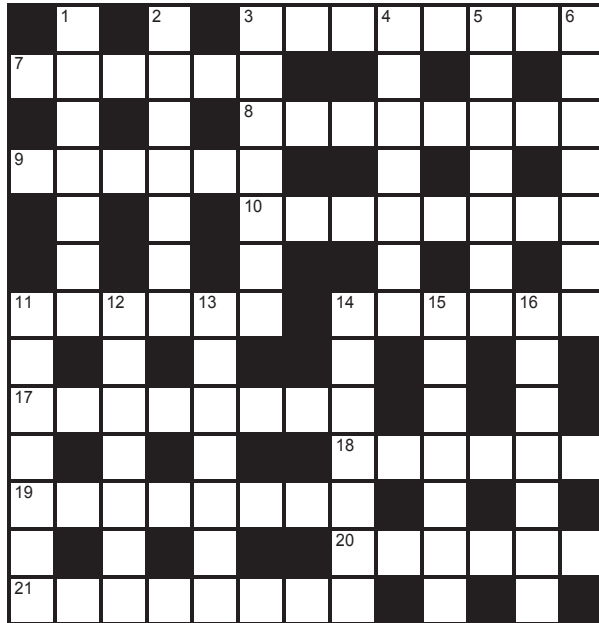
CELEBRATING 175 YEARS OF PUBLIC EDUCATION IN NSW

GENERAL KNOWLEDGE CROSSWORD

758

ACROSS

- 3 When one plunders or pillages, one does what (8)
- 7 To which animal family does a jackal belong (6)
- 8 Gary who, is known as Angry what (8)
- 9 Which electricity is produced by friction (6)
- 10 Name an evergreen shrub with handsome flowers (8)
- 11 What might we call towels or handkerchiefs (6)
- 14 When one acquires knowledge, one does what (6)
- 17 Name a renowned English poet, Elizabeth ... (8)
- 18 When one makes another defenceless, one does what (6)
- 19 Name the more familiar term for a wire (8)
- 20 What is a doll, or crude representation of a person (6)
- 21 Which term describes a club's second team (8)



DOWN

- 1 Name a cocktail, largely of gin and dry vermouth (7)
- 2 What denotes a motor vehicle built between 1918 and 1930 (7)
- 3 Name church officers with variously defined duties (7)
- 4 Which term describes an introductory part of a speech (7)
- 5 What is an illegal type of trading (7)
- 6 Name the conventional Spanish title of respect for married women (7)
- 11 Who was the renowned US lexicographer, Noah ... (7)
- 12 Which intelligent pet dogs have thick curly hair, often trimmed (7)
- 13 What might we call one who goes back on one's word (7)

- 14 From which family of table vegetables do beans and peas belong (7)
- 15 Name another term for lucerne (7)
- 16 Which aromatic seeds of the fruit of an East Indian tree are used as spices (7)

MINI WORD FIND

059

B A K E R Y
U A T A U F
T A R G W O
F H W E A A
J A E E L M
J S R E L Y

Find the following words in the grid. They may be read in any direction, even diagonally. Some letters are used more than once.

Age	Barely	Foam	See
Ate	But	Guy	Tar
Awe	Far	Has	Thee
Bakery	Fat	Jaw	Wall

CURIO

059

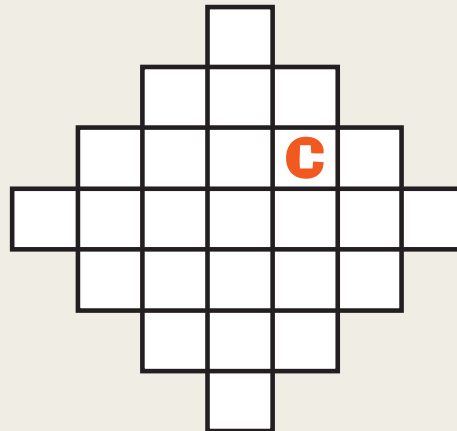
An American scientist, Jonas Salk (1914-95), is credited with discovering the polio vaccine that has saved millions of children from contracting this crippling viral disease. When asked about patents, he replied: "There is no patent. Could you patent the sun?"

E-EQUATIONS

069

Letters A to Z have a number value. Some are shown in the right-hand cells. Create remaining values using clues in centre cells.

