



TALKING TURKEY

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE WAGSTAFFE TO KILLCARE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC

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**NEXT
WTKCA MEETING**
will be held on
Monday
April 10 at Wagstaffe Hall
Meeting followed by
supper
All Welcome!

APRIL at WAGSTAFFE HALL

For bookings call 0490 403 822

*MONDAY

9.30-11.00 Yoga with Gai 4360 1854

6.00-7.00pm Pilates Michelle
43845005 / Simon 0425 224 532

13 Mon WTKCA Meeting 7.30pm

*TUESDAY

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

11-12.15pm Movement & Mindfulness – Jacqui Dawson 0408 602 669

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

*WEDNESDAY

10.00-11.00 Meditation (Adults)
Colette 0408 612 065 (in recess)

6.00-7.00 pm Clinical Pilates with
Jo Frize – Booking/term 4360 2707

7.30- 8.30pm Labor Party Wednesday 1 March - Jim Macfadyen

*THURSDAY

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

2.00-5.00 pm Mahjong - Heather
4360 2178

*FRIDAY

9.30-11.am Yoga with Laurie Jones
0423 589 877

1.30-4.30pm Old Wags Bridge
Group Ann 4368 2003

TRASH 'N' TREASURE



Easter Saturday 15th April at Wagstaffe Hall
from 9am - 1.00pm

Deliver your treasures from 5pm - 9pm Thursday & all day Good Friday.

We accept all manner of things but please NO clothes, large heavy furniture, beds or books in poor condition (classics excepted). Books with yellow or brown pages do not sell.

Volunteers are always welcome. Assistance will be required Thursday evening and on Good Friday to set up the various stalls consisting of the many and varied pre-loved items just waiting for new owners to arrive and take them away on Saturday.

This is always a fun event with all money raised going back into the local community. Half the money raised this year will assist the local Rural Fire Service to purchase vital equipment needed to train their new recruits.

If you would like goods picked up on Easter Thursday or Friday or further information, contact Ian on 0419 833 945 or email sec@wagstaffetokillcare.org.au

Doors open 9am sharp Easter Saturday - first in best dressed!

Between noon and 1.00pm everyone is invited to fill a box with unsold items for \$5.00 per box at this legendary event!

SHARED SPACES:

DEALING WITH DOGS, DRAKES and JET SKIS

We are lucky to live in such a great area, with bush and beach, a great community and some challenges. Some challenges come from this great area, i.e. how we share it with outsiders, and how we share it with each other when not all of us have the same views. But share it we do – we hope gracefully and with tolerance – but there are niggles. And the 'niggles' are different for each of us.

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The Conversation, an online discussion forum (<https://theconversation.com/au>) has been publishing a range of articles on shared spaces, and they provide another perspective for those of you who wish to research the issue further. In the meantime, we have our own challenges and niggles!



DUCKS: Some people are concerned at the ever growing preponderance of ducks in our area: around Wagstaffe and outside the Hardys Bay Club near the creek. And while they can act as a traffic calming device, they also pollute Wagstaffe Beach where small children play, as well as neighbours' gardens. This may be an issue on which more discussion is needed, so let us know what you think. But certainly we're aware of growing concerns: as duck families grow, the problem grows with them.

DOGS ON BEACHES: Australians in general have long defended their right to free access to open coastline, particularly beaches. Many beach activities are accepted and not contentious, as long as they do not cause undue interference to other users of the shared space. The Killcare Surf Beach has a broad area on which dogs are allowed, but they are prohibited at the Surf Club end, and at the Putty Beach National Park end. However, some people are ignoring this approach to sharing the coastline, and continue to let their dogs wander freely on areas reserved for swimmers and walkers. For example, observed recently, a ball being thrown into the surf where children were swimming, the dog bounding into the water alongside the children to retrieve the ball. The implications for this type of behaviour are obvious, so please, do the right thing, and share our superb environment by keeping dogs off the areas where they are not permitted because people are swimming.



