



TALKING TURKEY

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE WAGSTAFFE TO KILLCARE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC

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NEXT WTKCA MEETING

Monday, 9 September at
Wagstaffe Hall
at 7.30pm
All Welcome!

SEPTEMBER AT WAGSTAFFE HALL

For bookings call 0490 403 822

*MONDAYS

9.30-11.00am Yoga – Gai
4360 1854

6.00-7.00pm Pilates Michelle
4384 5005 / Simon 0425 224 532

9th : 7.30pm WTKCA Meeting

*TUESDAYS

9.15-10.15am Clinical Pilates
with Jo – booking/term
4360 2707

11-12.15pm Movement & Mind-
fulness – Jacqui 0408 602 669

1.30 – 4pm Knit 2 Chat 2 – 2nd
and 4th Tuesdays - Helen
4360 2926

*WEDNESDAYS

9.30-12.30pm Ballet, Jazz and
Contemporary Dance for Begin-
ners -- Rachel Coulson
0422 865 045

5-6 pm Beginners' Yoga with
Rose Mascaro 0422 966 566

*THURSDAYS

2.00-5.00 pm Mahjong -
Heather 4360 2178

*FRIDAYS

9.30-11am Yoga with Laurie
Jones 0423 589 877

1.00-4.30pm Old Wags Bridge
Group – Ann 4368 2003

VALE – DAVID DUFTY

David Dufty was a founding member of The Bouddi Society, a group of people dedicated to bringing special occasions to the community. He was a man with a wonderful mind and imagination. He not only dreamt up wonderful ideas for events, he managed their production as well. He inspired and motivated those around him and as a result we were rewarded with creative and interesting ideas for performances, presentations and exhibition and rich cultural experiences.

Memorable events led by David are remembered: *The Place Where the World Turns Around - a celebration of time, place and community*. For *Bouddi 2000* David brought together people of all ages to celebrate the new century with singing, dancing, acting and art-work. This was followed by a street parade from Pretty Beach to Wagstaffe, with fewer spectators than participants because everybody was in it. *Spikefest* was a celebration of Spike Milligan's life and work and involved a *Comic and Crazy Verse Competition and Cavalcade*. *With a Smile and a Song - Music in Our Lives* was a celebration of David's life and love of music to mark his 80th birthday.

David's lasting contribution to the peninsula's community is the book, *The Bouddi Peninsula—a Very Special Place*, the beautiful record of our very important history. David launched the Bouddi History Project in 2007, calling on people to tell their stories and lend their photographs. The culmination was the book, published in 2010. David Dufty was honoured by the Bouddi Society by being given Life Membership.

Recognised for his work in education, David Dufty was made a Member of the Order of Australia (AM), in June 2007. He is to be remembered for his development of Asian Studies in the high school syllabus and the establishment of *Society and Culture* as a Higher School Certificate subject.

He worked for the environment too. David Dufty and Robert McClure established the 'Bitou Bashers in 2001 and cleared Maitland Bay of weeds. (See story on Page 3.) The group became Bouddi Bushcare in 2003 and David continued to work in the park for many years after that, removing unsightly weeds. The regeneration of native species follows bushcare and is wonderful to see.

A creative dynamo, David Dufty was a cultural force in our community and an environmental hero too. His contribution and achievements will not be forgotten.

Robyn Warburton

"Hymn Along"



A pleasurable, rare afternoon of hymn singing, to revisit those old favourites, lift your voice and enjoy an elegant afternoon tea.

Sunday 15th September

Time: 2.00pm - 4.00pm

**Venue: Hardys
Bay Community
Church**



**Enquiries: Rosemary
0419218088**



'CAPRICCIO: A NOVEL'

by local author Dina Davis

Signed copies available from Wag-
staffe Store

About the book



A young mother, snowed in during England's worst winter for thirty years, takes her own life. The death is blamed on her husband's mistress, Esther, a beautiful Russian-German refugee. This is her story, as it has never been told before. A tale of literary lovers for lovers of literature, this is the story of an obsessive love and its tragic aftermath, seen through the author's imagination.

I think this is a fine novel with barely a false note. I was fascinated by this work and its crisp style.

— Thomas Keneally, author of *Schindler's Ark*.

About the author

The Edwards family first came to the area in 1981 and Dina Davis and her husband, Kit Edwards, have been residents of Hardys Bay since 2004. They are the proud owners of the recently restored yacht, *Aphrodite*, moored in the bay. Dina is working on her second novel, *A Difficult Daughter*. More about Dina can be found on her website.

