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WELCOME TO A BRIGHT NEW YEAR ON THE BEAUTIFUL BAYSIDE

After a busy last semester of learning and fun, Darling Point Special School students ended the year on a high with a visit from Miss Maggie of Manly, The Community Leader's mascot, who presented copies of her book.


If you're like Maggie and love trying new things and meeting new people, there's plenty to keep you entertained close to home. Why not try something new this year?

As we prepare to tackle another exciting year at school, work, or even the pursuit of a life of leisure, your neighbourhood has everything and everyone you need to help you succeed and reach your goals.

With diverse employment options, a buzzy restaurant, café and bar scene, and a host of clubs with activities and sports for the very young and the never-too-old, there's something to do every day of


the week in the bayside. Venture out into your neighbourhood, and make some new connections.

Whether you're kicking off a new business, starting a course of study, or easing into retirement, make the most of the year ahead, and take advantage of everything your suburb has to offer.



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NOMINATE A QUIET ACHIEVER IN YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD

BY MERRIE O'NEILL, PRESIDENT, SCOPE CLUB OF WYNNUM



It's that time of the year again, when Scope Club calls for nominations for a quiet achiever who deserves recognition in the Wynnum Manly area.

As we begin a new year, it's time to thank those who have given

their time in a volunteer capacity to help those less fortunate, and to nominate them for the 2022 Australia Day Award.

Nominees must be aged 18 years and older, and their volunteer work must not be part of their normal paid duties.

The award will be formally presented at the Australia Day celebration on the 26th of January 2022 at the George Clayton Park Bandstand on the Manly waterfront. If this venue changes, notification will be provided prior to the event.

Scope Club of Wynnum has been presenting this award in the local area for approximately 30 years, and once again looks forward to receiving nominations.

To nominate someone you think deserves this award, you'll need to submit details of the nominee's contribution to the community.

Written nominations must be received by the 17th of January 2022, and can be forwarded to:

The Scope Club of Wynnum Inc.
PO Box 184
Wynnum Qld 4178

For further information phone Jenny Peach 3396 7318, Annabelle Silvester 0405 065 009, email abs44@optus.com.au, or contact Merrie O'Neill via email at merrilyn.oneill@bigpond.com.



PIPPY: THE BAY'S LATEST SEAFOOD DESTINATION

The newest must-try bayside venue is creating a buzz locally, offering both an upmarket seafood dining experience, and the perfect picnic-in-the-park meal for families and friends to share these holidays.

After much community anticipation, Pippy Fish Café is now open in Thorneside, right next door to sister establishment Blue Tongue Pantry Café, and overlooking Beth Boyd Park and Waterloo Bay.

Pippy's dine-in menu will impress the most discerning pescatarian with its seasonal selection. Eye-catching entrée choices include a black bao bun with soft shell crab, lime and slaw, or the luxe lobster tail brioche roll.

The mains selection is tight, with a focus on quality: from chilli prawn fettucine, to generous hot and cold seafood platters, made for sharing. A carefully curated beverage menu features an impressive list of Australian craft beers, with a focus on independent producers, and a wine selection perfect for seafood pairing.

Takeaway choices include fish of the day, prawns by the kilo, and the delicious and convenient Fish Cornetto combining seafood, salad and chips in an easy-to-hold cone presentation. Chips don't play second fiddle at Pippy – serious chip lovers must try these hand-cut delights, farm-fresh from the Darling Downs.



From sourcing its local catch to serving customers, Pippy is all about community connections, great hospitality, and good times, and they can't wait to welcome friends and new faces alike.



Pippy Fish Café is open Wednesday to Sunday from 11:30 am to 8:00 pm at 100 Mooroondu Road, Thorneside. For bookings, call 0447 786 476 or email hello@pippy.net.au

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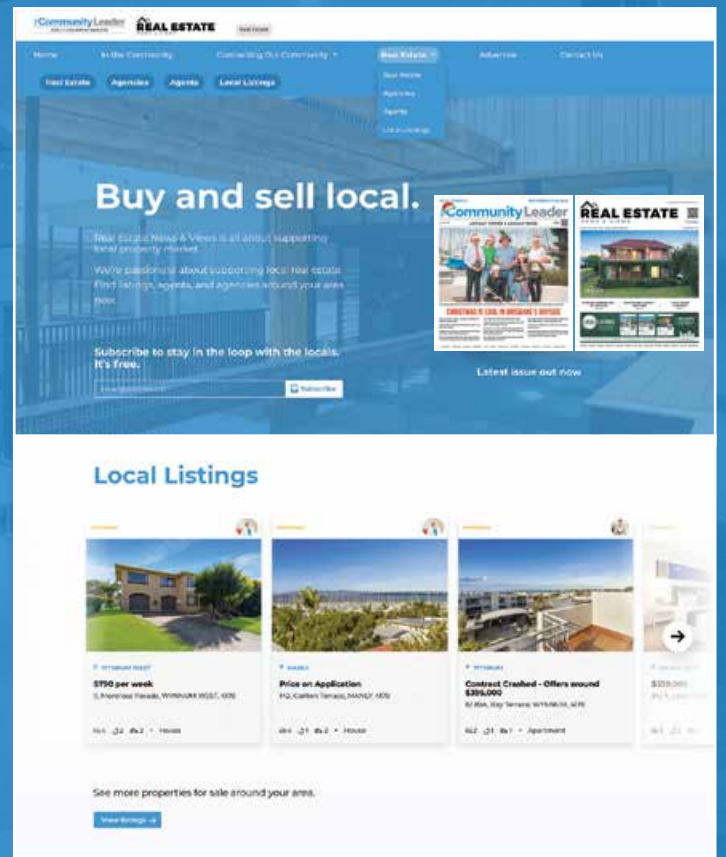
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LOCAL LISTINGS

A great way to see what local property is on the market in your community.

If you're looking for a home to buy or rent, or you need an agent to sell your home, log on to The Community Leader's website to browse local listings. Each month we will add more agencies and properties to the site. If you're selling your property ask your agent to include The Community Leader and Real Estate News & Views in your marketing plan.



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COMMUNITY UPDATE

JOAN PEASE'S COMMUNITY UPDATE, STATE MEMBER FOR LYTTON

Happy 2022! Time for a new year, new plans, and new memories to be made! 2021 was a huge year for our community organisations and I'm sure that 2022 will be just as successful.

To all the clubs and organisations looking into funding opportunities this year, I recommend you check out the Funding and Grants section of the Queensland Government website. The site gathers grant opportunities from all three levels of government, as well as some private providers, and is very easy to use. Find out more here – <https://www.qld.gov.au/community/community-organisations-volunteering/funding-grants>.

For those of you who are ready to hit the ground running, read on for more information and inspiration.

GAMBLING COMMUNITY BENEFIT FUND

There will be four rounds of the Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) in 2022, with a super-charged first round where applicants can apply for up to \$150 000.

In 2021, twenty Bayside clubs enjoyed a share of the \$60 million Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF), with each grant averaging \$20 000. Congratulations to:

Autism Queensland * Bayside BMX Club * Bayside PCYC * Bayside United Football Club * Brisbane Bayside State College P&C Association * Brisbane Interactive Radio Group * Carousel Caravan Club of Queensland * Eastern District Orchid Society * Fort Lytton Motocross * Manly Bowls Club * Manly Dragon Boat Club * Ocean Crusaders * Queensland Military Historical Society * Rosies Youth Mission * Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron * Wynnum Manly Bridge Club * Wynnum Manly Seagulls Rugby Football Club * Wynnum Softball Association * Wynnum State School P&C * Wynnum Wolves Football Club



SCHOOL FUNDING

The State Government provided funds for renovations and builds across 6 local schools this year. Wynnum State School, Wynnum West State School, Manly West State School and Wondall Heights State School completed upgrades in 2021, while Darling Point Special School and Manly State School will start work on new learning centres in 2022.

3 schools – Wynnum State High, Manly State School, and Wynnum West State School – also receive organic waste program grants to start in-school composting systems.

BUSINESS

The Business Support Grant was run in the second half of 2021 to help businesses recover from COVID-19 lockdowns, with more than \$280 million awarded to businesses throughout Queensland.

In November, 4 businesses received funding of \$10 000 – \$15 000 in business boost grants, to expand their current operations. Congratulations Investment Zone, Noq Noq, Paromed Unit Trust and Tendered.