JET SKIS: This peninsula is not alone in having concerns about the unfettered use of jet skis. They have been banned from Sydney Harbour, and increased monitoring is taking place in the Georges River area, as well as in our locality – though the single person employed to undertake this task must be sorely tested during the summer months! Following individuals raising concerns in the past, the Association has now passed a motion raising its concerns at our last meeting.

We wrote to the Premier and many other Ministers asking for an interdepartmental committee to be formed, to assess what further action could be taken. In particular, we asked for a ban on the landing of jet skis on areas of the Bouddi National Park located nearby i.e. Lobster and Tallow Beaches. It is openly recognised that some jet skiers are not using the waterways in a courteous manner and are, as a consequence, displaying the type of unwanted behaviour that is constantly causing concern amongst both residents and other waterways users.

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Roads & Maritime Services have already introduced a range of measures aimed at cracking down on dangerous and anti-social jet-ski riding. They include:

- Increased high visibility patrols;
- Additional speed restrictions in the area, including the reduction from 8 to 4 knot speed zones at Wagstaffe and nearby Lobster Beach;
- A review of those persons identified as repeat offenders with consideration being given to cancelling licences.

The Association has contacted other groups in surrounding areas about this matter, and asked them for feedback. And we have been speaking with officials in the affected departments. Kayakers from Pearl Beach as well as other areas have reported unpleasant incidents involving jet skis, and we know that some are concerned about high speeds used by the jet skis in waters close to moored boats. And yet others are concerned about the noise that drones on in the summer months. We will continue to discuss approaches with government agencies. But in the meantime, please let us know of any incidents that you have observed or experienced, as we would like to better understand what has been going on. Maritime services are currently investigating the use of CCTV cameras and compliance and regulatory functions before considering further measures to deter illegal activity and catch offenders. However, while these can deter some, they also are 'after the event' activities, and require extensive monitoring. And National Parks are an important part of our environment, and we want to have them protected and available for peaceful enjoyment by passive recreation users.

So let us know your views. Please, do the right thing, and share our superb environment in a way that does not cause undue interference to others. That way we all stay happy!!!!

Peta Colebatch WTKCA President

AN INVITATION TO ARTISTS

to be part of

The Art Trail

on the June Long-Weekend

Local artists who would like to participate by opening their studio (or sharing space) are invited to come together at Hardys Bay Club on Saturday, April 15 at 3.00 pm to plan the open-days which should attract great interest for locals and visitors.

The local *Art Trail* has a history. For many years artists in the area welcomed visitors to their studios and the event became a draw-card as a great long-weekend thing to do. Let's do it again.

An *Art Trail* benefits both artists and visitors.

It will provide the artists with the opportunity to show and sell their work and it allows the people who visit to engage with the artists, see where they work, admire the beauty of what they do and better understand their work.

For more information please contact

Virginia – 0418 205 908



'The Oyster Farmer'

**Oysters, beer and a movie by the Bay
– what's not to like!**

Locally shot on the Hawkesbury River.

Watch the movie then enjoy
a plate of Ferg's local OYSTERS
with a glass or two of Kincumber's specially brewed **Block and Tackle STOUT**
or sparkling wine
(cheese and nibbles if you prefer)

All for \$25. Tickets available from Killcare Cellars and Wagstaffe Store

Sunday, 30 April, 1.30 pm – Wagstaffe Hall

Knit 2 Chat 2

All knitters made welcome at Wagstaffe Hall
from 1.30 until 4pm
on the 2nd & 4th Tuesday in the month
Helen 4360 2926



EASTER HOLIDAY FESTIVAL AT HARDYS BAY



Wondering what to do over the Easter break? How about visiting the Easter Holiday Festival at Hardys Bay. The Easter holiday festival, hosted by our Community Church, initiates an inaugural event that brings together visual artists, musicians and entertainers in an all age community celebration around this year's festival theme - Clear Water. With Donations and a Benefit concert, the Festival will support clear, clean water & sanitation through World Vision.