<https://www.dinadavisauthor.com>

**KILLY CARES FORUM ON 'AGEING SUCCESSFULLY' - WEDNESDAY 2 OCTOBER FROM 3.00-5.00PM****"Get Wiser About Getting Older"**

Killy Cares is delighted to announce that Professor Susan Kurrle, an internationally renowned medical specialist in the area of geriatric medicine, has accepted our invitation to be the keynote speaker at a forum on Ageing Successfully, to held on Wednesday 2 October from 3.00-5.00pm at the Hardys Bay Community Club. This free Killy Cares event is specifically aimed at providing insights into what we need to do at an individual and community level to ensure older Australians live healthy and independent lives. About 15% of Australians are over 65 years, with many living well into their 80s and 90s. Professor Kurrle's presentation will be of interest to all who are "getting older", and to those who are carers for the elderly or people with dementia, so we can get a little wiser.

Professor Kurrle:

- holds the Curran Chair in Health Care of Older People in the Faculty of Medicine and Health at the University of Sydney
- is a geriatrician at Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Hospital and at Batemans Bay and Moruya Hospitals
- is the Clinical Director of Aged Care and Rehabilitation for Northern Sydney Local Health District
- is involved in several clinical dementia drug trials, and has a strong research interest in the management of falls in people with dementia
- is a sought after guest-speaker both locally and internationally.

She has served on the Board of Alzheimers Australia (NSW) and continues to work with the body in the education of health care professionals and family carers.

The forum will include a Q&A session with a panel comprising some local residents who are willing to share some of the ways in which they strive to live rich and fulfilling lives.

The invitation to this important and topical event is extended free to members of our local community and beyond. Afternoon tea will be available; drinks can be purchased from the bar at your own expense. Please register your interest in attending by emailing us at killycares@gmail.com or click on 'register' on our FB page.

For further information please do not hesitate to call Stephen Hinks on 0439 744 657 or Jenni Bouchier on 0411 198 483.

Stephen Hinks

Towers and People and the Environment

We've all been waiting, after the many years of lobbying, for improved mobile reception on our Bouddi Peninsula. Despite the presentation last December, nominating Council's Water Reservoir block at 37 Wards Hill Road as the proposed site for a new 'super' tower intended to service all our catchments, eight months later there appears to have been little progress.

August TT provided some details. Mike Allsop noted that while we had all initially thought that this one 'super tower' was to be concealed behind bushland, and hence would not be visible to most of us, this was found to be not the case. So we need to remain vigilant. We certainly don't want the wonderful entrance to the Bouddi Peninsula to be further scarred by an intrusive tower and infrastructure. The Council supported us in its opposition to the fence, noting that it was 'not compatible with the desired character of the scenic buffer precinct of Killcare Heights', would not 'contribute positively to the character and visual quality of the streetscape' and that the fence would pose a precedent and 'not be in keeping with the character of Killcare Heights Scenic buffer'.

This mega tower would be in the same category. So while we want mobile reception, we must, at the same time, preserve the character and environment of this precious area. To this end we continue to urge the proponents to move the



location of the super tower from the proposed position, adjacent to the Wards Hill Rd front boundary, to the rear of the site (see site illustration), ensuring that existing trees and shrubs at the front, which were proposed to be removed, are retained to provide a buffer to its presence.

Should a DA be submitted with the position unchanged WTKCA will be contacting Council urging their approach must be to protect the natural environment entrance to the Bouddi Peninsula and its character by supporting positioning at the rear of the site and retention of existing shrubs and trees. Let's hope that the Council continues to apply the same standards here as applied to the fence.

We'll keep you posted on updates, but meanwhile, see the photo montage above of what it appears the tower installation would look like in the proposed location at the front boundary.

Peta Colebatch



Do you want to join one of the local Bushcare Groups on Bouddi Peninsula?

CC Council Bushcare: Along The Dog Track at Pretty Beach every Monday afternoon meeting at the Boat Ramp end at 2.00pm. To find out more, phone Toni on 0401 587 988.

NPWS Bushcare: At varying locations every Wednesday morning. Phone on 4320 4202.

Bitou Bashers break through

Affectionately known as The Bitou Bashers, a local group of bush regeneration volunteers has been rewarded for its long-term efforts within the national parks of the Central Coast.

At a ceremony at old government house on August 2, the Bouddi Bushcare Group was presented with the Community Group prize at the 2019 Regional Bushcare And Landcare Awards of Greater Sydney Local Land Services.

