

SEPTEMBER 2012

Southside Festival Picnic Free Community Event

You are invited to bring the whole family to this year's Southside Festival which will take the form of an old fashioned school holiday picnic. The event will be held at Kully Bay, Northcliffe Drive Warrawang on the **26 September from 10am till 2pm.**

We will provide:

- Picnic Hampers with yummy food
- Games
- Music
- Face painting
- Rock Painting
- Small kids and big kids games
- Treasure Hunt
- Farm yard animals

Each year, we come together to celebrate our diverse community and reconnect with the stunning natural environment of the Southern Suburbs. Enormous family fun is on the agenda with healthy activities for all ages, wholesome picnic food and good conversation outdoors on the banks of our shimmering Lake Illawarra.

For further information ring Jenny on 4276 3433.



PORT KEMBLA
Community Project Inc.



Port Kembla Community Project

Mission Statement

To work within the community to create and implement projects to alleviate the suffering, distress, misfortune and poverty of disadvantaged members of the Port Kembla community.

The Project reflects principles of access and equity, social action, empowerment and community spirit. It seeks to support and motivate: recognising the individual value of each person within the community.

Port Kembla Vision Statement

The Association respects the dignity, rights and potential of all people. It demonstrates this via its recognition of the rights and responsibilities of the individual and of specific groups/ communities and its commitment to self-determination for individuals and groups/ communities.

phone 4276 3433

email admin@pkcp.org.au

office hours Wednesday to Friday from 9.30.

postal address PO box 9 Port Kembla 2505.

Advertising in PORTCALL

Would you like to advertise in the PORTCALL?

To all our local businesses for a small fee you can advertise in the PortCall, your local community centre's quarterly newsletter. Please contact 4276 3433 or admin@pkcp.org.au

Southside Picnic

ALCOHOL FREE EVENT
OUTDOOR GAMES

KULLY BAY PARK
NORTHCLIFFE DRIVE WARRAWONG
WED 26TH SEPT
10AM-2PM
PICNIC LUNCH/FUN ACTIVITIES

PROUDLY SPONSORED BY:



What's happening at the Port Kembla Community Centre?

The Port Kembla Community Project works with and within the local community to develop and deliver projects which bring about community transformation, environmental sustainability and social well-being. All our projects are developed with the idea that people are responsible for creating the culture within which we live. Some of our projects are:

Art Classes

These programs are suitable for the beginning and advanced students. The focus is on skills development through a range of subject matter and media. This is an open class where you can try them all. Watercolours, Oils, Acrylics, Drawing or Pastels, do one or the lot. For the first class just bring basic drawing equipment and discuss with your teacher Beth Crawford your interests in this area of developed works with new approaches. Have a go. This class is suitable for beginners and experienced students.

\$5.00. All Welcome.

Port Kembla Community Centre Thursday 9.30 am to 12pm.

4271 1314 M: 0403 724 030

Port Wood-Fired Bread Baking Group

The Port Bread Baking Group meet every second Tuesday (1st and 3rd of the month) between 9.30am and 2.00pm at Port Kembla Community Centre, cnr Wentworth & Church Streets, Port Kembla.

If you would like to have a go at making your own traditional bread or join in with us to make different sorts of breads, please contact Port Kembla Community Centre on 4276 3433 for more information.

Port Kembla Community Project

Do you want to become more involved with the Community Project?

We meet the first Wednesday of every month at the Community Centre, at 5.15pm.

If you would like to join us or bring any issues to our attention you would be most welcome. If you would like to discuss any issue please call Jenny on 4276 3433 and leave a message or email admin@pkcp.org.au



Port L.O.C.A.L.S Food Buyers Group

Are you interested in bulk buying, organic or sustainable & ethical foods? If you are interested in purchasing please email port.food@gmail.com. If you are interested if you become a member it entitles you to a 5% discount of your purchase. Membership is only of \$7 per year. The food buyers group works

on a monthly email order system and collection from our Community Centre once a month.

Once you have registered your interest; our wonderful volunteers for this project will email you the price list. Add then it's just a matter of ordering and paying electronically or in person; before you are eating fresh, organic food.

Hall for Hire

The Port Kembla Community hall is available for hire for classes, meetings and group functions. Our rates are very reasonable. Call 4276 3433 or email admin@pkcp.com.au.

