



BREAKFAST POINT

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Photo by Janet Nordon

General Manager Report

When I think of the month of March 2022, I think about rain! Late February and early March saw unprecedented rainfall, and thankfully at Breakfast Point we were lucky not to have experienced the flooding and loss that many other parts of Sydney and the East Coast experienced. Our thoughts go out to those that are suffering as a result.

The continual rain, and waterlogged grounds have impacted on the gardens and lawn maintenance as well as the ability to progress the delivery projects like the tennis court resurfacing and the root pruning and pavement works. The tennis court resurfacing is now not likely to commence until mid-April due to the contractor's other works being delayed. Some of the Breakfast Point community facilities did sustain some water leaks, however minimal damage occurred, and repairs are currently being organised.

March saw the launch of the Community Association Facebook group which has been well received. If you haven't already joined, please send a request through - search in Facebook groups for **Breakfast Point Community Association**. March at the Country Club was busy, a highlight was a St Patrick's Day lunch at the café as well as hosting several functions. Unfortunately,

due to the wet weather the Jazz by The Bay event had to be cancelled.

I attended my first meeting of the Burwood Police Area Command Community Safety Precinct Meeting. I will be attending these meetings on a quarterly basis and will raise any matters relating to Breakfast Point. At this meeting parcel and mail theft was discussed, and I raised the matter of cars driving too fast through the streets of Breakfast Point as well. This issue has been raised several times to me by residents, and whilst there are traffic calmers and other measures in place to try and slow drivers, this is a behavioural issue and police assistance is required.

We are currently working with some of our community volunteers in planning the Breakfast Point ANZAC Day service as well as a lunch at the Country Club. April will see the end of daylight savings and therefore a change in the Country Club operating hours. Easter long weekend will also see some changes to the café and club hours. ANZAC Day service information and the Country Club hours will be posted on the website and Facebook.

The gates will be put back onto the Village Green in April, as well as signage updated

referencing the Companion Animal's Act 1998 (the Act) of which Council rangers implement. Many people have asked if the Act can be enforced in Breakfast Point due to the land not being Council land. The Act takes precedent over the Community Management Statement. Council rangers therefore can issue penalties under the Act if a person(s) is found to be in contravention of it.

Council rangers also manage the on-street parking spaces in Breakfast Point under Section 650 of the Local Government Act 1983. If residents find a car parked illegally eg. Across a driveway, then please call Canada Bay Council on 9911 6555, 7 days a week, 6am - 9.30pm Monday to Friday and 7am - 6.30pm on weekends.

Until next month, stay safe and wishing you all a Happy Easter.

Kim Radford, General Manager



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FACEBOOK: COUNTRY CLUB



FACEBOOK: COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION

EXECUTIVE TEAM REPORT



ANZAC DAY – APRIL 25

Breakfast Point community works together each year to commemorate Anzac Day. The Anzac Service is held next to the Community Hall and begins at 6am (people gather at 5.45am) on the morning of April 25.



Following the service, the Rotary provide a barbecue breakfast for a small donation.

There are a number of people who lay a wreath in memory of family members and for those who would like to be registered for that official part of the ceremony, please contact: Kerryanne.Knox@breakfastpoint.org.au

We would like to hear from any past and present serving members of the Defence Forces. We would like to acknowledge you in our Anzac Service. Please contact David: David.Button@breakfastpoint.org.au

There will also be a lunch at the Country Club. More information on our Facebook page soon but bookings will be essential.

GARDEN MAINTENANCE

Thank you for your understanding and patience about the mowing of our lawns around the community. The wet weather has guided the Green Options rosters so

that the heavy mowers used do not damage the grounds that are soggy and wet underfoot. It's a frustrating time for everyone but hopefully, there is sunshine ahead.

Ongoing meetings with the management of Green Options is ensuring that a high standard of maintenance is our priority for this community.



