Welcome to the Summer edition of our newsletter!

There are lots of fun things happening in December and in the New Year in the Norwest area. We hope you will join us for the Norwest Family Christmas Party, come along to the Christmas Film Festival or check out many of the events organised by others in the local area. We have included information in this newsletter for you. Please note most of our regular groups will take a break over Christmas and January but will be back in February.

Norwest Community Festival, held on 24th September, was a great day out for all. Hosted at Bella Vista Farm for the first time, the event featured rides, food, live music, games, animal farm and more. A huge thank you to Mulpha Norwest for organizing and sponsoring this annual event and to The Hills Shire Council for their support.

Upcoming events:

Norwest Family Christmas Party

Come and celebrate the season at our Family Christmas Party. We will enjoy afternoon tea with free coffees for parents, face painting, games, a Christmas magic show and a visit from Santa.

When: Saturday 2nd December
Date: Saturday 2nd December
Time: 4 pm to 6 pm
Venue: Lakeside Park (behind Mulpha Norwest Sales Centre), 36 Solent Circuit

Bookings: To assist with catering, please let us know how many children & adults are coming by booking your free ticket via Eventbrite.com.au & search Norwest Family Christmas Party by 28th November

WE WISH YOU A HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR!
New Interest Groups
If you are interested in getting involved in or starting a new group, please let us know by emailing info@norwestcommunity.com.au

Volunteer Garden Keeper Group
Are you passionate about keeping Bella Vista Waters looking beautiful? If yes, then this is the group for you. Supported by The Hills Shire Council, the group meets on the first Saturday of the month to do extra garden maintenance. A Council officer is in attendance and supplies all tools and materials. Please note the group has a limited capacity and you need to contact Scott on 0419 985 899 if you would like to come along. Thank you to all who have been coming & making a difference!

Dates: Saturdays 2nd December & 3rd February from 2 pm to 4 pm

Friday Happy Hour
Friday Happy Hour is taking a break over December and January but will be back in February. We will be back at the Country Club, where the evening will feature free bar food, a meat raffle and a chocolate wheel! Why not come and join us for a relaxing night out

Date: 2nd February
Time: From 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm
Venue: Castle Hill Country Club, Spurway Drive, Baulkham Hills

Luncheon Ladies
Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month. Meet with the girls for fun, friendship & local restaurant experiences.

13th December – Christmas Lunch
12 pm at Bivanos Italian Restaurant, 638 Old Northern Road, Dural (back of Hargraves Nursery). RSVP (see below) by 7th December if you are coming. A deposit of $40 is required at time of booking.

21st February
12 pm at Quii Dining, 6/8 Century Circuit, Baulkham Hills (Lakeside lower level)
RSVP: Please phone Margaret on 9629 3036 or Suzanne on 8824 3091 2 days prior.

Norwest Community Association members were invited to come along to a special wine tasting and social event on Friday 20th October at Mulpha Norwest Sales & Information Centre. Compliments of Bimbadgen, a boutique winery in the Hunter Valley, we were able to sample six quality wines and learn about them. There was also delicious finger food and drinks to be enjoyed. These Gold Member events are a great way to meet people and form friendships, which was very evident on the night, and the event was a great success. We also welcomed some new members on the night.

Why not get involved?
We invite you to join us and come along to our events, which are a great opportunity to meet other people and make new friends. The more members we have, the better we can represent our community when there are concerns. Please visit our website norwestcommunity.com.au for news, event information and you can join via the Members’ Benefits page. By becoming a member you will not only support the work of the Association, but enjoy members’ benefits, which include discounts at selected local restaurants, cafes and invitations to exclusive members’ events.

If you would like to get involved, the next Norwest Community Association Meeting will be held on Tuesday 12th December at 7.30 pm at Mulpha Norwest Sales & Information Centre, 36 Solent Circuit.

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Where: Lakeside Park (behind Mulpha Norwest Sales Centre), 36 Solent Circuit
Friday Coffee Club

Meets 2nd Friday of each month except in January. Come along & enjoy a coffee with new friends.

Dates: 8th December, 9th February
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Café McKels, Shop 14, CircaRetail, 1 Circa Boulevard, Bella Vista

Norwest Men’s Group

This group is a great way for men to connect and solve the problems of the world!

Dates: Tuesdays 12th December, 9th January & 13th February
Time: 10.00 am
Venue: Café McKels, Shop 14, CircaRetail, 1 Circa Boulevard, Bella Vista
Enquiries: Phone Barry on 0409 916 380 or Denis on 0411 550 864

Mah-Jong Group

Are you interested in learning how to play Mah-jong? We meet every second Tuesday. If you would like to join the group, please call Margaret.

Venue: We meet in homes in the local area
Contact: For information and venue details call Margaret on 9629 3036

Group Fitness Training

Our IN2Life NIGHT OPS Group Training runs twice a week. If you want to lose weight and have fun with other local residents, why not come along and join us!

When: Every Monday and Wednesday night from 7 to 8 pm until 20th December and from 8th January
Venue: Norwest Lake, off Maitland Place
Cost is $100 for 5 week block with 2 sessions per week or $50 for 5 week block with one session per week
Bookings: If you are interested please email Sarah at sarah@in2lifepa.com.au or call 0418 417 182.

Have you liked our Facebook page yet? Check it out at facebook.com/norwestcommunity.

