

### MORE THAN A GAME: WYNNUM MANLY'S PREMIERSHIP HEROES RETURN FOR A CAUSE

There's something special about Wynnum Manly — when our community comes together, united for a cause, big things can happen. This August, we'll see that spirit in action as the Seagulls celebrate 30 years since their unforgettable 1995 BRL premiership with a gala fundraising evening. Sure, we'll be sharing a few laughs and swapping old stories, but this reunion is about more than reminiscing. It's about looking out for our mates and getting behind a cause that hits close to home.

The event also honours the legacy of local icon Paul Green, whose tragic passing in 2022 was later linked to Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE), a brain disease caused by repeated head knocks. Paul's story

has sparked vital conversations across the sporting world – and inspired many to support research that could protect future generations of players.

Whether you've followed the Seagulls for decades or just enjoy a good night with friends, everyone's invited to the 1995 Premiership Reunion & Fundraiser. It's our chance to come together and support important research into CTE. For the full story, check out page 2 – we reckon you won't want to miss it!

Pictured: Wynnum Manly Seagulls CEO Wayne Weekes with Amanda Green and 1995 Premiership player Luke Dalziel-Don.



### TACKLING CTE: WYNNUM'S 1995 HEROES RETURN FOR A CAUSE

This August, the Wynnum Manly Seagulls invite fans and the local community to celebrate a monumental milestone – the 30th anniversary of their unforgettable 1995 BRL premiership win. Led by captain Ricky Taylor, the Seagulls triumphed in a thrilling 32–24 Grand Final against Easts, a moment that etched itself into club history as one of its proudest.

On Saturday, August 30, the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club will host the 1995 Premiership Reunion & Fundraiser for CTE Awareness. The evening promises to be one of celebration and reflection, with special thanks to major supporters BMD, Bartons, and Wynnum Manly Leagues Club.

This year's event carries deeper significance. Since the tragic passing of club legend Paul Green, the Seagulls have partnered with the Australian Sports Brain Bank to support essential research into Chronic Traumatic Encephalopathy (CTE), a condition linked to repeated head trauma in sport. Half of all proceeds from the night will be donated to the Australian Sports Brain Bank, while the remainder will support the club's ongoing efforts.

Guests will enjoy a two-course meal alongside a three-hour beverage package, with entertainment provided by a live band. Veteran sports journalist Pat Welsh will guide the evening as MC, while iconic guest Sam Kekovich will bring laughter and insight with his signature humour. Members of the 1995 premiership team will take the stage to share untold stories and treasured memories, giving fans a chance to reconnect with the legacy of a truly remarkable season.

A live auction and raffle will offer exclusive memorabilia and unique experiences, and those attending can also look forward to half-price entry to game day at BMD Kougari Oval on Sunday, 31 August.



Pictured: The 1995 Seagulls Premiership-winning team.

Whether you've cheered from the sidelines three decades ago or are a recent arrival to the Seagulls' family, this event offers something for everyone. For tickets, visit www.wynnumseagulls.com.au.





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### MANLY GEARS UP FOR CORVETTES ON THE BAY THIS AUGUST

Sunday, 24th August 2025 marks the return of one of Queensland's favourite car events, Corvettes on the Bay, held along the picturesque Manly Esplanade.

Hosted by the Queensland Corvette Club, this revved-up annual event celebrates the legacy of the iconic American Corvette. From vintage classics to the latest high-performance models, the show brings together 40 to 70 Corvettes from across Queensland for a stunning display of motoring history and style.

While Corvettes are the headline act, the event also welcomes a variety of Mustangs, Pontiacs, Hot Rods, and other classic cars, making it a must-see for motoring enthusiasts and casual visitors alike.

But this is more than just a car show. Proceeds support Camp Quality and Rosies – Friends on the Street, helping children and people in need. Public entry is free, making it a great day out for all ages.

Families can enjoy a relaxed and welcoming atmosphere with food trucks, coffee and ice cream vendors, and merchandise stalls. A special visit from Bluey will bring smiles to younger attendees, helping promote Camp Quality's incredible work.

Vehicle owners are invited to register their cars for judging or display, with a range of trophies on offer. New for 2025 is a children's category, giving young car lovers a chance to enter their own toy or model car for just \$5.

#### **EVENT DETAILS:**

**Date:** Sunday 24th August 2025 **Location:** Manly Esplanade, Brisbane

**Time:** 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM (vehicle entry from 7:00 AM)







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### UP, UP AND AWAY! BRISBANE KITE FESTIVAL RETURNS TO TINGALPA

Brisbane skies will burst into colour on Sunday 24 August, as the much-loved Brisbane Kite Festival returns to the Tingalpa Model Aero Club in the Minnippi Parklands, Tingalpa.

Running from 10:00am to 3:00pm, this free, family-friendly event promises a day of fun for all ages, featuring professional kite flyers, a magician show, thrilling rides, a dedicated kids' area, and kite sales so children can join in the action and fly their own. Food lovers will also enjoy a great selection of food trucks and a sausage sizzle serving up delicious treats throughout the day.

Proudly organised by the Rotary Clubs of Carindale and Brisbane South-East, the Brisbane Kite Festival continues to be a much-anticipated community tradition that brings families, friends, and neighbours together for a day of joy and connection.

"This is a wonderful day out for families, kite lovers and anyone who wants to enjoy a vibrant community atmosphere," said Cr Lisa Atwood, Councillor for Doboy Ward. "The Brisbane Kite Festival is always a highlight on our community calendar."

The venue is wheelchair accessible, and while on-site parking is available, it fills up fast – visitors are encouraged to consider alternative parking on Kate Street and Preston Road in Carina.

So pack a picnic rug, gather the kids, and get ready to look to the skies – the 2025 Brisbane Kite Festival is the perfect day out for the whole family.



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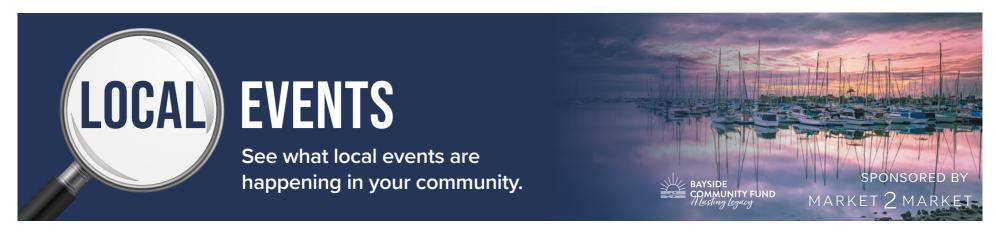
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### SHIRE CLERK'S COTTAGE MARKET

Saturday August 16, 8:00am to 1:00pm, Waterloo Bay Leisure Centre, Tingal Road, Wynnum

If you love to shop or you just can't resist a freshly-baked scone, the popular Shire Clerk's Cottage Market is a must-visit. Browse more than 70 stalls offering handmade crafts and unique gift ideas — many created by local makers. Wander through the charming heritage-listed cottage, enjoy a Devonshire Tea on the verandah, and soak up the community spirit. With every scone and purchase, you're supporting the upkeep of the Centre and the amazing volunteers who keep it running.



### **QCC CORVETTES ON THE BAY 2025**

Sunday August 24, 9:00am to 1:00pm, George Clayton Park, Upper Esplanade, Manly

Get ready for horsepower, history and high-octane style at the Queensland Corvette Club's annual Concourse event — a celebration of America's iconic sports car. Corvette lovers and curious car-spotters alike are invited to admire a gleaming showcase of classic and contemporary 'Vettes. Owners will proudly display their prized rides, with trophies awarded to the best of the best. Enjoy food, coffee, trade stalls and club merchandise, and chat with passionate Corvette enthusiasts. It's free for the public and fun for the whole family — don't miss this revved-up day by the bay!



### 1969 — A YEAR IN MUSIC

Saturday August 9, 7:30pm, RPAC Concert Hall, Middle Street, Cleveland

Step back in time with *The Honey Sliders* as they transport audiences to the unforgettable year of 1969. This nine-piece band delivers a live soundtrack to a dynamic screen show, capturing the spirit of an era shaped by Woodstock, the moon landing, Abbey Road, and a cultural revolution. Experience the highs, lows and raw energy of a year that changed the world – all brought to life on stage at RPAC.

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### **BRISBANE KITE FESTIVAL**

Sunday August 24, 10:00am to 3:00pm, Minnippi Parklands, Tingalpa

The Brisbane Kite Festival is back, proudly presented by the Rotary Clubs of Brisbane South-East and Carindale. Visitors can bring their own kite or purchase one on-site while enjoying professional kite displays, food trucks, magic shows, rides, sausage sizzle, face painting, and a pop-up library. Wow! This family-friendly event promises sky-high fun for all ages!



