



# TALKING TURKEY

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE WAGSTAFFE TO KILLCARE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC

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**NEXT  
WTKCA  
MEETING**

**Monday  
10 February  
at Wagstaffe  
Hall  
at 7.30pm**

## **FEBRUARY 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

**10th : 7.30pm WTKCA Meeting**

### **\*TUESDAYS**

**9.30-10.30 Clinical Pilates**  
— Jo Frize

**10.30 am Movement & Mindful-  
ness** — Jacqui 0408 602 669

### **\*WEDNESDAYS**

**9.30-10.00 Little Groovers  
(2-5 yo) Dance** — Rachel Coulson  
0422 865 045

**10.15-11.30 Ballet** --  
Rachel Coulson 0422 865 045

**5.15 — 6.15 pm Gentle Hatha**

**Yoga with Rose** 0422 966 566

### **\*THURSDAYS**

**2.00-5.00 pm Mahjong** - Heather  
4360 2178

### **\*FRIDAYS**

**9.30-11am Yoga** — Laurie Jones  
0423 589 877

**1.00-4.30pm Old Wags Bridge  
Group** - Ann 4368 2003 and Graeme

## **THANK YOU FIRIES! FUNDRAISER**

**AT HARDYS BAY  
CLUB**

**with fund-raising  
fun activities**

**Featuring music from  
MIRRABOOKA  
Sat 1st Feb 7.30pm  
All proceeds to RFS &  
those impacted by fire**

### **A message from the President—Mike Allsop**

Dear residents, friends and visitors, WTKCA would like to wish a Happy New Year to all and a safe conclusion to your summer activities. We have been very lucky in our area not to have suffered the direct impacts of the recent extensive bushfires. Constant vigilance is still required of us all, and RFS advice should always be respected. Our joint community resilience plan is temporarily on hold while RFS deals with its current load, but rest assured our local organisations (WTKCA, Killy Cares and Killcare SLSC) are on call to lend assistance in need.

On another matter, the telecommunications tower proposed for Wards Hill Road is now lodged as a DA with council and can be inspected online. This association has pressed hard for several years to improve mobile reception in our hilly terrain, especially down towards the surf beach and in the corners of Wagstaffe, Pretty Beach, Killcare and Hardys Bay. The proposal seems to largely meet the objectives of expanded coverage and increased capacity, but may still have some remaining black spots. It will be visible on the Wards Hill Road frontage in front of the water tower. As a smooth concrete tower with conformal antennae it is designed to survive a direct bushfire attack without the need to clear surrounding trees. Public comments close 30th January.

Cheers, Mike



## KILLCARE SURF CLUB NEEDS YOU!!!!!!!

*Killcare Surf Club needs new members to join and be trained to gain their bronze medallions, so that they can maintain their half day patrols.*

*Right now we need twenty additional members so that we can return to half day patrols*

*If you are sixteen years of age or older, we would like to train you to become a surf life saver!*

*The benefits include improving your swimming fitness, learning first aid and resuscitation, making new friends, and saving lives on our beach! This is a vital community volunteer service. New members will be most welcome.*

*So – come on down to the surf club to register your interest.*

*For further information, contact: Vic Wilmot, on 4360 2836  
Vic Wilmot*



## LOCAL COMMUNITY SUPPORT FOR WIRES

In addition to contributions of cash, clothing and household necessities for those affected by our bushfire emergencies around the State, members of our local community have been strong in their support of the NSW Wildlife Rescue charity, WIRES. This support has included a Silent Auction of framed photos of local scenes, the allocation of donations and proceeds of specific Yoga classes, cash donations, and over 60 knitted and sewn pouches for koalas, possums and wallabies orphaned by the fires, among many other contributions! The needs of our wildlife, now threatened in catastrophic numbers, will continue for the foreseeable future, so if you are able to provide help for WIRES, it will be much appreciated. See how to knit a pouch on Page 4.

Alex Sharp

## HARDYS BAY CLUB

DAVE GRANEY

&

CLARE MOORE

FRI 7TH FEB

7.30PM

TICKETS \$28

BUY TICKETS FROM:

WAGGY STORE  
KILLCARE CELLARS  
CLUB BAR  
ONLINE

## Knit 2 Chat Too

Knitting for

WRAP WITH LOVE

begins again at

Wagstaffe Hall

Tuesday 10th March 1.30 -4

and then on the

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday until November

We use 8ply yarn, 4mm needles or crochet hook to make

28 squares (25cm<sup>2</sup>) for each blanket.

Google Wrap with Love for patterns and information

Please come and join us

We equalled our record of 52 wraps in 2019

With more knitters we could have a PB in 2020

Our group grows each year as we welcome new friends.

Donations of colourful 8ply yarn always welcome.

Contact Helen 4360 2926 Helen Reid





## LEAVING EARLY IN A BUSH FIRE EMERGENCY

Recent community workshops -Getting ready for a bushfire - highlighted the steps in preparing a bush-fire survival plan.

Leave early was the safest outcome. For those who decide to stay, a backup plan is also required.

