

Community Newsletter

Summer 2023





New Beginnings for 2023

Being part of a local community is a rewarding experience with some great opportunities, however it can be daunting coming to a new area and meeting new people. At Enriching Communities we love helping new people to the area and meeting many locals as part of our activations, get-togethers and community building initiatives. We hope that you enjoy our Summer 2023 newsletter by finding moments to connect with others. From reading about the fun we've had in our neighbourhood, to what's on in the coming weeks and months. 'Till we see you out and about we hope you enjoy reading this newsletter edition.

Warmest regards, Suzanne Guastini - Founder Enriching Communities

Community News



Greenbank Community Hero Winner

Congratulations to Kathy Smith, our 2022 Greenbank Community Hero Awards Winner.

Kathy exemplifies the essence of community spirit and has been recognised for her contributions to our local community through positively advocating and taking action for the lives of many as acknowledged in 2022 during our people's choice awards.

Kathy has always been a giving person, from her involvement with the foster care system to her volunteer work with the Rotary Club. Her most recent mission has been to advocate and support those who have been affected by domestic violence. From recovery workshops for women, food bank donations, and defenders kits to assist those in need, her charity Defenders for Hope has helped countless individuals.

Kathy received a \$500 gift card from Everleigh by Mirvac. We thank all our finalists for their community endeavours as they have all shown how giving back within the community fosters the spirit of kindness and community connection. To find out more head to communityheroawards.com.au

Image: Cr. Natalie Wilcocks, Cristin Wood - Mirvac, Kathy Smith, MP Charis Mullen, Suzanne Guastini - Enriching Communities and MP Linus Power.

Everleigh Neighbours Group

Everleigh residents are invited to join the Everleigh Neighbours Facebook group to get to know one another, share ideas, create special interest groups and keep our community feeling and looking great together. You can join the group once your land contract goes unconditional by searching Facebook/EverleighNeighbours and completing the online questions to join the closed Everleigh Residents group.



Everleigh Garden Competition

Congratulations to the Nileshni family the winner of the Everleigh Garden competition. They have created a colourful and

well maintained garden. Garden care is rewarding but it can often be tricky to know where to start with the change of seasons, how much sunshine is adequate or when to water and mulch. The Everleigh Garden Care guide offers tips on pruning, mulching, watering and other helpful hints to help get you started. View the guide at everleigh.mirvac.com/landscaping

Thank you to all the green thumbs at Everleigh and a big thank you to our winners for creating a delightful front yard. They have received a \$200- gift voucher

from Everleigh to use at Greenbank Plant Shed.



Everleigh Hero Winner

Our neighbourhood here at Everleigh is filled with kind-hearted people who are always willing to help one another around the estate. We see warmth being

expressed in the Everleigh Neighbours online group and have decided to thank one lady who is often seen commenting her appreciation towards others. You may know Liz Metahari for her posts within the group, she is a standout Everleigh Hero for continually sharing kind words and recommendations, which ultimately assist others in the group. Thank you Liz for being you. Your kindness and thoughtfulness towards others has been noticed and appreciated, we hope you enjoy your present.

Everleigh Neighbours Community Ideas Group



On Wednesday 22 February our Everleigh Neighbours meet to brainstorm community ideas and initiatives for our neighbourhood at our first workshop session. Uniting together the group shared ideas that are being put into action plans now for our Neighbour Day Sundowner event at Leaf Park on 26 March starting at 3pm. You are sure to meet new people and enjoy what the group is organising.

Being part of a community that creates together is both rewarding and a great way to make new connections and be part of something bigger. You are never to late to get involved, with new ideas on the agenda each meeting. We are next meeting on Wednesday 8 March, 6pm.

Stay tuned on our **facebook.com/EverleighNeighbours** group to hear more about what is on the horizon and via our community newsletter editions.

What's On

Community Events

Our community calendar has something for everyone! Meet other locals and neighbours, make new friends and connect with other like-minded people at one of the many social groups, community events, activations.



To gain quick access to our free event tickets, scan the QR code.



Everleigh Splash Party

Soak in the summer fun and cool off at our Everleigh Summer

Festival 'Splash Party' this February. Bring your togs and towels, slap on some sunscreen and get ready for an afternoon of splashing good fun!