### **WRITING MONDAYS**

Monday August 4, 11, 18 and 25, 9:00am to 2:00pm, Wynnum Library, 145 Florence Street, Wynnum

Writing Mondays is a free, volunteer-led program for writers of all levels, designed to boost creativity and productivity in a supportive community setting. Based on Queensland Writers Centre's successful Writing Friday format, the sessions follow the Pomodoro Technique – 25-minute writing sprints with short breaks to maintain focus. Every third round, participants enjoy a longer break to relax and recharge. It's the perfect space to finish your story, build momentum, and connect with fellow writers.



### **JAN POWERS FARMERS MARKETS**

August 2 and 16, 6:00am to 12:00pm, Little Bayside Park, Manly

The Jan Powers Farmers Markets at Manly are held on the first and third Saturday of the month, celebrating fresh, regional produce and connecting locals to the people who grow their food. A Brisbane icon, these vibrant markets champion the paddock-to-plate philosophy and have helped pave the way for farmers markets across the city. Discover seasonal fruit and veg, artisan goods, meats, seafood, breads, blooms and more – all with a view of the bay!

### WYNNUM'S QI FLOW HEART DAY TO RAISE FUNDS FOR HEARTKIDS

When Wynnum local Maggie Vukovic went for a routine 20-week pregnancy scan, she was told her unborn daughter, Alicia, had Hypoplastic Left Heart Syndrome (HLHS) – a condition that meant she would be born with only half a heart. Doctors gave Alicia a 50% chance of surviving to her fifth birthday.

Each day in Australia, eight babies are born with congenital or childhood-acquired heart disease (CoHD), which remains the leading cause of death in infants under 12 months, claiming four lives each week.

By age five, Alicia had undergone five open-heart surgeries, spending much of her early childhood in hospital. Today, she is a thriving 16-year-old who faces life with courage and a bright spirit, despite the challenges of her condition. Her strength — and the support Maggie received from HeartKids Australia — inspired Maggie to give back.

On Saturday 23 August 2025, Maggie and the team at Qi Flow Studio will host Qi Flow Heart Day, raising funds and awareness for HeartKids — the only national charity dedicated to supporting children and families affected by CoHD. HeartKids provides emotional, financial, and practical support during some of life's toughest moments.

The event will feature fitness classes, community stories, family activities, raffles, and a live BayFM broadcast, bringing people together to celebrate courage, connection, and care.

"This day is about more than fundraising," Maggie says. "It's about letting families know they are not alone, and about honouring the strength of kids like Alicia while empowering our community to make a difference."







Above right: Maggie Vukovic with Alicia. Photos: Supplied.

Local businesses and community leaders are already backing the event, but everyone is encouraged to attend, participate, or donate to help HeartKids continue its vital work.

For more information and tickets, scan the QR code.





### KARA COOK COMMUNITY UPDATE

FEDERAL MEMBER FOR BONNER



### **Ministerial Visits**

It was a pleasure to have the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence, Richard Marles, visit the Wynnum Manly & Districts Men's Shed last month to meet the local members, many of whom are former servicemen. I was also able to introduce Andrew Giles, the Minister for Skills and Training, to many of our amazing local apprentices who are repairing EVs and building switchboards right here in Bonner and are benefiting from our Government's Key Apprenticeship Program. The program provides up to \$10,000 in financial support to people starting a career in clean energy or housing construction.



### **Community Pantry**

I am very grateful for all the donations to my office community pantry, so be sure to spread the word that if you know of anyone in the Bayside community who might be doing it tough and needs some **free food items**, they are always welcome to drop into my office. My office is also now a collection point for, DV Safe Phone, Share the Dignity and the Nappy Collective, so if you ever have any clean toiletry items or an old phone to donate please know we are accepting donations.



### **Seniors Month Expo**

Calling all Bayside Seniors, be sure to save the date, because on **21 October from 9am - 12pm** I will be hosting the Annual Bonner Seniors Expo, at the Waterloo Bay Leisure Centre. This is a great opportunity for seniors to hear about all the opportunities there are through organisations, grants, discounts, events and more for our senior's community. If you are an organisation, group or provider interested in being involved please get in touch with my office.



### From July 1st Building Australia's Future Pack

The Albanese Government is focused on helping with the cost of living, investing in our future, and supporting working Australians. That is why, from 1 July, several new measures have come into effect, including:

#### Helping with the cost of living:

- More energy bill relief with \$150 off power bills for every household.
- A pay rise for millions of Australians, with a 3.5% rise for all minimum and award wage workers.
- Discounted home batteries 30% discount on batteries to permanently cut power bills.

#### Backing aspiration and investing in education and training

- Paid prac for student nurses, teachers, social workers and midwives.
- Training more tradies to build more homes with \$10,000 in bonus payments.

### **Delivering more support for working Australians and families**

- Increasing the Super Guarantee from 11.5% to 12%.
- Two extra weeks of Government Paid Parental Leave from 22 weeks to 24 weeks.
- Adding Super on Government Paid Parental Leave, meaning taking paid parental leave won't
  mean missing out on super.

#### **Building Medicare and making it stronger**

- \$1.8 billion boost to hospital funding, helping Australians get the quality healthcare they deserve.
- A new Medicare urgent clinic in Bonner.

### **Mobile Offices**

Over the month of August, I will be holding multiple mobile offices. If you want to drop in to have a chat with me or have an issue you want to bring to my attention, or just want to say 'Hi', I would love to see you there.

- Manly Creative Markets: 9:00am to 10:00am, August 3
- The Shed (Behind 116 Bay Terrace, Wynnum): 9:30am to 10:30am, August 15





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### Olleh Wealth – Who We Are

FROM OLLEH WEALTH



Olleh Wealth Team: Alen Murselovic, Harry Smith and Tewfik Tarek.

Olleh Wealth is a modern financial planning firm founded by two experienced financial advisors and an operations manager who came together with a shared mission: to build a client-first firm rooted in trust, transparency, and independence. After years working in a traditional practice, we knew we could offer a more personal service, more flexibility, and more value. So we stepped away and launched Olleh Wealth, a firm built from the ground up with our clients in mind.

#### **Our Story**

Our story began with a simple but powerful idea: financial advice should be clear, client-centered, and free from pressure. The three of us had spent years helping people navigate complex financial decisions, but we wanted to do it differently. We left behind

the constraints of our previous firm and created a space where honest conversations and long-term relationships could thrive. At Olleh Wealth, we focus on what really matters, your goals, your values, and your future.

#### **Our Services**

Olleh Wealth offers comprehensive financial planning tailored to each stage of life. Our services include investment management, retirement planning, budgeting and cash flow guidance, tax strategies, insurance and risk planning, and estate planning support. We take a holistic approach, looking at the full picture and building practical, personalised plans that grow and evolve with you.

#### **Our Target Market**

We work with individuals and families from their 20s through their 50s and 60s. Whether you're just starting to build wealth, navigating career growth, buying a home,



or preparing for retirement, we help you make smart financial decisions at every stage. Our clients are motivated, forward-thinking, and value professional advice that meets them where they are.

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### Maggie's Mates

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What's your name? Hello! My name is Ruby.

Suburb: I am from Wynnum.

How long have you lived in Wynnum? I've been living the good life in Wynnum since I was just eight weeks old! I was a teeny 650 grams when I arrived – basically a pocket-sized princess. Now I'm all grown up (well, 3kg grown) and proudly patrol my street, soak up the sea breeze, and act like a local celeb.

What is your favourite local walk? The walk to Elanora Small Dog Park is everything. As soon as we get close, I start doing little hops — I know where we're going! The second the gate opens, I'm off like a rocket. So many smells, sniffs, and squeals of delight. I've got a solid group of doggo mates there, and we take playtime very seriously.

What is your most treasured toy? My squeaky toy from Petbarn in Wynnum is my ride-or-die. It squeaks just the way I like it — loud and dramatic. I carry it around like a trophy, and yes, I've been known to fall asleep with it under my paw. A girl's gotta protect her valuables!

What is your favourite food? Easy. A woofacino with bacon and eggs from Frenchies Café. It's basically brunch with Mum and Dad, and I am so here for it. There's something magical about that foamy cup and the crispy bacon bits that fall my way. It's the ultimate treat.

**What's your worst habit?** Chewing the zippers off cushions. Don't ask me why – it's just something I must do. Mum says it's destructive, I say it's modern textile art.