A backup plan to leave early if:

- Fire danger rating is catastrophic
- Fire danger rating is extreme and your home is not designed or constructed for bush fires
- Your property is not well maintained
- On the day, anyone is not mentally or physically fit and ready

To be able to leave early, you need access to bushfire information, warnings and emergency alerts.

Information sources include the RFS Bush fire information line and 'Fires near me' app, local radio and TV and telephone emergency alerts.

RFS use three bush fire alert levels:

Advice – a fire has started, there is no immediate danger

Watch and act - a heightened level of threat. Conditions are changing, you need to start taking action now to protect you and your family

Emergency warning – you may be in danger and need to take action immediately. Any delay now puts your life at risk.

A national telephone warning system is used by emergency services to send messages to landlines and text messages to mobile phones within a defined area about likely or actual emergencies. Since emergency alert relies on telecommunication networks to send messages, message delivery cannot be guaranteed.

Killcare RFB Captain Michelle Biddulph noted "during a fire you could lose power and telecommunications, so do not rely on just one source of information. Use all available information sources and do not wait for a warning message before you act".

Neighbourhood safer places are a place of last resort during a bush fire emergency. They are to be used when all other options in your bush fire survival plan are not able to be put into action safely.

Designated neighbourhood safer places are the open space at the Public Wharf, Araluen Drive Killcare and the Public Wharf, Mullhall Street Wagstaffe and Killcare Surf Club with medical facilities available.

Brian Plain – Killcare Wagstaffe RFB

## KILLY CARES ADVICE

### Care during and after bush fires

Given the devastation from fires across our nation since September, and the continuing risk in our own area, Killy Cares has identified some online resources that people may find useful and may wish to share with family and friends who have been directly affected by the bushfires.

Several helpful articles are on our KillyCares website on the Useful Links page:

Go to: [www.killycares.org/links/](http://www.killycares.org/links/)

To see  
RFS website on  
and one called

*Recovering from bushfires* (including information for parents)  
*Neighbourhood Safer Places*  
*Community Trauma Toolkit.*

Stephen Hinks

**HARDYS BAY COMMUNITY CLUB****GIG GUIDE for FEBRUARY****Sat 1 Furies Fundraiser Mirrabooka****Sun 2 Big Blues Jam****Fri 7 Dave Graney and Clare Moore  
Tickets \$28****Sat 8 TRIVIA****Sun 9 Blue and the Doctor****Fri 14 Valentines Day Jam -Top Cat****Sat 15 Brandon DoddAlbum  
Launch****Sunday 16 Maryanne Rex****Fri 21 Tommy Gunnas****Sun 23 Jam with Short and Curly****Fri 28 Ohana****Sat 29 Honey & The Bluestones****YOUR COMMUNITY CLUB****Siri's Kitchen – Thai Food and  
kid's meals  
4360 1414****MOBILE LIBRARY**

CCC's Mobile Library Van will visit

Wagstaffe on February 12 and 26

from 10.30am until 11.15am.

The library visits on the Wednesday  
following the Yellow Bin Monday.**WTKCA CONTACTS****President:**

Mike Allsop 0419 323 413

**Vice President:**

Robyn Warburton

**Secretary:**

Ian Bull - 0419 833 945

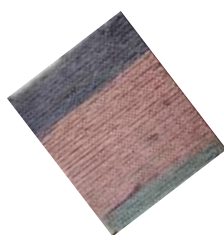
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TT)[www.wagstaffetokillcare.org.au](http://www.wagstaffetokillcare.org.au)**HOW TO KNIT A POUCH FOR  
AN ORPHANED ANIMAL**Knitted pouches need to be  
18cm X 20cm  
(see pic below)

or

24cm X 30cm

with three sides sewn or double  
length with two sides sewn.Pure wool 8 ply with No 4 or 5  
needles in plain stitchLinings of pure cotton or  
flannelette are made (and kept  
separately for washing) and vol-  
unteers to make them are called  
for too.**HBCC in December****HBCC in February 2020**We've started our year with a  
focus on Prayer:*How and What to Pray -*  
every Sunday 9.30amSun 2<sup>nd</sup> - *Praying for each other*

Mid-week Bible courses resume

Mid-week activities resume

We await news on a NSW Grant  
application to renew the roof of  
the historic hallHall hire -  
some times still availableContact Stephen Hinks  
0439 744 657  
for enquiries and pastoral care**PLEASE JOIN US**The Association has a proud history of  
promoting everything good about the  
unique character of the Bouddi Penin-  
sula – the environment, the village  
character and the sense of communi-  
ty. Please consider joining us.Our membership application form has  
been temporarily displaced. Find one  
on last month's Talking Turkey or visit  
our website - full form will be back  
next month!**CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY****The volunteers who have taken up this task year after year have grown older!****Younger people are needed.****YOU are needed!****The Locations: EITHER :-**

- THE COMMUNITY CHURCH IN ARALUEN DRIVE at 8.00 am 29 February OR
- THE MAITLAND BAY CENTRE, The Scenic Drive, opposite Maitland Bay Drive  
at 9.00 am 1 March  
and finish at NOON

**Your help will be appreciated by the whole community**