CLEAR WATER 2017 features an experiential program of arts and entertainment activities over four days from Friday April 14 to Monday April 17.

The venue is Hardys Bay Community Church building, 114 Araluen Drive, Hardys Bay.

A range of events will be held at various times over the weekend:

FRIDAY 14th 2pm-5pm: Art intervention open in exhibition space. All welcome | Free Event inspired by the vital element – water - the artists respond in paint and digital media to the theme: Water - from the mountains to the sea, in this experiential art intervention comprising an installation of water-paintings and video-work.

Visual Artists Franziska Pirstinger, Austria, and Alicia Douglas, Australia.

SATURDAY 15th 10am-1pm: Art intervention open in exhibition space. All welcome | Free Event.

At 3pm-5pm: High Tea/High Coffee - Responding to musical variations and movements inspired by water, the live Baroque Ensemble presents audible treats to ensure a relaxing holiday afternoon tea.

Tickets \$15pp **BOOKINGS** preferred: Eventbrite | <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/clear-water-easter-festival-high-teacoffee-live-baroque-ensemble-tickets-32805632530>

SUNDAY 16th 1pm-3pm: Art intervention open in exhibition space. All welcome | Free Event.

At 4pm-5pm: Live On Stage performance by Bubble Artist Bubble 07 – fluid entertainment for the whole family; an all age celebration of the wonders of soap bubbles and thin films as they morph in an extravaganza of carefree, choreographed play. Tickets \$10pp, Family \$30, **BOOKINGS** Eventbrite | <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/clear-water-easter-festival-bubble-artist-live-performance-tickets-32838188907>

At 5.15-6.15pm: Communities unite for CLEAN WATER Benefit Concert performed by U Bouddi Big Band. All welcome | Free Event. **BENEFIT CONCERT DONATIONS** | support World Vision global clean water projects.

At 5pm-6.30pm: Burgers to you by the Bay, Picnic Throw Supper. All welcome. Free Admission. Provender: The Hungry Traveller Burger van, bayside near grassed picnic area, opposite HBCC.

MONDAY 17th 10am-3pm: Art intervention open in exhibition space. All welcome | Free Event.

At 10am-12noon Water painting workshop introduced and facilitated by visual artist/independent curator Meredith Brice and inaugural CLEAR WATER 2017 guest visual artist Alicia Douglas, Diploma Fine Art, BFA Fine Art [Hons]. Workshop materials fee \$10, optional. **BOOKINGS** preferred: Eventbrite <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/clear-water-easter-holiday-festival-art-workshop-for-adults-tickets-32837780686> 3pm Festival close

CLEAR WATER 2017, an initiative of Hardys Bay Community Church, supports World Vision global clean water projects: <https://www.worldvision.com.au/global-issues/work-we-do/water-sanitation>

Enquiries | www.hbcc.com.au | Dr Stephen Hinks | PH 4360 1293



That Elusive Turo Soccer Goal?!

To all our budding soccer tyros - please be patient. We are advised by Council that they borrowed the goal back due to delayed delivery of new goals at the soccer field from whence it came. IT WILL BE BACK hopefully by the end of April.

WTKCA



DYING TREES and PHYTOPHTHORA

Some of you may have noticed that the wonderful eucalypt at the corner of High View and Venice Roads Pretty Beach has died. It was/is a magnificent tree, and had graced the street corner for many years.

We are worried that it might well have died as a result of phytophthora dieback (though we don't know this) but other trees further up the hillside in Wagstaffe had died as a result of this. Infections can be treated, so if you notice signs of distress, you can contact the Royal Botanic Garden Sydney for advice on what to do.