YOUNG PARENTS' GROUP PROVIDES VALUABLE SUPPORT

FROM BABI YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICE

BABI Youth & Family Service hosts a **Young Parents' Group** every **Thursday morning** at **Wynnum** from **10am to 11:30am**. This program was created due to a growing need from young parents in our community who have been feeling isolated and alone.

This group aims to provide a safe, supportive and welcoming space for parents under the age of 25.

"Young parents have many barriers to accessing support, including the social stigma around young parenthood," explained BABI's Catriona Kucks.

"Being welcomed into a space, with no judgement, allows parents to respond positively to our youth workers and reduces the anxiety of making new connections. Young people can meet other parents from the community and be able to share experiences and challenges with like-minded people."

Parents attending the group have the opportunity to talk to experienced, educated and compassionate workers who can assist with referrals to other services if required. The group is there for what each individual requires – whether it's to make new friends, to get advice from peers, or to receive information about other services that may assist them in different areas.

Parents can come along to allow their children to interact with other children while they have a tea or coffee and snacks with other parents.

If you are interested in finding out more about this program, contact Maddie on 0481 730 146 or email youthworker@babi.org.au. There is no registration required; you can just turn up on a Thursday morning at 10am to BABI Youth & Family Service, 34 Bay Terrace Wynnum.



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THE BONNER UPDATE

ROSS VASTA MP FEDERAL MEMBER FOR BONNER



ENTER TO WIN A BBQ MEAT TRAY THIS AUSTRALIA DAY!



Australia Day isn't complete without a barbeque and that's why I'm giving locals the chance to win one of three BBQ meat trays sourced from local butchers, including The Local Butcher, Manly.

This year, Australia Day will be a time to reflect on the events of 2021, respect the selfless sacrifice of frontline workers and celebrate the promise of a brighter 2022. I encourage Bonner residents to enter to win one of these BBQ meat trays, so you're sorted for the ultimate Australia Day feast! Entries close 5pm Wednesday 19 January, to enter visit www.rossvasta.com.au

COVID-19 BOOSTER PROGRAM IS UNDERWAY

The Australian Government booster program is officially underway. The booster shot will give you even better and longer lasting protection and help reduce the spread of COVID-19.



Booster Shots Available Now

Every Australian aged 18 and over who has completed their primary two-dose course of vaccination at least six months ago is now eligible for their booster. To find your nearest appointment and to book visit www.health.gov.au or chat with your local GP.

VOLUNTEER GRANTS SUPPORT 30 COMMUNITY GROUPS IN BONNER

The Morrison Government's 2021 Volunteer Grants has seen 30 of Bonner's community groups awarded a total of \$116,768 in funding to support the role they play in our area as we move forward out of the pandemic. Funding awarded to Bayside community groups include, Wynnum and District Horse and Pony Club, Wynnum Christian Community Church, Wynnum Manly District Cricket Club, Sailability Bayside, Care Kits for Kids, Bayside Creeks Catchment Group and Bayside Sea Scouts.



These organisations have been provided grants of \$1,000 to \$5,000 to help with training and retention of volunteers, strengthening of participation in volunteering, supporting organisational activities and funding technologies like laptops to assist in the delivery of services. I look forward to visiting these organisations, thanking our volunteers for their contribution, and seeing how this funding has made a difference.

SUPPORTING LOCAL APPRENTICES



I recently checked out the major renovations underway at Moreton Bay Trailer Boat Club where they are upgrading their restaurant and bar to keep up with their growing membership. It was fantastic to meet General Manager Zoran Stojceviski, who gave me a tour of the club's biggest makeover to date. The club is staying open during construction, so drop by and support this local business!

These upgrades are also enabling opportunities for our apprentices. We already have 1,455 apprentices in Bonner and the Morrison Government is continuing to deliver record funding for skills and training to get more Aussies on the tools and in high-quality jobs. With the latest trade apprentice figures showing the highest take up on record, we're cementing our recovery.



SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN IN THE VILLAGE

CONTRIBUTED BY THE MANLY HARBOUR VILLAGE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

If you have decided to keep things close to home these holidays, there is no need to despair! Manly Harbour Village and the beautiful Bayside is brimming with activities to enjoy without having to travel.

Get outside and explore the array of colours, textures and curious critters awaiting by the water's edge. From mangrove forests to sandy beaches, the Bayside area is ideal territory for children to discover a love of nature and learn about caring for the environment.

For the older or more adventurous, why not learn a new sport such as sailing, windsurfing, stand-up paddle boarding or kayaking? Or hire scooter bikes and cruise along the esplanade.

Explore the whimsical Mad Hatters Bookshop, with its very own magical Harry Potter themed room, and regular activities, events and themed parties. Visit their Facebook page (@TheMadHattersBookshop) for event details.

Drop into the Wynnum Manly Visitor Information Centre (WMMVIC) on William Gunn Jetty to explore all the local tours and trips on offer. While you're there be sure to pop into the Moreton Bay Discovery Centre next door and peek at the exciting new wildlife displays, which are visually captivating and full of practical conservation tips, making a great outing for school-aged children.

Satisfy hungry bellies with takeaway fish and chips by the water, or one of the many family-friendly restaurants around town – including Lido Italia, Thai Boat, or Marina Crest Chinese Restaurant.

Search for treasures at the Manly Creative Markets on Sundays from 8am – 2pm in Little Bayside Park, or take your budding chefs along to Jan Powers Farmers Market, held every 1st & 3rd Saturday of the month



(3rd only in January), and pick up some fresh seasonal and locally grown produce to cook up a storm in the kitchen. And make sure to bring a picnic along to enjoy free monthly Movies in the Park, held on the first Saturday of every month – or go gold class and have the set-up sorted for you!

For more ideas and information visit manlyharbourvillage.com

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YOUNG LOCAL ENTREPRENEUR SUPPORTS ROSIES

It was a chance encounter at a market that inspired 12-year-old Mackenzie Robinson to start a local candle business, Kenzie's Candles.

"We were coming home from a camping trip and stopped at a market, and I saw a stall selling candles and thought it looked really cool," Mackenzie said.

"I like candles, they are very nice and comforting to have around the house."

The Year 7 student has sold candles through her Instagram account @kenzies.candles since August last year and hand pours everything in her parents' kitchen.

The young entrepreneur's mother Kylie said operating the business had helped Mackenzie to understand budgeting.

"It's good for her to learn to manage the expenses, look after stock control, and make sure she has enough put away to cover the cost of new items," she said.

Not only does Mackenzie look after the business side of things, but she also has included an element of social enterprise into her model, with \$1 from

every sale going to support Rosies – Friends on the Street, a Queensland-based charity that supports those who are homeless, at risk of homelessness, or socially isolated in the local community.

"I was a bit surprised that Mackenzie wanted to start a business, but I was not at all surprised when she said that she wanted to donate money to Rosies," Kylie said.

"She has always been a very caring person and had learned about Rosies through her Year 6 teacher Ms Carroll.

"Ms Carroll is a Rosies volunteer and had a big impact on a lot of the girls in the class – she shared about her experiences volunteering and they made care packages for those in need," said Kylie.

Yvette Carroll built a module called *The Pursuit of Happiness: Is it within everyone's reach?* which focused on whether the world was equal for all and looked at some of the factors that prevent people from happiness.

"It was really important to me that the students defined what happiness is to them and then we

looked at some of the things that plague society and often swept under the rug – things like racism, inequality, homelessness, etc," Yvette said.

One of the outreach locations for Rosies is just a 15-minute drive from the school where Yvette teaches, and by sharing stories from members of their local community, she felt like things were put into perspective and opened the eyes of the Year 6 students.

"Prior to teaching the unit I think a lot of the kids thought homelessness didn't happen in Australia. That it was a problem in places like America, not here, but the local stories helped them see it was happening in their backyard."

Yvette, who is also a team leader with Rosies, has been volunteering since December of 2019 and speaks fondly of her experiences with the organisation.

"I really enjoy it and love the connection, each month I get to sit alongside someone that the rest of society ignores. Sitting alongside and talking to the patrons gives you a dose of perspective – some



Mackenzie Robinson donates a percentage of candle sales from her business to Rosies. Photo: Supplied.

of the most intelligent conversations I've ever had have been with our patrons on outreach."

