



# TALKING TURKEY



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**WTKCA MEETING**  
Monday  
12th February  
WTKCA  
Community Meeting  
All welcome!

## FEBRUARY at WAGSTAFFE HALL

### MONDAYS

9:30 - 11.00 am Hatha  
Yoga: Gai Davies  
(4360 1854)

6:00-

7.00 Pilates : Michelle  
(4384 5005) / Simon (0425  
224532)

### TUESDAYS

10:30 - 12 noon Movement  
and Mindfulness : Jacqui  
Dawson (0408 602 669)

### WEDNESDAYS

9:30 - 10:30 am COTA Live  
Longer Live Stronger  
Exercise : Mai Speirs  
(0411 039 643)

### THURSDAYS

2:00 - 5:00 pm Mah-  
jong : Pat Hamilton  
(0404 955 259) **Last Day**

### FRIDAYS

1:30 - 4:00 pm Wagstaffe  
Bridge Club : Graeme  
Anderson (0414 689 922)

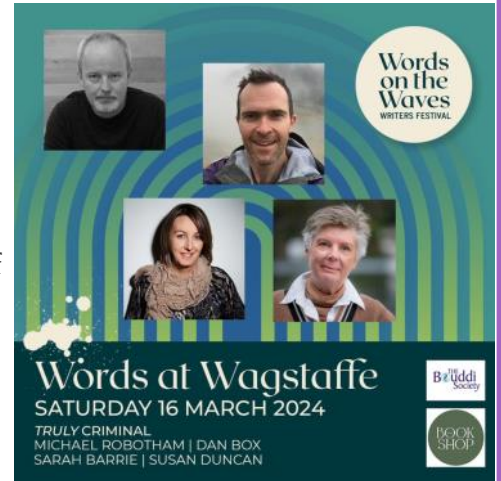
### SUNDAY (once monthly)

3:30 - 5:30 pm Restorative  
Yoga Workshop :  
Abi Couchman (0418 211  
212)

**MONDAY 2.00—4.00pm**  
**PRETTY BEACH BUSHCARE**  
**along THE DOG TRACK—**  
**Come along and help the**  
**good work that is being**  
**done to remove weeds**  
**and make the Dog Track a**  
**great place to walk.**

## WORDS AT WAGSTAFFE 2024

Words at Wagstaffe, a one-day literary event held in partnership with Words on the Waves Writers Festival and The Bouddi Society, will return to Wagstaffe Hall for its fourth year on Saturday 16 March 2024. In 2024, the theme for Words at Wagstaffe is *Truly Criminal*. We drift to the darker side of the tracks for a day of thrills, true crime and mystery. We have homegrown king of crime, **Michael Robotham**, who continues to sharpen his Golden Dagger with his Joe O'Loughlin and Cyrus Haven series. Walkley Award-winning journalist **Dan Box** wades deep



into a true story of lies, murder, and the Northern Territory. Central Coast writer **Sarah Barrie** brings her gritty and deeply complex hero, Lexi Winter. And **Susan Duncan** charms with a small-town mystery set on Stringybark Bay. It's truly criminal how good this lineup is. **Don't miss it!**

Day pass is \$89 + bf. For further information & to book use the QR code or go to [www.wordsonthewaves.com.au](http://www.wordsonthewaves.com.au)



## BOUDDI GALLERY to CLOSE

As the long-time proprietor of Bouddi Gallery I would like to inform the community that Bouddi Gallery will be closing its doors on 25th February. You are invited to have drinks at 3pm on that date to celebrate the community's support of the gallery and its contributions to remote Aboriginal communities.

Community support has enabled the gallery to survive from a three-month pop up to a 16+ year old business supporting not-for-profit Aboriginal Art Centres. How can I express my absolute gratitude for this support but decreasing sales and increasing overheads have lead eventually to the gallery's closure.

Sadly and reluctantly after 16 years the gallery will only operate via an online website. And perhaps some pop ups. My support of Indigenous issues will continue but the raising of awareness of these issues will be in a different form than Bouddi Gallery.

Jody Deamer  
Bouddi Gallery Contemporary Aboriginal Lifestyle Art



## President's Notes

Welcome to 2024 everybody. The school holidays have now passed and our visitor population is reducing once more (as much as we love you guys, at least can now get a coffee in good time). Everyone comments on the beauty of our corner of the world and its casual aesthetic which probably drew us here in the first place. A recurring observation though is that we are seeing creeping dilapidation of the bayside foreshores through lack of maintenance.

Whether you have been out walking the Hardys Bay foreshore with friends or just strolling with the dog you will have noticed the deteriorating condition of the foreshore itself. In several areas the soft edges of grassed parkland are receding quite dramatically due to a combination of wind, waves, tidal action and runoff. These are beautiful areas and there is an urgent need for remedial action to stop the erosion. And no, that doesn't mean seawalls.

You might also want to do this walk with a pram or a person in a wheelchair without resorting to walking on the road, especially when it is wet. Similarly, the stagnation of RSL Creek is a disgrace, as is the rickety fenced walkway across it making the path hard to use for many users. The drainage channel for this creek needs to be reopened to allow natural tidal flushing, again a failure of maintenance. And no, this doesn't mean wholesale removal of mangroves.

Road maintenance is also creeping up the list again, with recurring potholes and slow attention to the safety implications of dodging potholes, poor road edge alignment and dodgy parking (including trailers).

All these matters are being drawn to the attention of Council by WTKCA, Hardys Bay Residents Group and other concerned individuals. We are all looking for action on improvements to these and other issues, even if various works may take a few years to get done.

