

Freshwater News

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Waves Rock Curly



Valley M Awards



Pianist de Resistance



Our village beautification is nearly complete. With a mixed response from the community on it's improvement, summer will put these new crossings, planter gardens and eating 'pontoons' to the test.

Although the new space provides us with many imaginings as to what we can do with it, we will miss the red and yellow guard rails, if only for that added safety

barrier you could hide behind before crossing the road.

Make sure you are still careful when using the crossings as local motorists and visitors familiarise themselves with the changed conditions.

And for those eating in the raised 'pontoon' eating areas, let me know what the view's like.

GLAMOUR AT THE HILTON

The Harbord Hilton recently hosted the annual Valley M Awards night. Much like the NRL equivalent, flashing bulbs and red carpet runway welcomed members and guests of Valley United to celebrate their successful year on the and off the field.

With Tom Williams adding star flavour as MC for the evening, loyal patrons of the club applauded their younger representatives.

With a fresh look at the future of rugby league, Valley United is committed to being a family friendly club.



Valley Life Members L-R Graham "Zom" Knox , "Pommy" John and Bob Dyer



Congratulations to Dilan Montgomerie who took out player of the year.

With the success of Ladies Day and Kane Mason Day, we look forward to the 2010 season and what the Spartans' have up their sleeves.



A grade coach David Hoban and Club President Peter Kelly

SOUND WAVES ROCKED AGAIN AT CURLY



What an awesome day!! With a deluge of rain in the week leading up to the event, the sun came out to celebrate another kicker music festival at South Curly.

Blues bands rocked the afternoon away for everyone relaxing on the sand with a beer in hand, or those bopping away with the kiddies on the dance floor.



Ava enjoys the sun, sand and playing in the surf boats on the beach.



Noela Roberts from Harbord Financial Services enjoys the seafood buffet on the VIP deck.

If you would like to share information in Freshwater News please contact Melanie Carson on 9939 6744, or email melanie.carson@people.net.au

PACIFIC TOURISM STILL CONFIDENT IN THE FACE OF TRAGEDY

The Australian Federation of Travel Agents (AFTA) has a tag line "Without a Travel Agent, you're on your own". Here in Freshwater, BLUE Full Service Travel is a member of AFTA. With the recent natural disasters in Samoa, Tonga and Indonesia that tag line really meant something.

At BLUE we recently had clients in Samoa and always have clients in Indonesia. Everyone travels with expectations of a wonderful, care-free, relaxing holiday and, thankfully, this is exactly what most people experience. However, sometimes things go wrong... disastrously wrong.

Fortunately, BLUE didn't have clients caught recently however we did have clients in Phuket during the Boxing Day Tsunami. Although we didn't realise it at the time, we soon became the link between our clients who were confronted with an extremely difficult situation and their family and friends back here. Luckily, BLUE was able to rearrange all aspects of their travel, liaise with their insurance company and ensured that they arrived home safely.



Many people these days think that the Internet is the font of all travel knowledge and with rock bottom prices it can seem a more attractive way to book your travel arrangements. But buyers beware! When something does go wrong, you are left on your own, in a foreign country with little, if no assistance.

Samoa, Tonga and Indonesia are recovering from recent devastation. These beautiful destinations rely heavily on tourism to support the economy and are encouraging visitors back. Since then, two cruise ships have already visited Samoa.

How about considering it as your next tropical destination!

Thank you to Ian McMinn from BLUE Full Service Travel. Freshwater 9939 4048.



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ST AUGUSTINE'S PIANO COMPETITION

Harbord **Community Bank**[®] had the recent pleasure of supporting the annual St Augustine's **Bendigo Bank** Piano Competition.

Students from Years 5-11 performed two pieces of a contrasting nature for a select audience in the Lecceto Auditorium at St Augustine's college.

Congratulations to Giorgio Nati of Year 7 who won the Junior Division award and Ryan Tucker of Year 11 who won Senior Division.

Harbord **Community Bank**[®] Branch of **Bendigo Bank** donated 2 x \$1000 sponsorship packages for further tuition with Mr Gerard Willems, Associate Professor and Head of Piano Studies for the Conservatorium of Music, and adjudicator for the annual competition.



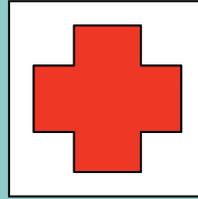
John Vaccaro, Ryan Tucker, Rowley Moore, Ian Greentree, Gael Robinson, Giorgio Nati & Gerard Willems



FRESHWATER CHRISTMAS CAROLS

Santa is coming! And the annual Freshwater Carols will be held at Freshwater Beach Reserve on the 20th of December 2009.

Come along with the kids and enjoy the festive fun with a sausage sizzle, puppet show by QuizWorks and the always fervent singing of the locals.



CPR and FIRST AID

FREE COMMUNITY COURSE

WATER SAFETY = SUMMER FUN

SUMMER is here! And water safety is most important when it comes to enjoying beaches and backyard pools.

The reality is, sometimes accidents happen, and having the response and knowledge to confront these situations will help to ensure lives are not lost this summer.

South Curl Curl, Freshwater & North Curl Curl Surf Life Saving Clubs are combining the skills of their life saving professionals to offer a **FREE** CPR & First Aid skills course to community groups and individuals.

Courses will be held for 2 hours on Wednesday evenings and begin on the 2nd of December 2009.

Private sessions for groups can be arranged. Courses are skills based but not accredited.

To register interest, please contact Melanie Carson at Harbord Community Bank[®] on 9939 6744.

Another Harbord Community Bank[®] Initiative



Introducing **Damien Daley**
raising money for Movember

What's the best part about living here? **The sense of belonging to a community.**
What is your guiltiest pleasure? **Pizza Hut & McDonalds.**

Finish this sentence: I often wonder... **What it would be like not to be a red head.** What is your most treasured possession? **My dog Cino.** If you could do anything in the world you would... **climb Mt Everest.** What is your signature dish? **Bangers and mash.** What three guests would you invite to dinner? **My mum, dad & sister.**



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