It is through sharing experiences like this with the students that inspired Mackenzie to tack on support of Rosies to her business model.

With the support of her parents Mackenzie has sold more than 120 candles and releases new scents every season. You can purchase a candle and support a local business and a grassroots charity by visiting Mackenzie's Instagram, @kenzies.candles



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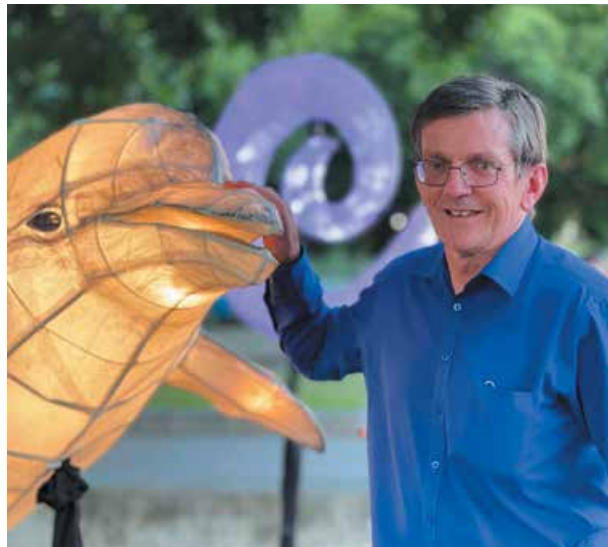
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PETER CUMMING'S LOCAL AREA UPDATE

COUNCILLOR FOR WYNNUM MANLY WARD



LIGHT UP MANLY

The Light Up Manly event at Little Bayside Park, Manly was a great success last month on Friday, 10 December 2021.

There were hundreds of young children and their parents in the Park which was great to see!

Some primary schools had been involved in making small lanterns which had been placed in the park. Children were allowed to take their lanterns home after the event. The lantern maker had constructed and lit up larger lanterns around the perimeter of the Park. My photo above is with the dolphin lantern.

The main event for the night was the Official Opening of the creative lighting projections on the new foreshore plaza. There are four series of projection artworks, each made of four projected designs telling the stories of Manly. The idea is to switch the series on a regular basis.

If you haven't been down to see the foreshore plaza, it really is worth a look. I regard it as another tourist attraction for Wynnum Manly!

AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

I am pleased to advise that the Wynnum Manly Australia Day Breakfast will be held again this month at Bandstand Park, Manly. It will start at 7am until 12Noon on Wednesday, 26 January 2022.

As usual, entertainment will include a kid's show, a bush band, and a covers band – all on the Bandstand at Bandstand Park. There is also a Children's Colouring-In Competition (entry forms are available from my office) and the Scope Club Australia Day Awards.

The event is funded mainly through the SIF (Suburban Improvement Fund) which comes through Council's Budget but is controlled by me. Supplementary funding is allocated by the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club and the Wynnum RSL. Local Service Clubs volunteer on the day as well: Rotary Club of Wynnum and Manly, Rotary Club of Port of Brisbane, Scope Club, Bay Belles CWA, Red Cross, Quota Club, Wynnum Scouts and Wynnum Vikings AFL Club.

E-SCOOTER TRIALS

A 6 month trial of the E-Scooters in Wynnum Manly and Deagon Wards started on 1 December 2021. The scooters have operated from 2018 in various wards across the city. More than 1.1Million trips have been achieved in 2021- 22 (up to 23 November).

The orange scooters are supplied by Neuron and the purple scooters are supplied by Beam.

Each company can supply a maximum of 100 scooters in Wynnum Manly.

Both Neuron & Beam have limited the maximum speed of their scooters to 15KMPH along the Esplanade. The maximum speed is 25KMPH in other locations.

The scooters are high tech. An App needs to be downloaded onto your mobile phone to use the scooter. The App includes areas where the scooter can be used and where it should be parked.

The scooters have been heavily used by the general public. I urge everyone to send in emails both for and against the scooters right through until the six month trial concludes on 1st June 2022.

I urge all users to leave their scooters in an approved parking area at the end of their ride and to park them neatly. Also be thoughtful of pedestrians and make plenty of use of the bell on the scooter to warn pedestrians of your approach.

If you have any concerns with the orange scooters, please contact Neuron Customer Support Team. They have a 24/7 customer support that any member of the public can contact (e.g. to report any misparked e-scooters or any other questions or concerns).

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Email: brisbanesupport@neuron.sg

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Beams Customer Support Team can be contacted on 3186 1011 or via www.ridebeam.com/help

LOCAL CLUBS

On 3 December 2021, three Clubs held their AGM's in Wynnum Manly.

Wynnum Manly Leagues Club made a net income of \$4,278,182. This is up four fold from \$1,067,447 last year. However, CEO Craig Thomas said that this was a figure inflated by the valuation of houses owned by the Club. He preferred the normal Club earnings net profit of \$2.6Million. This was still an all-time record and up 244%.

Bayside Football Club reported a Net Operating Profit of \$45,112.00

Wynnum Golf Club reported a net profit of \$45,720.00

Well done to all three Clubs who have strong management!

SCHOOL PRESENTATION CEREMONIES

I would like to extend my best wishes to all students who reached important milestones in finishing Years 12 and 6. I hope the older students get a place in the course that they desire or that they pick up a good job.

I attended End of Year events for Wynnum High, Brisbane Bayside, Moreton Bay, Moreton Bay Boys, Moreton Bay Primary, St John Vianney's, Manly State School, Wondall Heights, Manly West, Lota and Wynnum State.

We are so lucky to have so many good schools in the District!

EMAIL NEWSLETTER

You can receive my community newsletter by contacting my office with your email address. This is an informative e-newsletter that is sent out weekly with a guide to "What's Happening" in the Wynnum Manly Ward. It lists community events, social activities and much more. Email me to subscribe at wynnummanly.ward@bcc.qld.gov.au



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WHAT'S ON BY THE BAY

FROM DOT DASH EVENTS

Keeping the kids busy these school holidays doesn't have to break the bank, with plenty to do by the Bayside.

WHAT'S ON THIS JANUARY

COMMUNITY

- **Movies in the Park:** Saturday 1 Jan, screening starts 7pm | Movie: TBC | Little Bayside Park, Manly | Free to attend, family friendly | 07 3348 3524 | manlyharbourvillage.com
- **Manly Creative Markets:** Every Sunday, 8am - 2pm | Little Bayside Park, Manly | Free to attend, family friendly | 07 3348 3524 | manlyharbourvillage.com
- **Jan Powers Farmers Markets:** Saturday 15 Jan, 6am – 12pm | Little Bayside Park, Manly | Free to attend, family friendly | 07 3348 3524 | manlyharbourvillage.com

WELLNESS & RECREATION

- **Lunch & Learn:** Strengthen your mental fitness muscles! | Wednesday 19 Jan, 12.30pm – 1pm | | gaye.kuelsen@dailybliss.com.au | 0438 654 293 | Free to attend, register at eventbrite.com.au
- **Free Yoga & Meditation** | Every Friday 7am – 8.15am | Drevesen Park, 352 Upper Esplanade, Manly | 0431 588 498 | facebook.com/Suniyoga20

- **Manly Meditation Circle** | Tuesdays 6.45pm – 7.45pm | Branches Community Hub, 29 Fox Street, Wynnum | Entry by donation | meditationmanly@gmail.com
- **Wynnum / Lota Parkrun:** Weekly free 5km timed run | Every Saturday from 7am, various locations | parkrun.com.au
- **Be Active & Healthy:** FREE Zumba and Line dancing classes | Thursdays, Wynnum Community Centre, 105 Florence Street, Wynnum | 07 3403 8888 | eventbrite.com.au
- **Walk & Talk:** Every Sunday, 4 – 5pm | Bayside Park, Manly | Free to attend

SOCIAL

- **BlueBottle:** Karaoke Thursdays 7pm – 11pm | Live music Friday-Sunday | BlueBottle Cocktail & Tapas Bar, 55 Cambridge Parade, Manly | 07 3161 3764 | bluebottlemanly.com.au
- **Sunday Sounds:** Tide on the Jetty | Every Sunday 3pm - 6pm | Tide on the Jetty, William Gunn Jetty, 1 Wyvernleigh Close, Manly | 07 3396 8962 | tideonthejetty.com.au

- **Social Sailing:** WAG Every Wednesday from 12pm | Thurs & Fri 3.30 pm – 5.30 pm; Sat 9.30am – 11.30 am | Ladies Sailing Saturdays 1pm - 3pm | Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron, 578 Royal Esplanade, Manly | 07 3396 8666 | rqys.com.au
- **Wynnum Manly Bayside Socials Group** | 1st and 3rd Wednesday of every month, 6.30-7pm | Celtic Corner, 45 Cambridge Parade, Manly | \$1 donation appreciated | meetup.com

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A SPECIAL THANK YOU AFTER 38 YEARS OF CARING

BY CATHY BAVAGE, WYNNUM FAMILY DAY CARE & EDUCATION SERVICE

Over the last 38 years, many local children have benefited from the guidance and care of local Family Day Care provider Marie.

