

2016-2017

YOUR COMMUNITY REPORT

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WHAT'S ON



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Welcome to your Annual Community Report for 2016/2017



It has been another big year for Hornsby Shire Council as we continue to serve the local community. I would like to extend heartfelt thanks to our team of staff who have done an excellent job carrying out the wishes of Council as we strive to meet the needs of the ratepayers we are all working for.

As you are no doubt aware we are still in a state of uncertainty regarding the proposed amalgamation with Ku-ring-gai Council. The NSW Government's original proposal has been successfully challenged in the courts by Ku-ring-gai and it is unclear what the Government's next move will be. We are hoping they will push ahead with the merger, as we have always felt that a larger and stronger Council will be in the best interests of all residents. If they do not, Council will be seeking a return of the territory south of the M2 that was given to the City of Parramatta Council last year. The loss of those suburbs, including Epping, has had a significant impact on our annual surplus, which has dropped from \$14 million to just \$1.4 million. If the territory is not returned we will be seeking compensation for the financial losses. In my opinion this is a totally unacceptable outcome for the ratepayers of Hornsby Shire.

We may no longer be in the excellent financial position that we have earned, but we do still have our heads above water and we continue to charge forward. In fact, even with the massive blow to our budget we are still better off than we were five years ago when Council was in deficit. We are also still spending heavily to improve local facilities, with more than \$30 million going towards infrastructure this year. That includes \$6 million on local roads and \$5 million on sporting facilities.

Council's work improving the local environment also continued strongly this year, as always with a special focus on keeping our waterways clean. Among the standout features were new gross pollutant traps at Pennant Hills, Hornsby and Berowra, as well as creek bank stabilisation works at Upper Berowra Creek, New Farm Road and West Pennant Hills. One of our proudest achievements was receiving the 2016 NSW Coastal Management Innovation Award, in partnership with the C3 Climate Change Cluster and the University of Technology, Sydney. We received this for developing Algalert, a tool that helps coastal managers monitor and respond to harmful algal blooms.

The year was full of great events that brought the community together, such as Sunset Sessions and the Australia Day Pool Party. My favourite was undoubtedly Westside Vibe in May, which is now in its third year and continues to grow. It is the perfect way to showcase the west side of Hornsby, which Council has invested a considerable amount of time and money in rejuvenating. The best example of this work is the new mural we have created along Dural Lane, bringing to life a street scene from the early days of Hornsby. Our special thanks goes to artist Hugues Sineux for painting it. The mural has proved to be so popular that there are more in the pipeline, so stay tuned for the next announcement.

However, the largest and most exciting project that Hornsby Shire Council has ever undertaken is the transformation of Hornsby Quarry into a vast area of parkland. Earlier this year we conducted a public consultation, calling on the public for their ideas for the relatively blank canvas that we will get to draw upon. We were thrilled by the response and very pleased to see that the local residents are as excited about this as we are. Our staff are currently taking that input from the community and using it to create the first draft of plans, at which point we will want to hear from the public again. This is genuinely going to be the park that you built.

Finally, I would like to thank you, the ratepayers of Hornsby Shire for the privilege of representing you over the past five years.

Steve Russell

Mayor of Hornsby Shire Council



A trusted sustainable and innovative council dedicated to improving the quality of life of its community

MY

ENVIRONMENT

Photo: Fagan Park © DJN Consulting

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Hornsby was recognised as the top NSW recycler of mobile phones and accessories at the MobileMuster Local Government Awards 2017. The award recognised Council's leadership role in collecting and recycling over 180kg of mobile phones.
- Council is participating in the Resilient Sydney project, a collaborative project between all metropolitan councils. Resilient Sydney is an action focused initiative pioneered by the Rockefeller Foundation as part of the 100 Resilient Cities Project.
- The Earth Hour Family Fun Day was run in March and successfully attracted over 700 residents and 1526 Native Plants were given away.
- New Brooklyn Park Bushcare Group initiated with local residents.
- World Environment Day Festival held in June at Brooklyn was hugely successful.
- Estuary health continues to be monitored through six real-time remote water quality monitoring stations.
- 25 businesses completed energy and water audits as part of the Dirt Girl Program. The Dirt Girl Program includes sustainability education material and talks on energy and water about how people can make small changes to improve their resource efficiency.
- Two vault gross pollutant traps were installed at Salisbury Road, Hornsby and Peter Close, Hornsby Heights.
- Large end-of-pipe biofilter installed at Berowra Waters Road, Berowra.
- Creek bank stabilisation undertaken at Upper Berowra Creek and New Farm Road, West Pennant Hills.
- Track upgrade - Hornsby Mountain Bike Trail realigned for NorthConnex access.
- Council received the 2016 NSW Coastal Management Innovation Award in partnership with the C3 Climate Change Cluster, University of Technology, Sydney, for the development of Algalert, a tool that gives coastal managers the necessary information to monitor and respond to harmful algal blooms.
- Anti-Littering Education Event held in Hornsby Mall in August. Hornsby Mall has been identified as the most littered site in Hornsby Shire and the event included the launch of new litter bins in the Mall and 'Think' art installation.
- Dangar Island residents were upgraded from the 70 litre 'dustbins' to 140 litre garbage, 240 litre recycling and green waste collections in August 2016.
- An EPA grant from Better Waste Funding has been used to upgrade mall bins and litter bins on the Westside of Hornsby.
- The Community Recycling Centre is approaching completion with a planned opening in the 1st quarter 2017/18. The EPA provided a grant for the facility, which will replace the E-waste service with a one-stop-shop for safely disposing of household problem waste such as soft plastics, paints, gas bottles, light globes, batteries and motor oils.
- Upgrade of existing trash rack - The Gully Road, Berowra near access road to Berowra Community Centre.