A	Z-L	
G	K-O	
K	A×A	9
L	O×A	
O	L÷A	
Q	K+O	14
Z	G+Q	



BIYWORD

059

Build it yourself using the clues and each of the twenty-four letters once only to form ten words: five across and five down. A key word (bold clue) builds on the letter set in the grid.

CLUES:

- Certified Practising Accountant (3)
Cherub (5)
Driver's offside (7)
Greek letter (3)
Group of eight (5)
Horned animal (5)
Kelvin (abb) (3)
Mounted on a spit (7)
Not in (3)
Wedge for wheel-stop (5)

A H N S
C H O S
D I O T
E K O T
E L P T
G N R U

SUDOKU

059

	8		4						
9		5						1	8
7	6	3						5	
	9								7
		6	1					3	
		4				2			
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QUICK THINK

059

Solve the crossword.
Each answer has four letters.

ACROSS

- 1 Superhero accessory
- 5 Approve
- 6 Coal site
- 7 Colony members

DOWN

- 1 Deep sleep
- 2 Similar
- 3 Breathe hard
- 4 Peepers

1	2	3	4
5			
6			
7			

SOLUTIONS

QUICK THINK
ACROSS: 1 Cape, 5 Okay, 6 Mine, 7 Ants.
DOWN: 1 Coma, 2 Akin, 3 Pant, 4 Eyes.
A: 3, G: 4, K: 9, L: 15, O: 5, Q: 14, Z: 18.

MINI WORD FIND
RESERVES A S
E E E E E
T E E E E
L E E E E
S D E U N A R M S
B R O W N I N G F I
W I F E S L E A R N S
O C E A
I A L E A N D E R
O I L
S T A I L I N G
R A N D E R S O N
C A N E
M A D E S P O I L S

SUDOKU
6 5 9 2 2 3 7 8 4 1
4 2 1 6 5 8 3 7 9
8 3 7 1 4 5 2 6
3 1 4 7 6 9 3 4
5 7 6 1 8 2 2 9 3 4
2 9 5 4 3 1 6 7
7 6 3 8 9 1 4 5 2
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local history

The Steiner's Berowra Boatshed

By Nathan Tilbury

In the quasiquicentennial (125th year) of the original boatshed on **Berowra Creek**, located at the ferry ramp on the eastern side of Berowra Waters, we look back at the ten-year period that **Ulric and Anne Steiner** owned and managed the boatshed business.

Ulric and Anne purchased the boatshed off **Kevin Fletcher** and his wife. *The Fletchers had owned the business for the previous decade, but it was looking tired and had become dilapidated.*

Ulric had emigrated from Switzerland, sailing out to his new country, in a yacht he had built himself. Here he met his Australian bride, Anne, whose family was involved in the marine industry.

The Steiners knew they faced a huge challenge to bring the two old buildings back to life whilst reinvigorating the boatshed business. However, they did have some support. Berowra Waters residents **Roger Campbell** and his wife **Merrilee** were friends of the Steiners, and they lent their substantial support to the project.

In addition to the Campbells, the Steiners had the services of the 67 year old **Reg Croft**. Former racehorse strapper, Reg, lived with his wife in Granville. *Since 1954, every Friday afternoon he took the train out to Berowra and made his way down to Berowra Waters, which was his paradise.* He spent his time picking up litter, sweeping and keeping the general area and boatshed clean and tidy. *He collected and crushed all the discarded aluminum cans he could so these could be recycled and provide him with a small income.*

Reg slept on a makeshift bed in the boatshed and would return to his home on Monday morning. The Steiners learnt that by purchasing the boatshed business they also inherited Reg Croft and his voluntary services. *Ulric made the lovely old man a proper sleeping area in the upstairs section of the larger boatshed.*

This larger boatshed was built 1937 when it replaced an older version. By 1980, it had begun to sag into the water and the floor often flooded at high tide. Its foundations had to be rebuilt as a priority and they poured concrete and replaced all the decking, as well as installed some additional windows to provide improved lighting inside.

The original and smaller boatshed was erected by Jack Smith in 1898, after the building was relocated from its original site in Leichhardt. It was transported by rail to Brooklyn. From there it was loaded on a boat and brought up to **Frank's Bight** on Berowra Creek. It was up and operating a full four years before **Berowra Creek Road** was opened to traffic. *The Steiners saw that this building also needed substantial work even though only really used as storage for their boatshed operation.* As well as Ulric building, maintaining and repairing his boats, a retail business was established in the larger shed. The shop was called, **"BOAT SHOPPE"** and it offered everything required for an angler as well as sold a wide variety of marine antiques, that the Steiners sourced from various places.