In 1983, when her oldest children were aged four and two, Marie launched her Family Day Care business, opening her home and her heart to families who would soon be considered part of her extended family.

In 1988 Marie's third child was born into her thriving business. Marie continued to offer this service as a Family Day Care educator with Bayside FDC for 17 years before transferring these skills to the next generation of educators, families, and children for 21 years with Wynnum Family Day Care as a valued Coordination Unit team member.

As 2021 wraps up, so does Marie's family day care career, and she reflects on the past 38 years with fondness.

"It has been such a pleasure and an honour working with educators, getting to know them on such a personal and professional level, sharing in births, deaths and marriages," said Marie.

"The families I have had the pleasure to meet have been such a joyous part of my work, supporting them to leave their babies in the trusting hands of our wonderful educators.

"I shall be very sad to say goodbye to my 'daytime sisters', the amazing, professional, strong, and opinionated women I work alongside of each day. Thank you for the laughter, tears, and joys of the last 21 years at Wynnum Family Day Care."

Thank you Marie, and happy retirement.



Photo: Supplied.

AN INVITATION TO COMMUNITY GROUPS

As The Community Leader evolves, we'd love to include your local story. We openly encourage community groups, sporting clubs, and charities to contact us with their stories and photos. The newsletter's objective is to promote activities and events in the community, while encouraging the support of local businesses. Thank you to the community leaders who have enthusiastically supported the idea of developing a friendly local newsletter. Please support them, and engage with them as best you can. Any submissions can be emailed to sales@market2market.com.au for consideration.





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IS A 'CAR DETAIL' ONE OF YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS?

BY DR DALE GARRED

Dr Dale Garred, GP at Manly Village Medical Centre, reminds us not to forget about a skin check when considering our health goals this New Year.

New Year resolutions have been one of the most searched topics on New Year's Eve for many years. Though at first the resolutions we consider may be frivolous, (I'd personally like to be able to do the splits by December), with more thought however, especially with a pandemic in the haze, they turn more serious, with many resolving to be 'healthier' or to 'look after themselves better'. As a result, many patients attend their GP Practice in the early parts of the new year for their '100 000km full service' – keen to get their blood pressure checked, or maybe a blood test.

Did you know though, that Queensland is still considered to be the 'Skin Cancer Capital of the World'? So right up there with heart troubles and elevated cholesterol, Skin Cancer is a significant cause of ill health in our community and as such it is so important that we don't forget the 'exterior detail' (aka skin check) in addition to the 'grease and oil change' this new year.

GPs have the knowledge and skills to perform skin checks. They can also discuss with you your individual skin cancer risk and provide advice on how often you require a skin check in order to prevent or detect Skin Cancer early.

Skin Cancer occurs when particular types of cells in certain layers of the skin change (become abnormal) in response to exposure to UV radiation (sun) over time. Anyone can develop skin cancer, irrespective of your age, skin type or whether you have ever been sunburnt. Some types of skin cancer can even be life threatening, though prognosis can be significantly improved with early detection.



If you would like your 'exterior detail', as part of your New Year Health Goals, or if you are concerned about any spots on your skin, phone your GP and ask for an appointment for a full skin check on top of your general appointments this new year.

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Name: Skye.

Suburb: I live in Wynnum.

How long have you lived here? All my life!

What's your favourite local walk? I love anywhere with water. I like slapping the water, then trying to bite the splash. Fun!

Your most treasured toy? I have a new favourite toy every few weeks as I have a tendency to destroy them. I particularly like stuffed toys that I can chew

on, and I'm partial to a good new set of thongs!

Your favourite food? Chicken and bacon bits.

What's your worst habit? It would have to be sneaking into bed with the kids in the middle of the night.

Where is your favourite local hangout?

Sometimes we go to Frenchie's Café.

Your best doggo friend? I have two friends who both live next door, they are both jack russells.

Any funny or embarrassing stories you'd like to share?

I am a bit scared of the lawn mower.

What do people love most about you? I am always happy and will say "hi" to anyone.

Name: Harvie Vitale.

Suburb: I live in Wynnum.

How long have you lived here? Just on 12 months.

What's your favourite local walk? Walking along the esplanade, and going to the dog park.

Your most treasured toy? My blue rope. I love to play tug-o-war with my owners!

Your favourite food? I love a good pig's ear, but anything really.

What's your worst habit? Digging up my Grandparents' artificial turf and chewing anything.

Where is your favourite local hangout? Jetts Gumdale, to see all the lovely people there – they give me lots of pats and love.

Your best doggo friend? Ziggy Vitale.

Any funny or embarrassing stories you'd like to share? Well, I recently did a pee on my owner's jacket!

What do people love most about you? I'm friendly, I love people, plus I'm cute.



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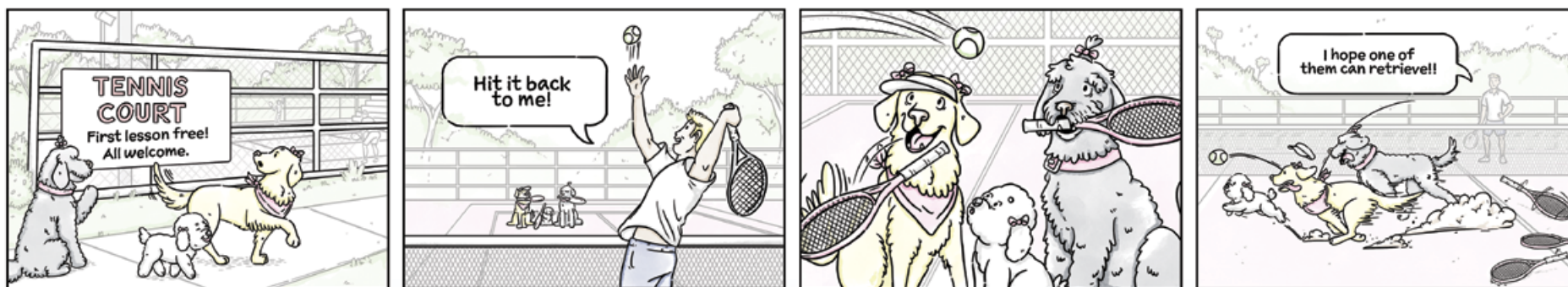


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BY DR NICKY THOMAS, WYNNUM MANLY VETERINARY HOSPITAL



Travelling with pets, whether for a day trip or an extended holiday, is becoming more common than ever before. Here are some tips to help ensure that everyone can enjoy the trip!

TRAVEL SAFE

- Your pet should be well restrained in the car to prevent accidents. This means a well fitted harness and seatbelt or a crate for smaller dogs and cats.
- Keep a water bottle and bowl handy to ensure your pet stays well hydrated – when you stop for refreshments give them a drink too!
- A collar and lead should be kept on at all times when out of the car, especially in unfamiliar environments where sometimes even the best trained dog may be too distracted to listen to recall commands.
- Calming products or sedatives as required for anxious travellers.

CLEANING PRODUCTS

- Wet wipes
- Hand sanitiser
- Poo bags
- Puppy pads
- Towels
- Grooming supplies – shampoo, brushes

FOOD

- Now is not the time to try new food – keep a supply of your pet's usual diet (especially if they are on a specific diet for medical needs).
- Keep a supply of dry food in a sealed container readily accessible.
- Wet food in cans or pouches.
- Treats.

MEDICINE AND FIRST AID

- A pet first aid kit is a valuable tool – there are commercially available kits for dogs and cats. At the very least a supply of saline, betadine and a few bandages may come in handy!
- Medications – make sure you have a supply of any prescription medications your pet needs.
- Vaccination records – caravan parks and other facilities will often require you to show proof that your pet is up to date with their vaccinations.
- Vet contact details – it's a good idea to have both your regular vet's contact details and an idea of the location of vet clinics in the area you are travelling to.