COLLECTED SO FAR THIS FINANCIAL YEAR UP TO MAY 2017



32,868
TONNES
OF GARBAGE



13,781
TONNES
OF RECYCLING



18,933
TONNES OF
GREEN WASTE

ACHIEVEMENTS

- New playground at Asquith Park, including timber log play and nature-based play in the forest, exercise equipment, ping pong table and 585-metre circuit completed September 2016.
- New sport centre for North Epping opened in February. Council's role in the project included technical assistance and a contribution of more than \$150,000.
- New synthetic cricket pitch at Warrina Street Oval, Berowra officially opened in March. The upgraded pitch is part of \$300,000 Council is currently spending on cricket facilities across the Shire, including synthetic wickets at Normanhurst Oval, Foxglove Ovals, Mount Kuring-gai Oval and Cheltenham Oval.
- Community consultation for Hornsby Park's redevelopment, which includes the rehabilitation of Hornsby Quarry, held during April. 'Plan your Parkland' saw more than 1,200 surveys completed during the consultation period, with a wide range of suggestions from the community including walking tracks, mountain bike trails, an amphitheatre, sporting facilities and a swimming hole.
- Council resolved to ensure accessible and inclusive design is the starting point for all new and refurbished playgrounds. An inclusive playground is one where children and parents all have a chance to be actively involved together, regardless of age or abilities.
- Pedestrians started using the Hornsby Station Footbridge in October. Whilst construction of the new bridge is continuing, pedestrians are able to access the bridge via a ramp while the stairs and elevators are completed.
- The roll-out of the motorcycle CRASH Card has been highly successful, with the first 90,000 already being distributed. The small card is carried in the helmet of riders, providing vital information to emergency services at the scene of a motorcycle accident.
- Developed by Council in conjunction with emergency services. Council again participated in the 'Distracted...?' campaign, a joint initiative with other Northern Sydney Councils, to make pedestrians aware of the dangers of distraction while using mobile devices while walking.
- 50% funding received from RMS for three traffic facility projects: shared zone, Florence Street, Hornsby; pedestrian refuges, Woodcourt Road, Berowra and Ingram Road, Waitara.
- 100% Federal funding received for one blackspot project to upgrade the vertical curve and road surface at Wylds Road, Arcadia.
- Emergency works to repair sections of mesh fencing on Berowra Waters Road were completed in one week instead of the scheduled two weeks, limiting the inconvenience caused by the road being closed for several hours a day. The emergency works were required after two sections of mesh fencing were damaged by road accidents.
- Completion of a new 4 lane boat ramp and pontoon at Parsley Bay.

THERE ARE

46

SPORTSGROUNDS
IN HORNSBY SHIRE

THESE INCLUDE

5

SKATE PARKS



2

BMX TRACKS



1

MOUNTAIN BIKE TRAIL





Photo: Sunrise at Brooklyn © DJN Consulting

- Tenders called for construction of a new public wharf and pontoon for Dangar Island.
- Construction commenced on a new Rural Fire Station in Berowra valued at \$1.3 million. Located next to Berowra Oval, the station will have fast access to both Berowra and the freeway, and will accommodate three trucks.
- Construction commenced on the new Hornsby Kuring-gai RFS Support Brigade located adjacent to the Fire Control Centre at Cowan.
- Renovations completed for the relocation of the RFS Sydney Region East located in the RFS Fire Control Centre at Cowan.
- Footpath improvements - Greenvale Grove, Hornsby; Duffy Avenue, Westleigh; Bangalow Avenue, Beecroft; Loftus Road, Pennant Hills; Roach Avenue, Thornleigh; Manor Road, Hornsby.
- Local road improvements - Pierre Close, Mount Colah; Mills Avenue, Asquith; Citrus Avenue, Hornsby; Berowra Road, Mount Colah (Stage 2); Flora Avenue, Mount Colah (Stage 2); Hillside Parade, Mount Colah.
- New traffic signals - Watson Avenue/Mildred Avenue/Peats Ferry Road, Asquith.
- Traffic works for NorthConnex fill to Hornsby Quarry:
 - partial closure of Railway Parade at Bridge Road,
 - construction of temporary road down to Old Mans Valley, from Bridge Road.
- Pedestrian refuge - Woodcourt Road, Berowra, north-west of Alan Road.
- Playground improvements - Mount Kuring-gai Park; Cowan Oval; Rofe Park; Brooklyn Park; Asquith Park; Berowra Oval and Fagan Park.
- Playground softfall replacements at Mount Colah and Westleigh.
- Sporting facility upgrades include floodlighting improvements at Pennant Hills No. 2 (Ern Holmes) Oval; Warrina Street Oval, Berowra.
- Dog off leash improvement at Dawson Avenue Park, Thornleigh - synthetic turf installed to replace heavily worn area.
- Waitara Park - 6 new tennis courts and flood mitigation structure.
- New Police Citizens Youth Club indoor sports facility commenced construction. This project was made possible with the assistance of Council securing a land swap and providing a financial contribution.