King George Bushcare Group

Do you like gardening, The King George Bushcare Group's work is really starting to show some amazing results, with positive comments coming from all over the region. Some months ago a writer from the Illawarra Mercury commented on how positive their work has been and spoke of other parks repeating the same look. If like me you can remember the days of the grass desert or even further back the patches of Bitou Bush. It didn't offer much for the community or native fauna.

The tree line will be starting to break up wind strength and salt concentration hitting surrounding homes not to mention looking a lot better. The benefits are endless and people are really noticing, commending the group regularly. Volunteers can even work out of the wind these days if they choose and always have native birds flying around as they toil in the soil.

The Laneway Permaculture Gardens

'.....People, Food & Biodiversity....'

Every 3rd Sunday of the month from 9.30am onwards.

Meet in the lane @ Fifth Avenue. Come along and join us in.... Gently tending to the needs, of the gardens, land and trees. Working together harmoniously, to grow our little community.

Hope to see you there. Contact the Port Kembla Community Project on 4276 3433 with any questions.

Port Kembla Men's Group

The Port Kembla Men's Group is a diverse group of men who gather at the Port Kembla Community Centre every Wednesday from 9 AM to 3 PM to drink coffee, visit, and do projects for the community. Currently we are working on getting our shop in order and getting our nursery up

and running. If you're handy around a shop or nursery, or would like to learn about those things, come join us one Wednesday. All men from the community are welcome.

Southern NILS

Southern Nils is a scheme that aims to provide no interest loans to people on low incomes who are living between North Wollongong and Windang bridge. The loan can be for household items, medical equipment, car registration. The term of the loan is usually 12 months and the maximum loan amount is \$1,000.

If you are interested in the scheme and would like to know more please contact a Nils Consultant on 4276 2224 – Monday to Thursday.

Port L.O.C.A.L.S Sew for Zero Waste Group

When you see different textures & types of material do they get you inspired? Do you have a passion for sewing or would like to learn to sew a simple bag? We are a small group sewing funky re-useable bags to help people switch from using plastics. We sell these bags at our Community Centre hall and The Red Kitchen Coffee House for gold coins. Money raised goes towards "Save the Seabird Rescue".

Come join the Sew 4 Zero waste group every 1st Saturday of the month, 10am till 2pm at the Community Centre hall. Bring your own sewing machine, dressmaking scissors and your lunch. Tea & coffee provided. Hope to meet you soon!

Donate to GIVE NOW

Please assist us to raise money for local projects by giving through The GIVE NOW WEBSITE – <http://www.givenow.com.au/portkemblacomunity> and donate to Port Kembla Community Appeal.

The funds would be used to help fund our current and any New Community Initiative. We are committed to working with the community to develop new projects but we need funds.

Donations are tax deductible and you will be given a receipt.

If you wish to talk to a community worker about the project please call 4276 3433

Culture Bank Wollongong

An exciting new initiative to create lively and diverse events in the greater local area. Created by locals for locals, it's about making the experience of living here richer for everyone by enabling people with ideas to realise and share them.

How it works; you and other interest members of the public would contribute \$10 per month to Culture Bank Wollongong. Each month the money contributed will be allocated to cultural projects. You as a member would then be invited to events throughout the year.

The more people who join Culture Bank Wollongong the more funds available to spend on creating the kind of program we want to enjoy in our community. So, spread the word amongst your friends, colleagues and neighbours and let's build a culture fund.

For more information please email wollongongculturebank@gmail.com

Winter Feast Celebration

The Port Kembla Community Project Winter Feast was a great fundraising event that we held in June. We celebrated winter with great food, entertainment, funky music, interesting people and warming fires. A BIG thanks to everyone who came or donated items or services for our raffle.



Thanks to:

Adrienne Talbot-Thomson

Ann Martin

Bike Hub Warrawong

Bowden Discount Chemist

Broken Glass Hair

Carlos and friend

Circus WOW

Community Project Inc

Coomaditchie United Aboriginal Corporation

Courtney, the singer

Delennyks Gifts and Homewares

DJ Johnny (John Alavras)

Forty Winks

Kerry White

La Merl Electrics

Lingerie 2u

Natalie Bower Masseur

Port Kembla Bread Makers

Port Kembla Deli

Port Kembla Men's Group

Port Kembla Post Office

Port Pizza & Kebab

Red Point Art Gallery

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Sharon Kyriacou

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Something Special Beauty

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The Logo Man

The Red Kitchen

The Steelworkers Hotel

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"An innovative community driven urban farming initiative"

Site Development - Warrawong



The first lot of garden beds are well established and the produce is responding really well to the biodynamic soil that has been created.