FAVOURITE THINGS

- To make sure your pet can relax and enjoy their holiday it is a good idea to pack any favourite toys, bedding or blankets to make them feel at home.

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NOW IS THE TIME FOR POSITIVE CHANGE

Kim Prior

CANDIDATE FOR BONNER



Hello Bonner! I am a long-term resident and have run my engineering company, for many years, from the heart of our wonderful community. I'm also a Board Director and chairperson of an industry group, so I understand the challenges of running businesses and achieving results for a variety of stakeholders. I have a long history of participating in our community including volunteering on management committees for childcare, school, sporting and artistic groups and leading humanitarian fund raising activities. At 53 and as a mother of young adults, I understand the issues facing this generation and as a daughter, have a sympathetic and caring eye for the needs of seniors. Most of all I want a bright future, not just for my children, but every Australian child. I want to ensure a liveable, fair and economically prosperous local community and country.

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As an ordinary member of the community, I am fed up with the policy failures of the major parties. I believe whole heartedly that everyone in Bonner deserves to be heard and have a better voice and stronger representation. I am committed to listening and serving our whole community, not just a select few. I am determined to achieve real change on a range of issues that affect our whole community.

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LOCAL WOMAN WITH TERMINAL ILLNESS GIVES BACK

BY CAITLIN MULCAHY, MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE ASSOCIATION OF QUEENSLAND INC.

Despite her terminal illness, Gumdale woman Jo Boon is determined to not let her diagnosis of Motor Neurone Disease (MND) define her. To help others going through their MND journey, Jo and her family recently held a gala fundraiser and raised more than they thought was possible!

The Boons presented a cheque to MND Queensland with the final fundraising amount revealed to be an incredible \$51,000 that will help change many lives.

Passionate is just one word that describes Jo and her family in their efforts to increase awareness of the disease that will sadly steal her ability to speak, move, swallow and eventually breathe.

Since being diagnosed in October 2019, Jo has fiercely campaigned to share her story of 'rebellious hope*' and has done much to raise awareness of the impacts of MND before it robs her ability to speak, stating it is a cruel disease that 'silences the storytellers'.

In an effort to give back and gather an audience for her to share her story, Jo took on the task of throwing a gala to raise funds for MND Queensland, who provide specialised supports to families impacted by this terminal illness. MND affects over 2,000 Australians and on average two more people are diagnosed daily and sadly two people

die every day from MND. The average life expectancy is just 2.5 years from diagnosis, which explains Jo's urgency to share her voice now.

In her speech, Jo said she knows it "may be too late for her", with no known cure yet found for MND, but she is now selflessly advocating for others so that they do not have to suffer with the same impacts.

We asked Jo what motivated her to put on the event and she said "from day one I wanted to do something to give back". She was particularly motivated to get involved when she learned that people diagnosed with MND after the age of 65 don't qualify for the NDIS.

"I saw red and then I felt guilty. I want to give back to all of my friends. ...I don't think it's fair that you work all your life and you get a disease that's got no cure and then no help," said Jo.

The family initially set out to raise \$10,000 for the charity, and were overwhelmed with generosity as it grew to \$51,000. MND Queensland's CEO, Ian Landreth said that the funds will go a long way to providing specialised support services for clients regardless of age and it could not be possible without the Boon family's perseverance to create awareness.

"We are very grateful to Jo and the Boon family. The gala was amazing



Jo Boon of Gumdale, who has Motor Neurone Disease, presents a donation to help others with MND. Photo: Supplied.

and it was so much more than a fundraising event... it was a 'Life Event'. People learned about MND, they laughed and cried and had a magical evening thanks to Peter and Jo and their amazing family and friends," Mr Landreth said.

To make a difference in the lives of people impacted by MND, please donate at www.mndaq.org.au/Donate/Donate

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TRY SOMETHING NEW IN 2022: HOW ABOUT MARTIAL ARTS?

FROM BAYSIDE BUDOKAI

A new year means new beginnings for local martial artists.

The New Year is traditionally a special time for martial arts enthusiasts. It's an occasion to take a break, reflect on the past year and set goals for the future. Traditionally this includes rituals such as O Soji where members thoroughly clean the dojo on New Year's, and a ceremony known as Kagami Biraki to mark the first training in the New Year.

This year will mark not only the Year of the Tiger, but also 15 years since local martial arts group, Bayside Budokai started classes in Wynnum.

Bayside Budokai offers training in three disciplines: aikido, iaido (swordsmanship) and jodo (staff) for adults and juniors from primary school age.

According to instructor David Kolb, lockdowns and restrictions over the past two years have been challenging, but he is looking forward to the new year and the opportunity to renew connections interstate and with friends and teachers overseas.

"For anyone considering taking up martial arts or renewing their training, the new year presents a great opportunity to get involved," said David.

"To commemorate our 15th anniversary Bayside Budokai is offering a six-week Budo Challenge, which allows new members commencing in January to practice obligation-free for a period of six weeks. This opportunity is suitable for anyone keen to acquire new physical skills, build self-confidence, make new friends and learn something about Japanese culture along the way."



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For details contact David Kolb on 0409 250 065 or email dkolb@bigpond.net.au or visit the website at <http://baysidebudokai.net>, or find out more on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/BaysideBudokai>





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LOCAL PERSONALITY PROFILES

Name: Hayley Colbert.

Suburb: Manly.

What's your business: Bayside Optometry, Wynnum Plaza.

Do you have any fun or interesting stories about your job? Patients often coming in for their eye test asking me to check on their "cadillacs" (they mean cataracts, which is when the lens of the eye becomes cloudy and affects vision) or to see if they're "immaculate" (they mean if they have Macular Degeneration which is a blinding eye disease).

What's your favourite local restaurant? Chidori Japanese and Manly Boathouse.

Best local activities? Sailing, farmer's markets, kayaking around the marina and walking along our beautiful esplanade.

What was the last book you read? *Boy Swallows Universe* by Trent Dalton (followed by seeing the play at QPAC recently).

What was the last TV show/movie you watched? ABC's *Australian Story* and *Penguin Bloom*.

Is there anything you'd like to see happen in the local area? Limit the speed e-scooters travel along the esplanade.

Is there a local business/community group/club you'd like to give a shout out to? Darling Point Sailing Squadron taught my four kids to sail, and the four local ladies/founders of Cocktails for a Cause – a great night out, which recently raised \$74,000 for local charity BABI.



Name: Laura Norris.

Suburb: I live in Wynnum and work in Manly.

What's your business? The Mad Hatters Bookshop in Manly Harbour Village.

Do you have any fun/interesting stories about your job? Our store has a shop ghost called Nora who drops books on unsuspecting people. One of the team was sceptical about Nora's existence — until the next book dropped. The title of the book? *Let the Dead Speak*.

What's your favourite local dine-in and take-away? Manly Kitchen and Keith's on Cambridge.

Best local activities? Paddle boarding, reading at the park, weekend drinks at Tide on the Jetty and Cedar and Pine.

What was the last book you read? *Social Queue* by Kay Kerr.

The last tv show or movie you watched? *One of Us Is Lying* on Stan.

Is there anything you'd like to see happen in the local area? I would love to see Wynnum Manly host a children's book festival. Also, pop-up mini golf!

Is there a local business/community group/club you'd like to give a shout-out to? A few weeks ago, I had a particularly difficult work day and the lovely Janie from Flowers on Cambridge in Manly sent me some flowers to cheer me up. Thank you, Janie!



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Christian explained that three things were important for all mariners to think about before leaving harbour:

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2. Is your boat in good shape? Service your motor regularly, check that your battery is in good condition, make sure your fuel isn’t stale and all your electrics (such as starter motor, lights and radio) have been tested.
3. Are you prepared for the conditions? Always check the weather forecast for the area of the Bay you’re heading for, carry sufficient water, and add a First Aid kit to your boat.

“We’re always available on weekends to help provide advice at the Coast Guard station,” Christian advised. “You can turn in your old flares and buy replacement ones, talk to us about our on-water Marine Assist scheme, and we even sell ice!”