THERE ARE
119
 PLAYGROUNDS IN HORNSBY SHIRE



8
 DOG OFF LEASH AREAS

MY

COMMUNITY

Photo: Westside Vibe © Damon Collum

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Dural Lane Mural created by artist Hugues Sineux, transforming a blank wall into a street scene. The mural includes Ginger Meggs whose creator Jimmy Bancks grew up in Hornsby and used the area as inspiration for his iconic cartoons.
- Sunset Sessions held in Hornsby Mall on the four Friday evenings in February, including live music and street food.
- Synthetic turf reinstalled at Hornsby Mall in September.
- Westside Vibe returned to Hornsby's Dural Lane for its third year in May 2017 and was a huge success.
- Plans for a new Community Centre at Storey Park, Asquith approved. The centre will include multi-purpose rooms, park facilities with bike paths, seating, barbeques and picnic shelters, an inclusive play environment, and onsite parking and landscaped surroundings. Construction is expected to begin later in 2017.
- Australia Day Pool Party event held; raising funds for the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter.
- Festival of the Arts, a month long festival over October and November, featured arts, dining, live performances including 'Quirky Circus', and outdoor movie events 'Screen on the Green'. The program saw over 10,000 residents partake in seven main events.
- 13 successful grant applicants under the Mayor's Youth Trust Fund.
- Epping Library transitioned to City Of Parramatta Council in October 2016 as a result of the State Government merger and boundary changes.
- Hornsby Shire Family History group has grown to 132 members.
- Hornsby Library again hosted the Sydney Writers Festival attracting an audience of over 180 for Jane Hutcheon who spoke about her book 'China Baby'.
- Launched a new collection of children's educational tablets for ages 3-10+ years on topics such as the arts, critical thinking, science and maths.
- Upgraded WiFi services at Hornsby Library.
- Over 480 children joined the Summer Reading Program at one of the four branch libraries, attending special events and winning prizes.
- New workshops for school aged children have included 'Coding for Kids' and 'Science Discovery' sessions which have been well received by the community.
- The 'Hansel and Gretel' Christmas pantomime was created by staff and presented at four sessions across the Shire, with 460 excited children attending.
- Library JPs, family history, Tax Help and Home Library volunteers served over 12,000 visitors.
- The library author talk program featured Matthew Reilly, Liane Moriarty and Hugh Mackay, also community education programs in topics such as financial education, job application skills for over 40s, health and environmental workshops.
- Celebrated Law Week with talks at Hornsby and Pennant Hills Library on Change to Strata Law, Wills and Power of Attorney and Cyber safety for older people.
- Council commenced a Community Connection Hot Desk service at Hornsby Library, which creates a physical hub for community members to seek specialised advice from support organisations. Including the Men's Shed, SES volunteering, NDIS and Northern Sydney Youth Homelessness Service.
- 'Staff Picks' recommended reads were launched in December for the holidays and were very popular.
- The Home Library Service made around 2,500 visits to those who were unable to visit their local library. A new collection of diversional therapy resources have proved popular with local nursing homes.



HORNSBY SHIRE LIBRARIES WELCOMED OVER
1,150 000
VISITORS THROUGHOUT THE SHIRE



OVER
1,000 000
ITEMS WERE BORROWED

MY

PROPERTY

Photo: Fagan Park © SP Creative Media

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Development to the value of \$951 million determined during 2016/2017.
- Council determined 1,242 Development Applications and Section 96 Applications in 2016/2017, and maintained an average processing time of less than 60 days.
- 278 of our 411 eligible food premises received a 3 star rating or higher in Council's 'Scores on Doors' Food Safety Certificate Program.
- Council discontinued its evaluation of the South Dural Planning Proposal until an agreed infrastructure plan is prepared to service the precinct with the support of the State Government including costings and timeframes for upgrading New Line Road and Old Northern Road.
- Consultation to inform a Master Plan for Pennant Hills, 'Picture Pennant Hills', conducted late 2016 resulted in 1,045 online responses and 196 street intercept surveys, representing a response rate of 19%. An economic feasibility assessment is the next step in progressing a revised Master Plan for Pennant Hills.
- The Brooklyn Improvement Master Plan project commenced in July 2016. Stages 1 and 2 relating to issues analysis, vision and place principles were completed in December 2016. Next steps relate to strategy development and drafting of the Master Plan.
- Council's Annual Heritage Awards, which acknowledge outstanding work in the community that helps to maintain places of historical significance or promotes heritage, announced at Council's meeting in June 2017.
- The rural lands Planning Proposal was finalised providing greater opportunities for alternative housing types in the rural areas of the shire.
- Newcastle University Learning Hub secured for Hornsby CBD.

