FIT FOR THE FUTURE

The State Government is requiring all NSW Councils to show how they will be ‘Fit for the Future’ (FFF) and as Sutherland Shire Council develops its FFF plan, it’s asking for community feedback. In the long term Council won’t have unlimited revenue to improve its assets and services so it is asking the community to identify which are core priorities, and how much should be spent on them as part of Council’s annual budget.

The 12 assets under review are: Road Pavement, Footpaths, Playground Facilities, Passive Parks, Sporting Fields, Public Toilets, Sporting Amenities, Community Halls, Entertainment/Arts facilities, Leisure Centres, Shopping Centres, and Stormwater Infrastructure. This review is aimed at ensuring the Council offers the ‘Right Service, at the Right Level, and at the Right Price’.

The community consultation will be carried out in early 2015. This will be done via Council’s new online community engagement program, called ‘Join the Conversation’. It will be accessed via Council’s website, www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au, and will enable respondents to answer questions, offer opinions and identify their priorities through a budget allocator tool. (See page 4 for more details.)

AUSTRALIA DAY CELEBRATIONS

This year, Council has three sites where you can celebrate Australia Day.

Engadine’s Anzac Oval will have live stage entertainment featuring a tribute to Fleetwood Mac, with spectacular live fireworks at 9pm.

The new site at Blaxland Oval, Illawong, will have rides galore, live entertainment including Uncle Jed, as well as fabulous live fireworks.

Cronulla will have an accessible viewing area, a number of personal assisted listening devices and a ‘kiss and ride’ zone. There is also a fantastic live show headlined by the Whitlams and a huge fireworks display at 9pm.

Please see the lift out inside for more information.
**SHIRE UPDATE**

**LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL PLAN UPDATE**

After extensive community consultation, Council signed off on a final version of its new Local Environmental Plan (LEP) update in November. The draft plan is now with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment to be checked before it passes on to the Minister for Planning to be finalised.

The most recent indication from the Department of Planning and Environment is that the new LEP could be in place by late March 2015.

**When can development applications be lodged using the new LEP?**

If a development proposal relies on the new LEP to become permissible (e.g. by land to be re-zoned), a development application cannot be lodged until the new plan is finalised. Although the new LEP must be considered in the assessment of development applications, the new LEP cannot overcome a development prohibition in the current LEP.

For applications relying on development standards in the new LEP (such as height, floor space and landscaped area) Council must consider the ‘imminence and certainty’ of the new LEP when deciding how much weight to give the new controls. Imminence is related to how far the new LEP is from finalisation, and certainty relates to how certain it is that the plan will proceed in its current form.

At this point in time the new LEP is still a number of months away, and the Department of Planning and Environment has not given Council confirmation that it is satisfied with the policy content of the new LEP. For these reasons Council is unable to give the controls in the new LEP substantive weight. Following from this, Council's advice is that development proposals with substantial reliance on the controls in the new LEP should not be lodged, as they may be refused.

**SISTER CITY EXCHANGE PROGRAMS**

Our two sister city student exchange programs are now open for applications for students and families interested in joining the programs in 2015.

**Chuo, Tokyo - Japan**

Every year, in late July, 24 to 30 Junior High School students from Sutherland's Sister City of Chuo-ku, Tokyo (the central area of Tokyo) come to Sutherland Shire to experience eight nights of Homestay, school and life in Australia.

During the September/October school holidays, between six and 15 Sutherland Shire students travel to Japan for 17 days. The Sutherland students are in Homestay for six nights, attend school for three days, visit Tokyo Disneyland, volunteer in community projects, tour Tokyo, travel by Shinkansen to Kyoto and visit the historic site of Nara.

You are welcome to apply to host or travel to Japan or both.

Visit the Sutherland Chuo Sister City website for further information. [www.sutherlandshire-japanstudentprogram.com](http://www.sutherlandshire-japanstudentprogram.com)

**Lakewood, Denver, Colorado - USA**

The Lakewood student exchange committee is hosting an information session at the Council Chambers on 11 February.

On this exchange you will spend six months living with an exchange partner and their family in Colorado USA between July 2015 and January 2016. You and your family will then host your American partner between January and July 2016.

Students must live and attend school in the Sutherland Shire and be in Year 10 in 2015. You will live with an American family, attend high school and participate in sport and other school activities. Families aim to showcase their country to students, often spending time camping, hiking, skiing, and visiting the Grand Canyon. You will experience Halloween and Thanksgiving, and maybe even a white Christmas.

Visit the Sutherland Lakewood Sister City Student Exchange at [www.suthlak.com](http://www.suthlak.com) for further information.
SHIRE UPDATE

FREE GRAFFITI REMOVAL KITS
Statistically, graffiti occurs more frequently over the summer months. If your property is defaced with graffiti, report the crime to the police by phoning the Police Assistance Line on 131 444 or use the ‘Report it’ App (see page 4). Free and effective graffiti removal kits can be obtained from Council. For more information or to download an application form, go to Council’s website or phone Council’s Customer Service Centre on 9710 0333.

SCIENCE OF THE SURF (SOS)
22 January 11am and 2pm
North Cronulla Surf Club
- Did you know that 80 to 90 people drown every year along our coastline?
- Do you know what a rip is and how it works?
- Would you know how to get out of a rip?
- Did you know that rip currents do not pull people under water causing them to drown?
- Did you know that calm water is not always ‘safe’ water?
Dr Rob Brander, Australia’s best known surf scientist (aka ‘Dr Rip’), will be back in the Shire this summer to give two presentations at North Cronulla Surf Club on how our beaches work and behave, from the massive swell that rolls in during big storms to how to spot a deadly rip current. The sessions will each be followed by a dye release demonstration into the surf at approximately 12.15pm and 3.15pm at North Cronulla Beach (conditions permitting) which illustrate how a rip actually works.
Space at Dr Brander’s presentations is limited and attendance is by pre-registration only.
Call Rosemary on 9710 0163 to reserve your place at one of the sessions.
If you can’t make the presentation, see www.scienceofthesurf.com for fun facts and surf safety advice.

SELLING A HOUSE WITH A POOL?
From 29 April, property owners selling a house with a pool must have a pool barrier compliance certificate or pool occupation certificate that is less than three years old.
If you are thinking about selling, apply early to ensure you have time for any repairs that may be required before the certificate can be issued for inclusion in your contract of sale.
Inspections can be carried out by Council or a registered Accredited Certifier. Council’s maximum fee for inspections and certificate issue is $150 ($250 where more than two inspections are required).
For more information go to www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/my_place/swimming_pools.
JOIN THE CONVERSATION

‘Join the Conversation’ is a new initiative enabling you to give feedback to Council - you can now join in online, making it simple and convenient to participate.

While organised face-to-face forums and surveys will continue, the new online focus encourages everyone to register to be involved.

Look out for your invitation on Council’s Twitter Feed, Facebook and Instagram. You may also receive an invitation in your letterbox.

You’ll also soon see Councillors and Council staff at community stalls throughout the Shire.

Feedback from the polls and surveys run online will be regularly reported and considered by Councillors to inform their decision making. You can also easily use the site to see the progress of consultations and the final decisions made on the issues you responded to.

Councillors and Council staff at community stalls throughout the Shire.

In coming months, you can Join the Conversation through:

• Taking part in the weekly poll to give quick feedback on topical issues.
• Completing the ‘Community Satisfaction Survey’, telling Council what you think about issues including services and infrastructure.
• Giving feedback on planning for specific locations and services including parking and design of playgrounds and childcare facilities.