What's your favourite local hangout? Frenchies Café (bacon, duh) and Elanora Small Dog Park are my go-tos. But honestly? My true happy place is the car. I insist on sitting right in the middle of Mum and Dad,

up on the console, so I can see everything. I supervise traffic, offer unsolicited advice at roundabouts, and occasionally sneak a kiss on the cheek while they're driving. I'm basically the CEO of the road trip.

Who is your best doggo friend? Ralphie the 'moodle' — he's my bestie and chaos twin. We match each other's energy perfectly. But I can't forget my big sister Maya. She's a cat and keeps her cool most of the time, but we've got a quiet bond (even if she pretends, I'm annoying).

Any funny or embarrassing stories you'd like to share? I genuinely forget I'm a dog. I need a pillow, I need a blanket, and I will absolutely fuss until they're just right. I once refused to sleep on a bed because the doona wasn't fluffed. Call me picky, but I like things comfortable.

What do people love most about you? I'm small, soft, and irresistibly snuggly. People say I bring calm and comfort, and I love nothing more than curling up next to someone who needs a cuddle. Also, I'm very photogenic. I mean, just look at this face!

Ruby's favourite charity is The Pawprint Foundation, and we have made a \$50 donation on her behalf. "Every furry friend deserves love, safety, and the occasional brunch date," says Ruby.

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### WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT PET DENTAL HEALTH

BY DR NICKY THOMAS, WYNNUM MANLY VETERINARY HOSPITAL

August is National Pet Dental Health Month. This nationwide initiative was developed to bring attention to the importance of dental health in your pet's health and wellbeing.



#### Why is dental care so important?

An estimated 80% of dogs and cats over the age of three years have periodontal disease. Poor dental hygiene in pets leads to tartar build-up, gum disease and halitosis. Untreated periodontal disease can cause heart disease, liver disease and kidney disease due to circulating bacteria.

#### What are the signs of dental disease?

- Halitosis (bad breath)
- · Difficulty chewing, dropping food
- Decreased appetite
- · Gingivitis inflammation, redness and bleeding from the gums
- Tartar build-up this may be yellow to brown in colour
- Tooth discolouration
- · Loose or missing teeth
- Increased salivation
- Pain on handling around the mouth

### How can I prevent dental disease in my pet?

Daily brushing in compliant animals is the best way to prevent dental disease from developing. There are a variety of brushes and toothpastes specifically designed for dogs and cats. There are gels, liquid or powder water or food additives, and oral hygiene wipes available that may be more suitable for your pet.

Finding a good quality dental chew that your pet enjoys can help to reduce plaque and tartar accumulation. Have a chat with your vet about the best product to suit your pet's needs.

#### How can my vet treat periodontal disease?

Dental cleaning performed under general anaesthesia is often needed to treat advancing periodontal disease. Your vet will scale and polish your pet's teeth to remove calculus and will assess the health of the teeth and gums. Dental radiographs can be performed to determine whether there is disease under the gum line (the roots and periodontal bone can become diseased). In cases of advanced dental disease, your pet may require teeth to be extracted.

Developing a dental care program early in your pet's life will help to maintain their dental health and keep their teeth and gums healthy and odour-free!



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### JOAN PEASE'S COMMUNITY UPDATE

STATE MEMBER FOR LYTTON

### THANKS FOR YOUR **SERVICE WAYNE**

Wynnum Police Station Officer in Charge, Wayne Richter, has retired. I'd like to publicly thank Wayne for his impeccable service to our Bayside community since taking on the job in 2019.

I've had an excellent working relationship with



Wayne is very much a part of our local community. He went to Wondall Heights Primary School and Wynnum State High School. When he wasn't working, he was either volunteering his time in the community or zipping across Moreton Bay in a 12ft skiff. He's an avid windsurfer, sailor, scuba diver, triathlete and fisherman. Baysiders wish Wayne the best in his next chapter.



#### **BOOK NOW! BAYSIDE GRANTS FORUM ON AUGUST 21**

Please join us at the Bayside Grants Forum 2025. This forum will take place on Thursday, 21 August at the Wynnum RSL Club.

Hear about the latest grants available for your community or sporting group, school P&C/F or charity. Whether you're a seasoned grant writer or just starting out, this event is perfect for you!

Registration for the Bayside Grants Forum is free and open to all. Tea & coffee provided.

When: Thursday, 21 August 2025

Where: Wynnum RSL Time: 5.30pm - 7:00pm



#### APPLY FOR \$200 KIDS SPORTS VOUCHERS

Great news for local families! Labor's much-loved FairPlay vouchers are continuing as rebranded Play On! vouchers, supporting kids to stay active and involved in community sport. The FairPlay initiative saw an extraordinary take-up, with over 240,000 vouchers issued to families keen to get their kids involved in organised sport and

Now, from 4 August, eligible families can apply for a \$200 'Play On' voucher per child aged 5-17 to help cover registration costs for local clubs and activities. Thank you to everyone who supported the community petition to save this important initiative!

Apply online at www.qld.gov.au/playon.



#### **VEHICLE REGO SET TO RISE**

From September 2025, Queensland vehicle registration fees will increase by 24 per cent as part of changes announced in the State Budget. This means that most Queenslanders will notice a significant jump in their next registration renewal. For the average car owner, the increase is expected to add approximately \$88 to the cost of annual registration.

This change comes as the current registration discount, which was previously introduced as a cost-of-living measure, comes to an end. Motorists are encouraged to check the Department of Transport and Main Roads website for updated pricing and renewal dates.



#### **BAYSIDE GRANTS RECIPIENTS ANNOUNCED**

Congratulations to all of our Bayside community organisations who were awarded funding in round 123 of the Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF). In total, they received \$128,716.14 in funding:

- Bayside BMX Club \$21,700
- Wynnum Manly Citizen's Band \$35,000
- Rotary Club of Wynnum and Manly Inc \$7,600
- Gundala Kindy \$27,497.80
- Queensland (Wynnum) Fringe \$35,000
- Brisstyle Inc \$1,918.34

Application for the current 'Super Round' have closed. The GCBF is Queensland's largest one-off community grants program and distributes approximately \$60 million each year to not-for-profit community groups. The GCBF funding helps these groups to provide services, leisure activities and opportunities for Queensland communities.



#### HAVE YOUR SAY ON BAYSIDE DEVELOPMENTS

Our Bayside is undergoing a once-in-a-generation transformation, which means your say is more important than ever. Residents now have the opportunity provide feedback on a proposed development application for the former Fish Factory site on Fox Street, Wynnum.

This application is classified as Impact Assessable, which means it must go through a public notification period where you can provide a submission with your thoughts and suggestions. Baysiders are encouraged to stay informed by signing up for updates via the Brisbane City Council's Development website. You can also have your say by going to the following link: http://bit.ly/3TWnirU

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## NOMINATIONS OPEN ON AUGUST 18 FOR THE BAYSIDE COMMUNITY AWARDS 2025!

FROM THE BAYSIDE COMMUNITY FUND

The Bayside Community Fund is pleased to announce the launch of the third annual Bayside Community Awards – 2025. The Awards have become very popular and offer a great opportunity for Baysiders to nominate their favourite businesses, not-for-profit organisations, and individuals for recognition of the contributions they are making to our bayside community.

#### The award categories in 2025 are:

Bayside Business of the Year

Best Small Business Newcomer

Best Retail Business

Best Beauty and Health Business

Best Fitness and Wellbeing Business

Best Hospitality Business - Small

Best Hospitality Business - Medium/Large

Best Trade/Industrial Business

**Best Professional Services Business** 

Best Real Estate Agency Business

Best Pet Services Business

**Outstanding Customer Service Award** 

Outstanding Apprentice of the Year

Bayside Educator of the Year

Outstanding Community Service Organisation

Outstanding Community Service Award Individual

Nominations will open on 18 August 2025. To nominate a deserving business, not-for-profit organisation, or individuals, go to the Bayside Community Fund website at www.baysidecommunityfund.org.au to complete your nomination. You can make more than one nomination, and the terms and conditions of participation can be viewed on the website.

Nominations will close on September 15, 2025, with nominees to be published in the October issue of The Community Leader, along with instructions on how to vote for the nominees. Voting will open on September 29, 2025, and close on October 24, 2025.

A great night is planned for the Awards on November 6, 2025, at the Bayside Events Centre.

Tickets to attend the awards night can be purchased on the Bayside Community Fund website at www.baysidecommunityfund.org.au.

Tickets are limited, so get in early to ensure you don't miss out.













