

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, Lesa Sutherland, Philip Sutherland, 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 OUR COMBOYNE REPRESENTATIVE, RAY... "The church family and broader community of Comboyne are keen to support the "Transitional Accommodation Facility Appeal", having started with Comboyne Christmas Carol Night Collections 2021 and 2022. With God, all things are possible, and the number and spheres of influence of attendees at the recent Public Meeting, and the care and concern shown by the community, make it excitingly real. So many people will benefit from this inspirational project."



FROM GUESTS TO VOLUNTEERS



Richard and Rob

Some time ago, at different times, **Richard and Rob** dropped into our weekly BBQ meal Gathering behind the Laurieton United Services Club to check things out. Fast forward, and what you now see are two of our best and most energetic **Volunteers**.

THEY CAME FOR AN OUTING AND HAVEN'T STOPPED COMING

John and Stuart are friends. One day, a few years ago, they thought they might like to come down for an outing to see what this Gathering at **Community at 3** was all about. They liked what they saw and now they come as great **Volunteers** every week.



John and Stuart

IT'S WHAT WE DO

- ✓ **Community at 3** advocated on behalf of an employee concerning questionable work practices.
- ✓ Responding to a situation in which a person had drug overdosed – fortunately medical help arrived in time and **Community at 3** were able to spend time with the family giving comfort and care.
- ✓ In the past month excluding our weekly BBQ meal, we interviewed a total of 82 people who were seeking various forms of support.
- ✓ Also in the past month, 42 people attended for advice & just to speak with someone with whom they could share their concerns.
- ✓ **Community at 3** assisted 4 people find employment in the past month.
- ✓ We also made numerous hospital visits to people to offer support and just to show that we care.
- ✓ **Community at 3** assisted a young lady re-connect with her family at Laurieton. Happiness all round.



WINTER APPEAL HAS BEGUN
 Rotary Club of Laurieton president Nigel Urwin presenting **Community at 3** Chairman Theo Hazelgrove with food cards to launch our **2023 Winter Appeal**

WHERE ARE WE UP TO WITH TRANSITIONAL ACCOMMODATION?

- ✓ A Development Application will be submitted for a property at Kew which we hope to purchase.
- ✓ Plans and Reports are currently underway.
- ✓ We are trying very hard to obtain the necessary funding to complete the purchase.
- ✓ A prerequisite for any possible Government funding is to become registered as a Community Housing Provider. That process is also underway.

WATCH THIS SPACE

COMBATTING LONELINESS IN THE CAMDEN HAVEN

Our Vision Statement is this:
"To ensure that no one in the Camden Haven area is without support for their basic and essential needs."



Friendship, a sense of belonging and inclusion in community are some of those needs.

Community at 3 seeks to provide for those needs and is actively wanting to invite anyone **YOU** may know, who could be a little lonely, to join us each Wednesday afternoon behind the Laurieton United Services Club from around 2.30pm to enjoy a free meal, friendship in community and hopefully find a sense of belonging and inclusion.

If **YOU** have any questions, please phone one of the numbers above.



LEGAL ASSISTANCE
 Mid North Coast Legal Centre has a representative attend every fortnight at our Wednesday Gathering at the LUSC to provide



(MNCLC rep Rochelle Horsley)
 legal advice and assistance in a range of areas including Discrimination, Consumer law, Credit and debt law, Fines, Insurance, Employment law, Motor Vehicle Accidents, Some criminal law, Some family law, Domestic Violence, Traffic law, Elder Abuse, NDIS and other government decisions, Victims Services as well as advocacy services.



THE DESSERT BAR

Following the BBQ meal every Wednesday our wonderful **Volunteers** serve a selection of lovingly made desserts to all our Guests.
 Pictured are a few of our many Volunteers.

*(Pictured from left to right are **Sandy, Ronda, Antonia** and our Super Hospitality Coordinator **Fran**)*



Together in Community
 Glenn Maas, Secretary

"Before you hold a grudge, hold a conversation. It may be the result of a misunderstanding."