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Introducing Dr Eric Pugliesi

by Pi Wei Lim

Dr Pugliesi will be joining the Robertson Doctor as our new registrar on the 5th February 2015, and will be with us for at least 12 months.

Originally from Peru Dr Pugliesi has been in Australia since 2008 and like our Dr Dalia, has chosen to become a citizen.

Dr Pugliesi has gained vital rural medicine experience in such places as Western Dubbo and Bathurst Hospitals, Bundaberg hospital as well as metropolitan hospitals

like St George and Canterbury hospitals. Dr Pugliesi has a particular interest in emergency medicine so having a mentor like Dr Ben Lim who has had many years in that area will be fertile learning ground for him.

Dr Pugliesi loves dogs (surely a sign of excellent character) and enjoys swimming in his spare time. He also loves the Southern Highlands and rural life and we are all looking forward to him joining both our practice and the community.



Accommodation Needed :

Eric will need a place to stay during his term with us at Robbo. Ideally a granny flat or even a room would be helpful.

Get ready to vote ! – NSW State election in March

The NSW State election is on 28 March 2015 and this time Robertson has changed electorates. Following an electoral boundary change, Robertson has moved from the seat of Kiama to the seat of Goulburn. The Goulburn electorate includes Moss Vale, Berrima, Bundanoon and Robertson from the Wingecarribee Shire and the local government areas of Goulburn, Upper Lachlan (Crookwell and Gunning), Boorowa and Yass Valley. The sitting member for the seat of Goulburn is Pru Goward (Liberal Party). You can see the exact boundaries on the Electoral Commission website at <http://www.elections.nsw.gov.au/districts/profiles/2015/Goulburn>

Information about enrolments and voting procedures for the election can be found at <http://www.vote.nsw.gov.au/>

The list of polling places and candidates will be listed on this site when they are finalised.

Breakfast Club@Robertson School

Just one day each month or term !

The Robertson School proposes to run a breakfast club each school morning for students whose parents need to leave home early for their work. The more volunteers we get, the less days you'll be required to assist! It would require parent and community volunteers to enable this program to operate successfully. The main reason for starting up this Breakfast Club is to enable parents to keep their children at our fantastic school rather than transfer them to a school closer to parental work.

What would it look like?

A small group of children supervised by parents, community volunteers or interested staff who arrive at school at 7:30am and have breakfast followed by some supervised games and activities. These children would then move to normal school supervision under our COLA which commences at 8:30am.

Where would it be held?

In the Blue Room, Music Room or Canteen COLA depending on the season and the number of students.

What would students eat?

Cereal, toast and fruit juice.

What would it cost?

Gold coin donation or donation of cereal, juice, bread, milk

Who could come?

Children whose parents leave home early for work. Children whose parents have an early appointment. Please consider volunteering just one day each month or term. You can bring your own school age children with you. If you are unable to physically volunteer you may be able to source some donations of breakfast food for us: eg day old bread from the bakery for toast, fruit juice, milk or cereal from a supermarket.

Contact the School for further information
(02) 4885 1284

Fairer Taxi Fares for Robertson/Burrawang/Willes Meadow/Kangaloon areas!

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within the areas described above.
Additionally we now have **set fares from Burrawang to Moss Vale of \$35.00 or to Bowral \$45.00. From Robertson (this side of Pie Shop) to Moss Vale \$50.00 & to Bowral \$60.00.** No after-hours penalty will apply to these fares. Maxi Cabs with up to 11 seats at 1.5 times the above fares.

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Editor-Robertson News

Our community needs a part-time volunteer to take editorial responsibility for the Robertson News.

The Robertson Community Technology Centre (CTC@Robertson) is a welcoming hub providing community facilities and enriching experiences in the arts and education. It is a not-for-profit organisation managed by the Robertson Shed Inc and run by volunteers.