**Cr Alex Givney** 



Cr Lisa Atwood



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### BAYSIDE COMMUNITY FUND - VOLUNTEER CALLOUT

The Bayside Community Fund is seeking volunteers to support events like the Bayside Community Awards and Art Union. If you're interested in helping build a better community, visit www.baysidecommunityfund.org.au or scan the QR code to register. We'd love to hear from you!

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### CR ALEX GIVNEY



**COUNCILLOR FOR WYNNUM MANLY WARD** 

### **UPDATES FROM YOUR LOCAL COUNCILLOR**



### WYNNUM WHALE PARK DRY **PLAYGROUND RE-OPENING**

The W. Poole Playground at Wynnum Wading Pool Park officially re-opened on Friday 11 July 2025, with a celebration that brought together the local community for an afternoon of sausages, ice creams, and plenty of play. The new sand toy box, made by the Wynnum Manly District Men's shed, was particularly popular, quickly becoming a favourite feature among the children. I am delighted to see this revitalised space come to life and look forward to it serving and bringing joy to the community for many years to come.



### **COMMUNITY DAY STREET PARTY A HUGE SUCCESS**

On 12 July, we transformed part of Bay Terrace into a lively country-themed street party. With hay bales, a bucking bull, adorable animals, kids' activities, and live entertainment, the atmosphere was full of fun and community spirit. I'm so proud to have brought this event to life in partnership with Cr Lisa Atwood and Cr Ryan Murphy, giving our community the chance to kick up their heels and enjoy a fantastic day out in the Bayside. Thank you to the Wynnum Manly Leagues Club and the Lord Mayor's Community Fund for sponsoring this event.



### **MOVE FOR A CAUSE** - QI FLOW HEART DAY

On Saturday 23 August 2025, Qi Flow invites you to a special day of movement, connection, and giving back, supporting HeartKids Australia in their vital work with children living with heart conditions and their families.

Whether you're looking for strength, stillness, or a moment of soulful connection, every class you attend is a step toward helping little hearts heal. Visit Qi Flow Studio's Facebook page for all the info or to make a donation.

### **BAYSIDE SPRING FESTIVAL- SEPTEMEBER 12 & 13**



Get ready for two massive days of fun, tunes, and good vibes right by the bay. With a vibrant new look, this iconic event is set to bring the Bayside to life with colour, community spirit, and fun for all ages. Friday, in collaboration with Brisbane Festival, Manly Serenades is bringing country music to the bay, with an all-star lineup including Midwest Molly, Briana Dinsdale and Rachael Fahim. Saturday will be a fun filled family day, live bands and entertainment, kids' activities, food trucks and fireworks. Follow Bayside Spring Festival on Facebook for all the event information.



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### BUSINESSES INSPIRED BY BOLD CONTENT AT MHVCOC BUSINESS BREAKFAST

BY CATH COOK, PRECINCT COORDINATOR, MANLY HARBOUR VILLAGE

The Manly Harbour Village Chamber of Commerce recently hosted its June Business Breakfast at the Manly Hotel, bringing together local business owners and professionals eager to sharpen their marketing edge.

Guest speaker Emily Griffiths, founder of Oh Em G Marketing, delivered a high-energy keynote titled Social Media — Content that Converts. With over 16 years of experience working with iconic Australian brands, Emily shared real-world insights and creative strategies to help businesses rise above the noise in today's crowded digital space.

Far from offering cookie-cutter advice, Emily encouraged attendees to ditch the templates and embrace their unique voice. Her bold take on content marketing explored the power of storytelling, authenticity, and creativity in building a brand that truly stands out.

Attendees left with practical tips on how to spark scroll-stopping ideas, create content that connects and converts, and leverage their individuality as a marketing superpower in 2025. She challenged the audience to break the rules (strategically) and build brands that people can't look away from.

The event highlighted the Chamber's ongoing commitment to delivering fresh, relevant, and inspiring experiences for its members. With the pace of digital marketing showing no signs of slowing, events like this equip local businesses with the tools and confidence to lead, not blend.

Save the date (below) for a follow-up half-day workshop where Emily will return to share hands-on tips and show you just how easy it can be to create an engaging social media post. Don't miss this chance to put her bold strategies into practice and take your content to the next level.



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2 AUGUST: Movies in the Park (The Karate Kid "Original")

19 AUGUST: Trader Networking Evening (Manly Marina Cove Motel)

23 AUGUST: Social Media Content Half Day Workshop (Royal Qld Yacht Squadron)

**5 SEPTEMBER:** Business Breakfast (*The Manly Hotel*)

6 SEPTEMBER: Movies in the Park (The War with Grandpa)

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### DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER TOURS WYNNUM MANLY MEN'S SHED

CONTRIBUTED BY DON SMITH

The Wynnum Manly & Districts Men's Shed was honoured to welcome the Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence, the Hon. Richard Marles, and the Member for Bonner, Kara Cook MP, on a fact-finding mission focusing on the global phenomenon of the growing popularity of Men's Sheds.

With the Wynnum Manly & Districts Men's Shed rated as one of the best in Australia, and its membership soon expected to exceed 400, politicians are recognising the need for organisations like Men's Sheds to combat the steep decline in mental and physical health, which in turn puts pressure on the health system.

As Baby Boomers were born in the era of television, followed by computers, home entertainment and social media, humans have become increasingly channelled towards a sedentary lifestyle, which is the antithesis of good health. What Men's Sheds offer is an interesting and challenging alternative to sitting at home in the recliner next to the coffee table with an array of remote controls blinking in eager anticipation.

Modern equipment at the Wynnum Manly Men's Shed, such as the 3D Printers, CNC Laser Cutters, Routers, Lathes and Steel Plasma Cutters, gives members the chance to undertake projects that participants find simply astounding.

As membership continues to grow and the need to encompass more interests and activities increases, the Men's Shed is grateful to Kara Cook MP, who secured a grant to fund the building, for our next level of expansion.

Through continued support from the Government, local organisations and the community, the Men's Shed can continue its symbiotic relationship with the community by offering help and support to those who grace our doorway seeking advice and assistance.



Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Defence the Hon. Richard Marles and the Member for Bonner, Kara Cook MP, tour the Wynnum Manly & Districts Men's Shed. Photo: Supplied.





### MANLY DRAGON BOATERS TAKE ON THE WORLD IN GERMANY!

CONTRIBUTED BY DANIELLE FERRARI, MANLY DRAGON BOAT CLUB

Currently, Manly Dragon Boat Club has been enjoying a break, but three of our members – Catherine Barnes, Charlotte Hughes and Tanya Matthews – have been training for the Aurora's (Australia's national Dragon Boating team) campaign.

In July, they jetted off with 20 other competitors from all over Australia for the 17th World Championship, held in Brandenburg, Germany.

For the last six months, they have been training on the water, doing gym work, attending training camps and fitness benchmarking. They have enjoyed this experience, catching up with old and new friends.

Most of their training has been done on the Brisbane River, Colmslie, or down on the Gold Coast. We wish them every success!

If you are interested in trying Dragon Boating, the Manly-based club hosts 'Come n Try' sessions during the year. To find out more, email the club's membership officer at mdbcmembers@gmail.com.





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RANGER STACEY THOMSON IS PRINCIPAL ADVISER - COMMUNITY EDUCATION (REDLAND CITY COUNCIL)

My office at Redlands IndigiScapes Centre is a naturally wonderful work environment. Sure, there's the familiar tapping of computer keyboards, meetings and office chatter. But the surrounding bushland is what sets it apart...oh, and there's often delicious cake on the staff kitchen bench!

From the wraparound office windows, the canopy of tall trees sways in the breeze and the sunlight creates a soft dappled effect.

For the past few months, my colleagues and I have delighted in daily visits from a local kookaburra. He arrives to perch on a horizontal branch just outside the window, settles in for a while, takes off for a snack, and returns. This bird has captured our collective attention with his handsome looks and relaxed disposition.

Now, while this may not seem extraordinary, it's nature's simple pleasures that can brighten our days, right? I wonder if this resident kookaburra watches us too...and ponders the curious humans on the other side of the glass?

Many people are fascinated by birds. From super enthusiastic "twitchers" who travel far and wide to spot rare or unusual species to backyard birdwatchers. Quietly observing birds in our gardens and local environments can reveal interesting behaviours, like feeding habits, nest building techniques, and the serious job of raising chicks.

Understanding our feathered friends through observation is a fascinating pastime. Perhaps you're someone who loves the flamboyant colour and energy of lorikeets, the clever camouflage of tawny frogmouths, or a procession of waddling ducks.

Magpies and plovers are high profile suburban birds — especially now that breeding season has arrived!