There are several combinations that make up a household in Hornsby Shire.



COUPLES & KIDS

46%



COUPLE ONLY

25%



LONE PERSON

18%



SINGLE PARENT

9%



GROUP LIVING

2%

(ABS, 2016)

MY

COUNCIL

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Various facilities have been transferred to the City of Parramatta Council after the proclamation transferring the area south of the M2. These include community centres, a library, parks and playgrounds.
- Mesh fencing panels highlighting various Shire-wide statistics applied to three empty development sites in the Shire. Council received numerous compliments for covering the sites and at the same time providing engaging information.
- Council's Discover Hornsby website content continues to expand, with three new walks added in June 2016.
- Council's newsletter database has increased to over 32,000 subscribers. Monthly emails featuring council news and events are sent to these subscribers.
- Council joined the 5,000 Poppies Project, creating and displaying a wall of poppies at Hornsby Library to commemorate Anzac Day.
- Australian citizenship has been conferred on 1,096 new citizens from 78 countries.
- In 2016/17, over \$30 million was spent on improvements to local facilities, such as:
 - \$6 million on improving local roads and upgrading traffic facilities.
 - \$5 million on improvements to sporting facilities.
 - \$3 million on rehabilitation of regional roads.
 - \$1 million on community facility upgrades.
 - \$950,000 on waste projects.
 - \$870,000 on projects to improve local waterways.
 - \$870,000 on upgrades to Rural Fire Service facilities.
 - \$720,000 on parks and playgrounds.
 - \$700,000 on library resources.
 - \$680,000 on bushland recreation improvements, including upgrades to walking trails.
 - \$270,000 on footpaths.
 - \$240,000 on improvements to foreshore facilities.



13,838



1,108



3,872



216

SUB

127,681

VIEWS

WHAT'S IN OUR WALLET?

$$\boxed{\$57 \text{ Rates}} + \boxed{\$17 \text{ Grants}} + \boxed{\$10 \text{ Fees \& charges}} + \boxed{\$16 \text{ Other}^1} = \$100$$

1. Other = inter alia - parking fines, rental income, interest, asset sales

YEARLY SHOPPING LIST FOR HORNSBY SHIRE COUNCIL ...

\$37	Improvements to local facilities	\$8	Library, Community Services and Culture	\$5	Bushland, trees, waterways, environmental sustainability
\$20	Waste management and property cleansing	\$7	Maintaining roads, footpaths and drains	\$5	Governance
\$9	Parks and recreation	\$7	Planning and Development	\$2	Contribution to State emergency management agencies

Based on original budget (@ March 2016) per \$100 with funding adjustments for the 2016/17 financial year



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Screen ON THE Green



MOVIES



FOOD



PEOPLE



POPCORN

22-23 SEPTEMBER | HORNSBY PARK | hornsby.nsw.gov.au/movies

FESTIVAL OF THE ARTS

20 OCTOBER - 18 NOVEMBER 2017

A vibrant showcase of Hornsby Shire creative culture - including the Hornsby Art Prize, exhibitions, music and more.

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HORNSBY ART PRIZE

ENTRIES ARE NOW OPEN FOR THE
2017 HORNSBY ART PRIZE

Categories include Painting, Printmaking,
Drawing and 3D Works.

For more information or to enter visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au/artprize

MY

LIBRARY



WHAT'S ON AUGUST-OCTOBER

War on Waste

Friday 11 August, 10.30am-12.30pm, Hornsby Library

Want to start your own war on waste and not quite sure where to start? Join the Council's waste team for an interactive look at how you can start your own personal journey to zero waste.

Free. Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library or at any Hornsby Shire Library branch or phone 9847 6614.

HSFHG Geneagala Day

Family History for You

Saturday 12 August, 10am-3pm, Hornsby Library

Join us for a day of free talks with experts in the field of genealogy, workshops, one-on-one help getting started with your family history and utilising the library's genealogy resources.

Free. No booking required. For further information contact Neil Chippendale on 9847 6807 or email nchippendale@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Meet the Author

Roger Maynard

Author of: *Hero or Deserter*

Wednesday 6 September, 6.30pm-8.30pm, Hornsby Library

Gordon Bennett and the Tragic Defeat of 8th Division. Roger Maynard investigates their conflicted leader, whose reputation as an outstanding soldier was shattered by war's end.

\$5.00 includes light refreshments. Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library or at any Hornsby Shire Library branch or phone 9847 6614.

Meet the Author

Lexi Landsman

Author of: *The Perfect Couple*

Wednesday 20 September, 6.30pm-8.30pm, Hornsby Library

In this masterful suspense novel, which will appeal to fans of *Gone Girl*, it's clear that the truth is not always what it seems.