WIN!

Register now to ‘Join the Conversation’ and be in the draw with the first 1000 people, to win an iPad mini.

‘REPORT IT’ APP

Public buildings and parks are your community spaces. Protect them from being repeatedly vandalised by reporting graffiti using the ‘Report It’ App. Downloading the ‘Report It’ App makes it quick and easy to report damage, enabling it to be promptly repaired. The App even allows you to provide a photo of the tag. Once you have reported one incident the App remembers your details making sending future reports even easier. Help us clean up the Shire.

NEW COUNCIL WEBSITE

Council has launched its new, responsive website. Our new site will work on any device, making it easier to connect with council from your smart phone or tablet, and interactive maps will help you find council parks and facilities. This year we will continue to improve the site to make it easier for Shire residents to do business with Council.
DREDGING SYLVANIA WATERS
Council is well on the way to completing dredging works at Sylvania Waters to remedy the effects of sedimentation in the canals which originate from stormwater systems. The work will improve navigation in the area for watercraft.

KAREELA PLAYING FIELDS
Construction works are on schedule for the synthetic fields and upgrade of the turf fields at Kareela Oval. Council is upgrading the upper playing fields to alleviate the over-use of grass fields during the busy winter season that results in field closures. The upgrade will deliver two synthetic football fields which also cater for cricket and other users on the upper middle fields (2 and 3) as well as upgraded fields 1 and 4 (with new turf and an irrigation system). In addition, Fields 2 and 3 will receive a lighting upgrade as well as associated fencing, drainage and pavement works. All upper fields on the site are closed for the duration of the works with the synthetic fields scheduled to open late February, 2015 and the refurbished turf fields in late April 2015.

MIRANDA YOUTH CENTRE
Miranda Youth Centre has recently undergone some major renovations and is now available for hire. This facility is centrally located and is suitable for a wide range of activities including exercise classes, martial arts, dance, yoga and meditation etc. The facility also has a small kitchenette and is ideal for private functions and family celebrations up to 300 people. For more information and images please visit Council’s website.

GREEN STREETS COMMENDED
Since its inception in 2012, the Green Streets program has seen about 3700 trees and planted along major arterial roads and public spaces in the Shire. The project recently won the ‘Keep NSW Beautiful’ Environmental Management Award and was highly commended at the Local Government NSW Excellence in the Environment Awards 2013/14.
Council has taken the survival rate of trees planted from less than 50 percent to over 95 percent. The Green Streets program is funded by offset planting where trees are removed, revenue from environmental offences such as unauthorised tree removal, and sponsorship from local businesses.
The aim of the Green Streets Program is to ensure no net canopy loss, so that the leafy character of the Shire is maintained for future generations.

FLYING FOX FIX
Urgent works costing $415,000 are underway to manage flying foxes from the Kareela camp after reports that the animals were found in trees on the grounds at Sylvanvale, a centre for children with special needs. The Council will undertake works aimed at habitat modifications to deter the flying foxes, as well as installing fencing and nets over the playground to reduce impacts at the school, providing ongoing maintenance and vegetation removal in the buffer zone, and erecting fencing along Bates Drive, in addition to a host of other activities to reduce community impacts. Council is asking the State Government to fund half of the project and increase the vegetation buffer zone to 60% in order to reduce the population of the camp.
ARE YOU STORM SAFE?

October to March is storm season so it’s important to be prepared. The Sutherland Shire Emergency Service (SES) attended to over 1,000 storm incidents in the last 12 months across the Shire and volunteers spent 50,000 hours responding to residents.

By taking a few simple precautions you can help minimise the risk of damage to your home during severe weather events. Follow this checklist to ensure that you are StormSafe.

- Maintain your yard and balcony – secure or store items that could blow around in strong winds.
- Clean your gutters, downpipes and drains regularly to prevent blockages.
- Trim trees and branches that could potentially fall on your home or property.
- Check your insurance policy is current and adequate.
- Prepare an emergency kit with essential items in case you lose power or need to leave home in an emergency.
- Listen to your local radio station and other media for information, updates and advice.

Do a little now, to be StormSafe.

BUSH FIRE HAZARD REDUCTION

The Rural Fire Service, Fire and Rescue NSW, National Parks and Wildlife Service and Sutherland Shire Council have been working together to reduce the risk of bush fires on the community. Works have included hazard reduction burns at various small urban reserves including Rata Place Reserve, Sutherland; Paruna Reserve, Como; and Joseph Banks Native Gardens. Large scale hazard reduction burns have recently been undertaken along the Woronora River below Thomas Mitchell Drive, Barden Ridge; Monash Road, Menai; and Royal National Park.

Asset protection zones have been strengthened across the Shire by tree removal and slashing at the interface between residential areas and bushland. Several proposed hazard reduction burns are scheduled and waiting for suitable weather conditions.

Sites include Woronora Crescent at Como, and Spring Gully in Bundeena/Royal National Park.

BE PREPARED FOR BUSH FIRE

Be prepared for bush fire by removing debris and flammable items from your house and garden.

Monitor bush fire alerts, but remember: don’t wait for a warning. Leaving early is the safest option.

A Bush Fire Survival Plan can help you make important decisions about what to do during a fire - like when to leave, what to take and where to go.

PREPARE. ACT. SURVIVE. Be bush fire ready.


LUCAS HEIGHTS LANDFILL

The community is being invited to comment on the SITA proposal for its Lucas Heights Resource Recovery Park.

SITA is seeking approval to increase capacity at the New Illawarra Road landfill by 8.3 million cubic metres and extend operations at the site until 2037.

In order to progress the development, SITA must gain Council’s sign off of the various planning documents as a joint applicant, prior to lodgement with the NSW Department of Planning and Environment. These documents have now progressed to the stage where they are generally acceptable to Council and are on exhibition to allow community comment.

To minimise impacts to the community and compensate for the extension and expansion of the waste management facility, Council has negotiated a range of community benefits. Council has ‘noted as satisfactory’ SITA’s Draft Environmental Management Plans and a Draft Voluntary Planning Agreement (VPA) which contains these environmental and community benefits. These documents are on the NSW Department of Planning and Environment’s website www.planning.nsw.gov.au and the community is being invited to make its views known.

Council will review the community comment to assess the overall suitability of the proposal before it decides whether to allow SITA to progress to the Development Application stage.

For more information visit www.stormsafe.com.au or go to www.seshomeemergencyplan.com.au to make a Home Emergency Plan online.

In emergencies call the SES hotline on 13 25 00 for storm assistance.
PEST SPECIES AND NOXIOUS WEEDS

WEED TO ERADICATE: ASPARAGUS FERN
Asparagus Fern is happy growing anywhere, including in hanging baskets, gutters and urban bushland. However, many bushland reserves are under threat from this South African weed which smothers native species. For this reason, these plants have been declared Noxious Weeds and have been listed as Weeds of National Significance. To see which types of Asparagus Ferns are particularly nasty and, by law, require removal, head to www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/agriculture/pests-weeds/weeds/noxious-app-application.

EUROPEAN RABBITS
European Rabbits first arrived with the First Fleet and were a source of meat for the new arrivals. Today's European Rabbit population can be traced to a ‘rabbit game reserve’ established in the early 19th Century near Geelong where an estimated 10,000 rabbits roamed free.