This means protective parents may occasionally swoop if they sense their babies are under threat. It's only a small percentage of birds that use this defensive behaviour, which is the result of previous negative human interaction.

Magpies and plovers are totally devoted parents, so let's give them a break during breeding season. If a bird shows defensive behaviour, keep yourself (and them) safe, change direction and avoid the nesting zone. It won't be long before the chicks are big enough to fend for themselves.

And just like our fondness for the kookaburra outside the IndigiScapes office window, we can all get to know and love our local birds from a distance, quirks and all!

Until next time ... Stay Wild!

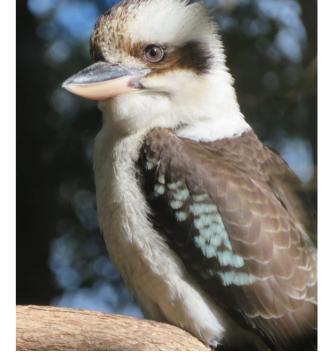


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### Ranger Stacey

## WYNNUM'S STAN AND LORRAINE BRIMSON CELEBRATE 65 YEARS OF MARRIAGE

On 25 June 2025, Stan and Lorraine Brimson celebrated an incredible milestone – 65 years of marriage. Their anniversary was marked with a special ceremony at Saint Peter's Anglican Church in Wynnum, followed by a reception at the Shangri-La Lounge.

A larger event was also held to celebrate the happy couple, bringing together family and friends, including their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Among the guests were five members of the original wedding party. It was a joyful time of reminiscing, laughter, and deep appreciation for a life full of love.

Lifelong members of the bayside community, Stan and Lorraine have played a significant role in local life. They worked as caterers with the Royal Queensland Yacht Club and Laura Caterers, and later owned the Laurella Lounge on Florence Street.

Lorraine has been deeply involved in community service – she was a

long-time member of ESA, convenor for Meals on Wheels, a member of the Bayside Garden Club and Red Cross, and one of three women who founded the Stroke Association of Queensland.

Stan contributed through Toastmasters, the Wynnum Manly Junior Rugby League Club, and the Jaycees. He also owned Hearing Aud and Earmold Services, providing hearing aids and ear moulds for children with swimmer's ear.

Together, Stan and Lorraine pioneered a church in Birkdale, served on staff at the Christian Outreach Centre, and pastored Bayside Christian Family. For the past 20 years, they've been actively involved with Wynnum Baptist Church.

Their story is one of love, faith, and tireless community service — a true inspiration to all who know them.



Stan and Lorraine Brimson (centre) celebrate their 65th wedding anniversary. Photo: Supplied.

### **LOCAL HISTORY: FROM SAPLINGS AND KERO TINS**

BY JILL GREENHILL, WYNNUM MANLY HISTORICAL SOCIETY INC.

A large sheep station, Mossvale, lying to the south of Manly, was subdivided in 1885 by Grassdale Land Company Ltd. Grassdale referred to the abundance of Grass Trees (Xanthorrhoeia) growing in the area. The land was offered for auction. Many of the original acreages are now occupied by residential developments.

But the Grassdale soil was poor, and those living there hardly existed other than by collecting wood or managing a poultry farm. Familiar was the smell of wood smoke from the cooking fires and the burning of cow manure to help keep the mosquitoes away.

Times were hard during the Depression of the 1930s. Building materials were sparse. Many lived in tents or shacks built from any material at hand - saplings, packing cases, flattened jam or kerosene tins, and flour

A State School opened in 1935, and a Hall in 1937. When the Post Office arrived in 1941, the discovery was made of another Grassdale in Victoria. The children at the local Grassdale State School were asked to choose a new name for their school. They chose Gumdale.

By 2004, very few of the Depression homes remained. There was a shack on a property at 235 Green Camp Road, where a new residential estate was soon to be built. Robyn Nalder of the Gumdale Progress Association, enlisted help to save the shack.

At 6:00am on a cool Thursday morning after Christmas in 2004, members of Gumdale and District Progress Association and Wynnum Manly Historical Society began Phase 1 of the careful de-construction project. Thick, twisted vines were cut away. Roof shingles and wall tins were removed and numbered, ready for reconstruction at the Progress Association's site at 735-737 New Cleveland Road.

The first sod was turned on 29 September 2006 by Peggy Nunn, who, as a child, had lived in a shack. And re-building began.

Today, the building houses a museum depicting social life in the 1930s. One can wander through the building on the first Saturday morning of the month between 10:30am and 12:30pm.



The first phase - 2004



Inside the shack.



Rear Wall showing flattened kero tins.



The shack in Green Camp Road, 2004. All photos supplied.



The shack today - The Gumdale Museum.

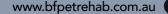


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### SEVEN TIPS FOR HEALTHY EATING ON A BUDGET

CONTRIBUTED BY ELENI GEORGIOU, DIETITIAN, MANLY VILLAGE MEDICAL

Here are seven useful tips to help you eat well that won't break the bank.

#### 1. Plan well.

Planning is the key to nailing nutritious eating, especially when you're on a budget. Meal planning doesn't have to take too long. Deciding on a seven or 14-day meal rotation is a great idea, sticking to recipes that are healthy and budget-friendly that you plan out and shop for ahead of time.

#### 2. Buy what's in season.

Seasonal fruit and veg is usually much cheaper, and better quality too, because it hasn't travelled miles to get to you.

#### 3. Create staple shopping lists.

Having a 'go-to' shopping list of healthy items helps you avoid being tempted by those specials at the supermarket. Find out what's healthy and reasonably priced, and use the list regularly to create a pattern of healthy eating you can fall back on time and again.

#### 4. Shop around for the best deals.

Investigate places where you can find what you need for the best price.

#### 5. Sensible swaps.

Consider swapping out fresh fruit and vegetables for frozen to save money and reduce wastage. Produce is usually snap-frozen on picking, so it can often retain more nutrition. Frozen is a great option when buying out of season, because you can use what you need, and keep the rest frozen for another time.

### 6. Make meals go further.

Consider adding legumes like lentils, chickpeas or beans to your favourite dishes. These foods are higher in protein and fibre. Likewise, adding extra budget-friendly vegetables like seasonal vegetables, frozen broccoli, frozen mixed vegetables, or green beans to your meat dishes boosts the nutritional value. This approach helps stretch out the meal and increase the number of portions you can serve. It may also give you leftovers for work the next day!



#### 7. Use what you have.

We often waste a lot of food, and this doesn't make good budget sense. Try to use ingredients across multiple dishes during the week to help use up what you've bought rather than throwing excess away. If you find you have a pantry, fridge, or freezer full of items that don't make a meal, why not try to create a week of recipes to use them up? This can be a lot of fun, and you may find you get a few new favourite recipes out of the exercise.

A dietitian can help you get your nutrition right, whatever your budget.

If you're serious about your health and want to ensure the right balance between your nutrition and your budget goals, then we encourage you to seek some professional help. Often, seeing a dietitian can be excellent value for money because not only are you catering to your nutritional needs, but you can open up a range of flavours, meal ideas, shopping tips, budget advice and eating out tips that you may not have thought of before.



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### SEA EAGLES OPEN REGISTRATIONS FOR 65TH SUMMER SEASON

Wynnum Manly District Cricket Club has officially opened registrations for the 2025/26 summer season, inviting junior Sea Eagles aged four to 17 to become part of one of Brisbane's most inclusive and family-oriented cricket clubs.



Celebrating its 65th year of proud cricketing tradition, the club based at Carmichael Park, Tingalpa, continues to foster a vibrant and welcoming cricket community. With a strong focus on inclusivity, multicultural participation, and a highly regarded female cricket program, Wynnum Manly is calling on players of all backgrounds and abilities to join their growing flock.

The club offers a range of programs tailored to different age groups and skill levels, from entry-level Woolworths Cricket Blast programs for the youngest players, to competitive junior teams playing across the region.

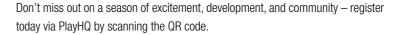
This season, families will enjoy the full experience of the recently completed two-storey Noel Gorman Pavilion, a state-of-the-art facility overlooking the iconic Bill Albury Oval. The pavilion, now a lively hub for players and supporters alike, boasts a meeting and recreation room, uniform shop, licensed bar, and canteen — not to mention one of the best spectator views in all of Brisbane!

Wynnum Manly's future is shining even brighter with a \$1 million lighting upgrade recently committed by the Government. The installation of field lights will pave the way for the club to host night fixtures for state, club, and junior matches — a game-changing development as cricket heads into a blockbuster Ashes 2025/26 summer.