Available for hire at the boatshed were 15 motorboats and around 8 row boats. Some of their skiffs were the original ones made by Jack Smith out of Huon Pine. *Smith had quality craftsmanship and as a result these boats had lasted over 80 years and, after some maintenance from Ulric, were still going strong.*

The boatshed had its regulars who had been regularly hiring boats there for decades. One of these was Welsh born, Berowra resident, **Norm Bromley**. Every Monday evening Norm would turn up at the boatshed with a bunch of flowers from his garden. He would hire his skiff to go out fishing for bream and return later, the same night, to pay his \$4 hire fee, as well as leave the Steiners any extra fish he had caught. This was a routine that rarely varied despite inconsistent weather.

The boatshed also provided 46 moorings and offered a slipway for repairs and shipwright services. In 1984, Ulric and Anne purchased an old waterfront home across the other side of the creek in **Silverwater Estate**, where they raised two girls. Ulric did a lot of work on this property including adding a second storey. However, after a while the isolation of Berowra Waters became too much for the family and in 1989, they sold the boatshed business and a few years later they relocated up to the bushland ridges of **Galston**.

The new owners did not operate the boat hire and repair business. **The old boatshed was converted to a restaurant, and this continues today.** Unfortunately, the large boat shed was demolished in 2013, to construct a retail operation with short term accommodation on top. However, the construction was not complete and due to it now being part of a deceased estate, the future of this site remains unclear.



Ulric & Peg Aispur, Kiwi river resident married to Vic the Russian

The smaller, original boatshed celebrates its quasiquicentennial this year and is currently operating as an Italian restaurant called, "A CHEF SECRETS".

Today Anne Steiner is enjoying life as a retired High School Teacher and Ulric creates magnificent sculptures at his home in Galston. You can visit his workshop: Ulric Steiner Sculptures, as part of the annual "Arcadian Artists Exhibition Trail" weekend event held in November.



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TREASURE ISLAND

Marian St Theatre for Young People is presenting *Treasure Island* this October at Ku-ring-gai Town Hall.

Swing aboard the *Hispaniola* and be swept along on a swashbuckling adventure of mayhem and merriment. What will happen when Jemma Hawkins and a band of bumbling pirates hoist the mainsail in a quest to find the fabulous treasure of *Captain Flint*?

This adaptation by *Les Winspear* of the Robert Louis Stevenson classic has something for everyone including fun characters and lots of laughs.

Directed by **Kate Murphy**, voice director for **Kangaroo Beach** and **Reef School**, and with costumes from **Sydney Theatre Company**, this performance is a treat for all the family. **Lee Johnston**, Berowra resident and director of MSTYP, is excited to offer a **Relaxed Performance** with an **AUSLAN Interpreter** on **FRIDAY 6TH OCTOBER, 10:30AM**.

"For our Relaxed Performance we reduce bright lighting and loud noises. These shows are valued by anyone who would benefit from a relaxed environment, which includes, but is not limited to, people with **autism, sensory sensitivities, Tourette's syndrome, learning disabilities or dementia**, as well as people living with anxiety, or who have experienced trauma," said Lee.



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June 2024 we will be hosted by two clubs in Japan.

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We look forward to welcoming you to our club.

ALL NEW RUDDOCK PARK CELEBRATES 48TH BIRTHDAY

Forty-eight years after former Shire President **Max Ruddock** opened Ruddock Park in Westleigh, his son Mayor **Philip Ruddock** AO celebrates the opening of the impressive new renovation of Ruddock Park.

Ruddock Park is attracting families from all over the shire with its new Learn-To-Ride play area, pathway upgrades, a basketball half court, new five-way swing, new seating and picnicking shelters, planting, lawn areas and an outdoor gym.