Some of our committed buyers (Novatel and Flame Tree Community Food Co-op) have been to the site and are very excited by the quality of our produce and look forward to Urban Grown being able to provide the quantities they require.

Construction of the decks for the Yurt Building and the Composting Toilet system has commenced, and the actual Yurt will be constructed as part of a workshop later this year.



Andrew and Rorotact Volunteers starting work on the deck to house the Yurt

The focus now is on establishing the second

growing are in time for spring planting.

Urban Grown acknowledges that it is through our dedicated team of regular volunteers, the working bees we have with Rotoract, and the many other individuals that assist us behind the scenes that make all this great work possible.

Working Bee Dates

15th September 2012

13th October 2012

24th November 2012

If you are interested in volunteering for Urban Grown or would like to attend one of our working bees, please contact Adrienne Talbot-Thomson on 0407 930 406 to find out more.

Workshops

Urban Grown is developing a range of sustainability focused workshops, which will be delivered at the Urban Grown site at Warrawong. The type of workshops will include; Composting, Biodynamics, Aquaponics, Rainwater Harvesting and Irrigation, No Dig Gardening, Building/Wood Working, Sustainable Horticulture Methods, Grafting and a whole lot more.

A Yurt Set-Up and Maintenance Workshop will be held on the 27th and 28th October 2012.

The workshop will cover;

- Yurt Creations Inspiration
- Yurt History
- Unique Design
- Yurts and the Environment
- Assembling & Disassembling Your Yurt
- Step-by-step Visual Guided Instruction
- Ways to Increase Airflow
- Hazards to Look Out For
- Waterproofing, Repairs, & Maintenance
- Waterproofing - Guided Instruction
- Repairs – Guided Instruction
- Maintenance – Guided Instruction

- Storage

The Yurt will provide much needed office and workshop space at the farm. Urban Grown is working with Yurt Creations to provide the materials and deliver this workshop. Contact Adrienne if you are interested in finding out more.

Nursery Development

Urban Grown is working with the PKCP Men's Group and in particular Andrew Allard to establish the propagation nursery at the community centre. Andrew lovingly cares for the seedlings and we believe that this will make all the difference to the final product.



Funding Update

We are very excited that Urban Grown recently received funding through the Youth Support Development Fund. This money will be used for generating after school jobs on the farm, which will help, address employability issues and school retention. The after school jobs will also provide a much needed source of labour and will assist the Andrew Stanger the Urban Grown Farm Manager with the mammoth

Contact and Information

Project Manager

Adrienne Talbot-Thomson
Mobile 0407 930 406

Site/Farm Manager

Andrew Stanger
0458 645 286

Website

www.urbangrown.com.au
Currently under construction

Flickr

http://www.flickr.com/photos/urban_grown/



Coomaditchie Yarning

We're going to be TV stars!

Soon we will be featured on television in 44 countries in Asia, the Pacific and the Indian subcontinent. Australia Network (an arm of the ABC) is Australia's international television and online service and one of the program's they run is a series of shows about experiences of students from Asia living in Australia. Ida Puspita is a young Indonesian woman, who is studying at Wollongong University and in May she was filmed at Coomaditchie as part of her 'Australian experience'. Ida had expressed a desire to learn more about Aboriginal people and Aboriginal art in particular and we thought the best way for her to do that was to get her painting.

We had a lot of fun watching Ida discover that she can actually paint while the Australia network camera man took film from every angle. Ida is a Muslim woman and it was interesting for her and Lorraine and Narelle to discuss their differences and also some similarities of life experiences in the Illawarra – which sadly includes the experience of racism.



A hive of activity
Lorraine and
Narelle with Tamara
(Narelle's
granddaughter) and Ida
being filmed by the
Australian Network
camera man.



Ida with Lorraine and Narelle and the finished product



We have been doing quite a few cultural competency workshops recently. We had a wonderful day with a group of Aboriginal support workers from the Department of Education. We spent some time on Hill 60 and then gathered in the Port Kembla community centre to paint.