In support of the Robertson community, the CTC publishes the 8-12 page bi-monthly community newsletter, the Robertson News. This vital role as Editor is to ensure the quality of the content, liaise with contributors, advertisers, printers and distributors. Working closely with the CTC Committee, you will help develop ideas for articles, community announcements and other information sharing initiatives.

This role offers a fun and interesting way to connect with the community while providing a stimulating creative outlet for someone with a knack for writing, who's pretty organised, enjoys people, has a responsible nature and is comfortable taking the lead when needed. Previous experience in the production of newsletters/publications would be very handy but isn't essential because the role comes with support from people who do have it. **Does this sound like you?** Further information including a copy of the volunteer position description can be obtained from Jenny Kena (President) at jennykena@robertsonctc.org.au or mobile **0429 826 431**

Interested parties should send an expression of interest to info@robertsonctc.org.au no later than **11 February 2015**

CTC@Robertson



Contribution Guidelines

Please submit all articles and event notices to editor@robertsonctc.org.au

The submission deadline for the April edition is March 15, 2015.

All submissions, advertising and payments must be received by this date to ensure inclusion. Any material received after this date will be held over for the next issue. Submissions may be modified at the editor's discretion.

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New Editor for Robertson News

On behalf of the CTC Committee, I would like to thank Vicki Ioannou and Owen Greenwell for all of their work on the *Robertson News* in 2014. Vicki put her hand up for the role as the Editor when the CTC took over the publication from the Robertson Chamber of Commerce. The team of Vicki and Owen produced a quality publication.

At the end of 2014, Vicki decided to hang up her pen as Editor. This February edition of the Robertson News is edited by a team of CTC volunteers and a new Editor is now being sought. We look forward to hearing from community members interested in this fun and exciting volunteer position (**see Ad for Editor - Robertson News in this edition**).

Jenny Kena, President, CTC@Robertson.

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ROBERTSON'S NEW "TOWN SQUARE"

by Naomi Janzen

To the casual tourist, Robertson is a village of natural and commercial delights...without a town square. There are gathering places, from the bowls to the sunny tables outside Pirouette to the self-serve windshield washing station at Rockabellas to wi-fi enabled CTC to the playgrounds, camping sites and waterfalls beyond, but there is nothing that serves the same purpose as your classic, everyday town square...Until now!

Yes, Robertson now has a town square. A place where you can people-watch while sipping the hot or chilled beverage of your choice. A place where you can get up on your soapbox and shout your opinion. A place where almost every type of person in Robertson, young or old, male or female, old spud or new sprout, can mix, mingle, joust, join, canvas, see and be seen...and ask around about a lost puppy.

Almost every type of person, but not all because, sadly for some, it is a *virtual* town square not a physical 'bricks and mortar' place.

Robertson's town square - or, at least, the closest thing to one that our fine village can claim to have - is a Facebook group called "Robertson Commons"

Anyone can join. Anyone can post. Anyone who has computer access (and with the CTC and its rent-by-the-hour computers to fall back on, that really means anyone who can poke semi-effectively at a keyboard) can get in on the fun.

Facebook, for anyone fortunate or unfortunate enough to have encountered it (depending on how addictive a personality you have, among other factors), is an online community made up of people from just about every part of the entire world. Started as a way for the geekier uni students at Harvard to get social with the hotter ones, it has exploded into a social media giant that users access by creating a photo-plus-blurb "profile" and then posting pictures of their lives, comments about others' lives and opinions about everything.

That's as much room as this article has to devote to a very complex subject except to say that "groups" are like little online clubs within Facebook that anyone can create and invite people to join.

Pi Wei Lim is the creator of "Robertson Commons". Inspired by its sister group, the "Burrawang Village" group, Pi Wei felt there needed to be a Robertson equivalent because, while that group is useful in many ways for anyone in the vicinity,

"Robertson isn't Burrawang."

Pi Wei goes on to say "People in Robertson are always chatting" and that she's glad the group, at 255 members and counting, has become so robust in spite of the contentious nature of some of the more political exchanges. "I'm glad that everyone can just be themselves and express their opinions freely."