HAPPY EASTER

The Community Association Committee wish all residents a very Happy Easter. We are sure that you appreciate being able to celebrate this event this year with family and friends. We hope that the Easter Bunny visits you with some chocolate eggs that will help brighten any day!



STAFF FIRST AID TRAINING

Our staff at the Country Club engaged in some training in March. Their first aid skills are now fully up to date and the St John

Ambulance trainers were very well received. It is comforting to know that our staff on the Country Club site have these skills if they are needed.

BREAKFAST POINT FACEBOOK



As part of the strategic plan in the Communication area, the Community Association has launched its official Facebook page for those who use social media.

All matters relating to the club in respect to projects, work by the consultative committee and other matters will be communicated in this Community Association Facebook group:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/285126430348250/>

All menu, events and operating hours will be posted on the Country Club Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/yourBPCC>

Any other FB pages used in the past will no longer be available from the end of March.



YOUR EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

- **Sue Campbell-Lloyd AM** Chairperson
- **Kerryanne Knox** Secretary
- **David Button** Treasurer
- **Laurie Ihnativ** Member
- **Richard Cowan** Member

Breakfast Point Men's Shed



The Breakfast Point Men's Shed has now entered its 10th year having been formed in December 2012 and occupies what was the original AGL Gatehouse at the Tennyson Road entrance. As the building was in a very poor state of repair, their first task was to clear and refurbish the building. As time has progressed the group have raised funds to make improvements to the building including new internal flooring, paved external entryway and repainting internally & externally which led to the building being a finalist in the Canada Bay Council Heritage Awards.

As well as their extensive charitable work for the local Community, their aims & objectives also focus on improving the health & wellbeing of their members by providing social interaction, friendship, camaraderie & support as well as a range of workshop and social activities that encourage members to be physically & mentally active. Membership currently stands at 60 and due to the restricted size of their facility, membership applications are only available to residents within the Breakfast Point precincts.

By utilising the professional skills of their membership, they have been able to undertake a number of activities within Breakfast Point, saving the Community Association many thousands of dollars. Some examples include surveying & monitoring of the boundary fence in Tennyson Road & of slippage in the Country Club Car Park; preliminary survey for the original plan for extensions to the Country Club; survey of the seawall & riverside pathways; installation of 27 numbered markers along the foreshore; placing numbered markers on all street lighting poles & pathway lights to assist with quickly identifying maintenance issues; repairing & patching walls & ceilings in the Administration Building including internal painting & rustproofing internal supporting beams (saving approximately \$30,000).

Their members are always willing to lend a hand with Community events such as the set up for the ANZAC Day Dawn Service & the Spring Fair and also sponsored the Community Association in successfully obtaining a My Community Project Grant for the renovation of the toilets & storage area in the Administration Building.

Main sources of income that allow the Men's Shed to continue their charitable work include Bunnings BBQ's, product sales and when available, community grants. They have undertaken many projects for Concord & several other local hospitals, local schools & childcare centres & of course there is always the occasional resident that calls in to request assistance with a minor repair. They are justifiably proud of their achievements.



Sensor Boards for local hospital ward



Painting Admin. Building



Buddy Seat for local school



Rehab items for stroke patients

ANZAC DAY

We have many heroes living in Breakfast Point and as Anzac Day approaches, it is great to reminisce and remember. One hero was Raymond Gentles, a resident of Breakfast Point for eight years prior to his passing during the Covid lockdown in 2020. His wife Ina is still a resident. Raymond was a familiar face on the Kokoda Track Memorial Walkway in Concord.

His story is a familiar one for those men and women who served during World War 2.

Raymond joined the Australian Infantry Forces in 1942 at the age of 18, arriving from the NSW Central West of NSW. He became a member of the 55th Battalion that later, due to the number of deaths in that battalion, joined with the 53rd Battalion to become the well known "Mice of Moresby".