Feral rabbits are now found throughout Australia causing major damage to native flora through constant grazing and, in some cases, land slippage and erosion from the large warrens they produce.

Under the Rural Lands Protection Act, all public and private land owners need to control rabbits on their land.

Pet rabbits, otherwise known as Domesticated Rabbits, are not legally permitted to roam freely around the neighbourhood and must be housed appropriately.

Bushcare’s free two-day course consists of weed identification and bush regeneration techniques, essential for all volunteers. Wear sturdy shoes or boots, long-sleeved shirt and long trousers for the afternoon practical session.

SUPPRESS AND DESTROY: MONTPELLIER BROOM
This plant ticks all the boxes for the lazy gardener, as it grows in full sun/part shade and requires little-to-no water or maintenance. Montpellier Broom’s stand out feature is its numerous small yellow pea flowers that occur in clusters on the ends of the branches when it flowers in spring and summer. While pretty, Montpellier Broom is extremely detrimental to urban bushland, where its many flowers produce vast quantities of seeds that can easily take over native vegetation.

This plant is a Class 3 Noxious Weed in the Sutherland Shire and needs to be controlled or, in legal terms, the plant must be fully and continuously suppressed and destroyed.

For all enquiries please contact one of Council's Pest Species Officers at pestspecies@ssc.nsw.gov.au or call 9524 5672.

FREE COURSES

INTRODUCTION TO BUSH REGENERATION
7 and 14 February
8.30am to 4pm
The morning session is at council's nursery, 345 The Boulevarde, Gymea, with a field trip in the afternoon. Morning tea will be provided.

INDIAN MYNA TRAP BUILDING WORKSHOP
7 March
9am to 12.30pm
Sick of Indian Myna birds? This free workshop walks you through making your own cage trap.

Please note that bookings are essential for all activities, so call 9524 5672 to register.

LOG ON AND SHARE
The 'Sutherland Shire Bushcare' Facebook page is a hub of information and a place to share your own discoveries. On Facebook search for 'Sutherland Shire Bushcare' and ‘like’ the page.
PLANNING TO BE PREPARED - SENIORS SEMINAR
As we get older and our lives change, we need to re-evaluate our approach to health, lifestyle and care. This seminar is designed to help older residents develop life-planning strategies that will ensure they retain their independence and choice over important decisions that, inevitably, have to be made. Don’t let accidents and emergencies force hurried decision-making - take control and plan early.

The Seniors Seminar will cover:
• considering financial issues
• rights and responsibilities for older people
• requirements entering residential aged care
• wills, Power of Attorney and Enduring Guardianship.

When: 9.30am to 12.30pm on 19 February
Where: Engadine Community Centre, 1034-1036 Old Princes Highway, Engadine
Refreshments provided. Bookings essential. Limited space available.
Proudly supported by Moran Health Care Group.

WELCOME NEW CITIZENS
On January 26, as part of Australia Day celebrations, the Shire will welcome more than 150 new citizens to the area. The Citizenship Ceremony is the final step in the process of becoming an Australian citizen, when successful applicants take the Pledge of Commitment. The largest group of people becoming citizens are from the United Kingdom, with a number of Chinese and Russian people also taking the Pledge.

CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY
1 March. Sites to clean up:
• Bass and Finders Point, Cronulla - meet at the ‘Monument’ end of Gowrie St, Cronulla, at 8.30am.
• Riverhaven Reserve, Oyster Bay - meet at the end of Glenhaven Place, Oyster Bay, 9am to 12pm. Wear gumboots as we will be cleaning up along the river and in the mangroves.
• Carina Bay Reserve Como - meet at the southern end of the reserve (next to 221 Oyster Bay Rd) from 8.30am.
To register a site visit www.cleanupaustraliaday.org.au.

REGISTER EARLY FOR CHILDCARE
Demand is outweighing supply for childcare for 0-2 year olds in the Shire. Therefore, Council is growing its Family Day Care scheme to create a number of new childcare positions for this age group.
Up to seven new Family Day Care Educators are expected to join Council’s Scheme in the coming months. Council’s early childhood trained Family Day Care Educators provide a high quality early education and care environment to small groups of young children in the Educators’ own homes. Council also operates 11 Early Education Centres, Vacation Care centres and Before and After School Care (Miranda). As a Registered Training Organisation, Council provides accredited early childhood training and free parent training sessions. Visit Council’s website for details.
We encourage new parents to register their details early to maximise their chances of securing a childcare place if or when they need it. To discuss your childcare needs, please call Children’s Services on 9710 0466.

YOUTH WEEK 2015 DESIGN COMPETITION
Have you got the creativity to create posters to promote Youth Week 2015? Get cracking and enter the Youth Week 2015 Design Competition.
Entries accepted until the end of February.
National Youth Week is the largest celebration of young people in Australia and we’re excited to offer you the opportunity to create a poster that represents what being young in the Shire means to you.
Not only will the winning design be used to promote Youth Week 2015 across the Shire, the winner will also get the opportunity to spend some time with a graphic designer glossing up their poster design while learning job skills.
Competition details are on Council’s website or phone Council’s Community Development Officer for Youth on 9710 0333.
AUSTRALIA’S TOP SURFERS COME TO THE SHIRE
24 to 25 January 2015
The Original Source Australian Boardriders Battle is the biggest grassroots surfing event in Australia involving more than 100 of the country’s best boardriders clubs competing across eight State qualifying rounds, culminating in a two-day National Final for 20 clubs on the Australia Day long weekend at Cronulla Beach.

With loads of sponsor activations and activities, free giveaways and athlete signings there is no better way to enjoy some fun in the sun over the long weekend, watching Australia’s best surfers battle it out for the chance to help their club be crowned the National Champion.

Bring the whole family to this free event with entertainment beginning daily at 8am and continuing through to 4pm.

Visit www.australianboardridersbattle.com for full details.

Connor O’Leary from Elouera Boardriders Club won the award for best male surfer in 2014.

HOLIDAYING IN THE SHIRE?
Visitors here for the school holidays? Or taking some time off? Grab a free copy of the official Shire Guide to make the most of holidays in the Shire. And when the fun’s all over, ‘I love the Shire’ stickers make fun farewell gifts.


COLOURFEST SHORT-FILM FESTIVAL
Book your seats now for this free family-friendly film festival celebrating multiculturalism and diversity for 2015 Harmony Day.

When: 20 March, 6pm to 9pm
Where: Cronulla Cinema, 2 Cronulla Street, Cronulla

FREE TODDLER TUESDAY
Toddler Tuesday is back for 2015. Come along and join us at Cronulla’s favourite play area, make new friends, meet up with old ones and enjoy our relaxed lifestyle in the Plaza.

Undercover and safe, the play area is fenced with plenty of seating all within eyesight. Play equipment changes each week.

When: Every Tuesday from 3 February (during school terms until mid November)
Time: 9.30am to 1pm
Where: Pavilion Stage, Cronulla Plaza, Cronulla Street
Cost: Free, no bookings required
Details: cronullabeachcbd.com.au

CRONULLA MARKET
Handmade, local and unique goods are all on sale at Cronulla Market. Visit the Plaza for clothes, artwork, home wares, delicious food, cool entertainment and kids activities. Perfect for a relaxed Sunday out, the market has become a popular addition to Cronulla’s cafés and shops. Stalls change monthly.