Adjacent to Ruddock Park, **Westleigh Tennis Club** has also seen refurbishments to its club house, public toilets including large accessible facilities and the construction of a ramp and steps for building access. Ruddock Park was opened on 28 June 1975 as a tribute to Max Ruddock's role in the establishment of Westleigh and in recognition of his work as a councillor and former president of Hornsby Shire Council. **A renewed version of the original park plaque, commemorating Max Ruddock, is now joined by a new plaque marking the recent upgrades.**

Hornsby Shire Mayor Philip Ruddock AO said, "Ruddock Park is of great significance to myself and my family. It is a tangible commemoration of the significant contribution that my father made to Westleigh and Hornsby Shire as a whole. It is particularly dear to me as, not only does it bring back fond memories of him, but it's also somewhere I visited with my own children when they were young.

For more information about the upgrades at Ruddock Park, visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au/ruddock-park

Photo below: Ribbon cutting L-R Councillor Tania Salitra, Hornsby Shire Mayor Philip Ruddock AO, Councillor Janelle McIntosh.



HOMEOWNER FALLS FROM ROOF RESULTING IN SERIOUS INJURY

TONY FROM TIGER ANTENNAS SAYS ...

Already this year we have heard from customers about four incidents in the Hornsby area of serious injury caused by the homeowners falling from their roofs.

Usually it's when a homeowner wants to inspect something (such as tiles or solar panels), clean the gutters etc. *A couple of the accidents we heard about have resulted in life-long injuries.* Most falls are by men in the age range of 45-65 years.

Statistically there are more falls in autumn and winter months.

Most injury from falls are from single-storey homes – *homeowners tend to be a bit more blasé with single storey roofs and spend less time thinking about safety precautions.*

SO, WHAT CAN YOU DO TO MINIMIZE THE RISK? Preferably pay a professional. You can save money by getting one person to check a few things for you. *For example, an antenna technician can check your tiles, gutters etc if you ask nicely.* If you do pay a professional, **make sure they are insured.**

If you insist on going up on the roof yourself then at a very minimum: **1)** only go up when your roof is completely dry (many roofs are wet with dew until mid-morning) **2)** wear appropriate footwear (with a good grip) **3)** always tie off the ladder at the top **4)** as soon as you are on the roof, move away from the edge.

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from the Mayor's Desk

As we continue to move through the cooler months, I wanted to highlight some of the wonderful winter experiences we have on offer here in the Shire. Despite the chill still in the air, there are plenty of reasons to get out and about in the community.

I encourage you to get outside and enjoy our beautiful and unique environment. Discover the beauty of the Bushland Shire, with its diverse range of flora and fauna, by heading out on one of the many bushwalks available. Or take the family to one of Council's upgraded parks, playgrounds or ovals, with a range of equipment and facilities for people of all ages to enjoy.

You could take your beloved four-legged friend to an off-leash dog park to enjoy the winter sunshine or organise a coffee catch-up with friends at a local café. Or learn to swim in the heated pool at Hornsby Aquatic and Leisure Centre.

If you are looking for a more relaxing option, why not catch up on some reading? Winter is always a great time to get cosy with a new read, so head to one of our Council libraries to borrow a book. Berowra Library has just unveiled a new 24/7 book locker, with the click and collect system now open for members to collect items at any time, day or night.

Meanwhile, we celebrate Local Government Week 2023 from Monday 31 July to Sunday 6 August across NSW. This is a time when we recognise the invaluable role that local government plays in our community.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the many committed Council staff who serve the area, working tirelessly to improve the life of our residents and make Hornsby Shire the special place that it is.

Philip Ruddock AO
Mayor, Hornsby Shire Council

What's on



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Wednesday 23 August,
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TARA COOPMAN: 100 JUNIOR AFL GAMES

Member for Hornsby, Matt Kean MP, recently spoke in NSW Parliament to recognize one of the Hornsby electorate's most impressive emerging young athletes.

Tara Coopman is certainly a name to watch out for in the world of women's AFL. She is simply 'a star in the making'.

Recently at Hornsby's Rofe Park, Tara Coopman, or 'TC', as everyone calls her, notched up a rare achievement when she played her 100th junior AFL game with her club, **Northwest Lightning**.

The young *Hornsby Heights* resident joined the **Hornsby Berowra Eagles Junior AFL Club** as an eight-year-old in 2017 and played her first season in their mixed U9 team.

2018 saw the successful amalgamation of several local junior AFL clubs to improve development of their girls and through that, the **Northwest Lightning Junior Girls AFL club** was established. The new club's first *Under 10* age group team formed that year and TC managed to play in both that team and the Hornsby Berowra Eagles *Under 10* mixed team. Since then, she has played exclusively in Northwest Lightning girls' teams as she has progressed through the age groups.