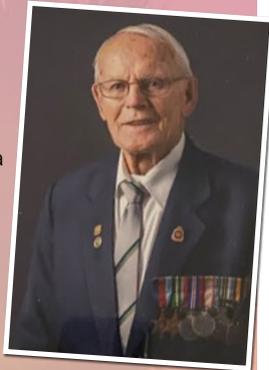
The 55th Battalion was trained in Greta NSW for a very short time and then transported to Townsville before sailing almost immediately to Port Moresby to join the army fighting in that region in 1942. They were airlifted to Pappondetta before marching eighteen through the jungle to the beaches of Sananada, Buna and Gona to confront the large enemy force retreating back over the Kokoda Track.

On the 7th December, 1942 the 55/53rd

battalion delivered a fixed bayonet attack on the entrenched Japanese positions. One hundred and thirty Australian soldiers died on that day. From the 8th December until early January, 1943 the battles continued with heavy losses on both sides. Eventually Australian troops and American reinforcements drove the enemy onto the beaches. This conflict became known as The Battle of the Beachheads.

The war had a profound impact on Raymond and he always remembered his mates. He was President of Auburn RSL and Granville RSL for a number of years. His proudest role was as a volunteer at the Kokoda Track Walkway near Concord Hospital where he was part of an education program for hundreds of school children who visited and walked the replica path.

Raymond was a recipient of Concord Hospital's Volunteer of the Year Award. He lived in Norfolk building and was 97 when he passed away. Anzac Day allows us to remember these brave people and appreciate peace.



A bird's eye view

Photos: Krisztian and Hannah Hivessy

Hannah and Krisztian were Scarborough's first tenants. That was 2013. Before buying they saw off-the-plan drawings of how Scarborough, and the Harbourside apartments, would look when complete, including a Rosegroup model on display. Krisztian's drone photos look exactly the same as the Rosegroup model.

Krisztian is in telecommunications. Part of his job is to use a drone to inspect radio towers and check line of sight. Which led to a love of drones, what they can do and, then, having his own.

The following few photos allow us to appreciate his love affair

Montage of Harbourside:

Harbourside Buildings of Scarborough, Sirius, Endeavour and Bellona. Krisztian's drone photo captures the beauty of Harbourside with its American East Coast (Hamptons Style) architecture.



Parra River:

Looking down on the Parramatta River we share the beauty of Breakfast Point's unique location. With a brief from Governor Arthur Phillip to find arable land for the infant penal colony, Captain John Hunter explored this unknown country in February, 1788. He stopped for breakfast, was joined by curious Wangal natives from across the river ... and gave the name Breakfast Point to one of the most beautiful parts of our country.



*Note: it is illegal to fly drones over Breakfast Point residential area without a license.

Breakfast Point Anniversary

In 2002, residents began moving into Breakfast Point and our wonderful community began! We have many "original residents" still here spread throughout the buildings. Many of the "originals" who stayed have moved from their original residence to other buildings in Breakfast Point.

In 2012, we celebrated the ten-year anniversary and it was great to hear the stories and remember what Breakfast Point was like with levelled dirt areas and

certainly no Country Club!

In 2022 we are having another celebration and we are reaching out to our "originals" to get together again to relive and remember and congratulate ourselves on our wise purchase twenty years ago!

Circle the date in your diary for June 4 and please contact Jim Sinclair at: sinkersjd@hotmail.com or John Clarke at jhnclarke@yahoo.com.au to be involved.

Paddy's Day comes to Breakfast Point! What a day!

The drinks flowed and great company was shared as in true Irish fashion, the Breakfast Point Community came together to celebrate St Patrick's day. As they would say in Ireland, "The Craic was mighty!"

We were welcomed with a glass of bubbles, beer and Guinness; all green of course! Lunch was a delicious Irish fare of Beef and Guinness Pie, Colcannon. From the cart of Molly Malone, an Apple tart with Irish pouring cream.....and of course true to style Irish Soda Bread (thanks Helen O'Neill)

Following lunch, we were fortunate enough to enjoy the entertainment of the Breakfast Point Ukulele group with many of the songs

from days of old!