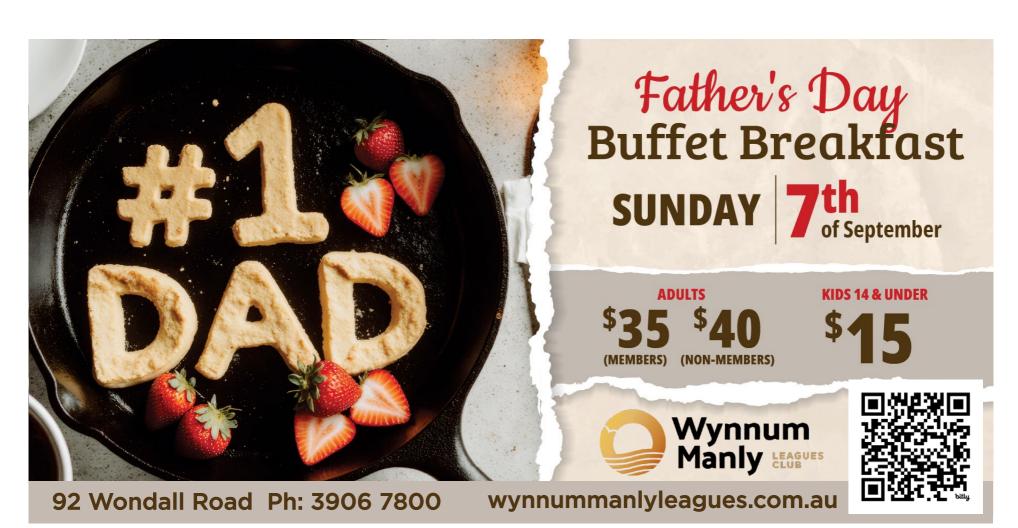


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With the junior season kicking off in early October and the recent announcement of PlayOn! family vouchers valued at \$200, now is the perfect time to register.







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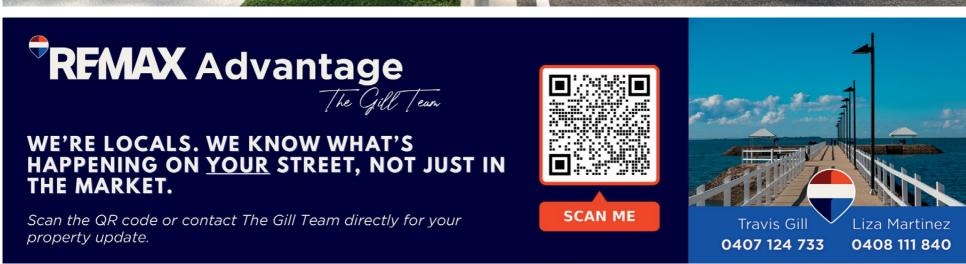


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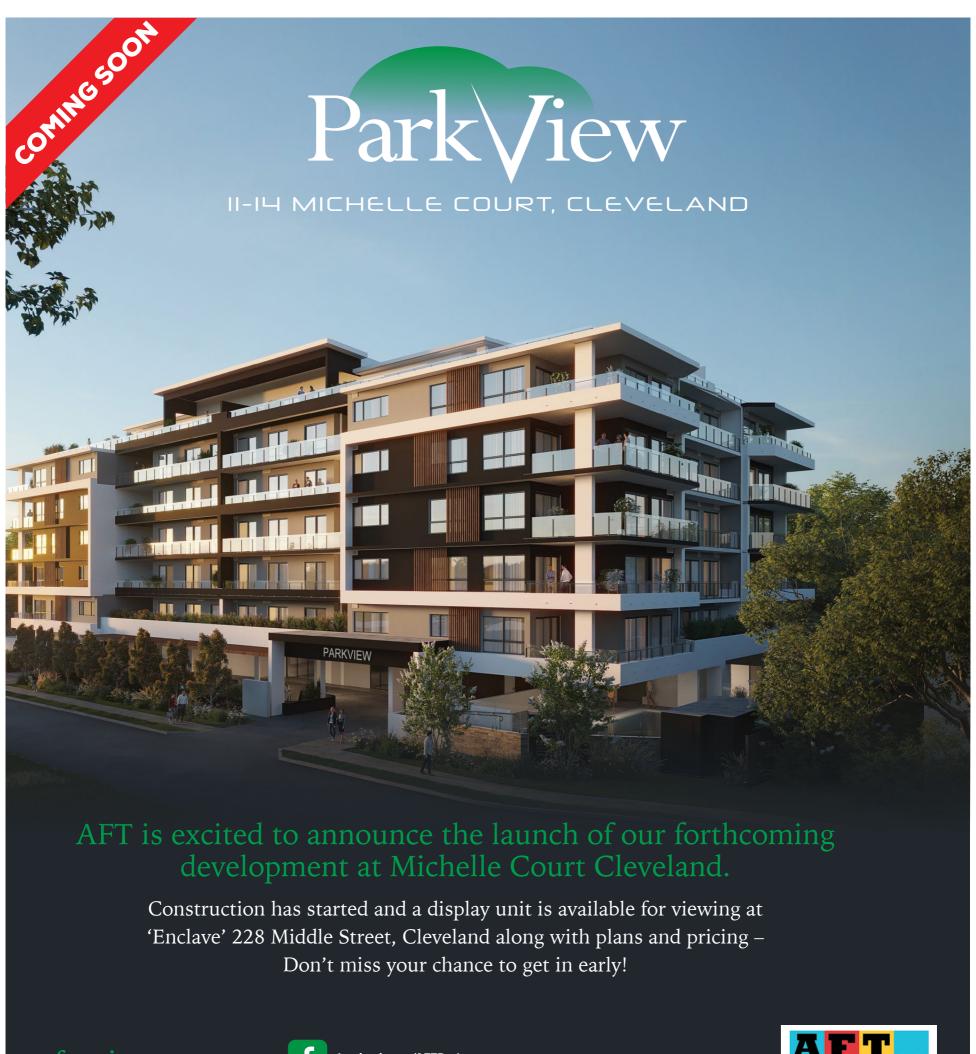
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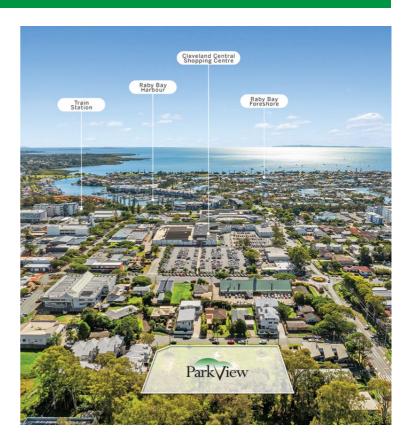
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More than just a marketplace, the fair is a celebration of nostalgia, craftsmanship, and community, with an amazing array of dolls and bears on display for everyone to enjoy. Whether you're a long-time enthusiast or simply intrigued by the artistry of dolls and bears, you'll find something to appreciate.

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- Hourly spot raffle prizes and high-time giveaways
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For everyone's safety and comfort, prams used to display dolls won't be allowed inside the hall. However, prams for infants and wheelchairs are welcome at all times.

Proceeds from the event will support the Mater Little Miracles Foundation, helping premature and critically ill babies receive the care they need.

For enquiries, contact Elaine at 0439 263 269 or email bindal00811@bigpond.com.



### KALEIDOSCOPE ART AWARDS CELEBRATE LOCAL ARTISTS OF ALL AGES

CONTRIBUTED BY DEB BROWN

The highly anticipated annual Kaleidoscope Art Exhibition and Awards at The Manly Hotel brought together a vibrant mix of young artists, local creatives, students, and tutors to celebrate artistic talent. This year's open category saw over 60 entries, showcasing a wide range of artistic expressions. The evening began with a beautiful performance by Jillian from Harpwaves, whose melodic harp tunes set a serene atmosphere for guests to appreciate the artwork.

Owen Johnston charmed the crowd with his engaging role as MC, keeping the energy lively throughout the night.

A special moment of the evening was the Kids by the Bay Awards, presented by Joan Pease MP. The excitement was palpable as children saw their artwork displayed for the first time and became part of the main event.

Another of the evening's highlights was the auction of a painting of The Manly Hotel by Tamara Beale of Sable and Canvas. The winning bid was generously placed by The Manly Hotel, with all proceeds from the auction donated to the Bayside Community Fund.

For those who missed the chance to purchase a piece of art for their home, don't worry! Artwork from the event will be displayed on the Wynnum Manly Arts Council Inc. Facebook page.