Join us on Sunday February 26th for this all ages event with food trucks and games. Please book your free tickets or scan our QR code and register all attendees **splashparty.eventbrite.com.au**



Everleigh Neighbour Day Sundowner Chill

Settle back on Sunday 26 March 2023

for our neighbourhood sundowner at Leaf Park to celebrate National Neighbour Day. Our annual get-together is a great time to catch up with your neighbours or meet some new ones. We invite you to bring along your picnic rugs, chairs, nibbles and drinks for an afternoon of live music, games and easy listening. Book your spot at everleighneighboursday2023.eventbrite.com.au or scan our OR code.



Clean Up Australia Day

We are rallying the troops to help keep ur neighbourhoods tidy

for national Clean Up Australia Day. Local areas in need of a little TLC will be the focus of our clean up crews. Sign up and help keep clutter and rubbish away from our street and drains which will help keep our wildlife safe. Get a group together for some feel-good community service this March 5, 2023. Together we can make an impact that improves our environment. Register your interest here to find out more about locations and times **cleanupgreenbank2023.eventbrite.com.au**



Easter Movie Under the Stars

Every-bunny will have an eggstra fun night this Easter at our Movie

night under the stars. SING 2 will be on the big screen for families of all ages to sing along with this heartfelt story. Bring your picnic rugs and grab some dinner from our food trucks Dagwood Dog and Fractured Wood BBQ on the night. The Easter Bunny will join us for some fun easter games. Book your free tickets or scan our QR code eastermovienight2023.eventbrite.com.au

Social Get-Togethers



Positive Pump Youth Class

Positive Pump Youth Group is a safe and positive training environment for young people promoting body positivity and self-esteem. Designed for girls ages 8 to 17 years to make friends, discuss health and fitness topics as well as exercise together. Lots of fun every week. Free tickets please book each week **positivepumpyouthgroup.eventbrite.com.au**



Greenbank Bush Walkers

We are meeting on Wednesdays, 22 February, 8 and 22 March. Join us as we start this new group together appreciating nature and conneting outdoors. Please let us know you will be attending by scanning our QR code or booking a ticket here **greenbankbushwalkersgroup.eventbrite.com.au**



Summer Boxing Classes

Monday night training is back as we put on the boxing gloves for a great workout to start a great week ahead. Led by local trainer Darren from Dazza Fitness, it is great to have him back keeping attendees on track with their fitness goals. Bring your friends and invite the neighbours for the training sessions. Free ticket bookings each week **boxingfitness.eventbrite.com.au**



Seniors Coffee Group

It takes a friend to make a friend – with lasting connections being made each time we meet. We encourage you to come along to our casual coffee mornings to meet other locals from the Greenbank area. We meet 10am every fortnight on Thursday's at Middle Green club. For free ticket bookings seniorscoffeegroup2023.eventbrite.com.au



Everleigh Little Learners & Greenbank Busy Bees Playgroup

Playgroup is for bubs, toddlers and preschoolers being held each week at Everleigh State School. Great times to make new friends, enjoy the program activities and familiarise your little one with the lovely outdoor playground and educators. Playgroup is all about friendship and kindness. everleighlittlelearners.eventbrite.com.au



Sunset Yoga

Sunset Yoga is a beautiful start to the evening where we replenish our bodies and minds through the ancient practice. Everyone is welcome - if you are new or have been enjoying the practice, please do join us. sunsetyogasummer2023.eventbrite.com.au

Community Events Throwback

Everleigh Glows Christmas Lights & Street Party

Christmas came early to Everleigh for the second annual Everleigh Glows Christmas Lights Competition. Santa joined in the frivolity and cheer, locals delighted in local food fare and enjoyed the community Christmas spirit that was all around the neighbourhood that evening. With 50 homes participating this year onlookers were dazzled by creativity and festive cheer! In appreciation of the community spirit, Everleigh by Mirvac sponsored the annual competition along with the Street Party to celebrate our neighbourhood's festive charm. We thank all our entrants for illuminating the estate, again it was a stunning display all around the local area. Thank you to Judges MP Linus Power and Vito Sorbello from ONO Cafe & Flowers for judging the entrants. With prizes being awarded to

Classic Winner - The Woods Family
Extravaganza Winner - The Ram Family
Wildcard Winner - The Mills Family
Elegant Winner - The Rees Family

All above winners received a \$200- gift card of appreciation from Everleigh by Mirvac Residential. With a new category for Elegant Winners category awarded to The Rees Family to spend at the new Ono Cafe & Flowers.





