

community newsletter

April / May 2011

Getting Together at The Ponds

Summer Saturday Party was the first event at The Ponds for 2011. The event provided an opportunity for people to meet while enjoying a drink and a bite to eat. Children are always welcome, and activities are provided.



It was also an opportunity to find out about new parks, ask questions and provide feedback to the developers while enjoying food and drinks. For full story and more photos, please visit our website.

Introducing www.peopleplaces.com.au

Landcom has launched an exciting new website called People Places. It is a celebration of the people that make the places. This site is about friendship and belonging - A place where everyone can come to share, chat and make friends, both within your neighbourhood and further afield. Check out www.peopleplaces.com.au. Visit People Places and let everyone know what you love about living in your community - The Ponds. Click on Latest, then People TV & watch the 4 stories on The Ponds.

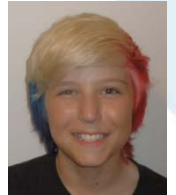


People Places GIVEAWAYS

To celebrate the launch of People Places we are giving away **five \$50 Bunnings vouchers** to The Ponds residents. For information on how to be eligible to win, visit www.thepondcommunity.com.au, click on News and then the article "People Places Giveaways" for full instructions on what to do. Good luck!

Meet the Residents:

This is Brad Heyes. He is 10 years old and coloured his hair for The Worlds' Greatest Shave. **Brad raised \$794 for the Leukaemia Foundation.** Well done!



neighbourhood, convenient location and sense of community.

Anna & Damien chose to move to The Ponds for lifestyle. After exploring other areas, they visited Kalina and bought a block of land. They moved into their new 4 bedroom home a little before Christmas and love the friendly

Love is in the Air

Congratulations to Carla and Domenico, married 30th October and had the most magical day of their lives. They are looking forward to starting a family at The Ponds.



Volunteers Needed for Red Shield Appeal

If you are able to donate a few hours of your time to help Salvos collect on Doorknock weekend 28 - 29 May at The Ponds, please email Tuula by 1st May.

The Ponds Community Website:

Visit www.thepondcommunity.com.au for

- more photos, news stories, event information
- free classifieds
- directory with local businesses
- add your business do the Directory (tab at bottom of page)

The Ponds Update

The Ponds \$7 million Eastern Playing Fields project is due for completion in approximately May 2011. This facility will comprise two high-tech playing fields, four tennis courts, four netball courts and playgrounds. Additional features include two ponds, training standard lighting, extensive landscaping and a car park accommodating 165 cars.

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The Ponds Baby News:

Right: Baby Noah, first born to Alison and Mark on 20th December, weighing 3.72kg and 51.5cm long.



Left: Baby Olive, born to Casey and Shane on 14th December, weighing 3kg and 50cm long. Big brother Archie is very proud.



Right: Baby Branden, first born to Caren and Richard on 16th January, weighing 3.62kg and 51cm long.



Left: Baby Azeem, born to Fozia and Inaam on 11th February, weighing 3.06kg and 50cm long. His big sisters, Hira & Fiza, are thrilled to have a baby brother.



Community Events at The Ponds

Coffee Club at The Ponds

Great way to meet people.

Time: 10.00 am

Dates: Thursday 21st April
Thursday 19th May



Where: The Ponds Sales & Display Centre

Dinner & Environmental Workshop

Free dinner & great opportunity to meet people. Learn how to turn food scraps & yard "waste" into fertiliser for your garden. Blacktown City residents will receive a free compost & kitchen tidy bin. Lucky door prizes. Limited numbers. Children's activities provided.

When: Wednesday 27th April

Time: Dinner at 6.30pm, Workshop from 7-9pm

When: The Ponds Sales & Display Centre

Bookings essential to Tuula by Thursday 21st April

Ladies Night Out

A fun Bollywood themed night and fundraiser for the Cancer Council (our adaptation of Australia's Biggest Morning Tea). So come and party, bring your neighbours, friends and family members. There will be food, entertainment and more.

When: Wednesday 18th May at 7 pm

Where: The Ponds Sales & Display Centre

Cost: donation to Cancer Council at door. Bring some money for a raffle.

RSVP: to Tuula by Friday 13th May



School Holiday Fun – Mini Olympics, Morning Tea & a visit from the Easter Bunny!

After school Easter event. Includes afternoon tea, activities, visit from Easter Bunny, chocolate and more.

When: Thursday 21st April at 10.00am

Where: The Plaza, next to The Ponds Sales & Display Centre

RSVP: by Tuesday 19th April to Tuula – so Easter Bunny will bring enough Easter eggs



Over 50's Group

Newly formed Over 50's meets regularly and is a great way to make new friends. A dinner is planned for 13th May. Please check our website later in April or phone June on 0417 204 853.

The Ponds King Tots Playgroup

When: Thursdays at 10 am
Fridays at 9.30 am

Contact: Tracey on 0412 068 997 Thursday group
Alda on 0405 593 973 Friday group

Where: Neighbourhood Centre, corner of Fyfe & Carindale Sts. Playgroups meet during school term.

Are you interested in a Monday or Wednesday Playgroup? Please email Michele (contact details below)

Coming Up at The Ponds:

Meet Your Neighbour Night

When: Sunday 26th June at 6 pm

School Holiday Craft Workshop

When: Thursday 7th July at 10 am

The Ponds Family Fun Day

has been postponed to September

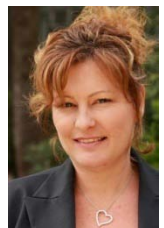
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is prepared for the residents and friends of The Ponds by our Community Development Facilitators, Tuula Schaeffer & Michele Girdham, from Connections Community Development. We use this newsletter to let you know about activities, events and news in the area. If you have any feedback on events or community issues or have news or announcements you would like to share, please contact:

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