

OBEDIENCE TRAINING SUCCESS

OCTOBER THROUGH TO DECEMBER 2007 SAW TEN HOLROYD CITY COUNCIL RESIDENTS ENJOY FREE DOG OBEDIENCE TRAINING SESSIONS. ONE OF SYDNEY'S BEST KNOWN TRAINING ESTABLISHMENTS, HANROB, CONDUCTED THE TRAINING AT THE NELSONS RIDGE DOG OFF LEASH PARK SITUATED WITHIN DIRRABARI RESERVE. WITH EXCELLENT FACILITIES, THE READY-MADE TRAINING AREA WAS FANTASTIC FOR THE OWNERS AND PETS ALIKE, WITH OUR FOUR LEGGED FRIENDS SETTING LOOSE WITH A BIT OF FREE TIME IN THE ADJACENT OFF-LEASH AREA AFTERWARDS.

The dog obedience training was offered to the first ten residents who adopted a dog from the local impounding facility in the month of September 2007, as part of Council's Pet Awareness Month. Due to the success of this program, Council will be sponsoring another two sessions which will commence at the end of March 2008.

For further information, please contact Holroyd City Council on 9840 9840.



WHATS ON WITH AUTUMN NOW IN FULL SWING, GET ACTIVE AND INVOLVED IN THE VARIETY OF NEW ACTIVITIES COMMENCING IN AND AROUND NELSONS RIDGE.

KICKBOXING/CIRCUIT TRAINING

Thursday evenings. Contact Nick Ligopantis at Combative Fitness 0414 617 382 or email combativefitness@iprimus.com.au

YOGA BY THE LAKE

Saturday mornings. Contact Kim Beaver (Instructor) on 0405 452 496 or email kim.beaver@degremont.com.au

NELSONS RIDGE MUMS & BUBS

Weekly get togethers at various locations. Contact Genevieve Begg on 0422 621 692 or email davegen@unwired.com.au

GREYSTANES TOUCH FOOTBALL OVER 35'S COMPETITION

Wednesday evenings, Nemesia Street Park, Greystanes. Contact Gary Schweizer on 0410 505 574 or email lizzy1963@hotmail.com



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GETTING TO KNOW... EMMA BROWN

How long have you been working at Nelsons Ridge?

I have been at Nelsons Ridge since early February but had to sneak in a two week ski trip.

What is the most enjoyable part of your job?

Working with a lovely group of people and getting to know the local community at large.

What is your best exercise/health tip?

To make sure you take a little time out for yourself each day, learn to clear your mind of the clutter as you don't really need it and remember to stop and breathe – big breaths – take in the oxygen.

What is your best travel experience?

Recently skiing in Aspen and Vail with snow falling every second day and bright blue skies would have to be close. However I would have to say flying at 200 feet above sea level from Broome to Cape Leveque in Australia's North West was the most breathtaking and beautiful journey I have ever experienced.

What is your favourite food?

Chocolate and Sushi, not together.

What do you look forward to most when you retire?

I will need to live near the beach, because I look forward to waking when I please, going for a swim and then having a leisurely breakfast whilst reading the paper.

A life changing moment?

Starting work at Nelsons Ridge, I have to get up a lot earlier.

What is your life long dream/goal?

To settle down with the man I love, have beautiful children, to stay happy, healthy, find my peace and keep teaching yoga - not much to ask for?

MUMS COOK FOR CHARITY

NELSONS RIDGE MUMS COOKED UP A STORM RECENTLY TO HELP RAISE MONEY FOR UNITING CARE AS PART OF THE CHARITY'S ANNUAL PANCAKE DAY FUNDRAISING EVENT.

Pancake Day is Uniting Care's fundraiser held on Shrove Tuesday each year right across Australia. All monies raised from the event go towards supporting the work of the Uniting Care agencies nationwide.

Our community's Mums and Bubs group treated local families to a scrumptious pancake breakfast by the lake in Nelsons Square on Saturday 23 February. The fundraiser was the first undertaken by the group, and it proved a morning enjoyed by all.

If you are interested in meeting with other mums at Nelsons Ridge, where kids can enjoy a play morning whilst mum's catch up over coffee, please contact resident Genevieve Begg on 0422 621 692 or davegen@unwired.com.au



AN UPDATE FROM TELSTRA...

NELSONS RIDGE COMMUNITY IS ENJOYING TELSTRA'S RECENT INVESTMENTS IN NEW BROADBAND INFRASTRUCTURE.

On March 4 Telstra installed and commissioned additional broadband ports as part of a greater Sydney metro relief program. This activity has resulted in an avalanche of new broadband applications. Mr Jonathon Grahame – General Manager, Telstra Sydney said; "We have had an amazing response from the residents of Nelsons Ridge with over 40 new broadband applications"

The recent network investments by Telstra have satisfied the current high speed internet demand and provides for some additional capacity for the future. We are encouraging residents wishing to upgrade their dial-up service or alternate wireless network service to contact Telstra by ringing 13 POND (13 7663) or go online to www.bigpond.com.au.