The event's success was made possible thanks to the support of The Community Leader, Joan Pease MP, Bay Taxation Services, Bayside Property Agents, Bayside Art Supplies, Specialist Adjusters, and patrons Bill and Geraldine Simpson. A special thank you goes to The Manly Hotel, whose venue set the perfect backdrop for the evening's celebrations and played a crucial role in bringing the event to life.









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### ROTARY CLUB OF WYNNUM AND MANLY ENDS YEAR ON A HIGH

FROM WYNNUM AND MANLY ROTARY CLUB

Rotary Clubs around the world install a new president and board each year on July 1. This 'changeover' celebrates the year that has passed, and optimism for the year ahead. The Rotary Club of Wynnum and Manly recently conducted its changeover at the Wynnum Golf Club, where members celebrated the successes of the past year and their expectations for the next year in style and with great enthusiasm.

Awards were presented to three members who made significant contributions to the community and the club's work throughout the year, as well as in their personal lives. District Governor Sue Mulraney, along with president Mick Matthews, presented Paul Harris Awards to Gordon Walters, Geoff Catto, and Kai Eberspaecher.

Outgoing president Mick Matthews highlighted the achievements of the club in the past year, which included one of the most successful Family Fun Days yet, along with the club's involvement with many local organisations, supporting excellent programs for youth, several significant contributions to the welfare of needy people in Vanuatu, Papua New Guinea, the Solomon Islands, The Philippines and Vietnam, and an ongoing campaign against domestic and family violence. He was very pleased to note that the club grew to 53 members during the year.

Mick handed over the reins to incoming president Jo Soothill, who outlined her plans for the next 12 months to ensure the club achieves the aims of the new theme "Unite for Good". She then introduced the new board to the members.



Members enjoying the celebrations. Photos: Supplied.









President Mick Matthews congratulating incoming president Jo Soothill.

### RQYS MEMBERS CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS IN JULY, ISLAND STYLE!

A bunch of happy Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron members headed over to their Canaipa base on Russell Island for a relaxed and sun-drenched Christmas in July. There were plenty of laughs, festive fun, and good vibes all around as they celebrated the mid-year silly season island-style!









### HOIST THAT LOAD AND CRANK THAT CRANE – THE POLLY SCHWARTZ WAY

Having stepped out of the kitchen and into a wider post-war workplace, women have moved into jobs that would have once been unthinkable. As a youngster, Polly Schwartz had no idea that she'd find a career as a crane driver. Possibly influenced by having four brothers, she loved cars and trucks, and thought that driving an old sanitary truck would be a fine life.

"My first jobs were in an animal shelter and at a veterinary surgery, but I moved on to doing set construction at Movie World, on the tools and driving a forklift," she says. "After tailing cranes around for a while, I thought, I want to go bigger! So I did. I started as a dogger, establishing the weight of the lift, choosing chains or slings, appropriate lifting devices, directing the cranes, checking power lines — then moved up to operating cranes."

Polly's 'personal' slew crane weighs 70 tonnes. Its name is Inferno – with appropriate artwork – but it's known in the DLB Cranes Yatala yard as 'Polly's crane' – and she gives it as much care as an owner would lavish on a classic car.

"It needs to be greased, degreased, washed with a high-pressure hose and brooms – that's deck, body, wheels and boom; checked for

oil leaks and secure pinning, checking the eight tyres and detailing the cabin. Jess my dogger and I are pretty thorough."

What's the hardest thing about driving a crane? "In the beginning it's about pushing past the fear of the outriggers punching through the ground and the whole rig tipping over — I used to refer to my big spirit level for reassurance! Experience overcomes that, and realising that you're working with a team who are specialists in reading the lay of the land."

Polly is training and mentoring Jess Cook, who was drawn to the industry a year ago because of a fascination with construction and building, despite having a very real fear of heights.

"I hadn't appreciated what a challenge it would be," Jess says. "When I started, I had trouble just climbing a ladder, but we're lucky, we've got a great team. I knew a lot of them because I worked at the shop where they called in for coffee or lunch, that made it easier to shift into an industry I knew nothing about.

"Now I've got my White Card – permission to work on a construction site – and my dogger's and rigger's tickets. Polly is really good at what she does and she's a great teacher so I rely a lot on her experience



Photo: Supplied.

and when to take the next step."

Polly's response to anyone who might say they're doing men's jobs? "No. we're not; we're doing our jobs!"

### BIRKDALE'S WWII SECRETS REVEALED AT VP DAY COMMEMORATION

CONTRIBUTED BY COL SUTCLIFFE

On Saturday 16 August, the Redlands community is invited to uncover some of the remarkable, yet little-known local stories from World War II at Reflections on VP Day, a free commemorative event at Birkdale State School from 2:00pm to 4:30pm.

Marking 80 years since victory in the Pacific was declared, this special afternoon will highlight the role that Birkdale, Capalaba, and Wellington Point played in the final stages of WWII.

Discover how local farmers and Land Army Girls supported the war effort, how American and Australian troops occupied local

landmarks, and how two young Birkdale boys helped spread the news of Japan's surrender.

Few realise that a secret U.S. Army radio receiving station – built in a Birkdale paddock – was the first in Australia to receive the Japanese surrender message. This high-tech facility, now State Heritage listed, continued operating under top-secret surveillance protocols until 2017, laying foundations for the technology behind the modern internet.

Live music by Redland City Bands, historical displays from Redlands

Coast Museum, and involvement from Birkdale Scouts, Capalaba Rotary, and local schools and other groups will bring the stories of our region's wartime past to life.

This is a rare chance to reflect, remember, and recognise the local legacies of peace, justice and democracy. Tickets are free, but must

be booked via Humanitix by scanning the QR code or searching for 'Reflections on VP Day - Victory in the Pacific 80th Anniversary' on humanitix.com.





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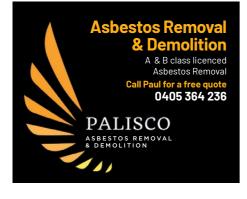
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### **LOCAL POETRY** THE MEMORY-KEEPER

BY GEOFF SMILEY

She does not walk alone: an invisible presence is with her – the one for whom she is the memory-keeper.

She remembers their children, their courtship, marriage and the struggles that bonded them a past that cannot be recovered.

A lonely survivor. The missing one always included, so familiar in her grief, closer than any friend. Sometimes little forays into fantasy but always loyal to the past.

Lately she recalls those times of health and energy

and the happiness that was. Better than her failing body and she knows the comfort of the one she loved, calling.

© Geoff Smiley



### **PERSONALITY PROFILE:**

### TERRY SCOTT, ENTERTAINER & KING OF CLUBS!

One of Waterloo Bay Leisure Centre's most popular entertainers tells us how he got his start in showbiz, and how he's become a club favourite throughout Queensland.

"My 58-year career began in 1967. I studied singing at the Jack White School in downtown Melbourne and was supported by the management group of John Farnham.

"It was a humble beginning, starting

at the Royal Melbourne Show, where

I worked for wrestling legend the Big Karumba and his family, a group of young musicians, and Adrianne Russell, a young lady formerly part of the duo Issy and Adrianne with Issy Dye. This was an instant success for me, and I continued to work the pop scene as a newcomer. This led to appearances on television and the opportunity to go to Sydney after a successful performance on New Faces.

"After further television appearances on shows like Blind Date, interest in my career began to escalate, and after a chance meeting with Sammy Davis Jnr, and taking the advice of many other performers, my instinct was not to follow the pop scene but to move into Sydney club work, which had a more mature-age audience. I just felt more comfortable entertaining in this field



Terry Scott. Photo: Supplied.

"I was helped by my now musical director, Allen Dabnett, and a group called the New Zealand Skyliners, who were established at the City of Sydney RSL. I also worked at the Motor Club, where I sang around the piano and learned songs that would shape my

"Lucky Starr was also a significant influence on my decision to present myself for stage work. Then came an offer from showman Frank Foster to tour with Johnny O'Keefe starting at Bathurst, and I recall being so excited that I even forgot to ask what my wages would be.

"J'OK decided not to tour, and country legend Chad Morgan took his place as headliner of that tour.

"This was the beginning of a four-year relationship with Chad that took me all over Australia.

"This is where I really learned about performing.

"In 1969, I came to Brisbane to work with Reg Lindsay's Country Music Show at the Ekka.

"Following the Adelaide Show, I was invited to the Sydney Royal Easter Show, where I compered the Disney character show. This led to a contracted job on Australia's show circuit.

"I moved to Brisbane in 1975, and the rest is history, becoming a floorshow performer all over the state.