Then last month we worked with a group from Relationships Australia. It was lovely to see every-one relax and enjoy the process of painting while learning a bit about our culture. It is also a wonderful thing that the people from Relationships Australia want to learn how to work more effectively with Aboriginal people.

2012 Last Minute Gallery Exhibition Date Announced

Please put 17th November in your diaries. The annual sale of Coomaditchie art will be opening on 17th November and will last for one week. Please let every-one know. There will be paintings, calendars

and Christmas cards as well as the paintings – and once again we will be featuring work done by the kids of Coomaditchie.

If you would like to know more about what we do, or if you would like to consider volunteering at Coomie (we could use some help with some admin, photography and web maintenance) please ring Sue on 4274 7477. If she's not there she'll get back to you.

Till next time – Catch ya!

Coomaditchie is currently funded by the NSW Government through Family and Community Services via Wollongong City Council.

We also appreciate the friendship and support of Port LOCALS, The Port Kembla Community Project, The Warrawong Community Centre, Barnados South Coast, the Southern Suburbs Taskforce, The Illawarra Legal Centre, The Illawarra Forum and Shellharbour TAFE. Thank you.



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Budda Jitji Playgroup is facilitated by Kristy Thomas and Michelle Ward.

During first term of playgroup we have organised a cultural workshop in partnership with Coomaditchie United Aboriginal Cooperation artists Lorraine Brown and Narelle Thomas.

The workshop will involve the making of curtains designed by the families who attend our playgroup.

During the term we will also be doing cooking and other fun activities

Please feel free to come along with your friends and family.



Playgroups for Aboriginal families & children 0-5yrs.

Come and meet other parents with young kids, have a yarn and share culture.

All activities and snacks provided

For more information contact
Barnardos on
02 4275 8575

Playgroup location:
Port Kembla Community Centre
Cnr Wentworth and Church Street
Port Kembla

Fridays 10am-12pm (during school holidays)



Warrawong Residents Forum (Warrawong Community Centre)

Housing Communities Program Coordinator

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SENIOR'S KIOSK – Learn how to use internet, access to the web

Thursday 9.30 – 4pm

CENTRELINK Worker - Wednesday 10.30 -12.30

CRAFT – Wednesday 1pm

MENS DROP-IN - Thursday Morning

CHOIR - First Wed of Month

BEYOND EMPATHY - Young People, Learn film production, Monday
and Wednesday

Port Kembla Youth Project

What's happening at the Port Kembla Youth Project

Hi everyone, it's Kate & Marie here from the Port Kembla Youth Project.

The Port Kembla Youth Project is a not-for-profit community organisation that offers information and support to young people aged 11-18. We provide opportunities for skills development and recreation while also recognising the cultural diversity of our local area.

Just a reminder that we have moved office and we are now located at the Port Kembla Senior Citizens Centre Building, Cnr of Allan & Kembla St. Port Kembla.

Take a look at what we have been up to:

Connect Up Drama

This program which holds Drama and Visual Arts workshops will be commencing again for Term 3 in late August; running every Tuesday afternoon at the Port Kembla Youth Project. Young people with special needs will again be developing their creative skills in drama and having a great time doing it! Learning how to use voice, movement, music, props & costumes to create a show which will be performed for family and friends at the end of the year.

Swim Program – spaces still available!!

Our swim program is run after school on Monday and Thursday afternoons during school terms. Classes are run by AustSwim/Swim Australia qualified instructors at the recently renovated Port Kembla RSL indoor heated pool.

Classes offered include: Water confidence for young bubs and their mums, Learn to Swim classes and Stroke Correction classes for the older kids.

Call the Youth Project on 4276 1229 – Mondays and Thursdays to enrol your child. Places are still available so get in quick!

Tutoring Program

Our popular tutoring program has again been hugely successful in 2012. If you'd like to enrol your child for tutoring please contact Marie on 42761229. Port Kembla Youth Project Tutoring Program is a free program for Primary and High School Students. This program has been kindly sponsored by BlueScope Steel.