Living at Nelsons Ridge gives you access to some of Telstra's premium services which include numerous flexible fixed line plans to suit your lifestyle, the market-leading NextG Mobile Service and Foxtel Digital Satellite.

The next steps for High Speed Fixed broadband across Sydney and indeed Nelsons Ridge is planned through future network investments in Fibre to the Node (FTTN). The Federal Government has established a panel of experts to assess National Broadband Network proposals. The Government will formally call for innovative and competitive proposals to roll out the network with a view to having construction underway by the end of 2008.

GREYSTANES



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DEVILS

SUPPORTING OUR LOCAL CLUB

NELSONS RIDGE IS THROWING ITS SUPPORT BEHIND THE GREYSTANES JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE FOOTBALL CLUB FOR THE SECOND SEASON RUNNING.

NOW IN THEIR 30TH COMPETITIVE SEASON AS MEMBERS OF THE PARRAMATTA DISTRICT JUNIOR RUGBY LEAGUE, WE WISH THEM WELL FOR THE YEAR AHEAD.

In 2007, the club's under 15's won the Premiership. The club's under 16's and under 10's were runners up with a number of other teams making it through to the play-offs. This included the senior A grade team making the semi finals in the 1st Division DDP Electrical Services Parramatta Cup.

If you are interested in playing rugby league with a friendly, family-orientated club, contact the "Greystanes Devils" Club Secretary Judy Smart on 0412 991 265.

LOCAL BUSINESS DIRECTORY

NELSONS RIDGE IS DEVELOPING A DIRECTORY OF LOCAL BUSINESSES OWNED BY NELSONS RIDGE RESIDENTS.

Supporting local business not only helps to foster our community, but engages social harmony and is a convenience that all residences can utilise.

If you have a business and live at Nelsons Ridge, contact Michelle on 02 9688 8731 and be first for your free listing in the directory.



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Nelsons RIDGE
PEMULWUY



RESIDENTS KICK-START A HEALTHY 2008

NELSONS RIDGE RESIDENTS EMBRACED A HEALTH, WELL-BEING AND LIFESTYLE THEME AT THE MOST RECENT MEET YOUR NEIGHBOURS EVENT.

The first meet your neighbours event of the year, held in the Sales Centre on Tuesday March 18, was a popular evening and saw residents ready to get fit, healthy and motivated for the year ahead. The event also featured special guests, Kim Beaver a local yoga teacher and Nick Ligopantis combative fitness personal trainer who gave tips and hints on how to get in shape, and introduced residents to various classes and activities that will commence at Nelsons Ridge over the coming weeks.

As always, residents took the opportunity to mingle in a relaxed and friendly environment, while enjoying some fine healthy canapés and drinks.

Thank you to all residents who participated in the first Meet your Neighbours of the year. It was great to see plenty of new faces and I'm sure you all will agree it was a night enjoyed by all. We hope to see you all again in July for an all new theme and another successful Meet your Neighbours evening.



VIEW FROM THE TOP

THE SUMMER BUZZ FESTIVAL PROVED TO BE THE PERFECT WAY TO KICK-START 2008. WITH RESIDENTS, THEIR FAMILIES AND VISITORS ALIKE ENJOYING A HOST OF FREE ACTIVITIES ACROSS THE MONTH OF JANUARY, IT SEEMED EVERYONE WAS MOTIVATED, ACTIVE AND RECHARGED FOR A GREAT YEAR AHEAD.

The Nelsons Ridge Sales and Information Centre is currently undergoing a facelift and as part of the refurbishment it will now feature new models and display panels. It also includes an outdoor decking with a view of the Ridgeline for all of our visitors to enjoy. Apart from showcasing the lifestyle of Nelsons Ridge, the Sales Centre will also continue to play host to a variety of resident events throughout the year.

Across at Nelsons Grove, activities are busily being planned for a very eventful first half of 2008.

In April, the village is planning a Travel Expo where residents and visitors can explore many different travel destinations and options. Also in April a footy afternoon to cater for our local enthusiasts has been

organised, while in May, Mums will be given special attention with a Mother's Day function. In June, a do-it-yourself workshop is being planned for those wanting to try their hand at home improvements.

Construction has begun on the next stage of the Nelsons Ridge Axis development featuring a new collection of architecturally designed detached homes. The grand opening of the new Axis display home will be Saturday April 19 between 11 and 1. To attend this exclusive event please contact our sales office. We hope everybody can come along.

Work is also underway on the Ridgeline's Marrong Reserve. So far the focus has been on the removal of weeds and the collection of local native seeds from trees

and shrubs in the general Pemulwuy, Greystanes and Prospect areas. These seeds will be used to propagate plants for future planned revegetation works throughout the development.