The new intake of volunteers at Brisbane Coast Guard have spent the last few months completing their training and are ready to help boaties over the summer. For Christian’s D Roster crew, they’ve already been putting their skills to work with a recent ‘double tow’, where two boats needed help in the same area simultaneously.



Brisbane Coast Guard tows two boats needing assistance at once. Photo: Hugh Webster, Brisbane Coast Guard.



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WAITOA: FROM THE TORRES STRAIT TO MANLY HARBOUR

This fascinating new publication brings to life the story of the veteran sailing lugger now moored at Manly Harbour.

The story of *Waitoa*, the veteran Torres Strait sailing lugger tied up at a prominent berth in Manly boat harbour, is told in a new book featuring the maritime life of Queensland.

Arnie Duffield, the “last man standing” from the halcyon days of the sailing luggers and the pearling industry in Torres Strait, has published his memoirs at the age of 95.

He recalls his time as owner of the lugger when she was the name-ship of his company, Waitoa Pearling:

“I have a few mementoes of *Waitoa*. There is a picture of the boat weighted down a bit with three tonnes of pearl shells in her stern-sheets, and a large model of her in my sitting room today that was made by an employee, an Islander who used plans drawn up by a shipwright on Thursday Island – all featured with pictures in the book. *Waitoa* was originally part of the Cleveland Pearling Company. All their boats’ names were with a ‘W’. They also had the *Waikato*, *Waikeri* and *Waimate*.

“We acquired *Waitoa* as part of a flotilla boats used by a pearl cultivation enterprise, started with Japanese investors in 1960, with a laboratory at Escape River near the tip of Cape York. As time went on she became a ferry for Islanders working at Escape River to

travel back and forth to TI. When an oil spill wiped out the cultivation business in 1970 we returned this lugger and few others to fishing for pearl shells, called mother-of-pearl, in the Torres Strait.”

The Arnie Duffield memoir includes his time doing war work at Evans Deakin in the 1940s after evacuation from TI to Brisbane, aged 16, repairing allied submarines and Liberty ships, seven days a week – then later finding time to operate ferries on Moreton Bay for a Duffield family company at Bulimba.

Several Torres Strait luggers were constructed in Brisbane including two commissioned by Arnie and his brother Jim in 1954.

The book, an authentic story from tumultuous times, is about pearls from the sea, the boats, the dangers of deep-sea diving, war on Australia’s doorstep, threats to the environment, and the diverse people of the Strait.

It is replete with yarns, about crocodiles or sharks, drunks, bad weather at sea, a near-drowning, a mercy dash in a fast boat to save a downed pilot, and a few close shaves on bush air-strips.

While it is presented as more a memento than a blockbuster, the diverting personal history is woven into the strong historical background and contains details and information of heritage significance, especially about the seacraft.

After more than 70 years in the far North Arnie moved into retirement on the Sunshine Coast living near family.

Arnie: Pearls and Luggers in the Torres Strait has been co-written with Lee Duffield, a cousin and former journalist and academic.

The book is available online through Xlibris.com, and at selected bookshops including the newsagency and bookshop at the Manly 7 Day Market arcade, the Queensland Maritime Museum and the State Library of Queensland shop on Southbank.



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WHERE THE FISH ARE JUMPING THIS JANUARY

BY SPERO KARTANOS

Happy New Year to all our readers, and a happy and healthy 2022!

Well, if you have a boat and kids on school holidays, all you would be waiting for is good weather to get out on the bay to catch a fish or two. January is a bit hit and miss with lots of windy and rainy days, but also some dead-calm ones.

Thousands of boats are normally out with lots of families catching fresh fish for the table. Popular spots include the western side of the islands from Tangalooma to the Sand Hills at Moreton Island, and from Amity to One Mile, and of course, Horseshoe Bay, which the northerly winds turn into Queen Street Mall on a Friday night. It's great to see so many boats on the bay.

This month, fishing is normally very good with plenty of whiting for all. The Small Boat Channel, the Rous, the Sand Hills, Moreton Island and Amity Banks will have enough whiting for everyone.

The school mackerel are hit and miss this time of the year as we wait for the spotty mackerel

to show up, but if you put some time into having a troll between east of the Hope Banks and the entrance to the Small Boat Channel and the start of the Chain Banks, you have a good chance of getting a couple of nice fish. While trolling keep an eye out for feeding turns to indicate spotty mackerel or tuna feeding on a bait ball on the surface. Trolling is okay, but a chrome slug cast into the outside of a feeding school and a fast retrieve will get you a fish.

January is tiger squid season and as the water clears a little more they should front up at Green Island, but they seem to start at the weed banks at the Small Boat Channel and all through the Rous and Amity Banks. The weed banks at the western side of Moreton Island will also be producing plenty of squid, especially an hour each side of the tide, and dawn and dusk.

Snapper and squire and some really nice sweetlip are also around. Try near the shallow ground around the Bay Islands and the artificial reefs.

For me the best thing at this time of year is to catch plenty of whitebait at Peel and Green Islands at night, and all you need to catch these tasty critters is a butterfly net on a long pole and a light at the back of the boat at night in the shallows. It reminds me (being of Greek heritage) of one of my Dad's favourite meals – crispy whitebait in flour cooked in good old olive oil with a squeeze of lemon... mouth-watering!

So all in all hope you have a few great days on the water, catch a few fresh fish, some fun times and great memories. Let's hope 2022 brings health, happiness and plenty of fish for all.



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CONTRIBUTED BY BRISBANE COAST GUARD

Bruce Fleming, the founding father of Brisbane Coast Guard, has passed away in Robina Hospital after a long illness. His wife Judy Fleming and his son Steve were by his bed at the end.

On 8th November, 1972, Bruce Fleming and six fishermen mates were enjoying a break at the Moreton Bay Trailer Boat Club when a ship's radio alerted them to a serious boating accident near Amity on North Stradbroke Island. There was no volunteer marine rescue organisation in Moreton Bay at the time, so Bruce and his six mates jumped into their boats and raced across to Amity to help. They managed to save two people, although a third person drowned.

Following this tragedy, Bruce Fleming and his six mates vowed to establish a local rescue service in Moreton Bay, using their own vessels and their own time. Others soon joined 'The Magnificent Seven', and in the following year they applied to join the Australian Volunteer Coast Guard Association. In 1973 Bruce Fleming and his team were recognised as 'QF2' – the second Coast Guard unit in Queensland, now more commonly known as Brisbane Coast Guard.

At first, QF2 operated from a caravan on the Wynnum waterfront. By 1979 their rescue activities had outgrown this tiny space and needed

larger premises. The Port of Brisbane Authority offered to lease them land on Norfolk Point, near the mouth of Manly Boat Harbour. Bruce Fleming and his team built the current Coast Guard base there with their own hands, using their own equipment, and with great community support. The current base was officially opened in 1979.

Since then, Brisbane Coast Guard has assisted many thousands of boaties in distress, worked with the Water Police on many hundreds of Search and Rescue operations, and saved countless lives at sea. It has expanded its reach, establishing a secondary base in Redland Bay (now an independent Flotilla called QF7 Redland Bay Coast Guard) and increasing the size of its fleet of vessels to nine so it can operate in all types of in-shore and off-shore waters.

Bruce Fleming continued to serve as a Coast Guard volunteer through all this expansion. He continued as a crewman and radio watchkeeper on his regular duty roster at Manly, to regularly attend monthly Flotilla General Meetings, and to be involved in Flotilla activities and fundraising events until his recent illness.

Bruce Fleming was loved by his colleagues at QF2, and had many friends throughout Coast Guard and in the local boating community.



Bruce Fleming – a loved founder and colleague at Coast Guard Brisbane. Photo: Harvey Shore, Brisbane Coast Guard.

Bruce Fleming was honoured by Coast Guard with a Distinguished Service Award in 2014, and by the Federal Government with The National Medal and Bar.

Bruce Fleming embodied the finest traditions of Coast Guard Service. As the founding father of QF2, he'll be sadly missed by his shipmates. We all wish his noble soul "Fair Winds and Following Seas".

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GET SOCIAL IN 2022 AT THE WATERLOO BAY LEISURE CENTRE

FROM THE WATERLOO BAY LEISURE CENTRE

The Waterloo Bay Leisure Centre, located at 241 Tingal Road, Wynnum, reopens on Monday 10th January 2022.