Competition for the award was fierce, as it was contested by a number of groups from all parts of the region, which covers an area from Bargo to Gwandalan and west to the Blue Mountains.

As winners of the award, the group automatically advances to the state awards, which will be announced in Broken Hill in October.

Bouddi Bushcare began in 2001 as the 'Bitou Bashers' – the term lives on as the group's nickname – as an initiative of David Dufty and Robert McClure. Initially its efforts were restricted to removing bitou from Maitland Bay but its activities have expanded as its numbers have increased. Over time the original group of six morphed into Bouddi Bushcare, which now involves about 18 local volunteers who gather weekly to work primarily in Bouddi National Park.

The close-knit group now works on 12 sites throughout the park including Rileys Bay, Little Beach, Tallow Beach, Maitland Bay and Putty Beach. It also assists at sites in other national park reserves such as Wambina, Wamberal, and Rileys and Pelican Islands, and even as far afield as Mt Yengo.

Accumulating some 1500 hours of work each year, the group contributes considerably to enhancement and protection of our national parks.

New members are always welcome; phone 4320 4202 for details.

Bouddi Bush Care



Bouddi Bushcare members at Daleys Point

**HARDYS BAY COMMUNITY CLUB****SEPTEMBER 2019**

Sun 4 Big Blues Jam 2.00 pm
 Fri 6 Trivia with Katie 7.30 pm
 Sat 7 Pirate and Rum Night – Johnny
 Devilseed & Old Man Rubes 7.00pm
 Sun 9 Bohemian Bees 2.00 pm
 Sat 14 Mayanne Rex 7.00 pm
 Sun 15 Bouddi Beats Jam with Vera 2.00
 pm
 Fri 20 Jake Cassar 7.00 pm
 Sat 21 Nic and Nick 7.00 pm
 Sun 22 Trifecta 2.00 pm
 Fri 27 Bouddi Beats Jam with Short
 and Curly 7.00pm
 Sat 29 Mirrabooka Ukulele Open Mike
 2pm

HARDYS BAY COMMUNITY CLUB

*LIVE MUSIC *THAI FOOD *KID FRIENDLY

MOBILE LIBRARY

The Gosford City Library's
 Mobile Library Van will visit
 Wagstaffe on September 11 and 25
 from 10.30am until 11.15am.

WTKCA CONTACTS**President:**

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Robyn Warburton

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(Please note: PDFs not reliable for TT)

www.wagstaffetokillcare.org.au**Killcare Surf Club**

The club is seeking assistance in a variety of roles both on and off the beach. Everyone is welcome to join us:

**Sunday 8 September
12 - 2pm**

Open day and
 registration: Rescue demonstration, club and membership information, sausage sizzle, bar open

**Sun 15th September
9AM - 11AM**

Registration: Club and
 membership information

Enquiries:admin@killcaresurfclub.com.au**HBCC in September****Thank you for voting!**

A big thank you to all those who supported the Club and the Church by voting for us to receive NSW Government My Community Project grants! The voting system was not all that simple, but we greatly appreciate the way our community has come together to support two of our local organisations. Results of the vote are revealed on 15 September.

September at HBCC

Sunday 1st – special Father's Day service, 9.30am

Sunday 8th – Start of season service for **RFS & Surf Lifesaving members**, 9.30am

Sunday 15th Hymn-A-Long
 Topic for Sundays from 15th Sept, 9.30am: *How I can change what I don't like about myself*
 Regular mid-week activities continue

Outings for seniors – first Friday

Saturday 5th October – spiritual retreat

For enquiries, hall hire and pastoral care, Phone
 Stephen Hinks – 0439 744 657

PLEASE JOIN US

The Association has a proud history of promoting everything good about the unique character of the Bouddi Peninsula – the environment, the village character and the sense of community. Please consider joining us by completing the form below. **(Note: Current Members will be advised when renewals are due).**
Form is for New Members only: By signing this form you agree to uphold the Association's Aims and Objectives [find at www.wagstaffetokillcare.org.au or contact WTKCA for a copy or further information].
(1) Complete this form **(2) Enclose** payment of \$5p.p. [includes joining fee] **(3) List** details in spaces provided
(4) Sign this form and return to **WTKCA Membership Secretary, PO Box 4069 WAGSTAFFE NSW 2257.**

FULL NAME of new member /s [use BLOCK letters].....

Mailing address.....

Email address.....

Phone/s.....

Signed.....