Thanks to all the rain of late, our open spaces at Nelsons Ridge are looking lush and green and we will continue to work closely with Council to ensure our community is always looking it's best throughout the cooler months ahead.

In the meantime, as the year gains momentum, there will be new developments, project news along with some exciting new community initiatives that I look forward to sharing with you through our quarterly Newsletter.

SUSTAINABLE LIVING REWARDED

LIVING SUSTAINABLY IS ABOUT GETTING THE MOST OUT OF LIFE. IT'S ABOUT BEHAVING IN A WAY THAT CONSIDERS ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND ECONOMIC ISSUES COLLECTIVELY. IT'S THINKING ABOUT THE IMPACT OUR ACTIONS HAVE ON THE ENVIRONMENT AND EACH OTHER. WE CAN DO SOMETHING TO LIGHTEN OUR ECOLOGICAL FOOTPRINT EVERY DAY. IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER THAT ALL THE LITTLE THINGS YOU DO ADD UP TO HELP MAKE THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE.

Nelsons Ridge is re-launching our quarterly award program which recognises residents who have made their part of the world a better place in which to live.

'Nominate Your Neighbour' will enable residents to put forward the names of people who have done a good deed or positively contributed to the community in some way.

The winner of each quarter will receive a complementary dinner at Vulcano Restaurant in Pemulwuy Marketplace. Just for nominating the winner, you'll be treated to a scrumptious mud cake from Michel's Patisserie.

To nominate your neighbour this quarter, call Michelle on 02 9688 8731.

PEMULWUY SHAVES FOR A CURE

SHOPPERS AT NELSONS RIDGE'S PEMULWUY MARKETPLACE TURNED OUT IN FORCE TO SEE LOCAL MERRYLANDS FIREMEN 'SHAVE IT ALL OFF' AS PART OF THE LEUKAEMIA FOUNDATION'S WORLD'S GREATEST SHAVE FUNDRAISING CAMPAIGN.

Prior to the event on Saturday March 15, Nelsons Ridge worked in conjunction with the local emergency services to secure the highlight of the day, while shoppers received a free barbecue, face painting, prizes and giveaways.

Through the special efforts of John Brennan Hair in organising the event, Quigley's Quality Meats and Woolworths for their kind donations, well over \$3000 was raised for the Leukaemia Foundation making the day a huge success. We sincerely thank the local fire crew for

their continual support of Nelsons Ridge, its community and local business.

With the event in its 10th year, more than 100,000 Australians shaved their heads or spray-coloured their hair as part of this year's World's Greatest Shave. We look forward to do it all again next year in support of this great cause.



EASTER AT PEMULWUY MARKETPLACE

EASTER SEEMED TO SNEAK UP ON ME THIS YEAR, I'M SURE MOST OF YOU FELT THE SAME WAY, NO SOONER HAD WE GOTTEN OVER CHRISTMAS, ONLY TO FIND SHELVES IN ALL SUPERMARKETS FILLED WITH EASTER EGGS COME JANUARY 1ST. BEING THE NEW MARKETING MANAGER FOR PEMULWUY MARKETPLACE CAME WITH ITS CHALLENGES AS I STARTED WITH ONLY 3 WEEKS TO EASTER AND LIMITED PLANS IN PLACE...

The retailers at Pemulwuy however were very welcoming and offered support in terms of supplying some fantastic Easter savings as a show of great community spirit.

On Thursday March 20 a very special character visited Pemulwuy Marketplace. The Easter Bunny of course, yielding a basket full of yummy chocolate eggs free for all Pemulwuy shoppers.

The kids all loved our Easter Bunny with many making return appearances just hoping for another hug or chocolate egg, with parents having their cameras poised and ready to take photos of their children with our very special guest!

I hope you and your family had a great Easter holiday and indulged in many a chocolate Easter egg – I certainly did!

With School holidays only a week away, be sure to keep an eye on all the exciting activities planned at Pemulwuy Marketplace.

Lucia Eman

Marketing Manager
Pemulwuy Marketplace

NELSONS RIDGE A HIVE OF ACTIVITY FOR SUMMER BUZZ

NELSONS RIDGE WAS AFLUTTER WITH EXCITEMENT IN JANUARY AS RESIDENTS CELEBRATED SUMMER IN STYLE WITH THE 2008 DELFIN SUMMER BUZZ FESTIVAL FEATURING FREE ENTERTAINMENT AND ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES.

During the festival, Nelsons Ridge played host to families from all over western Sydney with yoga and a concert by the lake, storytelling, a twilight cinema screening the moving "Happy Feet", a kids animal day, a fashion and style evening and wine and beer tasting.

During the activities, around 30 local preschoolers were entertained by stories read by the Greystanes Public School Reader Theatre at the Nelsons Ridge Sales and Information Centre.

