



# TALKING TURKEY

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE WAGSTAFFE TO KILLCARE COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION INC

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**NEXT  
WTKCA MEETING**  
will be held on  
**Monday**  
**September 11, at**  
**Wagstaffe Hall**  
Meeting followed by  
supper & a glass of  
wine  
**All Welcome!**

## SEPTEMBER at WAGSTAFFE HALL

### \*MONDAY

**9.30-11.00 Yoga** with Gai 4360  
**6.00 – 7.00pm Pilates** Michelle  
43845005 / Simon 0425 224 532  
**WTKCA Meeting** 11 Sep 7.30 pm

### \*TUESDAY

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

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

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

**6.00 – 7.15pm Iyengar Yoga** –  
Robyn 0449164769

### \*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

### \*THURSDAY

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

**10.45 – 1.45 Nicole Chown** – Art  
Classes (6 weeks beginning 10 Au-  
gust) 0424 442 670

**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

**For bookings call 0490 403 822**

## NEW SERIES - OUR LOCAL TALENT

Donella Waters – Indigenous artist



Donella was raised at Toomelah, a small Aboriginal Mis-  
sion near the NSW/Queensland border; she is “a proud  
descendant of the Kamilaroi and the Goomeroi people”.  
She still has strong community ties with the area.

Her love of art started as a child: she would draw with  
sticks in sand and mud, and with pencils and ink on pa-  
per, drawing animals, aspects of the landscape, and pat-  
terns. There were two elders in the community whose  
art she admired and whose special techniques stayed  
with her until her later years, when she was developing  
her own style of art.

Throughout her marriage and child rearing years,  
Donella continued her drawing. However, it was not  
until her 17 year involvement with Early Childhood Ed-  
ucation that she became inspired to take up and develop

her artistic skills again. Working with children through painting, collage and drawing,  
Donella began to take up seriously her creative work with art. When her granddaughters  
attended Clovelly PS, she became involved in art programs at the school. At 50 years of  
age, she took up painting seriously, working on canvas with ink and acrylics, and entering  
work at local and national art competitions. Although Donella completed a TAFE course  
in painting, working with real life models, she is a self-taught artist, who has had great  
success at local, state and national exhibitions.

She has been a finalist seven times in the Parliament of NSW Indigenous Art Prize compe-  
titions, gaining awards and Highly Commended certificates, and she was awarded First  
Prize in the Aboriginal Artist Reconciliation Week Art Prize at Gosford Art Gallery in  
2005, where her paintings were exhibited at Gosford Regional Gallery; her winning work  
for the Parliament of NSW Indigenous Art Competition has been exhibited at NSW Parlia-  
ment House, Sydney, together with others of her Finalist Awards paintings.

Donella says that art is “in her blood”: all her family are skilled at drawing, and two of her  
uncles are well-known artists, including Reginald Knox, whose works are prized national-  
ly and internationally. She is particularly proud of her sons, Djuro Sen, an artist and jour-  
nalist, and Ivan Sen, who produced, directed, scripted and composed for the award-  
winning films, *Mystery Road* and *Gold Stone*.

Donella’s work has been sold throughout Australia and overseas. Her ambition is to enter  
and exhibit in the Archibald Prize competition. Her paintings are currently being exhibited  
at the Erina Fair’s 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration, where Indigenous artists were encouraged  
to be involved in a weekend exhibition at the end of August.

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## PRETTY BEACH BUSHCARE

**The Pretty Beach Bushcare Group** meets every Monday along the Dog Track from  
2:00pm to 4:00pm to pull weeds and plant native tube stock. It is a small friendly group  
and newcomers are very welcome. No experience is necessary and you will learn about  
native plants and how to identify and eradicate weeds. Any time you can give will help  
to rescue the native vegetation that supports the local wild life.

For more information contact Gosford City Council’s Bushcare Officer on 4325 8222 or  
Toni Trent on 0401 587 988.



## VALE - Rod Radford

Rod Radford died in July aged 97. He is remembered as a long-time resident of Wagstaffe having come to Wagstaffe Point in the 1931 with his parents. In 1939 his parents bought the cottage they had been renting for holidays. They bought several more blocks as they became available including the cottage 'San Toy' which gave its name to the 'Estate' that was established on the point. After many storms and huge tides, the low land was eroded and washed away. The family set to, with rock cut from the hillside above, to reclaim the lost land in accordance with the 1906 sub-division and a photograph.