\$5.00 includes light refreshments. Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library or at any Hornsby Shire Library branch or phone 9847 6614.



LOOK OUT FOR

Children's Science Programs

In these 4 week interactive programs young scientists will develop ideas and skills that will inspire further scientific exploration and learning.

Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library or at any Hornsby Shire Library Branch.



LITTLE BANG! DISCOVERY CLUB

Session 1:
Collecting and classifying
Friday 18 August, 10.30am

Session 2:
Measuring and recording
Friday 25 August, 10.30am

Session 3:
Experimenting
Friday 1 September, 10.30am

Session 4:
Science fair and graduation
Friday 8 September, 10.30am

For ages 3-5 years with an adult lab assistant. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

\$40.00 per child for the four sessions.

JUNIOR SCIENCE CLUB

Session 1:
All about plants
Monday 31 July, 4.30pm-5.30pm

Session 2:
Slime
Monday 7 August, 4.30pm-5.30pm

Session 3:
Balancing the improbable
Monday 14 August, 4.30pm-5.30pm

Session 4:
Quake and shake
Monday 21 August, 4.30pm-5.30pm

For ages 6-8. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

\$60.00 per child for the four sessions.

YOUNG INVESTIGATORS CLUB

Session 1:
Our amazing bodies
Thursday 31 August, 5pm-6pm

Session 2:
Chemistry lab
Thursday 7 September, 5pm-6pm

Session 3:
Rat trap racers and hovercraft
Thursday 14 September, 5pm-6pm

Session 4:
Water works
Thursday 21 September, 5pm-6pm

For ages 9-12.

\$60.00 per child for the four sessions.

SEPTEMBER / OCTOBER

School Holiday Events

Nutty Scientists

Nutty Scientists (Ages 6+)
Monday 25 September,
10.30am-11.30am, Pennant Hills
Community Centre

Wednesday 27 September,
2.30pm-3.30pm, Hornsby Library

Thursday 5 October,
10.30am-11.30am,
Berowra Community Centre

**Nutty Scientists Interactive
Workshop (Ages 7-12)**
Thursday 28 September,
2.30pm-3.30pm, Hornsby Library

In these unique and interactive activities, children will learn key scientific concepts and stimulate their interest in science and the environment.

Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

Interactive Workshop \$15.00
Rest of Nutty Scientists activities \$8.00

Holiday Storytime

Thursday 28 September,
10am-11am, Hornsby Library

Thursday 28 September,
6.30pm-7.30pm,
Pennant Hills Library

Friday 29 September,
10.30am-11.30am,
Berowra Library

Join us for stories, songs, craft and refreshments.

For children 18 months and over. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

\$2.00 per child.



Starr's Planetarium

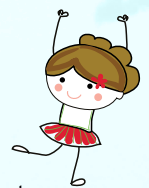
Tuesday 3 October,
10.30am-11.30am,
Berowra Community Centre

Wednesday 4 October,
10.30am-11.30am,
Pennant Hills Community Centre

In this engaging and awe-inspiring earth and space science experience, children will take a trip through the Solar System. They will explore the planets and lunar cycles and travel to the very edge of our galaxy.

For ages 5-12. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

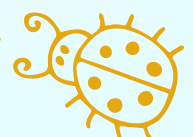
\$12.00 per child.

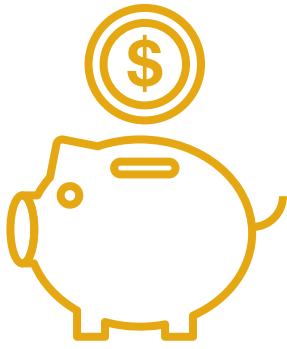


Bookings essential. Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library or at any Hornsby Shire Library branch.

Coding workshops for children with Code4fun at Hornsby Library

For more information and bookings visit code4fun.com.au/courses





Tax Tips

Centrelink Financial talk

Thursday 3 August, 6.30pm-8.30pm, Hornsby Library

Information session for individuals preparing their tax returns presented by the Australian Tax Office.

Age Pension and Your Choices

Centrelink Financial talk

Thursday 17 August, 6.30pm-8.30pm, Hornsby Library

Thursday 5 October, 6.30pm-8.30pm, Hornsby Library

- Qualification for Age Pension and its rates
- How to claim the Age Pension
- Explanation of Income and Asset Tests
- Available concessions
- Explanation of Deeming Investments

Understanding Retirement Income Streams

Centrelink Financial talk

Thursday 31 August, 6.30pm-8.30pm, Hornsby Library

- What are Income Streams and how they work
- Available options
- Centrelink assessment of Income Streams
- Tax Assessment of Income Streams
- Choices and consequences

Accommodation Options in Retirement

Centrelink Financial talk

Thursday 14 September, 6.30pm-8.30pm, Hornsby Library

- Exploring various options: Downsizing, Reverse Mortgages
- Retirement Villages, Aged Care
- Pension assessment of these options
- A detailed look at Aged Care fees and charges.