Two teachers from the school hosted the storytelling with the school's Principal Stuart Anderson also supporting the morning. Given this event took place during the school holidays, their time and participation was much appreciated.

The school's choir also performed at the Concert by the Lake, providing some great entertainment enjoyed by all. For some students this was their final session with the choir before they started high school this year. We wish them all well.

We also continue to enjoy the support of the Holroyd Lions Club who treated guests to a free barbecue at the Concert by the Lake event.

This year's Summer Buzz festival, though hindered at times by the weather, was our greatest community event yet. The Nelsons Ridge Sales and Information Centre has been inundated with phone calls of thanks from local residents who joined in on the fun.



ENERGY WISE NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS

WE'VE PUT TOGETHER EIGHT TOP TIPS THAT YOU CAN INCLUDE IN YOUR NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTIONS. HAVE A LOOK THROUGH THE LIST AND SEE HOW MANY YOU CAN APPLY TO YOUR HOME. MAYBE YOU CAN ACHIEVE THE LOT! GIVE IT A SHOT AND LET'S MAKE 2008 THE GREENEST YEAR YET.

1. Turn off appliances at the switch instead of leaving them on standby.
2. Use the clothesline, not the dryer!
3. Wash with cold water and save energy.
4. Use a thermostat on your air conditioning and never turn it down past 23 degrees in summer.
5. Switch all your bulbs over to energy efficient ones.
6. Get rid of that old second fridge! You can't imagine how much extra power it's using.
7. Go green. Support a renewable energy source like PureEnergy.
8. Pay your bills online with BPAY View. It's convenient, saves paper and helps the environment.

For more tips go to www.energy.com.au

KEEPING NELSONS RIDGE GREEN

NELSONS RIDGE PRIDES ITSELF ON BEING AN ATTRACTIVE AND ENTICING COMMUNITY FOR BOTH RESIDENTS AND VISITORS TO ENJOY.

Just as we do everything we can to ensure public areas, parks, streets and verges are kept clean and tidy, it is the responsibility of individual lot owners and residents alike to ensure that their property is kept clear of rubbish and debris.

With ongoing construction and a consistent stream of residents moving into our community, it is inevitable that rubbish is generated. If not disposed of correctly, apart from being unattractive, it can become a health and safety concern for all in our community as well as jeopardising the surrounding natural habitat and local wildlife.

Holroyd City Council operates "Council Clean up Days" – a regular service where Council are able to collect general household waste and materials. Residents are also encouraged to contact Council if witness to or are aware of rubbish being dumped incorrectly in and around the local area. The Council can be contacted on 9840 9840.



YOGA BY THE LAKE

NELSONS RIDGE RESIDENTS TOOK A STEP TOWARDS BETTER HEALTH AND FITNESS BY TAKING PART IN YOGA BY THE LAKE IN JANUARY, A FEATURE OF THIS YEAR'S SUMMER BUZZ FESTIVAL.

Twelve residents enjoyed the session, held on a sunny Saturday morning alongside Nelsons Ridge Lake.

Nelsons Ridge Project Director Paul Melrose said participants gave a glowing report on the activities.

RECOGNISING SAFE BUILDERS

NELSONS RIDGE HAS RECOGNISED LOCAL BUILDER JOHN LETTIERI AS THE LATEST WINNER OF OUR ENVIRONMENT, HEALTH AND SAFETY AWARD.

This monthly award is designed to celebrate those builders who show leadership on site in regards to safety, cleanliness and presentation management during construction.

John Lettieri is the first private builder to be recognised by the program, taking out the award in January.

The monthly winner receives a \$200 Pemulwuy Marketplace voucher for the Site Supervisor to spend on their team. A sign acknowledging the winning builder is placed in front of the winning construction site and in the Nelsons Ridge Sales and Information Centre.

PLAYING IT SAFE

ENSURING YOUR SMOKE ALARMS ARE IN WORKING ORDER IS JUST AS IMPORTANT AS HAVING THEM INSTALLED IN THE FIRST PLACE.

That is why the NSW Fire Brigades took part in a national campaign "Change Your Clock, Change Your Smoke Alarm Battery" to urge all householders to

use the end of daylight saving as a reminder to check their smoke alarms.

Fire prevention techniques should be paramount in every Australian household and as we now have changed our clocks, please ensure that you took the time to test your smoke alarms and change the batteries.

NSWFB Commissioner Mullins said "if a smoke alarm battery was flat or had been removed, it would not provide the

essential early warning needed to escape a fire in the home. A fire can spread and engulf a home in just a few minutes."

With our colder months fast approaching, and heating apparatus a frequent cause of household fires, please also take the opportunity to ensure your home stays safe this winter by checking out more fire prevention tips and hints by visiting the NSW Government Fire Brigade Website.