Our own seanchaí left us laughing as we parted the Country Club with our Irish eyes smiling and our hearts light.

To Rowanne, Chef Nick and the wonderful staff of the Country Club who made this all happen.

"go raibh maith agat"
(thank you in Gaelic)



RETURN & EARN

HELP REDUCE LANDFILL - BE GREEN - HELP BREAKFAST POINT COMMUNITY SUPPORT OUR SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

Bring your returnable containers to the bins in the Country Club loading bay. All money received has a positive impact on the maintenance of our community.





What is Happening at Your Club

April at your Club welcomes Daylight Saving's, Easter, and Anzac Day celebrations.

When our clocks change on April 3rd 2022, your club operating and café hours will change as well.

NEW OPERATING HOURS

CLUB & RECEPTION		
Monday - Wednesday		6am - 7pm
Thursday - Friday		6am - 8pm
Saturday - Sunday		7am - 7pm
GYM		
Monday - Wednesday		6am - 7pm
Thursday - Friday		6am - 8pm
Saturday - Sunday		7am - 7pm
LAP POOL, LAGOON POOL, SPA, SAUNA & STEAM ROOM		
Monday - Friday		6am - 7pm
Saturday - Sunday		7am - 7pm
TENNIS COURTS		
Monday - Sunday		8am - 7pm
BAYVIEW BAR & DINING - CAFÉ		
Monday	9am - 2pm	Coffee & Bakery
Tuesday - Sunday	9am - 12pm	Breakfast
	12pm - 3pm	Lunch
Tuesday - Friday	4pm	Café closes
Saturday - Sunday	5pm	Café closes
BAYVIEW BAR & DINING - DINNER		
Thursday		5:30pm - 9:30pm
Friday		5:30pm - 10pm
Then comes Easter, and the trading hours will be as follows:		
Good Friday, 15th April 2022		Closed
Saturday 16th April 2022	Club & Facilities	9am - 6pm
	Café	9am - 4pm Kitchen closes at 3pm
Sunday 17th April 2022	Club & Facilities	9am - 6pm
	Café	9am - 4pm Kitchen closes at 3pm
Monday 18th April 2022	Club & Facilities	9am - 6pm
	Café	9am - 2pm Coffee and Bakery only

Stay tuned for our Anzac Day event, which will be emailed to our members.

Sadly I have to let our members know that we will be losing one of our most loved and valuable team members. Our gorgeous Emma will be moving on to take up a new and exciting role. Our dear Emma, on behalf of our team and members I can honestly say that you will be missed, but we do wish you all the best as you embark on a new chapter in your career.

From Rowanne & her AMAZING team

Breakfast Point Probus Club Art Group Exhibition



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APRIL 2022

When Breakfast Point Probus Club formed in 2011, the Art Group was established. Members meet regularly to create and practice their own art whilst enjoying, sharing and learning with like-minded friends.

An exhibition of their work will held at Concord Library over April.

Barry Lance currently the only male member, loves to sketch his grandchildren, animals and old buildings.

Anne Burns is a lover of pastels and has completed many courses in this medium.

Margery Foss enjoys and has studied watercolour painting for some years.

Mary Rodda well known for her water colours, also dabbles in oil and acrylic.

Lyn Wendtman enjoys depicting nature, animals and people in pastel, oil acrylic, pencil and mixed media.

Jean Richardson loves to sketch and create watercolours of the English countryside.

Hilary Streatfield (BP/Cabarita Probus Club) paints many different subjects in both water colour and acrylic.

Gail McDonald (Convenor) enjoys and studies many mediums in her works on large and small canvasses.

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Rangers Canada Bay Council 9911 6555 | **Concord Fire Brigade** 9763 1648 | **000** for other emergencies