When: Second Sunday of each month
Time: 10am to 4pm
Where: Cronulla Plaza, Cronulla Street
Visit cronullabeachcbd.com.au for details.
## WHAT'S ON IN THE SHIRE

### LIBRARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES

#### 5 to 24 January

**Adventure Tales** Join us for fun stories, songs, games and a film. Get creative and make a mask to take home. No booking required, free event for five to nine year olds. Starts 10.30am on 7 January (Sutherland), 9 January (Engadine), 14 January (Sylvania), 16 January (Menai), 19 January (Miranda), 20 January (Caringbah), 23 January (Cronulla).

**Pet Talk and Dog Encounter** A mild-mannered pooch from the Sutherland Shire Animal Shelter is our special guest as we answer pet questions and demonstrate how to behave safely around dogs. No booking required, free event for five to twelve year olds. 14 January, 10.30am to 11.30am, Sutherland Library. Children under 10 years must be accompanied by a parent/carer during listed activities and all others promptly collected at the advertised finishing time.

More school holiday activities are listed on Council’s website.

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**LIBRARY SCHOOL HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

- **BUSHCARE** CALL 9524 5672
- **CHILDREN’S SERVICES** CALL 9710 0466
- **COMMUNICATIONS & EVENTS** CALL 9710 0513
- **CRONULLA BEACH CBD** CALL 9545 7777
- **LIBRARY SERVICES** CALL 9710 0351
- **FAMILY DAY CARE/VACATION CARE** CALL 9710 0466
- **HAZELHURST REGIONAL GALLERY & ARTS CENTRE** CALL 8536 5700

**Sutherland Shire Council wishes everyone a Happy New Year**
AUSTRALIA DAY IN THE SHIRE
THREE VENUES | LIVE ENTERTAINMENT | LIVE FIREWORKS

**ILLAWONG**
Blaxland Oval, Illawong from 4pm.
Entertainment, amusement rides, and food. Fireworks finale at 9pm.

**ENGADINE**
Anzac Oval, Anzac Parade from 4pm.
Entertainment, amusement rides, and food. Fireworks finale at 9pm.

**CRONULLA**
Cronulla Beach from 1pm.
Entertainment, amusement rides, and food. Fireworks finale at 9pm.

MESSAGE FROM MAYOR

This Australia Day more than 150 new Australian citizens living in the Sutherland Shire will join you in being proud to be ‘Aussie’, and for the first time this year we are holding a Citizenship ceremony at Cronulla Park as well as at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre.

We are significantly increasing the accessibility of our Australia Day events, starting with Cronulla. In this liftout you will see the mobility map, information about the Kiss and Ride zone, accessible viewing area, and free assisted listening devices. If you have suggestions on how we can make our events more accessible please contact our events staff.

Due to increased crowds and fireworks restrictions we have had to move two of our Australia Day events. The former Menai event is being held at Blaxland Oval, Illawong, and the Engadine event is making its home at ANZAC Oval. All three of our Australia Day celebrations feature live entertainment and a fireworks finale so no matter where you live in the Shire, I sincerely hope you join in the fun.

Mayor Kent Johns
ON STAGE
4.00pm  The Australian Fleetwood Mac Show
4.45pm  Official proceedings
5.00pm  Yvette Vials
6.00pm  Evan and the Brave
7.00pm  The Col Hardy Band
8.00pm  Uncle Jed

IN THE PARK
5.45pm  Southern Stars Taekwondo
and 7.45pm
Roving entertainment: Roo’d Roos

Headline: Uncle Jed

Evan and the Brave

GETTING THERE AND BACK
Avoid traffic delays by using public transport. Shuttle service available.

KEEP HYDRATED
Drink plenty of water.

BBQS
Keep BBQs away from paths and access ways. Check for fire restrictions.

SLIP SLOP SLAP
Reapply sunscreen regularly and wear sun protective clothing.

KEEP THE SHIRE BEAUTIFUL
Bin your waste or take it home with you and recycle what you can.

PETS AND FIREWORKS
Check the RSPCA’s website for helpful tips about how to care for your pets during fireworks displays.

FREE PARK AND RIDE SHUTTLE SERVICE
3pm to 10pm
Shuttle to the event on the hour.
Return trip every half hour.

Start: Bangor - Menai Road near Dandarbong Avenue
Bangor - Menai Road near Anzac Road
Menai - Club Central Menai
Menai - Old Illawarra Road near Bradman Road
Finish: Menai High School, Oriana Drive

Sponsor:
Club Central Menai

Col Hardy
IN THE PARK
4.00pm  Peter Morgan and Super Hula Hooper Lottie
7.30pm  Yvette Vials
Roving Entertainment: Roo’d Roos
Sharks players meet and greet

ON STAGE
4.30pm  The Bronzed Aussies
5.30pm  Peter Morgan Band
6.30pm  Peppermint Jam
8.00pm  The Australian Fleetwood Mac Show

GETTING THERE AND BACK
Avoid traffic delays by using public transport.

KEEP HYDRATED
Drink plenty of water.

BBQS
Keep BBQs away from paths and access ways. Check for fire restrictions.

SLIP SLOP SLAP
Reapply sunscreen regularly and wear sun protective clothing.

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ON STAGE
1.00pm  Caringbah High Jazz Combo
1.20pm  The Phonetics Trio - Kirrawee High
1.40pm  Fripps & Fripps - Woolooware High
2.15pm  The Col Hardy Band
3.15pm  Uncle Jed
4.30pm  Official proceedings
5.15pm  The Royal Australian Navy Band
6.15pm  String Angels
7.00pm  The Chantoozies
8.00pm  The Whitlams

IN THE PARK
Roving
Entertainment: Seagull Duo

GOLD SPONSORS

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AUSTRALIA DAY 2015 CHARITY PARTNERS

25 April 2015 marks the 100th anniversary of Gallipoli.

CRONULLA WAR WIDOWS GUILD
The War Widows Guild is a self-help charitable organisation, which has served the interests of war widows in Australia for nearly 70 years.

LEGACY
Dedicated to caring for the families of deceased and incapacitated veterans, Legacy supports over 90,000 Australian widows and their families.

BECOME A CITIZEN SCIENTIST
Research by ANSTO and its partners suggests that plastic litter threatens our aquatic animals and birds at the atomic level. You can help our scientists by joining the ANSTO Plastics Project. Become a citizen scientist and you can collect and record plastic litter samples you find on beaches and riverbanks in the Sutherland Shire. Visit www.ansto.gov.au/plastics
Pre-booked parking available - Giddings Ave

Kiss and Ride drop off area

Car park closed

Accessible viewing area

Amusement rides

Food/charity stalls

Low chairs only / no sunshelters after 12pm - lower grass area

Restricted access (booking required)

MLAK key required

Stairs

Gradient direction

Fireworks Offshore

Fireworks exclusion zone 7pm - 9.30pm

To Cronulla Station train/bus/taxi

To North Cronulla

Gerrale Street

Service Road
Train Service
Extra trains between Cronulla and Sutherland run every 15 minutes on Monday 26 January 2015 until midnight. Plan your Australia Day travel, visit transportnsw.info or call 131500.

Secure Taxi rank
Secure Taxi rank at Cronulla and Sutherland for Australia Day 9pm to 1am.

Food and Beverages
In addition to local cafés and restaurants, food and drink will be available for purchase at the event. All proceeds go to the Australia Day charities: Cronulla War Widows Guild and Legacy.