Youth Magazine Project

The 2012 Youth Project Magazine has been completed. Students from Warrawong High School worked with professional journalists and graphic designers to write, edit and design a magazine for & by young people. This year's magazine is titled 'Euphoria: Inspired Wellbeing' and focuses on mental and sexual health for young people. Want to check it out? Drop into the PKYP office on Monday's and Thursday's 11am – 4pm.

“Own It” – Aerosol Murals

The ‘Own It’ aerosol art project has concluded successfully. A group of young people worked with a professional artist to create two aerosol murals in the local community. The project helped to develop the artistic skills of those involved and be a part of beautifying the local community.

Port Parables

Wednesdays 4:30 to 6PM
Port Kembla Community Centre
Jason: 0431 562 298

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Bring out the best in others
Be open to being open



Friday Night Dinners

Everyone Welcome
Every Friday night
6.30pm to 8.30pm
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“Holy Cow” by Jimmy Ovadia



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THANKYOU! THANKYOU! THANKYOU!

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Port Kembla Community Centre
1st, 2nd . . . 4th, and 5th Sundays
Anyone welcome, everyone honored.
Contact: (Jason) 0431 562 298



Red Point Artists Association News

Billy Cart Derby Update;

At the writing of this, we have 16 week to go till Derby Day November 17th, things are moving forward and we get busier by the day...but it is going to be a great event.



Local Kids in an old Billy Cart

We really hope that local people will want to be involved in one way or the other. We are going to need some manpower in the setting up and removal of Barriers (amongst other things) and if you would like to help out we would love to hear from you.

Contact us at RedPoint where we can put your name and contact on our list for those who wish to be involved.

We still are looking for funds, and if people would like a colourful poster for your window and some bumper stickers, for the small donation of \$10 we would love to supply you with the same.

Joe Navarria at the Post Office will run a Guessing Competition in the near future with all monies raised going towards the event. Any suitable donations towards this will be welcomed.

We wish to inform all residents that with the Derby being held on November 17th that there will be parking changes in Wentworth Street from November 14th.

We hope that all residents will understand about the need to make these traffic changes. The logistics of getting the barriers in place for safety of spectators and drivers will take some time, and so we need to commence this early in the week prior to the Derby.

Any information that you may require in relation to the Derby can be obtained on <www.redpointart.org.au>



Photo: April 2009

King George Bushcare Group

Just like this little bloke, the gardens have really grown. Helped by a wet summer and autumn, the plants really got what they needed; plenty of water, with a bit of sunshine in-between. La Niña has now come to an end and El Niño conditions are returning with an already dry period taking hold this winter. Pretty soon we may be asking 'when is it going to rain again'?

The group is currently planting out the drainage line beside the playground area. The planting consists of mostly grasses, with the end result meaning a more aesthetically pleasing backdrop to the children's playground and maybe some visiting birds and frogs to listen to while you watch the kids.

If you would like to be involved, please email kinggeorgebushcare@gmail.com



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Port Privatisation yet another broken promise

Member for Wollongong Noreen Hay MP today condemned the decision by the NSW O'Farrell Government to privatise the port of Port Kembla.

Ms Hay said the Deputy Premier of NSW accused her of scare mongering when she claimed that privatisation is what they would do should they win government.

"This is just more fear and smear [from Labor]."
Andrew Stoner, Illawarra Mercury, February 2, 2011

"Andrew Stoner publicly stated that they had no intentions of privatising the port of Port Kembla," Ms Hay said.

"This is another back flip by the O'Farrell Government and worse still it is a slap in the face to those who trusted their word.

"It has been said that the port of Port Kembla is the most profitable port in Australia and has been a shining example of what can be achieved with government investment.

"I call upon the local Liberals to voice the concerns of the communities they purport to represent and oppose the privatisation of our port and provide job security and confidence for the future of our region not toe the conservative party line in exchange for thirty pieces of silver (infrastructure investment as yet to be declared) by party hacks."

Noreen Hay MP

Surfboards for Humanity Project

Do you have any old or unwanted surfboards or surfing equipment such as fins & leg ropes? Did you know about a program that is running in Port Kembla to send your old boards to PNG?



If you have any equipment you can contact Gary on 0421 752 031 or the Port Kembla Community Centre on 4276 3433 & the goods can be picked up.

Thank you to those who have already donated goods it is helping to spread a healthy option in an underprivileged community.

Here is a photo of thanks from the first shipment.

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