As with any town square, a lot more goes on than chatting. Every time there's a thunderstorm, the group fills with photos of scared pets that ended up in a stranger's yard or pets that are missing. (If you only checked the group at these times you'd think it was a pet/owner reunion site). On any given day, locals can browse posts by other locals reporting current conditions on Macquarie Pass, asking for tradie references, swapping recipes, complaining about road closures, rallying support for a cause, selling household items, sharing a joke and everything in between. And if you have too many lemons on your tree and want to trade for some garlic someone's grown in their backyard, you can find out more by keeping an eye on the posts about the Robertson Crop Swap - another initiative of Pi Wei's that's taken off like a rocket.. But that's an article for the next edition...

To join Robertson Commons, type that into your Facebook search or go to:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/532851290160464/>

 **Rachelle Corfield**
December 23, 2014 at 1:56pm

Does anyone know this dog? Has a tag with name 'Bert' and I have called the number on it and got an answering machine for a lady named 'Julie'. Have left her a message with my Mobile number. I was just leaving the servo in Robertson and he jumped in my car and sat on the back seat as I opened the door and wouldn't get out. Didn't want to leave him on the main rd as he seems scared of the thunder. He is currently with me at RJ Mackey Real Estate call 0248851329. Or comment or pm me. Thanks 😊



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 **Rachelle Corfield** Lol. He's very cute!
December 23, 2014 at 6:58pm · Like

 **Kellie Frecklington-Mant** If you can't keep him tell Jess to bring him here. He's half Manc anyhow...lol
December 23, 2014 at 7:00pm · Like

 **Judy Fisk** Bert has been collected by his owners, he was just so friendly and as soon as his owner arrived just jumped for joy, he doesn't like the thunder and lightning so Sandy his owner advised. Sandy and Allen Mauger said there dog Bert wonders a lot and hates the thunder and lightning so he belongs in Coaling Street if lost again.
December 24, 2014 at 9:36pm · Edited · Like · 

Let's Look at Locals

with Lindy Scott

Joan Compagnoni

Lyndy Scott: There's no need to introduce Joan Compagnoni! How long have you lived in Robertson Joan?

JC: 48 years, but I was told I had to be here 50 years before I could be called a local. There will be a BIG party to celebrate 'I'm a local at last!' at the School of Arts in June 2017. Then there'll be another BIG party there on 4 February 2021 when I turn 100.

LS: everyone, put those dates in your diaries! What was Robertson like when you first came to live here?

JC: smaller, quieter and safer for children to walk and ride anywhere. But just as misty. My daughter Elizabeth was in third year high school when we arrived so walked from home to catch a bus. On her first day, the mist was very thick, it continued that way all week. On Friday Elizabeth said, "If I don't get home today you'll know I've got lost in the mist".

LS: How many were in your family?

JC: My late husband Ken, me and seven children – five boys and two girls. We sadly lost one son at 33 in a car accident.

LS: how many descendants do you have?

JC: 16 grandchildren, now 15 as one died in a car accident. I have 25 great grandchildren.

LS: I know that, every year, you send each of the 25 a birthday card and a book to encourage reading. And of course you remember all their names! Please tell me about another family member, your dog.

JC: I've always had pets, but Jazz the German Shepherd was very much Ken's dog. After he died, Jazz visited his side of the bed every day for a year. Then she changed to my side. Recently, dear Jazz was put to sleep at 15+ years old. (This is a truly remarkable age for her breed. There must be something good in the water).

LS: you've always been very involved in the Robertson community. Tell me what you're part of now and have been in the past.

JC: now it's bible study classes; Ladies Fellowship of the Church; Meals on Wheels (delivering to many younger people over the years); Seniors and I'm its rep to the management committee of the community centre and its rep to district Seniors; I enjoy going to the REPS talks and I especially love reading at the primary school every Monday. I meet children in the street and it makes my day to hear "Oh, it's Mrs C!" and to see the joy on their faces. In the past, I was on the Village Association; the parents' committees of brownies, guides, cubs and scouts; Robertson and Moss Vale P&Cs; and the tennis club playing comps. I was also working part time and then full time.

