

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 (Co-Chairman), Alan Kilminster, Fran Burns, Glenn Maas, Hima Karnati, Ann Macinante, Cec Wasson, Brian Giles-Browne (Co-Chairman), Ray Peters, Lesa Sutherland, Philip Sutherland, Nathan Killick (Public Officer & 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 CO-CHAIRMAN THEO.. This month Community at 3 is **7 years old**. We were incorporated in November 2016 and as a result of the amazing support of so many in our community, we have been able, in return, to support needy members of our community in many ways during these years. We say: "Thank you for giving us the opportunity to serve our community". And thank you to all of our supporters and Volunteers, some who have been with us from the beginning. As we celebrate these 7 years, we congratulate so many who have taken the chance to seize an opportunity offered and now demonstrate a more successful life. So many have re-connected with society and families, contribute to the community and have a full time job. Well done to you all. Please help us to continue to help those in need.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

PETITION for TRANSITIONAL ACCOMMODATION FACILITY FOR THE HOMELESS

We are launching a PETITION to the NSW Government, asking them to assist us with funds to enable the purchase of a decommissioned motel at Kew for those who find themselves suddenly homeless and need accommodation for a short period to enable them to get back on their feet. This will be a permanent facility to deal with a massive problem in our country.

Local State Member, Leslie Williams, who has been a great support, will present the PETITION in Parliament. For her to do that **we need 10,000 signatures.**

Any person, living anywhere can sign the PETITION.

To achieve that, we need YOUR HELP PLEASE.

With this newsletter is a copy of the PETITION. All we ask is if you could:

1. Print copies
2. Obtain as many signatures as possible from friends, family, workmates, neighbours – anyone who sees merit in helping some of those who find themselves homeless.
3. Deliver or post the signed PETITION sheets to Community at 3 as soon as possible.



Jack Sim is here seen singing a song to his late wife **Pat**, with band members Lorrae and John, at the remembrance time held for **Pat** at a recent Community at 3 Wednesday Meal.

We all remember Pat as a much-loved member of the band "Flamingo" which entertains us every fortnight.

(Here she is with Jack doing that very thing not too long ago)



WHAT WE'VE BEEN UP TO THIS PAST MONTH

- ✓ Community at 3 transported 3 people to Oncology
- ✓ We transported a homeless man to Grafton to re-connect with his family.
- ✓ Assisted 2 men into employment and job training was arranged for a young lady accepting a new job.
- ✓ Attended a Domestic Violence incident.
- ✓ Supported a family with an unexpected death.
- ✓ Interviewed **67** people with varying concerns.
- ✓ The family of John & Denise were taken in a head on car accident in Brisbane recently. Community at 3 arranged the funerals and assisted the family to travel to Brisbane with transport and accommodation.
- ✓ We arranged accommodation for 10 people last month
- ✓ Assistance was arranged for a dog to be cared for whilst the owner had medical support.



Alf and Anne from Laurieton Lions presenting a cheque to Theo from the balance of funds raised at the winding up of their

Club. **Alf, Anne and the Lions Club** have been wonderful supporters of Community at 3. Thank you so much, guys.



Nikki is a regular at Community at 3 meals. She is there solely to support people with cats and dogs needing assistance with food, free vaccinations, desexing of dogs & cats and vet checks, and animal essentials (leads, coats, collars etc,) donated by her in the name of Nikki's late 18yo cocker spaniel, **Karma**. Thanks Nikki – you are a blessing.



In addition to Nikki, **Donna** and the team from **Animal Rescue** supply us with dog and cat food for people who attend the BBQ. Thank you also **Donna & Team** – those with animals, and in financial need, are also blessed by these gifts.



IAN SHOWS US HOW A LIFE CAN BE SAVED
Ian Spencer, a local retired Ambulance Officer, gives a demonstration of the use of a Defibrillator, donated to us by the local **Coffee Club** run by **Graham Lee**. **Ian** explained the situations where CPR is necessary and when a Defibrillator is of vital assistance, whilst waiting for an ambulance to arrive.

(Treasurer Alan thanks Graham for his continuous support of Community at 3)