After an apprenticeship as a pharmacist in Sydney, Rod married Pat and opened a pharmacy at Ettalong in 1946. It was a well-established business for many years and when Rod introduced the amphibious car to get to work easily across the water and for deliveries, he became famous.

Rod and his parents, Ernest and Isobel, were important members of the original Pretty Beach/Wagstaffe Progress (Citizens) Association. Rod was chairman of the committee that planned and built Wagstaffe Hall. Money was raised by holding outdoor 'picture shows'. Isabel Radford also donated money.

Meanwhile the number of cottages (there were sixteen letter-boxes) multiplied and many people came to San Toy for holidays for many years and when times changed, the cottages were let cheaply as permanent residences which aided many families including some single parents.

The Radfords are an important part of our peninsula's history and Rod contributed to The History Project.

Prohibitive land tax was the reason Rod and Pat had to sub-divide and sell the land. They kept their house. After Pat died a few years ago, Rod spent his last years at Peninsula Village, where he continued to be a valued member of Rotary, having belonged and worked for Woy Woy, then Umina Rotary for 66 years.

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## *We want you!*

Hasn't the weather been nice?

Well as part of preparations prior to the forthcoming fire season the local rural fire service would like everyone to consider preparing their homes. The lovely weather that we have been enjoying does cause concerns due to it drying out the surrounding bushland. So do you have a plan? Do you have a rain water tank? A pool? A dam? Well if you do, we may need you! Around our area many local residents have a little sign that says "SWS", that is NOT a new type of wifi. SWS stands for STATIC WATER SUPPLY, indicating that the Rural Fire Service is welcome to use the water in the pool, rainwater tank or dam to protect your property or assist your surrounding neighbours in emergencies.

So if you want to join us in protecting our lovely community and friends, email:

**[killcarerfb@gmail.com](mailto:killcarerfb@gmail.com)**

for more information. Alternatively, drop down to our monthly cake stall at Killcare Cellars on the first Saturday of the month and have a chat to us.

Killcare Wagstaffe Rural Fire Brigade

## PARKING AT WAGSTAFFE STORE

### STOP PRESS

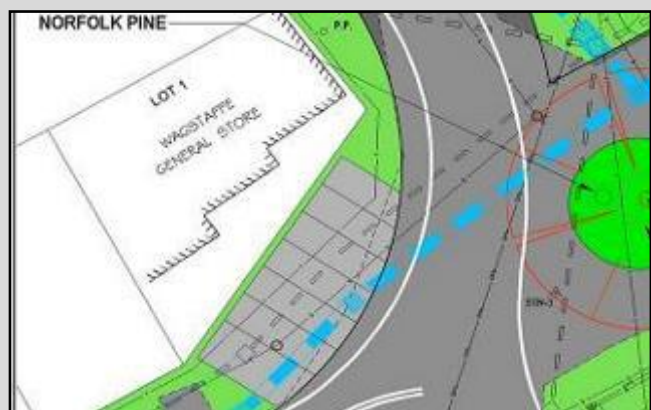
In recent weeks, Central Coast Council officers have been advising residents and visitors to Wagstaffe Store that it is necessary to parallel park at the shop - this despite a 2010 Gosford Council map that clearly confirms the area as a 90 degree parking, a practice dating back at least twenty years.

It is clear that parallel parking would have a detrimental effect on Wagstaffe Store, and would significantly limit the number of people who could use the store, given that the rest of the Square is largely taken up by Hall and Ferry users, and there are often no parking spaces on nearby streets.

An on-site meeting with Council officers early September has resulted in ranger action being put on hold until a meeting of Council's Traffic committee early in November.

We are hopeful that this meeting will resolve the issue although will no doubt result in more traffic/parking signs.

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# **ART @ WAGSTAFFE**

**Members of the 5 Lands Art Studios**  
**5landsartstudios.com**

**Sept 30 - Oct 2, 2017**

**Sat, Sun & Mon**

**October Long Weekend**

**9am - 4pm @Wagstaffe Hall**

*Gold coin entry: The Wagstaffe to Killcare Community Assoc*

**Opening Reception:**

**Saturday 30th September @ 4pm**

*with guest speaker, Jocelyn Maughan*

**Artist & Manager of the Patonga Bakehouse Gallery**

**Mary Ellen Wallace - Piano**

Artists of the 5 Lands Art Studios are exhibiting this year at the Wagstaffe Hall over the October long weekend (Saturday, Sunday and Monday) from 9am to 4pm each day (with gold coin entry towards the Wagstaffe to Killcare Community Assoc.). The public are invited to join the artists for their reception on Saturday, September 30<sup>th</sup> from 4 - 6pm with guest speaker Jocelyn Maughan, respected artist and owner of the Patonga Bakehouse Gallery. Mary Ellen Wallace, classical pianist will provide guests with beautiful music on the hall's piano.