LS: what does it mean to you to still have your car licence?

JC: everything! There's little public transport here and I don't want to ask for lifts all the time. Each year it's a bit worrying going through the retesting and so on. Now I just drive to places I know well in Sydney and Canberra, but I happily drive around the highlands.

LS: what are some changes you've seen in Robertson over 48 years?

JC: children being driven to school. I remember there being about 40 bikes in the racks at the school and now I only see two or three. There are a lot more cars, not like when I grew up in Lane Cove and played cricket in the street. If you had to move the banana box wicket, that was very heavy traffic! I grew up going on Sunday School picnics and they happened in Robertson too for some time, but not now. However, I believe the spirit of our community hasn't changed. If we ever need help, we know friends and neighbours will be there immediately.

LS: thank you Joan and we all look forward to celebrating both BIG parties with you.



Joan on her first-ever ocean cruise thanks to her eldest son. Sydney-Melbourne-Hobart, 2-8 January 2015

Your Local Community

Needs You !

Become a Volunteer Member of the Robertson Community Centre Management Committee

ROBERTSON COMMUNITY CENTRE IS SEEKING NEW MEMBERS FOR ITS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

The Committee is a volunteer Committee which, on behalf of Council, looks after the day to day running of the Robertson Community Centre. The Centre provides a local venue for family and community functions.



Being a member of the Committee offers you the opportunity to develop your knowledge and skills of community management as well as offering you the opportunity to meet new people and develop new friendships.

The Committee would welcome fresh input from new members. We have a couple of long serving members who have decided to retire from the Committee.

If anyone is interested in joining the Committee please contact :

Lynne Morrison on 4868 0704

or come along and meet the Committee at its next meeting- afternoon tea provided.

When: Wednesday 11th February 2015, 1.30pm

Where: 1-3 Caalong St, Robertson

Who ?: Interested members of the Robertson Community

Tech Tip – Warning and a Reminder

We have had a few people in the Highlands caught out with an encryption virus. In the instances we have heard of they received an email purporting to be from a Government body containing a link. Clicking on the link installed the virus rendering their files unreadable and useless. This is actually ransomware, once infected they are offered a solution at a price. Of course paying money to whoever has created this infection is not recommended and doesn't guarantee you will get your files back. So a reminder to be wary, treat any unsolicited email as suspicious, do not click on links or open attachments. Even if it looks like a company that you deal with, better to go to the internet and type in their web address and sign in in your usual way. Also back up your files regularly, to the cloud, to an external hard drive etc. Ask us if you need some advice or assistance with this.

Wishing everyone a happy and safe 2015

Karen Mewes, Manager, Robertson CTC. 4885 2665

Robertson CTC News

by Karen Mewes, CTC Manager

The CTC is looking forward to a busy start to 2015. In February and March we have basket making courses, a talk on living and working in Polar Regions complete with photographs and samples of some of the clothing and equipment used. We will also be running regular computer classes on Friday mornings. Commencing with basic computers suitable for complete beginners and working through various applications such as Word, Excel, email and using iPad or tablets. Included will be a course on PowerPoint which is especially suitable for parents wanting to help their school age children with their presentations. Classes are a maximum size of 6, include a manual or course notes and are taught by a qualified trainer with over 10 experience in teaching computer skills. Book now for special introductory prices. For Seniors Week in March we will be running a couple of workshops giving an overview on mobile phones and iPad / tablet PCs. Next term there will be further lessons on these plus Window 8, Office Online, cloud storage & password management. Call into the CTC for the full list of computer courses or to view samples of the type of baskets you could make.

Dates for your diary

Computer classes each Friday 10am – 1pm cost \$65 or \$55 concession per session.