Family Law Talk

Divorce and Property Settlement

Thursday 12 October, 6.30pm-8.30pm, Hornsby Library

Presented by Cecilia Castle from Castle Lawyers, this seminar will explore Family Law issues around separation, divorce and property settlement.

Free. Bookings essential.

Book online at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library
or at any Hornsby Shire Library branch.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Hotdesk: one to one appointments

HammondCare - Specialising in dementia care

Thursday 7 September, 2pm-4pm, Hornsby Library

HammondCare specialises in dementia care and is passionate about helping people in need.

Information sessions

An Introduction to Dementia Alzheimer's Australia

Thursday 14 September, 1pm-2pm, Hornsby Library

Have you been recently diagnosed with dementia or care for someone with dementia? Come to this information session to find out more about dementia and understand how to live positively with dementia.

Hotdesk: one to one appointments

Ku-ring-gai Neighbourhood Centre

Thursday 21 September, 11am-1pm, Hornsby Library

The Ku-ring-gai Neighbourhood Centre through its Neighbour Aid Program provides help with shopping and transport to essential medical and other appointments for elderly and disabled residents.

Information sessions

Lions Club Hornsby

Thursday 19 October, 2pm-4pm, Hornsby Library

Find out how to give back to your community, develop your skills and have fun.

Bookings preferred but not essential, in person or phone 9847 6614.

WHAT'S ON AUGUST-OCTOBER

Kimbriki Tour and Eco Garden talk

Tuesday 8 August, 9am-2.45pm,
Bus leaves 9.15am Hornsby Park bus stop, Hornsby

Tuesday 17 October, 9am-2.45pm,
Bus leaves 9.15am Hornsby Park bus stop, Hornsby

On the tour of the Kimbriki site you will see how your green waste is transformed into a usable garden product. We will then stop at the Eco Garden and hear a short talk on eco gardening.

Free. Bookings essential, spaces are limited; Book online at Hornsby events web page, call the Waste Hotline on 9847 4856 or email waste@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Chipping for Mulch

Sunday 20 August, 7.30am-12.30pm,
Council Depot, 5 Beaumont Road,
Mt Kuring-gai

Sunday 17 September,
7.30am-12.30pm,
The Old Dog Pound, next to
8 Warrigal Drive (RFS), Westleigh

Sunday 15 October, 7.30am-12.30pm,
Council Depot, 5 Beaumont Road,
Mt Kuring-gai

Bring along your garden prunings and branches to our free chipping service and take home free mulch. For further information regarding conditions of acceptance see Councils website for full details.

Free. No bookings necessary.

Recycling Tour

Wednesday 23 August, 9am-1pm,
Bus leaves 9.15am Hornsby Park bus stop, Hornsby

Ever wondered what happens to the mix of materials in your yellow bin. Come on a tour of the Materials Recycling Facility and find out how everything in your yellow bin is sorted.

Free. Bookings essential, spaces are limited; Book online at Hornsby events web page or call the Waste Hotline on 9847 4856.

Compost and Worm Farming Workshop

Tuesday 29 August, 9.30am-11.30am,
Wallerobba Garden, Edgeworth David Ave, Hornsby

Friday 27 October, 9.30am-11.30am,
Wallerobba Garden, Edgeworth David Ave, Hornsby

Composting is a fun and easy way to recycle your garden and kitchen waste. Compost improves your garden soil, saves space in your red or green bin and saves you money.

Free. Bookings essential, spaces are limited; Book online at Hornsby events web page or call the Waste Hotline on 9847 4856

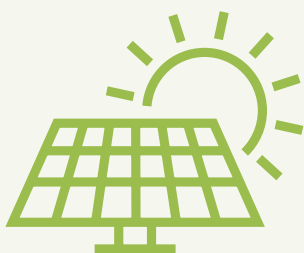
Kids Native Bee Workshop

Build your own bee hotel

Tuesday 26 September, 10am-12pm,
Earthwise Cottage, 28-30 Britannia Street,
Pennant Hills

This dynamic workshop aims to inspire young nature lovers to become bee enthusiasts with an engaging presentation and hands-on learning experience. Children must be accompanied by an adult.

Free. Bookings essential. Book online at trybooking.com/248472



Interested in volunteering? Join a Bushcare group

There are over 80 Bushcare groups throughout the Shire who work on various days of the week (except Tuesday).

Do you want to improve your local area, learn new skills and make new friends?

Bushcare offers the opportunity to learn more about native plants and animals and improve your local environment.

If you like the outdoors and enjoy good company then come along and give Bushcare a try!

Free. Contact Leanne Johnston by phone 9847 6362 or email bushcare@hornsby.nsw.gov.au



SUSTAINABLE GARDEN DAY INCLUDING NATIVE PLANT GIVEAWAY

Saturday 23 September, 11am-2pm
Fagan Park Eco Garden, Arcadia Road, Galston

Collect your free native plants and be inspired by displays, information stalls and topical guest speakers. Come along and seek advice on a number of garden designs, whether they be productive, waterwise, native, or habitat friendly garden.

Open to all Hornsby Shire ratepayers.