Tara is acutely aware fitness is key in AFL and she can often be seen running in the local area and around Rofe Park early in the morning.

The **Asquith Girls High School** student is an extraordinary and talented AFL player having regularly played up age groups. This year she was rewarded for her hard work and dedication by being selected in the U/15 **Youth Girls Sydney Swans Academy**.

In addition to being a talented player, since 2021, TC has been a qualified umpire and officiates AFL games for both private schools and community clubs. In her first season of umpiring, she was awarded, **BEST FIRST YEAR UMPIRE**.

TC has been recognised with numerous awards over the years, regularly picking up Best and Fairest and Players Player trophies at end of the season presentations. However, her most prestigious recognition was last year when she received Hornsby Berowra Eagles, CLUB PLAYER OF THE YEAR.

TC's mum, **Leanne**, has been involved with running Hornsby Berowra Eagles club for eight years, and today she acts as the Club's Northwest Lighting alliance convener.



Brian Coopman, TC's father, is also an active Club supporter and assists the Hornsby Berowra Eagles obtain grants. TC's brother, **Riley**, is also a wonderful and long-time contributor to the Club. As a player Riley also notched up over 100 junior games for the club. This season, he has taken a year off playing the sport he loves, to be able to perform the enormous role as the Club's Grounds Convener. Riley has taken over from long-time volunteers **Greg and Jenny Clarke**.

One of Tara's biggest influencers was her first coach, **Phil Harrison**, who is today coach of the Club's U13 boys' team.

Her first North West Lightning coach was **Dave 'Dolly' Dighton** who did an outstanding job with TC.

This year Tara trained in the pre-season with the Pennant Hills senior ladies' team and took a lot out of the coaching sessions led by **Mark Carroll**.

The Hornsby Berowra Eagles Club has consistently produced talented junior AFL players such as Tara, and keeps many of them involved with the sport after graduating from their junior ranks, such as Riley.

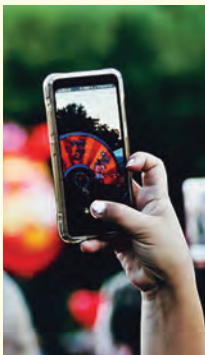
The Club has created a fertile AFL nursery which has been impressive to watch for many years. Current President **Steve Wall** is supported by active committee members such as **Steve Barton, Paul Stafford-Gaffney, Belinda Robson, Hadyn Douglas, Aaron Wallin, Carolyn Higgs and Brendon Limbrey**.

Photo above: Tara Coopman in action 7th May 2023 in her 100th game at Rofe Park.

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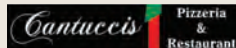
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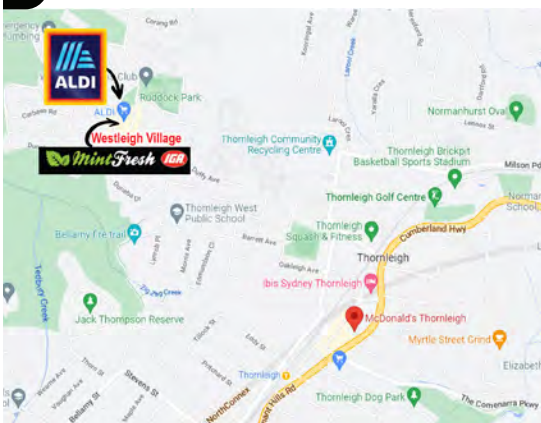
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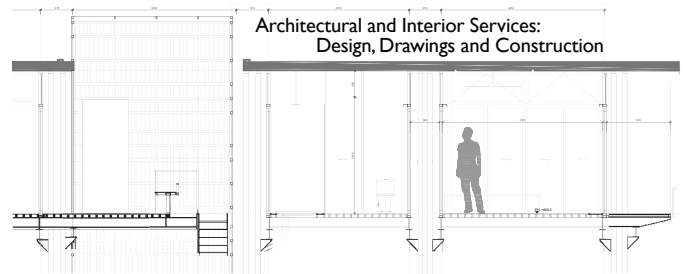
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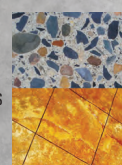


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