

## Camden Haven Community at 3 Inc. ABN 79 652 261 007

A helping hand for those in need in our community

"...Whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." (Jesus – Matthew 25:40)

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### YOUR NEWSLETTER

Need help? Call Alan (0412-840644) or Theo (0419-370076) or at Comboyne call Ray (0427-117950)  
We meet every Wednesday at 3.00pm for a FREE MEAL at the rear of  
Laurieton United Services Club, 2 Seymour St Laurieton – all are welcome

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**Committee Members:** Theo Hazelgrove (Chairman), Alan Kilminster, Fran Burns, Glenn Maas, Hima Karnati, Ann Macinante, Brian Giles-Browne, Ray Peters (Assistant Chaplain), Cec Wasson, Nathan Killick (Public Officer and Chaplain), Dr Sam Nelapati (Patron)

**We acknowledge and pay our respects to the original custodians, the Biripi People, and elders past and present, on whose land we walk, work and live.**



#### MESSAGE FROM BRIAN — COMMUNITY AT 3 VICE-CHAIRMAN

I and my wife Donna (who is on the Pastoral Team of Community at 3) moved to the Camden Haven just on one year ago and through our church we heard about the amazing things in which Community at 3 were involved. As the Deputy Chair my main current role is overseeing the future purchase of a property to assist in the **Crisis and Short-Term Housing needs** of people in the Camden Haven. We know that if we can buy or build a 20-room motel or caravan park we would be full 95% of the time, with people who come through our front door seeking emergency housing help. In the coming months we will be holding some large community-based fundraising activities to launch our project to provide such housing. We are always looking for more volunteers to help not only with our Wednesday BBQ, but also as drivers, support people and now Fundraising supporters. If you can give an hour or two of your time to assist putting together our fundraising activities, please call me or speak to Theo, Alan or Glenn. To all our Volunteers and Supporters: God Bless you all for your amazing support, love and trust in the work of Community at 3 - **Brian 0439-569992**

#### GREAT SUPPORT FROM THESE PARTNERS



**LIBERTY DOMESTIC & FAMILY VIOLENCE SERVICES** ran a most informative Seminar at Laurieton United Services Club in July for Leaders & Volunteers to understand aspects of Domestic Violence.



**NEW HORIZONS** Port Macquarie are providing the BBQ meal during the Wednesday in August which falls in "**Homeless Week**". They will be attending future BBQs to make it easier for those needing to discuss housing issues with them. Thank you, guys.



On Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> September 2022, a Solicitor from the **MID NORTH COAST LEGAL CENTRE** will be in attendance at our BBQ venue (at the rear of the Laurieton United Services Club) to provide FREE legal advice to any guests who wish to attend. They are also providing refreshments afterwards. We welcome all who wish to attend.

#### IS THERE SOMEONE YOU KNOW WHO MAY BE LONELY OR IN NEED?

If so, **INVITE THEM ALONG** to our weekly **FREE BBQ meal**, where they would be very welcomed and find a sense of belonging in our community. Also, if you know of anyone needing food, clothing, furniture, household items or other needs including transport, please give them our details above and we will be pleased to do what we can for them.

SOME OF THE 42 CASES DEALT WITH BY Community at 3 in JUNE....

<p><b>93yo REUNITED</b>  <b>Community at 3</b> was requested to assist in locating the family of a 93year old man resident in a Nursing Home. He had not seen his family for a considerable time.                  Success: the man and his family are now reunited.</p>	<p><b>SIMPLE THINGS MATTER</b>                  A lady had missed the public bus and also the community bus, when she had to get to the hospital for an oncology treatment appointment. <b>Community at 3</b> was able to quickly respond &amp; drove her there</p>	<p><b>HAPPY TO HELP ANOTHER CHARITY</b>                  Another local charity recently sought help from <b>Community at 3</b>                  We were only too pleased to encourage and assist those who exist to help others.  <i>All in this together.</i></p>	<p><b>FINANCIAL STRESS</b>                  A lady with 4 children came to <b>Community at 3</b> with difficulty meeting rising costs. We spoke to her Real Estate Agent and Electricity Company, assisted with food and helped her with a budget.                  A little less stress now.</p>
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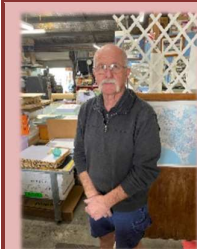
- ✓ Did you know that it took Leonardo Da Vinci 10 years to paint Mona Lisa?
- ✓ Did you know that about 50% of all people don't know that the sun is a star?
- ✓ Did you know that a baby foetus develops fingerprints at eighteen weeks?
- ✓ Did you know that our weekly FREE late Wednesday afternoon meal is a most important event where we get together and share our week with friends, **HOWEVER**, that is just a small part of our areas of involvement, which include dealing weekly with homelessness in our area, transport assistance, domestic and family care, as well as catering for general needs as they arise in such things as financial, food, health, household needs, family intervention, pastoral care and simply being a friend to those who need one.

**MAN WANTED BY POLICE**  
 A local man was subject to outstanding arrest warrants and came to **Community at 3** for advice. We were able to accompany him to the Police station and there, we advocated on his behalf. As a result of our assistance, a hearing has been set down in a few weeks' time. The man was also allowed to be released on bail. The man is now immensely relieved and will appear in Court soon to present his case.



BBQ. Thank you so much Jack & Pat. We love you.

**FABULOUS SUPPORTERS**  
 Jack & Pat, founders of "Flamingo", with other members of the band, give of their time free, every 2 weeks, to sing and play for all who attend the



**Len Lane (L J Lane Printshop)** has been a great supporter of Community at 3 from day 1, providing business cards to us and promoting Community at 3. He provides an excellent service as a local printer. We commend him for your printing needs.

Len has been operating for the past 20 years in the Camden Haven. You will find **L J Lane Printshop** at Bay 2, Bayside Circuit Laurieton (6559 7289)

**GWYN & HER GREAT NEICE**  
 Here are two of our favourite people: **Athena** and her great Aunt **Gwyn**, dressed for Winter. Athena is only a recent friend of **Community at 3**, but she has won over everyone with her infectious smile and delightful personality. Athena's father Connor is justifiably proud of his delightful daughter. Never lose that beautiful smile **Athena!**



**ANOTHER SUCCESS STORY TO SHARE**  
 We first met Casey and her kids (*see left - Cobey, Nate & Evie-Rae*) when they dropped into our weekly gathering about 4 years ago. At that time her financial position was a little tough. As a single Mum, she struggled to pay the mortgage and support the family and losing the home looked likely. However, Casey is a doer and with support from **Community at 3** Casey worked hard to keep things going. She worked for over a year as a Cleaner just to bring in the money but was always looking for something better. Her chance came when a local hairdresser, **Laurieton TLC Hair & Beauty**, offered Casey an apprenticeship. What a blessing. She loves the work and the people she meets and is so grateful for that opportunity. Casey described her experience of **Community at 3** as "a great place to chat, have a meal and feel a sense of community." When Casey first came, one of our lady Volunteers said to her (in a nice way): "I'm watching you." Recently that lady said to Casey: "I'm still watching you – and I'm proud of what I see." Well done Casey – we are all proud of you too.