Seniors Trivia Events

Our bi-monthly trivia sessions are a real hit with the local seniors. We held two recent trivia events for Christmas and Valentines Day at Middle Green during our regular fortnightly seniors morning tea sessions. The enthusiam from everyone is such a treat, groups enjoying the mind bending questions and each others company. We provide a light morning tea thanks to Everleigh by Mirvac and also enjoy fresh coffee and tea supplied courtesy of Middle Green.

We are now expanding the Trivia with Bingo mornings on alternative months. More information is in our upcoming events.



Backyard Picnic with Playgroup families

On Wednesday
25 January
we rolled
out the rugs,
shared some
stories and
games ahead
of Australia
Day with our
Everleigh
Little Learners
playgroup
friends. Our
backyard
setting on the

warm day was a nice alternative before returning to Everleigh State School the week after. New friendships were formed while we shared a light morning tea and the kids even enjoyed fairy bread making together. Join us for our weekly playgroup, gam Wednesdays.



Teddy Bears Playgroup Picnic

On Wednesday 7 December we held our final Playgroup for the year. The little ones enjoyed our first Teddy Bears picnic in the shade, listening to a story from little Elf Sienna and dancing along to upbeat Christmas tunes. The star of the day was Santa himself, with all the boys and girls being added to Santa's nice list and receiving a small gift from Enriching Communities on the day. We would like to extend a big thanks to Everleigh State School for their support throughout 2022 as we moved our playgroup to their resource centre and playground each week. We look forward to more exciting times ahead in 2023 at Everleigh Little Learners Playgroup.



Greenbank Bushwalkers

We stretched our legs heading out for our first social bushwalkers group. Exploring Wearing Park bush trail, the round circuit was 3.5 kilometres, we took in the nice afternoon making new connections and chatting about future plans. We look forward to more exciting times with everyone this year.

Happy Hula-Days

There were tropical vibes aplenty at our Happy Hula-Days event in Greenbank last year. Thank you to everyone who came to the Display Village Street Party and helped celebrate the opening of the stunning new display homes! The entertainment, market stalls and treats from the builders were a hit! Congratulations again to the winner of the Elf on The Shelf Hunt who took home a \$200 gift certificate to Australia Zoo.









Thank you as always to our local emergency crews from Greenbank Rural Fire Brigade and Logan West SES Depot for attending. The trucks and boat were a hit with the children. Thank you to Gloria Jean's Coffees AUS for their support with the palmy views around the park.

Thank you to both FAD Logan West dancers for dazzling our audience with their upbeat routines and we thank carolers from New Beith Baptist Church leading us into song with classic favourites nostalgic of Christmas gone by.









Learning about country

It's not often you have the privilege like we did late last year to attend a site walk with James and Chris from Jagera Daran. Visiting the conservation area enveloping Everleigh our teams were able to learn more about country with our hosts. Historical tools, vegetation, natural landscape grades all shed light and an even greater appreciation of ingenuity and connection to land from traditional owners. James shared how, "It was good to get back to country and see what our mob was doing". We gained a deeper respect for the breadth of knowledge and were taken in with the stories shared that day. Thank you to the team from Jagera Daran for all they are doing to unearth the past and bring it forward into our lives today.

Scooby-Do Halloween Mystery Halloween inspired friends visited Everleigh during the spooky afternoon. With hundreds of people turning up to meet Scooby Doo and his friends and join in the fun on the afternoon. Prizes were awarded to the best dressed families, it was a sea of colour and freights enjoyed by all.

Collaborating Locally!







Reflecting on our times with Everleigh State

Everleigh State School opened its doors on the February 7 2022 commencing their foundation year. A new school for all the students, teachers and staff to create together. A place where children come to learn, make new friendships and so much more. At Enriching Communities we had the privilege during the foundation year to be part of creating special moments and memories with the students and Everleigh staff for which we are forever grateful. We enjoyed being part of the behind the scenes tours before the school opened, joining in the opening ceremony, under 8's day, our Biggest Morning Tea community fundraiser event, playgroups each week, Anzac Day ceremony, the Year 6 Graduation and our foundation prep students time capsule that is sealed 'till 2028. We look forward to another exciting year ahead working with the school and getting to know more local families along the way. For more school information head to **everleighss.eq.edu.au**



Meet the Pets

Cuddles with Stormy and Daisy



We have some beautiful pets that call Everleigh home, and we love to shine a light on these special members of the community you may not see at our events. Stormy and Daisy are adopted cats who love sitting in the front window in the mornings, soaking up the warm Australian sun.