Alcohol
Most parks and open spaces in Sutherland Shire are “Alcohol Prohibited Areas”. Police and authorised council officers can tip out or confiscate alcohol.

Seating
Low rise chairs and picnic blankets only. Please respect these rules to allow everyone equal access to view and enjoy the entertainment.

* All details are correct at the time of printing. Sutherland Shire Council will not be held responsible for changes to Australia Day celebration times or events.

ACCESSIBILITY OPTIONS  Bookings required. Phone 9710 0554
GETTING TO THE VENUE
Limited accessible parking spaces available. Kiss and Ride zone in Gerrale St Cronulla. Staff will be available to assist. See Mobility Map for further details on accessible route from Cronulla Train Station.

WATCH THE CONCERT
Accessible viewing area in Cronulla Park. Limited spaces, maximum 4 tickets per booking. Personal assisted listening devices are also available free of charge.
### SURF RETROSPECT

**24 January to 21 February**

Celebrate 100 years of surfing in Cronulla, kicking off on 24 January with the Australian Boardriders Battle (see page 9). February 7 marks the anniversary of when Hawaiian swimming champion and Olympic Gold Medalist Duke Kahanamoku introduced surfing to the Shire. Surfing Sutherland Shire, an organisation representing the 13 Cronulla Boardriders Clubs has organised a two-week celebration or ‘Surf Retrospective’.

Events include a photo display and competition at Cronulla Central Gallery, lifeguard reunion, surf competition (7 and 8 February), retro surfboard display at North Cronulla Surf Club, plus much more.


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**SUTHERLAND SHIRE COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION CENTRE** CALL 9710 0333  
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**WASTE SERVICES** CALL 9710 0333  
**THE RIDGE GOLF COURSE** CALL 9541 4960  
**MENAI INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE** CALL 9532 0444  
**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** CALL 9545 7777
Sutherland Shire Council is proud to bring you free events in Seniors Week 2015

**Sutherland Entertainment Centre**

**SENIORS LUNCHEON**
Tuesday 17 March, 11.30am to 2pm
Enjoy lunch and a show to celebrate our centenarians.
Bookings open

**SENIORS CONCERT**
Thursday 19 March, 1.30pm to 3pm
A free concert featuring a variety of entertainment.

**Sutherland Library**

**OUT OF THE BOX: IMPROVISED THEATRE PERFORMANCE**
Friday 20 March, 11am to 12.30pm
Share your stories and see them played back in a music and mime show. Held at Sutherland. Light refreshments available. Bookings open Monday 2 February. Ph 9710 0333 or online www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/box

**AGELESS STYLE: HOW TO LOOK AND FEEL FABULOUS AFTER 60**

**SUTHERLAND LIBRARY**
Wednesday 18 March, 10am to 12pm
Cost: $7.50 per person
Women in their 60s, 70s, and beyond will learn how to go from frumpy to fabulous in this fun style workshop. Bookings essential. Phone 9710 0351 or visit the library website.

**POP UP EXERCISE CLASS**
Gentle exercise in beautiful park surroundings.

**PEACE PARK, SUTHERLAND**
Wednesday 18 March, 9.30am
(near Sutherland Entertainment Centre)

**SHELLEY PARK, CRONULLA**
Monday 16 March, 8.30am
No bookings required

**Shelly Park, Cronulla**
Monday 16 March, 8.30am
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BUSHCARE ACTIVITIES

INTRODUCTION TO THE BUSH
Wednesday 18 March, 9am to 2.30pm
Ever wondered about the Bushland of the Shire? Enjoy an introduction to native plants, weeds and bush regeneration.

GUIDED GARDEN WALK
SIR JOSEPH BANKS NATIVE GARDEN RESERVE
Thursday 19 March, 9.30am to 11am
Enjoy a guided walk around the gardens. Morning tea provided.

LOOP WALKS
ESPLANADE, CRONULLA
Tuesday 17 March, 9am to 12.30pm
Meet at Gunnamatta Park for a guided walk around the Cronulla Peninsula coastline. Bring your own morning tea and water.

LADY CARRINGTON NATURE WALK
Friday 20 March, 8am to 2pm
Enjoy a leisurely guided walk, bird watching in the Royal National Park. Parking fees apply.

BIRD WATCHING
BUNDEENA TO MARLEY (RETURN) NATURE WALK
Saturday 21 March, 8am to 3pm
Walk along the Royal National Park coast with noted bird expert Steve Anyon-Smith. Bring morning tea, lunch and water.

SHOREBIRD RESERVE, TAREN POINT
Monday 16 March, 8am
Enjoy a morning of bird watching and a cooked breakfast while overlooking Botany Bay. Bookings essential.

Contact Bushcare on 9524 5672

LEISURE CENTRES: FREE ENTRY ALL WEEK - COME AND TRY

ENGADINE
Wednesday 18 March
10am - 11.30am
Blood Pressure and Glucose Testing courtesy of Kareena Private Hospital

Friday 20 March
9.30am
Nutrition Talk and Morning Tea

9.30am - 11.30am - Free Hearing Test - Hosted by Australian Hearing

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Thursday 19 March
10am - 11.30am
Blood Pressure and Glucose Testing courtesy of Kareena Private Hospital

SUTHERLAND
Monday 16 March
11.30am
Nutrition Talk and Morning Tea

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Free entry to all our centres including Menai Indoor Sports Centre.
Variety of group fitness classes for seniors. Just present your Seniors Concession Card.

www.sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au
CENTRESTAGE
What's on at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre

MOVIE DAYS
THE WATER DIVINER
25 February
Drama War
Russell Crowe stars in this epic Australian drama about an Australian father who travels to Gallipoli in 1919 in search of three missing sons.

SHIRE INTERNATIONAL SHORT FILM FESTIVAL
18 March
The Annual Shire International Short Film Festival returns in 2015 with a new selection of never before seen short films from around the world. Selected by local seniors, this year’s program features another wide range of thought provoking films.

The festival is organised in conjunction with Cinewest and curated by Vahid Vahed.

MOVIE TICKETS
Movie and Lunch: 11am
General $11, concession/child $10
Dinner and Movie: 6pm
$25 Bookings essential for dinner
Movie Night (movie only): 7.30pm
All tickets $8

D’ONE ENTERTAINMENT PRESENTS:
BONKERZ COMEDY CLUB
AT THE RAINBOW ROOM
28 March
Bonkerz Comedy Club returns in 2015 with a brand new format, new acts and new laughs.
Check out the SEC website www.suthentcent.com.au for details on new shows.

CAROLINE MOORE PRESENTS:
SHANE HOWARD
13 February 8pm (Cabaret 7pm)
Shane Howard, founding member of the legendary Australian band Goanna, has played for Prime Ministers, Aboriginal Elders and environmental campaigners, from concert halls to remote campsites. And now he plays his only Sydney show at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre.

General admission $45, concession $42, group 6+ $39. Cabaret show and dinner package an extra $28/person.

CCENTERTAINMENT PRESENTS:
CLASSIC ROCK LOVE SONGS
14 February 8pm (Cabaret 7pm)
The incredible talents of Simon Meli, Mitch Anderson, Natasha Stuart and Tim Moxey will come together in 2015 to celebrate Valentine’s Day with a Classic Rock Love Song concert.

Songs include: Your Song, The Flame, Layla, Sexual Healing, I Can’t Tell You Why and many more.