Are you on our mailing list for email updates? If not, please email us your contact details via info@norwestcommunity.com.au.

We thank Mulpha Norwest for their continuing support of our community and sponsorship of this newsletter.

Mulpha Norwest Sales & Information Centre is located at 36 Solent Circuit, Baulkham Hills. Phone: 1300 090 388

Local community events:

Christmas in the Hills
For the 6th Year Christmas In The Hills will bring joy to Bella Vista Farm Park. Food and rides from 4 pm, Carols from 7 pm – 9 pm followed, by a spectacular fireworks display.

When: Wednesday 13th December
Where: Bella Vista Farm Park
Bookings & Info: christmasinthehills.com.au

Shakespeare in the Park
Audiences of Shakespeare in the Park can expect great things from this season’s plays, Measure for Measure and The Servant of Two Masters.
With the historic Bella Vista Farm backdrop audiences are sure to be enthralled with the performance. Bring a picnic, blanket or a chair, make it a family outing and get up close to the action. From 8th December. Please visit summerseries.com.au/Shakespeare-in-the-Park for more information.

New Year’s Eve at the Farm
For the first-time ever, residents of The Hills will be able to celebrate New Year’s Eve without having to leave the Shire. Welcome in the new year with live music, food trucks, a bar, rides, and of course, fireworks!
Music legend Ian Moss will be headlining the inaugural New Year’s Eve celebrations. Please visit summerseries.com.au/New-Year’s-Eve-at-The-Farm for more information.

Sydney Hills Outdoor Cinema
After it’s immense success last summer, the Outdoor Cinema returns for another season with a mix of classic and new releases. From 11th January. Please visit summerseries.com.au/Sydney-Hills-Outdoor-Cinema for more information.

Australia Day at the Farm
Celebrate everything that makes Australia great at The Hills Shire’s massive afternoon celebration with show-stopping performances, rides, kid’s activities, delicious street food, roving performers, fireworks and much more.
Please visit summerseries.com.au/Australia-Day-at-The-Farm for more information.

There are lots of events being organised by The Hills Shire Council over summer. Please visit summerseries.com.au
Mulpha unveils $3b+ Smart City future for Norwest

Developer Mulpha has launched its vision to transform the 377 hectare masterplanned Norwest Business Park into a world-leading innovation, lifestyle and economic hub, encompassing all the features of a ‘Smart City’.

Mulpha Norwest Executive General Manager, Tim Spencer, said Mulpha is committed to delivering a highly desirable and liveable Smart City at Norwest, which will provide new age jobs, supported by a new age entrepreneurial workforce, be a beacon of modern education and innovation, and engender a strong sense of community amongst both residents and workers.

Mulpha will use its $3+billion investment pipeline to foster Norwest’s development into one of Sydney’s most vibrant communities using innovative design, technology and collaboration.

Norwest is strategically located in Sydney’s vital economic corridor, between Sydney’s CBD, Parramatta, Hornsby, the growth precincts of the west and the second international airport. Norwest is a key element of state and local government’s long-term growth plans*, and a major beneficiary of Sydney’s biggest infrastructure investments and Government’s continued focus.

Infrastructure committed and currently under implementation includes the $8b Sydney Metro North West Rail project, a further $3.6b of infrastructure upgrades to western Sydney roads and the $20b new Western Sydney Airport. The acknowledgement of the potential and importance of Norwest will continue to direct focus on further major road works such as Norwest Boulevard.

Norwest will be increasingly accessible via two new Metro stations, T-Way buses and extensive motorway upgrades.

“In response to the State Government’s Plan for Growing Sydney 2036, we are aiming to deliver a unique education and upskilling platform to be the basis of an evolution from the knowledge-based workforce into an entrepreneurial economy, opening up the future for 60,000+ new age jobs, from the current 30,000.” Mr Spencer said.

Mr Spencer said the masterplan is also delivering the diversity of housing required to meet the demands of its increasing residential population, forecast to increase from 6,000 today to more than 20,000+ residents.

The physical transformation of Norwest will integrate the redevelopment of Norwest Marketown; the development of The Greens residential precinct; the redevelopment of the Circa commercial, retail and retirement precinct; the revitalisation of Norwest’s network of walkways and cycleways and a concept to drive daily activation of Bella Vista Farm Park.

This carefully planned built form environment will offer seamless living, working and recreational spaces, with over 50 hectares of public open space, activated public parks and plazas, and a vibrant social, food and entertainment culture.

The entire community will be connected by intertwining 50 km of pathways and cycleways, creating a truly walkable and cyclable city, actively encouraging residents and workers to stroll between the integrated precincts.

Mulpha has engaged consultants to investigate Smart City innovations including driverless shuttles, a fully integrated transport strategy, installation of healthcare technology for healthy living and ageing in place, off-grid energy options, and high speed public zone WiFi.

“Mulpha is also tackling how all this ties up with the Internet of Things (IoT) in order to harness big data and the policies around disseminating this through live portals,” said Mr Spencer.

“But our commitment to creating a new model of a city extends well beyond the physical infrastructure. We are working in collaboration with some of the best thought leaders in Australia and overseas to establish a new life-long approach connecting education, research, product development, business and most importantly a new-age, smart and innovative workforce.”

*A Plan for Growing Sydney; The Hills Shire Council’s Corridor Strategy; Draft West Central District Plan; Department of Planning and Transport NSW Station Structure Plans

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