Peta Colebatch

Vale Bill Leak

A farewell to Bill Leak was held by members of the community on Sunday 2 April. Bill was a well known portrait artist and cartoonist, and much more besides. He was a brilliant painter, and his paintings of former leaders of Australia are hung in Parliament House, the High Court and many other public buildings. He was also a familiar figure around the Killcare/Hardy's Bay community, and more recently around Wagstaffe. He will be missed by his family and by those who knew him.

IYENGAR YOGA CLASSES AVAILABLE AT WAGSTAFFE HALL DISCOVER THE HEALTH AND FITNESS BENEFITS

Robyn Pearson, a certified Iyengar Yoga teacher, will be teaching Iyengar Yoga classes at Wagstaffe Hall from Tuesday 2nd May at 6.00pm to 7.15 pm. Iyengar Yoga is an innovative approach to the practice of yoga emphasising precision and alignment, planned sequencing, timing and the use of props. It is a deeply researched and disciplined system developed by Yogacharya BKS Iyengar. This approach has allowed people of all ages, levels of health, fitness and flexibility to enjoy the benefits that yoga can bring. So whether you are an experienced yoga student or just wish to see what improvements yoga can bring for you why not try these classes. Robyn is a highly experienced teacher with many years of teaching classes at the Balmain Iyengar Studio. She has trained both here and in India.

HARRY HARDY'S

NEW RESTAURANT AT HARDYS BAY CLUB
NOW OPEN

Wednesday to Friday 6pm - close
Saturday & Sunday 12pm - close



HARDYS BAY CLUB

Sun Apr 2 @ 2PM

BLUES JAM

Saturday 15th April @ 7.30pm

2-BUCK BLUES BAND

Easter Sunday Apr 16 @ 2pm

JAM SESSION - with Peter Healy

Saturday 22nd April @ 8pm

BOB EVANS

"Lonesome Highways Tour"

TICKET PRICE: \$25 + BF

Sunday 23rd April @ 2pm

JAM SESSION – Top Cat

Tuesday April 25 from 11am

ANZAC DAY

Sat April 29 @ 3pm

BOBBAFEST

Sun Apr 30 @ 2pm

THE DECK SESSIONS
featuring "The Dew Cats"

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NEW ARTIST EXHIBITION
HARDYS BAY ART SPACE

KAREN MCPHEE

31/3/17 to 28/4/17

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Webmaster: Position Vacant-

www.wagstaffetokillcare.org.au



April at HBCC

Easter series Sundays 9.30am

14-17th: Easter Holiday Festival

Program: www.hbcc.com.au

Easter services: Good Friday 9.30am,

Easter Sunday 9.30am

Sun 23rd 9.30am: ANZAC Remembrance

Fifty-up club: every Friday, 10.30-

12noon: All welcome for a cuppa, activities & outings

For enquiries, hall hire and pastoral support, phone church office: 4360 1293

Pastor: Dr Stephen Hinks

www.hbcc.com

PHOTOGRAPHY COMPETITION

The photography competition held in conjunction with the Hardy's Bay Club Community Fair proved to be an outstanding success with 57 entries of a very high standard received.

The winner and recipient of first prize of \$100 was Saige Engelbrecht with an outstanding photograph entitled "Leap of Faith". Runner up winning \$50 was Nathaniel Firman with his entry "Having Fun". There were a further four encouragement awards with Saige Engelbrecht, Jasmine Johnstone, Oscar Li-lac and Jaimie Freeman receiving one each.

The Art Space has also welcomed the art of talented local Karen McPhee whose beautiful works will join that of Meg Lewer, photography of Dale Montgomery and also that of Brendon and Jude Weston on display throughout the club.

Brendon Weston

WAGSTAFFE WAR ON WEEDS

Saturday April 22.

Meet at the gate across Albert St at 8:30 . Weeds to be targeted include Bitou, Lantana, Asparagus Fern, Ochna and Camphor Laurel .

Join us afterwards for an early sausage sizzle lunch .

RSVP Deb Holloman -

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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.....