This busy community centre offers many social activities and gatherings, exercise classes, concerts, markets, venue hire and much more. Please contact the centre and speak to one of our volunteers who are always happy to provide details of activities offered.

The centre welcomes new members and we encourage everyone to enjoy the many activities offered and enjoy the friendship of fellow patrons.

ACTIVITIES include needlecraft, knitting, quilting, parchment, leatherwork, painting and art, table tennis, and indoor bowls, and a library on site.

VENUE HIRE is available for special celebrations, functions and gatherings. The auditorium caters for large groups of up to 230 people. The Shire Clerk's Cottage is available for wedding ceremonies and offers a picturesque setting for photographs.

CONCERTS are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month and showcase a variety of entertainers. Concerts will resume in

February 2022 so save the dates of 8th and 22nd February. Doors open at 9.30am for morning tea and the concert commences at 10.15am. A two-course lunch is served after the concert. Bookings are essential by phoning the centre on 3396 9488.

HIGH TEAS are offered on Wednesday mornings for groups of 10 or more. Bookings are essential.

CANTEEN is open for purchase of refreshments, tea, coffee, scones and baked goods. Catering is available on request.

MARKETS are held throughout the year in the grounds of the Shire Clerk's Cottage. The first market for 2022 is Saturday 19th March. Over 70 stalls will showcase the goods of many local talented artists and craftspeople. Devonshire teas are served on the verandah of the cottage on market days.

NEW VOLUNTEERS are welcome to join the wonderful team that keep the centre operating. The centre is run entirely by volunteers. Some of the areas we welcome new volunteers include front of office, administration, IT and website support, canteen, function set up and serving of meals, and building and gardening maintenance.



We look forward to the continued support of the community in attending the centre. We wish everyone a Happy New Year ahead.



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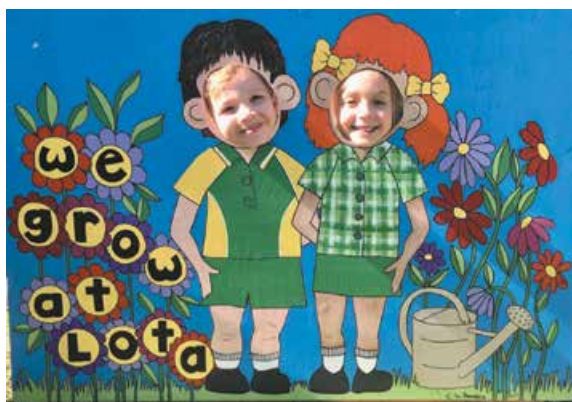
MEET CHRISTINE HARDING, LOTA SCHOOL'S ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

FROM LOTA STATE SCHOOL

Lota State School has its very own Artist in Residence. Christine Harding works by day as a Prep Teacher Aide, but in her time off creates incredible artworks for the school.

Christine painted an amazing Sproftacchel (photo board) which was recently unveiled at the school. Not only do students at Lota grow amazing produce and flowers in their gardens, they also grow in their hearts, minds, bodies and thinking.

Christine has also designed and painted the NAIDOC mural as well as Lota's positive behaviour mascot Danny the Dolphin.



LOCAL POETRY MISS DORRIES

BY GEOFF SMILEY

A beauty with clear fine skin
and auburn hair, Edwardian style.
I am lost in her loveliness, when
she fixes me with her sweet smile.

I dream of her, my first true love,
my Queen who lives beside
the local fire brigade.
Each morning she excites my mind.

She does not reciprocate but she is kind.
She rewards my efforts, encourages
and attends to my oft demands.
Her responses drive me wild.

At the end of our year-long affair,
I proudly win an honours prize.
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Miss Dorries, Year 7 teacher,
I still love you the best.

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"I really loved my teacher from the final year of primary at Manly school. Looking back, I can see that she was a wise and caring person who helped guide me through that year. How lucky was I?"

Summer reading for the kids

Maggie's new book is out now!



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Miss Maggie on a press check at Murarrie (above) and at Mad Hatter's Bookshop (above right).



EASY BREEZY SUMMER WHITEBAIT ON A PLATE RECIPE

FROM SPERO KARTANOS

Who better to ask for a sizzling whitebait recipe than local fisherman Spero Kartanos? He's been cooking these crispy little bites for years, and his recipe is perfection! For the freshest meal, why not try Spero's tips for catching your own fish?

Here is one of my all-time favourite meals: whitebait or bluebait from Moreton Bay. These fish are dusted in flour, then deep fried in light olive oil. My Mum and Dad ate this dish often, and it's one I love.

These little critters are in good supply in the summer months, but January/February are the best.

Catch them at night in a boat with a spotlight on, or even try your luck on a jetty where there is a light. These little fish tend to school up, especially if there are some predators chasing them or trying to eat them, so a butterfly mesh net on a long handle will normally get you enough for a meal, and they are so tasty (Water Tower Bait and Tackle at Manly carry these nets).

METHOD

1. Put your whitebait in a plastic bag with some flour and give it a gentle shake.
2. Remove the fish from the bag and put them in a colander to get rid of the excess flour.
3. Heat a frying pan with a couple of centimetres of light olive oil. It should be hot enough to sizzle when you dip a chip in it.
4. Add your fish to the hot pan, and deep fry your fish in batches until it's crispy and cooked through.
5. Put your cooked fish on a paper towel to remove any excess oil.
6. Serve straight away with a squeeze of lemon and aioli on the side. Chili jam will also make this a memorable dish.



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WYNNUM CROQUET CLUB WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS TO THE LAWN

BY MIKE FORDYCE

Wynnum Croquet Club has welcomed several new members over the past couple of months and as Club Captain Deirdre Giles said, “This is a fantastic result and we warmly welcome all our new members and hope that you have a long and enjoyable association with the club”.

When asked why they had decided to take up croquet one member summed it up beautifully: “I was ready for a new activity that would bring me into a social group and give me a challenging exercise that would not put my body under stress – Wynnum CC fitted the bill.”

Responses from other new members included:

“A friend suggested I try and I thoroughly enjoy it. Club members are so welcoming and friendly.”

“Lovely to try and like a local game that is easier on my body.”

“Just a wonderful place to learn croquet and it is so sociable.”

“I played croquet in Sydney for 10 years; so, when I moved to Brisbane my first activity was to find and join the local croquet club.”

“Over 10 years ago, we watched a sister win a competition at Port Macquarie, so we had a try and we were IN!”

“For years a friend encouraged us to come and play croquet. When we finally did, we loved it and we have met many new friends. It is such a welcoming, friendly club.”



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WHAT'S NEW AT THE MOVIES

FROM MAJESTIC CINEMAS, WYNNUM



Ghostbusters: Afterlife (PG) – starts January 1st 2022

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The House of Gucci (MA15+) – starts January 1st 2022

When Patrizia Reggiani, an outsider from humble beginnings, marries into the Gucci family, her unbridled ambition begins to unravel their legacy and triggers reckless spiral of betrayal, decadence, revenge, and ultimately...murder. Directed by Ridley Scott and stars Lady Gaga, Adam Driver, Al Pacino, Jeremy Irons and Jared Letto.



Addams Family 2 (PG) – starts January 6th 2022

Everyone's favourite spooky family is back! Morticia and Gomez are distraught that their children are growing up, skipping family dinners, and totally consumed with "scream time." To reclaim their bond they decide to cram Wednesday, Pugsly, Uncle Fester and the crew into their haunted camper and hit the road for one last miserable family vacation. What could possibly go wrong?



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- 36 Festivity
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- 17 Make merry
- 18 Enquires
- 19 Bury
- 20 Attempts
- 22 Made fun of
- 23 Form walking surface
- 27 Festive season

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- 37 Decree
- 38 Composition
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BAYSIDE UNITED'S NEW SENIOR WOMEN'S AND UNDER 23 TEAMS

BY KEVAN SANGSTER

In exciting news for both the club and the local football community, Bayside United have been awarded a licence by Football Queensland to enter a female team in the newly created Women's FQPL3 division in 2022!

With their men's first team also operating in equivalent male division next season, it will be the first time that the Lota-based club will have both men's and women's competing at the same level in their respective leagues.

Having fielded female teams in last season's City League in 2021, as well as having 8 junior girls' teams from Under 8 to Under 15 age groups, the club's Female Football Program is going from strength to strength.

Club President Greg Pascal spoke to The Community Leader this month to explain.

