



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)

<p>Edition 38 January 2024</p>	<h3>YOUR NEWSLETTER</h3> <p>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</p>
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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.



Over 80 Guests and Volunteers enjoyed our Christmas meal together. May your 2024 be a year of great blessings for you all.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
to get names for **OUR PETITION**
Please call Theo 0419-370076 if you can help!

Over 5,000 signatures obtained so far!
Please help us reach the target of 10,000 signatures

Also, a copy of the Petition is attached to the email
We must have **ORIGINAL SIGNATURES**
Please return original signatures to..
Kew Corner Store OR Camden Haven Anglican Church



Our very active man in Comboyne **Ray Lance** is seen here seeking signatures for our Petition to the NSW Government for financial assistance to secure a property for transitional accommodation for the suddenly homeless in our area. Thank you **Ray** for your wonderful support of Community at 3.

HOW DO WE QUALIFY THOSE WE HELP?

We have what we call at Community at 3 a "Community Care Process". Chairman Theo, who oversees our Community Care Team, describes it this way... "When assessing the level of assistance and support Community at 3 brings to people, we like to follow a process. We don't like third party referrals unless a full assessment has been made and we know the people making the assessment. It is the same with telephone requests - we like to meet in person. It is always our desire to support the person in the best way possible, so, with a careful interview, correct decisions can be made as to the best way forward. We have many requests for cash, and rarely do we give cash, and if a payment is required for support, we do this directly. Community at 3 will not see anyone go hungry, but it is our overwhelming desire to assist the whole person, and in some cases this may require re-connecting with family, re-connecting with society, finding employment, accommodation, Spiritual support etc. - and in all of these areas, we walk alongside the people, and offer ongoing support." (Theo)



AMERICAN MOTORCYCLE CLUB DISPLAYS MORE GENEROSITY

The local American Motorcycle Club, Hastings Chapter, is a most generous supporter of needy organisations in our region. **Doug**, President of the Club, with some other Club members, is here presenting Theo with a cheque to enable Community at 3 to repair/replace commercial fridges and freezers needed to keep weekly free meals running efficiently. **THANK YOU SO MUCH AGAIN, GUYS!!**

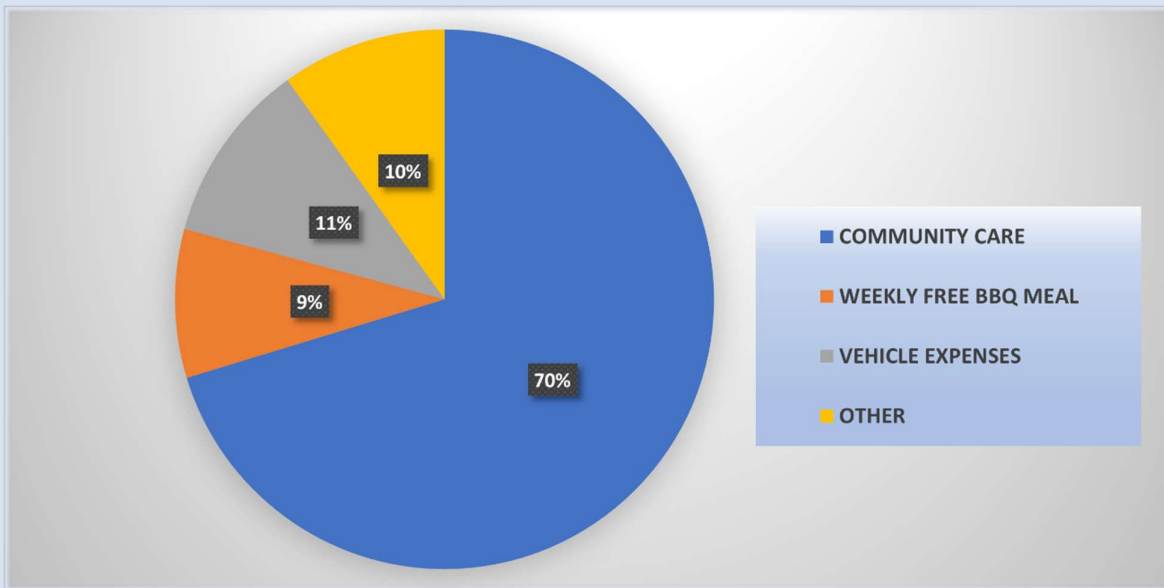
A RECORD MONTH

Community at 3 had more than **150 people** request assistance in the past month.

Amongst those requests, we transported numerous people to medical appointments, had requests from two other charities for advice/support, as well as reconnecting two estranged families. We exist to help others.

HOW WE SPEND YOUR MONEY

We'd like to inform you as to what we do with the funds & gift vouchers generously donated to Community at 3 by so many members of the community. The chart below gives a very broad picture. Rarely do we simply hand out cash to people in need – rather we discern needs and try to address them.



COMMUNITY CARE – Food, food parcels & vouchers, accommodation and travel assistance, general support.

WEEKLY BBQ MEAL – BBQ food (in addition to donated food), related equipment & supplies.

VEHICLES – Registration, insurance, fuel & maintenance of our donated small sedan & 12-seater bus.

OTHER – Public liability insurance & Volunteers Workers' Compensation insurance, sundry admin costs.

No Volunteer is paid. Administration costs are negligible. Much is donated (including by Volunteers).

In addition, 100% of money donated for the Transitional Homeless Accommodation Project is held in trust.

You are the only person on earth that can use your ability – don't waste it



Together in Community
Glenn Maas, Secretary



Thank You!

Should you wish to make a donation...
our bank details are..

BSB: 932-000 Account No: 500 187 503

(Please advise email address if tax deductible receipt required)...alternatively you can go online and donate via **PayPal** or by **Direct Deposit**

<https://communityat3.org.au/donate/>

..or use QR code