This is a great opportunity to meet many of the 5 Lands Artists and see their work in one beautiful collection! Amongst the exhibiting artists will be Margaret Fortey with her alluring paintings of the Australian bushland and Janet Hoyer Cobb's recognisable style is always a treat. Enjoy Chris Clark's encaustic landscapes, Cathryn McEwen's "water" paintings, Willemina Villari's stunning wire drawings and collages, and the artworks of Bronwyn Van De Graaff (winner of last year's Gosford Art Prize), Camelle Denny, and Andy Collis. Also included will be Jon Ellis' "en plein air" paintings and the colourful works of Ann Parker, Sandy James, Rowena Hordern, and Norma Dunston, who describes her work as "stitching the landscape".

PLUS... there will be a raffle of several artworks donated by some of the artists to be drawn on Sunday October 1<sup>st</sup> at 3pm. Come a bit earlier to enjoy the music of the Big Band Obsession jazz ensemble from 2 - 4pm.

All exhibited works will be for sale and a percentage of funds raised will go to the WTKCA and 5 Lands Art Studios.



**HARDYS BAY CLUB**

Sat. September 2, 7.30: Blues Angels

Sun. September 3, 2-5pm: Blues Jam

Sat. September 9, 7.30: The Dew Cats

Sun. September 10, 2-5: Jam Top Cat

Sat. September 16, 8.00: Caitlyn Shadbolt with Mel Dyer – ticketed show

Sun. September 17, 2-5pm: The Roamin' Jasmin [New Orleans]

Sat. September 23, 7.30: Tracey McNeil and the Good Life

Sun. September 24, 2-5pm: Deck Sessions – Charlie and Jensen

For more information:  
[www.hardysbayclub.com.au](http://www.hardysbayclub.com.au) or  
phone 43601072

**School Holidays:**

29/9 – Archer, 7.45

30/9 – The Weeping Willows, 7.30

1/10 – Blues Jam, 2pm

**MOBILE LIBRARY**

The Gosford City Library's Mobile Library Van visits Wagstaffe fortnightly on Wednesdays!

This month: September 11, 25

How to remember which day?  
It follows the YELLOW bin collection!

**WTKCA CONTACTS****President:**

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**Remember to Vote!**

The first election of the Central Coast Council will take place on September 9, 2017.

Our local polling centre is Wagstaffe Hall.

Groups contesting the East Gosford Ward are Central Coast New Independents, Gosford Waterfront Alliance, Greens, Labor, Liberal & Save the Lakes in addition to independent Carol Fortey.

We have provided links to candidates' manifestos on our website:

[www.wagstaffetokillcare.org.au](http://www.wagstaffetokillcare.org.au)

**All eligible voters are encouraged to cast their vote.**

**September at HBCC**

Our series: Understanding the Parables of Jesus – great values for our world  
Every Sunday at 9.30 am

Father's Day Service September 3 - 9.30

Special Community Event:

RFS and Surf Club

Annual Dedication Service

September 17 – 9.30 am

Regular mid-week activities continue

Understanding The Bible better

Thursdays 7 pm and Fridays 9.30 am

Friday Friendship for Seniors

10.30 – 12.00 All welcome for conversation over a cuppa, activities & outings.

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

Pastor: Dr Stephen Hinks

[www.hbcc.com.au](http://www.hbcc.com.au)

**FREE First Aid course**

Over the last 12 months, Killy Cares has provided further First Aid & CPR Training for local residents, with a special session including first aid for children. We are aiming to host another FREE course in November and seeking early expressions of interest. The date will be confirmed shortly, but if interested please email your name & phone number to [killycares@gmail.com](mailto:killycares@gmail.com)

**BECOME A MEMBER**

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 one New Member only:** By signing this form you agree to uphold the Association's Aims and Objectives [find at [www.wagstaffetokillcare.org.au](http://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].....

Local & mailing addresses.....

Email address.....

Signed .....