General admission $49, concession $45, group 6+ $39.
Make your Valentine’s Day complete and book the Cabaret option for an extra $28 per person.

AUSTRALIA’S SILENT FILM FESTIVAL
21 February 11am and 7.30pm
Sutherland Entertainment Centre and Australia’s Silent Film Festival continue to salute Charlie Chaplin’s start in film over 100 years ago.

The Festival features two exciting shows, a matinee and an evening session, all with live music from Australia’s leading silent film accompanists.

11am Matinee Session

7.30pm Evening Session
Charlie Chaplin’s The Gold Rush, Melies’ 1902 A Trip To The Moon.
Dining is also available at the evening session.

SUTHERLAND SHIRE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA PRESENTS:
SALUTE TO THE BRAVE
15 March 2.30pm
Conductor Peter Sampson will lead the Orchestra in a special concert commemorating the ANZAC landing and honoring the men and women who have made the ultimate sacrifice. Pieces include excerpts from Holst’s The Planets, Hymn to the Fallen by John Williams and the rousing 1812 Overture by Tchaikovsky. Surprise guests will be joining the Orchestra for this unique program.

Don’t miss this one. General admission $25, concession $20, children under 12 free.

WHAT’S ON AT THE SUTHERLAND ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE

Bonkerz features artists from comedy clubs.

What’s on at the Sutherland Entertainment Centre

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THEATRE SEASON 2015
Celebrating a Century of Australian Theatre
THE ONE DAY OF THE YEAR 25 April
The One Day of the Year looks at our national legend through the eyes of generation, class and character. On the 100 year anniversary of the Gallipoli landing, HIT Productions brings a thoroughly fresh take on this truly Australian classic.

AUSTRALIA DAY 19 September
Drawing on his own experiences as an Australia Day Ambassador, Jonathan Biggins, who is famous for his work with the Wharf Revue, takes aim at our national day with a great mix of fearless wit and good Aussie humour.

ALL MY LOVE 23 October
Henry Lawson was one of the nation’s favourite writers and poets. His contemporary, Mary Gilmore, was a literary icon and radical socialist. Both were heroes of Australian literature; both were the face of Australia’s currency… and both were the victims of a deception that thwarted their future as a couple.

SUBSCRIBE AND SAVE
Purchase a three-play subscription for just $99. That’s $27 off the regular price.
Note: $99 flat rate only, no concessions available for subscription tickets.
Individual play tickets: general admission $42, concession $39, group 6+ $35.

SUTHERLAND SHIRE BRASS PRESENTS:
A SALUTE TO OUR Diggers
8 March 2pm
In this 100th anniversary year of our brave ANZACs, take a walk down memory lane as you listen to tunes and marches of the war era. Tunes to rally the troops, songs to bring people together and marches to move you. Our chance to say thank you and remember.
General admission $23, concession $18.

BACK TO THE GOLDEN YEARS & SUTHERLAND ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE PRESENT:
GOLDEN DAYS OF VAUDEVILLE
2 March 11am
This concert celebrates the Tivoli and Sorlies Era when variety was the essence of live entertainment. A fabulous concert featuring: Australia’s premier pianist extraordinaire, Bernard Walz; tenor vocalist, Graeme Wright; impressionist/comedian, Peter Kaye; vivacious vocalist, Carla Maree; world class magician, Jonas Jost and The Dianne Donovan Showgirls.
General admission $25, concession $24, groups 10+ $23.

TAKE FIVE: THE DAVE BRUBECK STORY
7 March 8pm
Brendan Fitzgerald Quartet recreate the seminal music of legendary jazz pianist, Dave Brubeck and his classic quartet, whose recording, Take Five, remains the highest selling instrumental of all time. Brubeck’s intriguing life story is narrated with a montage of visuals in a moving tribute to this icon of cool jazz.
General admission $39, concession $37, group 6+ $35. Cabaret dining for an extra $28 per person.

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www.suthentcent.com.au
@suthentcent
Preview dining menus and book tickets to most shows online.
The Centre’s counter is open Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm.
MOBILITY ACCESS All ground floors of the SEC are wheelchair accessible, with ramps at the Eton Street entrance and at the rear in Merton Street. A limited number of designated parking spots are available in Eton Street. Please advise when booking tickets if wheelchair access is required.
AT THE GALLERY
Hazelhurst Regional Gallery & Arts Centre

EXHIBITIONS IN THE REGIONAL GALLERY

GLAZED AND CONFUSED
Until 1 February 2015
This exhibition showcases the creative outcomes of an Artist Residency Partnership between Hazelhurst and the Ceramics Design Studio Gymea, Sydney TAFE, led by artist Lynda Draper.
Artists: Connie Anthes and Justin Cooper, Glenn Barkley, Karen Black, Harriet Body, David Capra, Josie Cavallaro, Sarah Contos, Rosie Deacon and Giselle Stanborough, Chris Dolman, Mikala Dwyer, Marc Etherington, Emily Hunt, Leahlani Johnson, NOT, Frank Nowlan, Tom Polo, Madeleine Preston, Joan Ross, Peter Sharp, Jodie Whalen, Paul Williams.

ART EXPRESS
7 February to 22 March 2015
Hazelhurst’s annual offering of ARTEXPRESS showcases a selection of Higher School Certificate artworks that show students experimenting across a range of media, and pushing aesthetic, thematic and formal boundaries. Presented by Hazelhurst in partnership with NSW Department of Education and Training and NSW Board of Studies, this exhibition showcases artwork by some of NSW’s most talented young artists.

ARTEXPRESS WORKSHOPS & FORUMS
During ARTEXPRESS students and schools will be able to attend a series of forums and intensive workshops. The forums provide an arena for open discussion where students can ask questions, talk about ideas and find new ways of exploring their body of work. A series of intensive workshops in a variety of expressive forms will also be held during the exhibition period. Students can extend their technique and enhance their expression, working with specialist tutors in chosen forms.
Go to www.hazelhurst.com.au for the full program’s details.

EXHIBITIONS IN THE COMMUNITY GALLERY

ART RULES 2014
Until 18 January
HSC artwork from St George and Sutherland Shire districts.

STEVE JANNAR: WATTAMOLLA AND THE ROYAL NATIONAL PARK
24 January to 3 February
An exhibition of paintings of natural attributes of the Sutherland Shire, focusing mainly on the water features of the Royal National Park.

DIVERSITY/UNIFORMITY
7 to 17 February
Selection of prints from Hazelhurst’s printmaking students.

GILBERT GRACE: SITE LINES
21 February to 3 March
An exploration of existing and potential wildlife and active transport corridors in Southern Sydney.

IN THE GARDENS

TIAN LI ZU: SHADOW MAZE
From February 2015.
Coming to the Hazelhurst Gardens this summer is a new commissioned work by Tian Li Zu, which takes viewers on a journey exploring the history of Hazelhurst and its original owners Ben and Hazel Broadhurst. The work will be a giant maze, constructed from a steel pole structure with outdoor banner material combining hand-painted images with various cut-outs. An absolute haven for curious little minds, the maze will feature cut-out peep holes, paper cut installations, and animations that provide a shadow effect. Come and explore the details of Hazelhurst’s history via this fun, interactive art installation.
SPECIAL EVENTS

AT NIGHT
30 January 2015 6pm to 9pm
Hazelhurst comes alive at night to celebrate the current ceramics exhibition in the Regional Gallery. The evening will include live music, tapas and cocktails, art making stations, ten-minute gallery tours, artist talks and more.