For more information visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au/nursery

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WHAT'S ON AUGUST-OCTOBER

2017 Apprenticeship Expo

Apprenticeships and traineeships

Wednesday 2 August, 3.30pm-6.30pm
Hornsby War Memorial Hall, 2 High Street, Hornsby

Free event to discuss youth career options, meet employers and gain job seeking and interview skills.

Free. For more information contact Sue Downing on 9847 6889 or email sdowning@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Berowra Village Woodchop Festival

A family day outing

Sunday 13 August, 10am-5pm
Berowra Village Tavern, Berowra Village, Berowra Heights

World class wood chopping, market stall and live music.

Free. For more information email mattjamesfrancis@gmail.com

Child Car Seat Safety Checking Day

For parents and carers

Thursday 7 September, 9.30am-3.15pm. By appointment only.
Thornleigh 'Brickpit' Sports Centre,
1B Dartford Road, Thornleigh

Parents or carers can have their child seats, harnesses and booster seats checked for safety and correct fit by an authorised restraint fitter.

Free. Bookings Essential. Bookings open from 7 August 2017.
For more information contact Lesley Tipping on 9847 6856 or email ltipping@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Teaching your Learner Driver

For the supervising driver

Thursday 21 September, 6.30pm-8.30pm,
Hornsby Shire Council Chambers
296 Peats Ferry Road (formerly Pacific Hwy), Hornsby

A practical workshop offering advice and information on how to help learner drivers become safer drivers through the Graduated Licensing Scheme.

Free. Bookings essential. Book online at trybooking.com/NHQT

Happy Healthy Teenagers: A Workshop for Parents and Carers part of Mental Health Month

Monday 23 October, 6.30pm-8pm, Hornsby Library

Free. Bookings Essential. For more information contact Sue Downing on 9847 6889 or email sdowning@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Carers Art Exhibition

Monday 16 October to Friday 27 October, Hornsby Library

Celebrating and recognising the important role of Carers in our community.

If you are a Carer and would like to display your art in the exhibition or would like to attend our free afternoon tea on Friday 27 October 2-3.30pm please contact Kim Harris 9847 6741 or email kharris@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Healthy Mind, Healthy Body Expo

Wednesday 18 October, 11am-2pm,
Hornsby Mall, Florence Street, Hornsby

Come and meet the local organisations that provide valuable services of health and wellbeing to the families and community in Hornsby local government area. Connect with organisations that can assist you in learning the information regarding health, living a healthy lifestyle and improving your wellbeing.

Free. For more information contact Jian Zhao on 9847 6994 or email jzhao@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Family Services Expo

Wednesday 20 September, 11am-2pm,
Hornsby Mall, Florence Street, Hornsby

Come and meet local organisations that provide valuable services to families in our community.

Connect with organisations that can assist you living a healthy lifestyle, improve your wellbeing, that provide support to families, children, youth, aged and people with disabilities.

Free. For more information contact Kim Harris on 9847 6741 or email kharris@hornsby.nsw.gov.au

Put yourself in the picture...

SEE | DO | CONNECT

Hornsby Shire is home to a vast array of different adventures – explore the many walking trails on a beautiful bushwalk, enjoy a day out along our waterways or simply have a relaxing family picnic in one of our parks. Put yourself in the picture and start your adventure today.

EXPLORE
OUR BEAUTIFUL

WALKS



ESCAPE
ALONG OUR

WATERWAYS



ENERGISE AND
BE ACTIVE ON OUR

TRACKS



ENJOY OUR
FAMILY FRIENDLY

PARKS



visit **discoverhornsby.sydney**





LET'S BE SOCIAL

SIGN UP TO ENEWS TO KEEP UP TO DATE WITH LOCAL NEWS AND EVENTS.

Join today at hornsby.nsw.gov.au/join

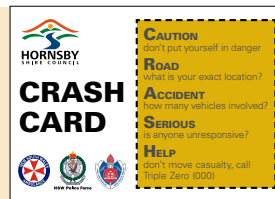
CRASH CARD

Designed by paramedics who are passionate about motorcycle rider safety.

How to use the crash card

1

PLACE THE CRASH CARD IN THE LINING OF YOUR HELMET.



2

AFFIX THE CRASH CARD STICKER TO THE RIGHT HAND SIDE OF YOUR HELMET, MAKING SURE THAT IT DOES NOT AFFECT YOUR VISIBILITY.



Complete the requested details on the card then place it in the lining of your helmet, as that is where emergency services will look for it.

Name: First and surnames are best.
Date of birth: DD/MM/YYYY
Post code: From your current address
Blood type: (A+ for example)
Allergies: List the medications you are allergic to
Medical history: If you have had any operation in the last 12 months and/or suffer a chronic illness eg diabetes, asthma, angina etc
Medication: List any medications you currently take
Emergency contact: Name and contact phone number of the person you wish to be informed of your situation

REMEMBER REMOVING A CRASH HELMET IS A SKILL PRACTISED BY TRAINED PERSONNEL.
 CALL TRIPLE ZERO (000) TO SEEK INSTRUCTION

HELP ALERT RESPONDERS TO YOUR CRASH CARD PLACE THE RED DOT ON THE RIGHT HAND CORNER OF YOUR HELMET, MAKING SURE IT'S NOT IN YOUR FIELD OF VIEW - IT IS SAFE TO STICK ON ANY HELMET.