"I played at the National Hotel, Crest Hotel, Waterside Workers Club, and various regional centres. After booking more tours, I had an idea to transition into club work in Brisbane, starting at Darra RSL with themed shows. It was an instant success. Then came shows at the Brisbane Broncos, Bribie Island RSL, Caloundra RSL, the Nambour RSL... and it kept growing.

"I performed regularly at the Goodna Services Club, Kedron Wavell Services Club, Geebung RSL, Wynnum Manly Leagues, Ipswich Jets Club, Tewantin Services Club, Twin Towns, Club Banora, Yeronga Services Club, Pine Rivers Bowls Club, South's Sports Club, and the Coorparoo RSL. Long-standing gigs included Bribie Island (27 years), Caloundra (19 years), and the Broncos (20 years). Did I do this alone? No!

"My wife Margaret was the instigator of all this club work, and our guest artists were the stars of the show – so many wonderful people.

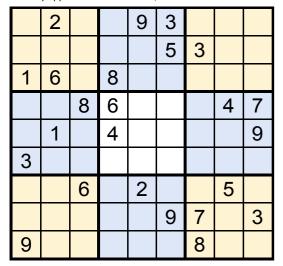
"This would not have happened without Margaret by my side. I was blessed to work alongside the love of my life.

"In amongst all this, I worked in aged care, starting in 1991, and this became a passion, followed to this very day, where I work 20 concerts a month."

Waterloo Bay Leisure Centre's Community Concerts are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. For more information and bookings, call 3396 9488.

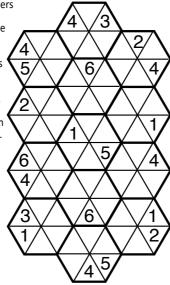
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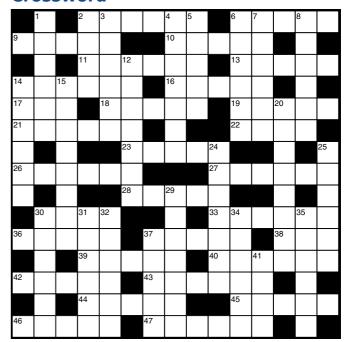


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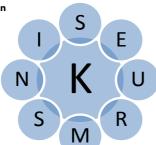


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Reference: Macquarie Concise Dictionary Focus No. 3896

#### **ACROSS**

- 2 Peril
- 6 Retard
- 9 Opposite in character
- 10 Flaxen cloth 11 Took a chance
- 13 Condition
- 14 Dairy product
- 16 Measuring instrument
- **17** Border on material
- 18 Church office bearer
- 19 Insurgent 21 Smoothly polite
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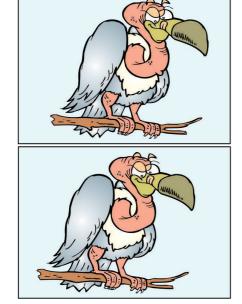
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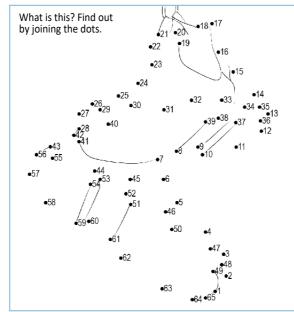
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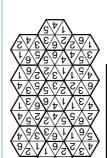
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### **LOCAL GARDENING WITH KAT**

### **NATIVE VIOLETS ARE HAPPY AT HOME** IN POTS OR AS GROUNDCOVER

BY KAT PEARSON, GIRL IN THE GREEN

Recently, I bought some native violets to plant in a client's garden. As I normally do, I popped them down in the carport for a couple of days until I needed them. Two days later, I came back to neatly trimmed plants, no flowers, minimal leaves, and a sea of fine green stalks. CHICKENS! Whoops! I bought new plants for the client, but have been enjoying the dainty little flowers of the old pots while they recover.

Native violets are often sold as Viola hederacea, but now they are said to be V. banksii. This is largely immaterial to most of us, but I'm a plant nerd and find it interesting. V. hederacea is actually a smaller plant with a less impressive flower. V. banskii was discovered by naturalist Joseph Banks on Captain Cook's 1770 visit to Botany Bay (look at that, primary school history is becoming vaguely useful). Regardless, native violets make the perfect little groundcover for a damp spot (and with all this rain we've had, we should all have damp spots). Naturally, they grow in semi-open woodlands and on forest floors, as long as the soil is moist. They are happy in semi-shade but will also take full sun with enough water, although the foliage won't look quite as lush. They spread via runners (stolons) and happily creep through the garden bed. They look great as a groundcover between stepping stones, with their happy little flowers standing tall through most of the year.

If the soil dries out, native violets will die back, but they are hardy and will return when the water returns. If you don't have a spot for them in the garden, why not try them in a pot or even a hanging basket? Keep them well watered and they'll trail over the sides. Their leaves and flowers are edible by humans and chickens. I can't say I can see a reason to eat the leaves, but the flowers make cute decorations on cakes and desserts if that's your thing.





My little pot of semi-recovered native violets. The left side is still a bit stalky, but at least it has some flowers! Photo by Kat Pearson.



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### **QUICK AND EASY PUMPKIN, PEPITA AND GOAT CHEESE SALAD RECIPE**

This delicious roast pumpkin salad makes a great light meal on its own, or a versatile side that looks as good as it tastes!

### **SALAD INGREDIENTS**

- 500g pumpkin (butternut or Kent), peeled and cubed
- · 2 tbsp olive oil
- Salt and pepper, to taste
- 1 tsp ground cumin

- 2 cups baby spinach and rocket (mixed)
- 1/4 cup pepitas (pumpkin seeds)
- 100g goat cheese, crumbled (or use feta if you find the flavour of goat cheese too strong)

#### **DRESSING INGREDIENTS**

- · 4 tbsp of olive oil
- 2 tsp of wholegrain mustard
- 2 tbsp of red wine vinegar
- 1 crushed clove of garlic
- · A pinch of salt and pepper
- An optional tsp of honey (if you prefer a sweet dressing)

### **METHOD**

- Preheat the oven to 200°C (fan-forced). Toss the cubed pumpkin in olive oil, salt, pepper, and cumin.
   Line a baking tray with baking paper and roast the pumpkin for 25 to 30 minutes, or until it's a lovely warm golden colour and tender.
- 2. While your pumpkin is roasting in the oven, you can toast the pepitas in a dry pan over medium heat for about 1 to 2 minutes, stirring or tossing until they're lightly toasted. Don't burn them or they'll taste terrible!
- 3. On a large serving plate, layer the spinach and rocket, roast pumpkin, crumbled goat cheese, and toasted pepitas.
- 4. Now make the dressing. Put all the dressing ingredients in a small jar with a lid and shake it well.
- 5. Drizzle the dressing over the salad, and you're ready to serve your delicious pumpkin salad!

**Notes:** For a heartier salad, add cooked brown rice or quinoa, along with any protein you have on hand, such as roast lamb, bacon, chicken, or beef. If you can't be bothered making a dressing, drizzle some store-bought balsamic plaze over the salad.



### **LOCAL FISHING WITH SPERO**

### **GET YOUR CALAMARI RINGS FRESH FROM THE BAY THIS MONTH!**

BY SPERO KARTANOS

Winter fishing in Moreton Bay for arrow squid and cuttlefish is usually excellent in August. Almost everyone likes to eat squid rings or calamari rings (same thing) deep-fried in batter, stuffed, or any way you want to eat them. There will be plenty throughout the bay to go out and catch, along with my favourite: the cuttlefish.

Kids love catching them, and get hooked very quickly once they catch a couple and get inked (it's not that bad, just lots of cleaning after, but the laughs are worth it, and 30 Seconds cleaner from Bunnings makes the ink disappear).

You'll find them east of a line from Ormiston to St Helena Island, and at a depth of approximately 25 to 35ft. A good drift with your jigs just off the bottom is the way to get them, with either a ball sinker on top of the jig or a paternoster rig (either works well; I like the ball sinker on top of the jig).

As for jigs, the olive brown or silver grey jigs seem

to be working very well on dark, dull overcast days, while the orangered prawn-like jigs work



better on bright sunny days. It's a matter of trying a couple of different coloured jigs to see what the squid prefer on the day. So, it's easy to get out there, catch a few and have some fun with these very tasty little critters.

My other favourite – winter whiting – will be in good numbers in the Rous, Maroon Banks and Amity Banks, and they have been west of St Helena as well. Martha got some nice ones, and I managed a few squid without getting inked!

The school mackerel should be around by mid-August. They will be close in, so have fun and enjoy the bay. Also, the whales won't be too far away, and don't forget the westerly winds are treacherous in the bay, so please be careful — it's better to miss a day fishing than drown.









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