NEW PROGRAM: ART ENGAGE

Hazelhurst in partnership with Tradies and Alzheimer's Australia is launching Art Engage, a program for people living with dementia.

HAZELHURST FILM CLUB
Season 1 starts 2 February 2015
Enjoy great films in a friendly and relaxed environment.
For a minimal membership fee of $30 per year, enjoy a great variety of films on Monday evenings at 6.30pm, Thursdays at 11am and Sundays at 2pm, including art house and eclectic, modern and contemporary to foreign and independent films. Visit our website for the current film program.

ART CENTRE

NEW YEAR NEW CLASSES

Start a creative new year at Hazelhurst with art programs in many different media. You can choose from painting, drawing, ceramics, jewellery, mosaics, printmaking and more. Be part of some new programs that will develop your skills and enhance your creative ideas. Pottery Making and Decorating Techniques will show you great ideas for adding decorative effects to your pottery. Children from eight to thirteen years can enjoy the magic of mosaics in an after school class that is designed just for them. To cater for our popular adult mosaics classes there will be a new class on Wednesday afternoons from 12.30 to 3.30 pm. Thursday Jewellery will also have an additional afternoon class for adults who would like to make their own silver jewellery. Term 1 2015 art classes commence 2 February. Enrolling now.
For further information visit our website.

FAMILY PROGRAMS

Hazelhurst family programs offer the perfect opportunity for your child to interact with art, and maybe even create their own.

Tiny Tours (0 to 18 months) 26 February, 10.30am to 11am.
Little Looks (18 months to 3 yrs) 26 February, 9.30am to 10.30am.
Preschoolers (3 to 5 yrs) 18 February, 9.30am to 11am.

Visit us online to find out more about our exciting programs specifically tailored for you and your little one. Bookings essential on 8536 5700.

ART FEST + WILD ONES

ART & DESIGN MARKET
22 February 10am to 4pm
Discover and enjoy art in all forms for free. View the exhibitions, take a guided tour, check out the Wild Ones Art & Design Market, take part in an art-making workshop. Enjoy the music on the Hazelhurst lawn, browse the Gallery Shop and grab a bite to eat from Hazelhurst Café. Further details and program available online.

POTTERY MASTER CLASS

THE BEAUTIFUL BOWL: Elegant, balanced and light with Steve Harrison
19 to 22 January

Group bookings available. For further details and/or bookings please contact Kate Milner on 8536 5745.

Like us on Hazelhurst's Facebook page, ‘Hazelhurst Regional Gallery and Arts Centre’ for more information on upcoming exhibitions and events.
IN THE LIBRARY

Bookings to attend events in the library are essential unless otherwise specified.

AUTHOR TALKS

ROB ZAMMIT
4 February
6.30pm to 7.30pm
Sutherland Library
Popular Australian Vet and former local resident, Dr Robert Zammit, presents a talk about his first novel, Bless me Father.

LORETTA HILL
16 February
6.30pm to 7.30pm
Sutherland Library
Loretta Hill’s fourth novel, The Maxwell Sisters, is a heart-warming romantic comedy about three extraordinary women on a journey to find love and rediscover family in a vineyard in the Margaret River Wine Region.

STEVE SAILAH
25 February
2pm to 3pm
Sutherland Library
Former ABC foreign correspondent, Steve Sailah, presents his powerful novel set in Gallipoli, A Fatal Tide, that's part war-story and part mystery.

SUSAN BOYER
10 March
2pm to 3pm
Sutherland Library
6.30pm to 7.30pm
Cronulla Library
Across great divides: True stories of Sydney Cove will take you on a journey to the year 1788 as they vividly capture the struggle and adventure of the First Fleet convicts.

LIBRARY EVENTS

SUSANNAH FULLERTON PRESENTS...EMMA
10 February
6.30pm to 7.30pm
Sutherland Library
$5 per person. Sorry, no refunds.
Celebrate the 200th Anniversary of the publication of Emma by Jane Austen at a talk by the President of The Jane Austen Society of Australia, Susannah Fullerton.

DEALING WITH EVERYDAY PAPERWORK
26 February
6.30pm to 7.30pm
Sutherland Library
Have you ever missed an event because you misplaced the invitation or ticket? Is it possible you are owed sums of money because you have lost unclaimed receipts? Have you ever missed a bill payment because you couldn’t find the paperwork?

In this presentation, Sutherland Shire’s very own professional organisers, The Filing Fairies, will inspire you to get (and stay) organised with their top tips for dealing with everyday paperwork.

NO FAIL ART COURSE
3 February
10.30am to 11.30am Menai Library
Artist Julie Stapleton of Studio Jooles which incorporates The Kids Art Academy will talk about the step by step and basic skills courses offered for adults and do a painting demonstration.

E RESOURCES FOR KIDS
2 March 6pm to 7pm
Sutherland Library
5 March 10.30am to 11.30am
Miranda Library
Parents can learn about the libraries’ free e-books and audio books for leisure, reading games and reference resources suitable for preschool and school age children.

HSC LECTURES 2015 AT SUTHERLAND LIBRARY
HSC students can get ahead with their studies by attending the HSC Lectures held at Sutherland Library in May and June or August and September.
Expert speakers will present lectures on various subjects including the new English area of study ‘Discovery’, Business Studies, Legal Studies and Biology, together with exam and study tips.
To register for email notification when bookings open and tickets are available for purchase, please visit sutherlandshire.nsw.gov.au/library/hscstudents or see staff at any branch library.

BOOKINGS AND CONTACTS

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FREE CHEMICAL CLEANOUT

Don’t know what to do with all those unused chemicals taking up space in your garden shed and under your kitchen and laundry sinks? The annual household chemical clean-out is on 14 and 15 February at Bellingara Netball Complex, 99-105 Bellingara Road Miranda between 9am and 3.30pm.

Bring your unwanted pesticides, batteries, household cleaners, paint and other chemicals to the free disposal point. Visit Council’s website or check your waste management booklet for more information on what is accepted and what happens to the chemicals after collection.

INTRODUCING OUR NEW WORKSHOP

Bokashi Composting

Like the idea of composting but don’t have the room for it? This fun and informative workshop will teach you how to use an air-tight ‘Bokashi Bucket’ for composting food scraps before burying the contents in the garden. This method is an ideal composter for people with limited space or who live in units.

Benefits include:
- a quick easy to use system to treat your food waste
- directs food waste away from landfill, reducing greenhouse gas emissions and your carbon footprint
- doesn’t take up much room and can be stored under the kitchen sink
- vermin free

How does it work?

Unlike many conventional composting methods, Bokashi composting is an anaerobic process, which means the microbes do the work in the absence of oxygen. The lactobacillus cultures (microbes) are added to a carrier (usually a bran mix) which is added to the food scraps in layers and left to ‘pickle’ before being added directly to the garden, or added to an existing composting system.

NEXT UPCOMING BOKASHI WORKSHOP

31 January 8.30am to 12.30pm

Part of the practical component of this workshop will involve participants making their own Bokashi mix and bucket to take home to get you started. To book go to Council’s website or call Council on 9710 5744.

Be quick: bookings for workshops will only be accepted three weeks prior to workshop date.