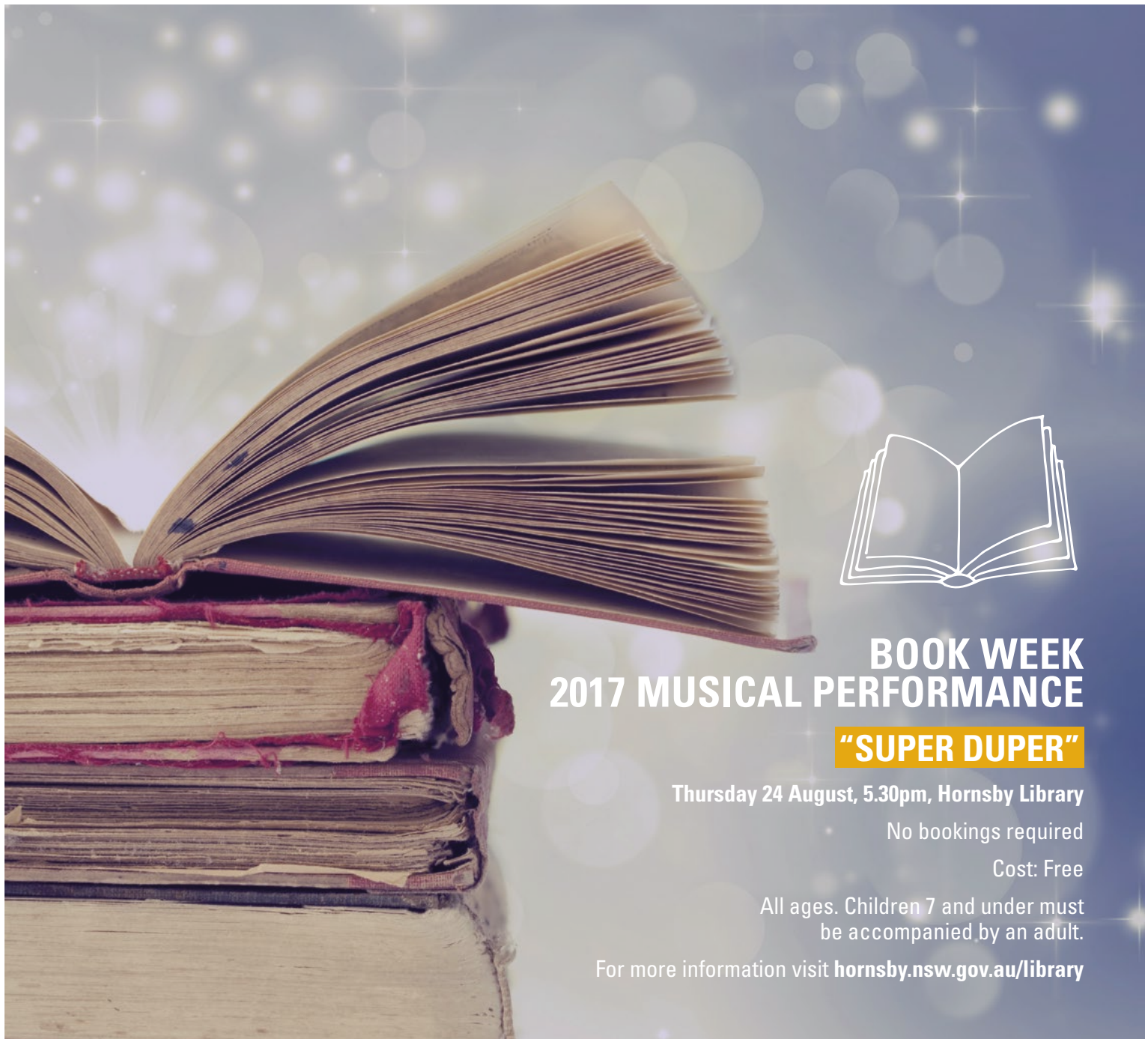
SAVE THE DATE

THE 10TH ANNUAL KNIT IN

Friday 4 August, 9am-12pm, Hornsby Library

We're celebrating 10 years of this vibrant, fun and colourful event! Experience the warmth of community knitting and friendship as we support Wrap with Love. Donations of yarns, squares and wraps are welcomed at any Hornsby Shire library prior to this free event.

For more information visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library



BOOK WEEK 2017 MUSICAL PERFORMANCE

"SUPER DUPER"

Thursday 24 August, 5.30pm, Hornsby Library

No bookings required

Cost: Free

All ages. Children 7 and under must be accompanied by an adult.

For more information visit hornsby.nsw.gov.au/library

I COOK WITH WINE,
SOMETIMES I EVEN
ADD IT TO THE FOOD.

W. C. FIELDS

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