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Autumn BBQ & Bushfire Survival Plan Presentation Friday 22 March 2019

Preceding the barbecue will be a presentation of the Climate Wise Communities program run by Ku-ring-gai Council.

This award-winning initiative is designed to build community resilience and preparedness for extreme weather events by Dr. Jenny Scott. The talk will commence at 11:00 am followed by drinks at 12 noon and lunch at 12:30 pm.

All-inclusive donation of \$10 each including lunch and beverages. The usual wonderful raffle will be conducted with proceeds once again going to the Hornsby Ku-ring-gai Women's Shelter.

Please register at The Shed.



Date: 13 March 2019

Shed Cooking Group.

Following the disbanding of our previous group, on the retirement of our instructor, Ruth Fulton, extensive efforts have been made to find a replacement – a very difficult task.

Numerous avenues have been followed with no success to date. However, the Ku-ring-gai Community Centre have identified two possible candidates who will be interviewed shortly.

Following the securing of an Instructor, expressions of interest will be sought and hopefully the activity will be back in action in the near future.



Killara Rural Fire Brigade

The Killara Rural Fire Brigade of the Rural Fire Service is finally a reality. A station building is proposed for a site in place of the old Scout Hall at Koola Park, Killara, in an effort to better protect the community from fire and other emergencies in the high-risk area.

The Killara Rural Fire Brigade was established in early 2018. It focuses on the southern end of the Ku-ring-Gai municipality - the suburbs of Killara, Lindfield, Gordon, Roseville and St Ives.

The Brigade is actively recruiting new members and has started to receive equipment. The first of two firefighting tankers is already being deployed in the area, operating at present out of the Ku-ring-gai Brigade premises in North Wahroonga. A Development Application (0009/19) has been submitted to Ku-ring-gai Council and is open for public viewing on the Council website.

We need your help to show community support for the proposed station.

A petition is on the lunch room table at the Shed. Please show your support by signing this petition which must be received by Council before 25 March. If you miss the petition deadline, you can still email Ku-ring-Gai Council (kmc@kmc.nsw.gov.au) expressing support for this development, DA0009/19.

Thank you for your support.

Ceramic Pear

Bruce made this 17cm high ceramic pear from natural excavated clay of our new Shed extension. It is an unusual story and not the usual timber or metal one. Maybe it should be called the Shed pear.

The clay was dried, ground to very small pieces, soaked in water, mixed to form a thick flowing liquid, allowed to settle over a week in a bucket, then excess water removed.

Next, the liquid clay was pushed through two fine metal meshes to remove small stones and vegetable matter, then hung in a cloth bag for a week to allow excess water to drain out.

Now he had usable clay, to form into a hollow shape. The clay was placed on an even flat surface, cut and placed a piece into a pearshaped mould, partially dried it with a hair dryer to remove the half from the mould, then made a second half shape.



Then the two halves were joined with liquid clay slip, made the leaves and stem and attached the stem of the pear. Once the clay had fully dried, he hand painted the pear, with a special yellow and green glaze and placed in a kiln to bisque fire it.

Applying the clear glaze was the last step before a second kiln firing. No cracks, and he was happy with the result!

The Things We Do



Raymond & John making a staff for the newly appointed Anglican Bishop of Canberra.





Cat Stand

When Bob's cat demanded a new cat exercise table and viewing platform, Mario came to the rescue. The cat was consulted throughout the building process to ensure it met expectation. Happy to say that the final result was well received.



Craftsmanship at it's Best

Master craftsman Chris Drake designed and built a beautiful timber cabinet to take pride of place at his barbeque location in his new apartment at Terrey Hills.

This was no simple design as it involved curved cabinet doors around an intricate design to accommodate a bar fridge.

Well done Chris.

Housekeeping





Rod sorting nuts & bolts

Cleaning up at the end

of the day

Thanks to those that help with these essential tasks, especially the cleaning-up at the end of the day.

It is greatly appreciated!



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