"We are delighted to secure the licence for additional Senior Women's and new Under 23 teams in 2022. We have been working towards this for a number of years, and our club is becoming a hot bed of female football talent," said Greg.

The club is also in the process of building two new female-friendly changing rooms to expand their facilities for female players.

Expressions of interest are welcomed from any new players wishing to play in the new Women's FQPL3 and Under 23 level teams. Trials will be conducted in January.

Any interested players should contact the Head of Women's Football Andre Galeano via the club's Facebook page.





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FUNDING BOOST FOR MANLY-LOTA RSL SUB-BRANCH

FROM ROSS VASTA MP

Manly-Lota RSL Sub-Branch in Bonner have been awarded \$23,609 from the Morrison Government to support local veterans and their families.

They are among 127 ex-service organisations (ESOs) sharing in \$4.35 million through the 2021 round of the Building Excellence in Support and Training (BEST) Program.

Federal Member for Bonner Ross Vasta MP said that ESOs in Bonner play a crucial role for local veterans and their families, ensuring they are well supported.

"I would like to thank all ESOs that provide advocacy services in Bonner who continue to provide vital services to our local veteran community," Mr Vasta said.

"Manly Lota RSL Sub-Branch has been providing a respectful, supportive and inclusive space for our veterans for decades. They are dedicated to keeping the memory of Anzac Day, Vietnam Veterans Day, and Remembrance Day alive for generations to come.

"Currently, they are managing over 250 veterans' cases, meaning a key focus of their work is staying up to date with matters of interest to veterans and the broader community.

"This funding is critical to supporting this; equipping the branch with the technology to research cases, ensuring software is up to date as well as the contacting of veterans and ongoing administration.

"It will also extend into making sure the branch can continue to host meaningful community events like morning teas, Remembrance Day ceremonies and various occasions where they can reach out to veterans.

"It will not only make an invaluable difference to the branch, but also to its members and our community."



Federal Member for Bonner Ross Vasta MP alongside Manly-Lota RSL Sub-Branch President Greg Jones and Advocate Mark Gallagher. Photo: Supplied.

Manly-Lota RSL Sub-Branch Advocate Mark Gallagher said, "Thank you to the Morrison Government for their significant contribution to our branch".

"It will make possible our day-to-day work to deliver veterans the support they need and deserve to get on with their lives."

To apply for future rounds of the BEST Program or for further information, including a full list of successful recipients, visit the Community Grants Hub website <https://www.communitygrants.gov.au>





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A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE PLACE WE CALL COOCHIE

BY JILL GREENHILL, WYNNUM MANLY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Board the ferry at Victoria Point for a seven-minute ride to the island of Coochiemudlo. Here is a minute island, only five square kilometres in size.

Evidence of at least 25,000 years of Aboriginal occupation is acknowledged by the presence of traces of shell middens and stone mortars.

The spiritual significance of the iron-rich red ochre cliffs, on island's south western flank, visible from the mainland, gave the name Goochi-mudlo (red earth/stone) in the Jandai language of the Quandamooka people.

The first European to step onto the island on 19 July 1799 was Lieutenant Matthew Flinders, during his voyage of exploration in the "Norfolk", to find navigable rivers north of Sydney.

Flinders had sailed into Moreton Bay but did not discover the Brisbane River. He referred to Coochie as the Sixth Island. A re-enactment of his landing is celebrated annually on the Sunday nearest to 19 July, at Norfolk Beach, on the east side of the island. This beach was named in 1977 and gazetted in 1982. A stone monument to record Flinders' landing can be found there.

Government Surveyor, Robert Dixon, named the island "Innis Island" in 1840, in honour of Lieutenant Innis, who had recently explored southern Moreton Bay. This name stayed in place until the 1880s. The island's name then reverted to the original Aboriginal name, but was anglicized as Coochiemudlo.

The island was granted to the Queensland Acclimatization Society in 1868. The Society's task was to import plants that could have commercial potential, and to conduct experiments to determine if they could be adapted to Queensland's tropical and subtropical climate. The grant was declined.

In the 1880s bullock teams were swum over from the mainland to drag the felled trees down to the sea for use in the construction of wharves in Brisbane. The Moreton Bay Oyster Company took oysters from beds surrounding the island.

Interest was aroused again 1887 in developing the potential of the island. The western side of the island was subdivided into one-acre lots for the future growth of bananas, passionfruit, grapes, paw paws, pineapples, tomatoes, vegetables and custard apples.

The first auction of this crown land was on 24 January 1888. Ninety allotments were advertised but no one showed any interest in settling on the island.

In 1896 Henry Wright and his son Norman set up camp. They left "this god forsaken place" in about 1900. The sandflies and mosquitoes were intolerable. Norman Wright went on to build Norman Wright and Sons, a nationally respected boat building firm.

The land, though subdivided, was unoccupied and was exploited for timber and for grazing of cattle, swum across from the Victoria Point farms. Prior to WW1, Mr Morcom cleared the southwest corner and built the first farmhouse. But the project was not viable. Phillip Forrest purchased this farmhouse in 1919 and offered



The red cliffs of Coochie. Photo: Supplied.

Doug Morton and Eric Gardon, both ex WW1 survivors, the opportunity to share-farm the property.

Doug Morton stayed there for 40 years and made a success of the venture. He married Mary Colburn in 1921 and Mary was the only female on the island for the next 12 years. Doug was the initiator of the tourist industry in the 1930s. He built several jetties and the golf course in the southwest corner of the island. The Mortons left the island in 1966 when they felt the place was too crowded.

During WWII the island was home to the 42 and 43 Landing Craft Companies who trained there, then served with distinction in New Guinea and Bougainvillea in 1945. Trainees included Sir Frank Packer, Sir Ninian Stephen and Sir Nigel Bowen.

The farming era was over by the late 1950s when many of the leases were bought and subdivided by two real estate agents. Alfred Grant bought land to the east and Richard Marsh to the north and west. But the subdivisions were small, only suitable for holiday cottages. So, in the 1960s, sales were few with only 20 people living on the island by 1970.

Infrastructure development increased rapidly in the 1970s. A new concrete jetty was built in 1971. The island was connected to the town water supply. A community hall was built in 1973. Electricity was connected in 1978. There was a regular ferry service. The vehicular barge came in 1987. Unfortunately, connection to underground sewage was not available until 2006. But the level of permanent residency rose.

A land management plan was drawn up to preserve the foreshore and prevent the building of waterfront houses. This "Emerald Fringe" gives the island an air of mystery. The society of the island is now diverse, ranging from permanent and temporary residents, retirees, professionals, artists, writers and trades people. Community groups include a Progress Association, an Art Group and Life Saving Volunteers. Sporting facilities exist for golf, tennis, croquet and bowls.

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COMMUNITY PROFILE: SAILS AT BAYSIDE

BY PETER DOWNIE

For the past 15 years SAILS at Bayside has provided opportunities through sailing and kayaking for young people at risk, and their families and their carers, to overcome difficulties, reach their potential and engage fully in community life.

SAILS is a community outreach of several southern Moreton Bay Anglican Parishes. Their sailing and kayaking activities support organisations like BABI and Silky Oaks, as they work with young people not receptive to traditional programs.

On-water activities are held for children in out-of-home care, school groups with specific needs, and in recent years, refugees through the Qld Program of Assistance to Survivors of Torture & Trauma (QPASTT).

SAILS operates four catamarans, 14 kayaks, and a safety boat. Funding for maintenance and operations comes from fundraising activities (BBQs, trivia nights etc.), monthly public sailing and kayaking events at Wynnum or Cleveland, donations, and occasional grants.

Covid-19 has significantly impacted on finances. In addition to covering operating and maintenance costs, SAILS will need to relocate its purpose-built catamaran shed in the next year or so when the current site is no longer available.

SAILS' leaders and volunteers are resilient and resourceful and take these challenges head-on because of their commitment to their participants and the proven success of their activities.

SAILS at Bayside welcomes help – both financial and volunteering (and it's fun to boot!).

Contact Peter Downie 07 31370000 for more information.



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FROM JO-ANNE O'CONNOR, JOINT PRESIDENT, ROTARY CLUB OF WYNNUM AND MANLY

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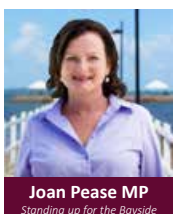
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