FREE PAPER AND CARDBOARD DROP OFF SERVICE

If you have excess paper and cardboard at home that has built up over the festive season you can visit the VISY Recycling Centre to dispose of it.

VISY has a drop off location which is available all year round. It is located at 43 Bay Road, Taren Point, and is open Monday to Friday, 5am to 5pm.
DOING BUSINESS

ONE STOP SHOP FOR SHIRE BUSINESS

Help is only a phone call away. A centralised business support team and telephone hotline has been set up to provide a single point of contact for the Sutherland Shire business community. The new hub for economic development, located at the Sutherland Shire Hub for Economic Development (SSHED) at Loftus, incorporates Council’s:

- business support program
- acceleration and mentoring programs
- key sector/industry network and engagement program
- commercial centres programs in Cronulla, Gymea and Engadine.

It also provides access to business information, statistics and other resources.

If you are a Shire business and would like assistance, please call us on 9545 7777. We’re here to help.

BUSINESS AS USUAL FOR SUTHERLAND SHIRE ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE

Council wishes to assure residents, patrons and hirers that it is business as usual during 2015 and 2016 at the Sutherland Shire Entertainment Centre (SEC).

Suggestions that the SEC will close at the end of 2015 are not true.

Discussions and community consultation will continue to take place to explore options and determine the future direction for the SEC.

Council is committed to ensuring the community receives the greatest benefit from an improved facility at the lowest cost to ratepayers.

ACCELERATED GROWTH FOR SSHED TENANTS

Three new businesses have joined the SSHED business acceleration program. All three are planning for growth and are looking forward to working with their business advisors on the next stages of their business.

- Optika Creative - optikacreative.com.au
- The Mad Giraffe - themadgiraffe.com.au
- Australian Solutions Centre - solutionscentre.com.au

We still have a couple of offices available for tenants, if you are interested in finding out more about how the SSHED can help your business please visit www.sshed.com.au or contact 02 9545 7777.

FANTASTIC FEEDBACK

Thank you to all the businesses who took the time to complete the 2014 Sutherland Shire Business Survey towards the end of last year. The survey results have provided valuable feedback to Council on a range of issues affecting our local economy and we look forward to sharing these results and positive initiatives that will help shape the Shire over the coming years.

CRONULLA BEACH CBD OFFICE CLOSED

All Council’s Business and Economic Development activities, including Tourism, have been consolidated at one site: the Sutherland Shire Hub For Economic Development (SSHED) in Loftus. As a result, the Cronulla CBD office is now closed and enquiries should be directed to the telephone hotline 9545 7777.
GET ACTIVE

COUNCIL LIFEGUARD PATROLS
Summer Season (November - March)
Cronulla Beach, North Cronulla, Elouera and Wanda: 8am to 5.30pm daily, November to March.
NO FLAGS = NO SWIMMING

SUTHERLAND SHIRE LEISURE CENTRES
www.sslc.com.au

Sutherland Leisure Centre
Rawson Avenue, Sutherland
Mon to Fri: 5am to 9pm
Sat: 5.30am to 7pm
Sun: 7am to 7pm
Phone: 8536 9777

Caringbah Leisure Centre
Jacaranda Road, Caringbah
Mon to Thu: 5.30am to 9pm
Fri: 5.30am to 6.30pm
Sat: 6am to 7pm
Sun: 7am to 7pm
Phone: 9525 6777

Engadine Leisure Centre
Anzac Avenue, Engadine
Mon to Fri: 5.30am to 9pm
Olympic pool closes at 6.30pm on Fridays for swim club.
Sat: 6am to 7pm
Sun: 7am to 7pm
Phone: 9548 4200

THE RIDGE GOLF COURSE
AND DRIVING RANGE
New Illawarra Road, Barden Ridge
Mon to Fri: 7am to 9pm
Sat/Sun: 6am to 8pm
Christmas Day: Closed
Phone: 9541 4960
Hours subject to weather

PUBLIC GOLF COURSE PRO SHOPS
Kareela 9521 6279
Woolooware 9523 3882
The Ridge 9541 4960

MENAI INDOOR SPORTS CENTRE
98 Alison Crescent, Menai
Mon to Thu: 9am to 10pm
Fri: 9am to 9pm
Sat: 7.30am to 3pm
Sun: By booking/event
Phone: 9532 0444

TENNIS COURTS
Council has 13 facilities with courts available for casual or permanent hire. Check out our website for contact details.

SUMMER POOL PARTY
15 January 2015
11am to 4pm Sutherland Leisure Centre
Cost: $12 per child
Come celebrate with us at our Summer Pool Party!
Meet and greet Speedo ambassador and Australia’s greatest ever Paralympian Matthew Cowdrey.
• Live DJ
• Meet Larry the Lifeguard, our Leisure Centre Mascot
• Inflatable Frenzy - splash your way through our giant water inflatables
• Face Painting
• Relay Race - cheer on Paralympian Matthew Cowdrey as he joins our squad swimmers in a speedy Relay Race from 12pm

ENGADINE OPEN DAY
8 February 2015
11am to 3pm
Engadine Leisure Centre
Cost: FREE
Grab your cozzie, sun screen and a towel and head to Engadine Leisure Centre for our free family fun day.
Live DJ, face painting, balloon sculpting, lucky door prizes and of course our giant water inflatables.
Come along for a few hours or for the whole day, it will be a great day out for all.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS
MENAI SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Menai Indoor Sports Centre has a bumper program these school holidays. As well as the ever popular ‘Learn To Play’ activities we have introduced a full day session for the younger ‘Kids Club’ kids starting at age five.
For more information check out our website www.sslc.com.au/whats_on or contact Menai Indoor Sports Centre on 9532 0444.

LEISURE CENTRES SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM
Make a splash these school holidays at your local Leisure Centre with learn-to-swim Intensives, fun and fitness camp and our giant water inflatable.

SCHOOL CARNIVAL SEASON IS HERE

SPALLERS SWIM SCHOOL: DATES FOR THE DIARY
Week commencing 12 January: New customer enrolments for Term 1
Week commencing 2 and 9 March: Assessment weeks
Week commencing 23 March: Re-enrolments for Term 2

Council is committed to providing quality facilities so our community has the opportunity to participate in a variety of sport and leisure pursuits. To find out how you can get active in the Shire, check Council's website under Recreation.
COUNCIL EVENTS

SUTHERLAND SHIRE MAYORAL BALL 2015

Calling for Debutantes and Partners
The Sutherland Shire Mayoral Ball will be held 13 June, 2015. A tradition in the Shire for 39 years, this charity event is an elegant evening featuring entertainment and a formal dinner. If you would like to be a debutante in 2015 email lhoyle@ssc.nsw.gov.au or call 9710 0996. Places fill quickly.

Calling for charities and sponsors
The Mayoral Ball is a major fundraising event for local charities and an opportunity for businesses to sponsor. For details of sponsorship packages contact Kathryn Lord at klord@ssc.nsw.gov.au or phone 9710 0513.

CITIZEN OF THE YEAR
From the record number of nominees who entered the 2015 Sutherland Shire Community Awards, the winners are:

• Citizen of the Year - Michael Cooper, from Kurnell
• Young Citizen of the Year - Evan Pignatelli, from Engadine
• Community Group of the Year - Cronulla War Widows Guild

(L-R) Michael Cooper, Sutherland Shire Mayor Kent Johns, Evan Pignatelli, Shirley Hancock (representing the War Widows)