They just need to conform to a holistic plan rather than patch fixing. If you have a view on things you would like to see addressed through Council in relation to the foreshore, please feel free to contact WTKCA with your ideas. We have a small working group trying to document these things, so your contribution would be helpful I'm sure.

Mike Allsop

## Community Connect Calendar



Mondays - 10.30-11.30am Zumba with Fiona

Tuesdays - 7.45-8.45am Yoga with Robyn

9.15-10.15am Yoga with Abi

Wednesdays - 6-7.15pm Whole Body Strength  
& Mobility with Josh

Thursdays 7-8pm Yoga with Abi

Fridays - 7.45-8.45am Yoga with Robyn

SUNDAY SIPS

Bar Open from 4 - 7 pm

For further details please contact the  
KSLSC on Ph (02) 4360 1150

or email [admin@killcaresurfclub.com.au](mailto:admin@killcaresurfclub.com.au)

## WTKCA CONTACTS

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*Bruce Fraser -*

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### CATHI OGDEN at WAGSTAFFE HALL

Saturday, 17 February Wagstaffe Hall hosts a reunion of exceptional musicians with a night of songs and stories.

Internationally acclaimed jazz singer Cathi Ogden performs with two of her best mates, award-winning Double Bass player Jonathan Zwartz and brilliant Jazz Pianist Bill Risby. "We'll present my original songs and timeless standards from Ella Fitzgerald to Billy Holiday and Nina Simone," says Cathi.

The road to Wagstaffe is a well-trodden path for Cathi, who rides each Saturday on her little E-bike to get the paper and a coffee. It's a ritual she loves now, living on the Central Coast after two decades in London. "I feel like I've landed in actual paradise. The community is so welcoming and lovely."

Cathi started as a jazz and session singer at Sydney jazz bars. She moved to London, released three jazz albums, was lead singer of 'The Sheilas' girl group, and wrote pop songs with the likes of Victoria Beckham.

"The Bouddi Society strives to bring world-class entertainment and events featuring members of our community. With Cathi's exciting show, we'll do both," notes Peter Park of the Society.

The Bouddi Society

# Cathi Ogden

Jazz concert with

## Jonathan Zwartz

## and Bill Risby

**Saturday February 17  
7pm Wagstaffe Hall**

**TICKETS \$40**

[bouddisociety.org.au/cathi](http://bouddisociety.org.au/cathi)

Or use QR Code above

Or at Wagstaffe Store



### CLEAN UP AUSTRALIA DAY

Can you help? WTKCA is leading the charge again this year and we are calling on the Bouddi Peninsula community to get behind the Australia-wide program.

WHEN? Sunday 3rd March  
from 8am to 12 noon

WHERE to START? Bags, gloves and vests will be handed out at the Maitland Bay Centre.

And that is where you can return your rubbish.







## WHAT'S ON at HARDYS BAY CLUB in FEBRUARY

Thu 1st Electrify Bouddi	6:30pm
Fri 2nd Mens Lunch	12.00pm
Trivia	7:30pm
Sat 3rd Night Owls	6:00pm
Sun 4th Isa Zilic	2:00pm
Fri 9th Kava Malt	6:00pm
Sat 10th Robbo Anita	6:00pm
Sun 11th Paul Wilson	2:00pm
Fri 16th Musical Bingo	7:30pm
Sun 18th The TOFS	2:00pm
Fri 23rd MUSIC MATES – Micky G	6:00pm
Sat 24th Two Tone Pony	
- Tickets \$25 at <a href="http://trybooking.com">trybooking.com</a>	7:00pm
Sun 25th Les Lowe	2:00pm



Sunday services start at 9.30am, go for an hour, and finish with morning tea.

Our theme for this year's services is: "Be still, and know I am God [Psalm46:10] How counter-cultural is this wisdom!

Sun 4<sup>th</sup> from 12 noon: Lunch together at Joy's home.

All mid-week activities resume in February.

Small group Bible studies are held on Mondays 9.30am & Thursdays 7pm.

Create at the Bay is on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup>, 10am to 1pm.

Man2man open discussion Sat 9<sup>th</sup> from 9am [men solving the world's problems



Early notice: Sat 2<sup>nd</sup> from 8am. March: Clean-up Australia

For more information, go to our website:

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E: [shinks1@bigpond.com](mailto:shinks1@bigpond.com)

**YOUR COMMUNITY CLUB 14 Heath Rd, Hardys Bay  
NSW 2257 | 02 4308 7521**

**All welcome**

**HARDYS HIDEAWAY RESTAURANT OPEN  
THURSDAY TO SUNDAY**

**CENTRAL COAST COUNCIL**

**MOBILE LIBRARY:  
will visit WAGSTAFFE on**

**FRIDAY 9th and FRIDAY 23rd  
FEBRUARY**

**at 12.00 noon**

### PLEASE JOIN US

The Association has a proud history of promoting everything good about the unique character of the Bouddi Peninsula - the environment, the village character and the sense of community. Please consider joining us by completing the form below. **(Note: Current Members will be advised when renewals are due).** **Form is for New Members only:** By signing this form you agree to uphold the Association's Aims and Objectives [find at [www.wagstaffetokillcare.org.au](http://www.wagstaffetokillcare.org.au) or contact WTKCA for a copy or further information]. **(1) Complete** this form **(2) Enclose** payment of \$5p.p. [includes joining fee] **(3) List** details in spaces provided **(4) Sign** this form and return to **WTKCA Membership Secretary, PO Box 4069 WAGSTAFFE NSW 2257.**

FULL NAME of new member/s [use BLOCK letters].....

Mailing address.....

Email address.....

Phone/s.....

Signed.....