Stormy (a 9-year-old tuxedo cat) was rescued around 4.5 years ago. He is friendly and sweet, and will do almost anything - including a few tricks - for some treats. He no longer hides from rubbish trucks. Stormy also loves the outdoors and will join his owners Esther and Nathan when they are outside.

Daisy is a mix of everything and has the most adorable fluffy tail! She was adopted as a kitten and is now 2 years old. She is a very gentle cat and loves to talk (especially when she wants attention). Daisy thrives indoors, and thankfully settled into her new home quite quickly. She loves to watch the birds from the windows - 24/7 live entertainment!

You can follow their adventures on Instagram: @stormy_tuxedo and @daisy.the.calicotabby

Share your furry friends pictures and stories with us at Enriching Communities to be featured in an upcoming newsletter edition.

Businesses in Everleigh

Comm-unity is about everyone from families to small businesses, groups, ideas and much more. We love showcasing Greenbank businesses in our newsletter so that more people can see and support local. Today we are introducing two businesses that operate in Everleigh, convenience really is only a stroll away.



Studio 65 is owned and operated by resident Shelly and we can attest first hand you are definitely in great hands when it comes to your hair being cared for by Shelly with her 20 years experience in the industry. Search on instagram studio65professionalhair



Pinh is one of our many Everleigh neighbours who is a real creative talent. Candles and scents have always been important to her, and even before she started Devana Candles she was always creating candles for her friends and family. Devana Candles offers personalised and plant based candles. Find out more on instagram **devanacandles**



Local update from Cr. Natalie Willcocks



I hope that all residents had a fantastic Christmas and New Year and are enjoying the holiday period. The holiday season is a special time for all, so I do hope that you took some time to reconnect and enjoy. Congratulations to the winners of the Everleigh Christmas Lights display. Everleigh was certainly decked out beautifully with light displays, so thank you to all the residents who put up Christmas lights for all of us to see and enjoy.

The AFL fields in Everleigh are progressing and the plans for the future clubhouse on site are also getting closer to finalisation. I can't wait to see the field in use and watch the games from the clubhouse in the future.

Now that we are in the new year, most of us are back at work and school or still enjoying some time off. Please keep up to date with me via Facebook and please feel free to contact me via email nataliewillcocks@logan.qld.gov.au or phone 0491 743 141 or my office on 3412 4806.



Mirvac Development Update

What a year for Everleigh!

Despite wild La Nina weather events, challenging industry conditions and the first glimpses of a post COVID-19 environment, our Community and Delivery Teams have shown phenomenal resilience through 2022 – and for this, we thank you. To see the Community grow, thrive and enjoy is an honest reminder of "why", and makes any challenge an opportunity for the better.

We could not be more proud of what was delivered this year. Over the course of 2022, we opened the gates to Everleigh State School, officially launched the Everleigh AFL Ovals, held a large-scale event to celebrate the opening of our new display homes, provided over 100 housing opportunities for new Everleigh residents, and held over 130 activations for both the Everleigh and broader Greenbank community.

In 2023 we ready ourselves for the next chapter of delivery: completion of the Russet and Ochre Releases and the next phase of housing opportunities, completion of the toilet block and the first kicks on the Everleigh AFL Ovals!

If you have any questions about the construction taking place, or generally about the development, please feel free to contact the Community Hotline on 1300 659 694.

Welcome to Everleigh!

Congratulations on your new home!



Since October 2017 we have been creating a connected Greenbank community, we have seen our neighbourhood grow from strength to strength and wish to welcome you to our community through our welcome program. It is our pleasure at Enriching Communities to personally welcome every new resident to the Everleigh community with a gift and welcome pack full of useful information to help you get settled into your new neighbourhood and home.

Please contact us via email emily@enrichingcommunities.com.au.



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