Friday 13 February - Basic Computing, for beginners or those wanting to gain confidence.

Friday 20 February –Word. Create and edit written documents, includes tips and shortcuts, suitable for beginners or those wanting to improve or refresh their skills.

Friday 27 February – Excel. Create and edit & understand spreadsheets. Includes tips and shortcuts. Suitable for those with some computer knowledge.

Friday 6 March – Email. Introduction to web based email (Yahoo, Hotmail, Gmail). Includes sending photos and saving contacts. Suitable for beginners.

Friday 13 March – PowerPoint Create and edit presentations. Especially suitable for parents wanting to help school aged children.

Thursday 19 March and Friday 20 March – Seniors week activities.

Friday 27 March – iPad / tablets, part 1 – Set up and start using apps, email etc.

Saturday 28 February - Photographic Journey Around Antarctica and Beyond, with Glenn Dawson (see article about Glenn on page 7 for further details).

Saturday March 14 and 28 - Three separate workshops on Basket Making with Jill Taylor

For all bookings and for any further information phone us on 4885 2665 or email me on
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ROBERTSON SHOW

BEST LITTLE COUNTRY SHOW AROUND.....

The 2015 Robertson Show (or Royal Robertson Show, as some are now so fondly referring it to as) will be held on **Friday 6th & Saturday 7th March** and plans are well underway.

The 2014 show was a great success with the sun making an appearance allowing everyone to enjoy the great events at the show. Horse events were welcomed back after having been cancelled in the previous two years. The hay stacking competition, demolition derby and fireworks were the usual crowd favour. We did however add a new event "the Robbo Redneck Challenge" which was a lot of fun. As the rain kept away last year and we will be ordering fine weather again for the 2015 Show.

SHOW TIME !!!

The 2015 Show is shaping up to be just as much fun and excitement. We have many ideas in the pipeline to keep all at the Robertson Show entertained and those attending Friday will be impressed by the wonderful sights of the Dairy Cattle on exhibit and Horse Events in the centre ring. We are gearing up for record entries in the pavilion – we look forward to seeing those cakes, flowers, crafts and needleworks start to arrive as we get closer to Show Day.

Friday we will again be hosting our "School Day" full of educational experiences and good old fashion kids fun involving

many of the local schools in activities such as the "Spud Olympics", milking demonstrations, shearing demonstrations and "Chook" washing, which is guaranteed to entertain young and old.

Saturday will see a packed program of Horse Events and the attendance of the Stationary Steam Engine Club and we will be holding all your favourite activities. Even though we will be saying goodbye to one of our favourite ring announcers, Bruce Johnson it is still promised that you will be entertained by the "The Boys on the Mic" as the new protégé "Colin Munro" makes his debut. The Dog Show, will again be packed full of high standard exhibits, so don't forget to venture beyond the fence and check out the dogs on parade. The Beef Cattle Judging and Poultry Pavilion will be a must see on Saturday and we will cap off the evening with the ever popular Demolition Derby and spectacular **Fireworks Display**.

For the first time, at the Robertson Show and for the second time in NSW we will host a miniature goat display and competition. Don't forget to check out these cuties.

The ever popular Potato races will be on again but if you are not up to competing in these high class events maybe think about a team for "The Robo Red Neck Relay Challenge". It will be returning. This will be run as mens and womens heats as teams of 4 challenge themselves to a variety of races.

The grand Final Challenge will see the crowning of the 2015 "Robo Red Necks". So get yourself a team together for some fun. The rules will be on the website in the near future.

SHOW GIRLS WANTED !!!!

We are searching the district for entrants; this is not a beauty contest or talent quest by any means. It is the chance for one lucky girl to represent Robertson and act as a spokesperson for our town and the Robertson show and progress onto the zone finals (if she wishes); all entrants must be 18-25 and will receive great prizes. Having a little fun on the way is the best bonus of all. If you would like to nominate yourself or know of anyone who would make a great ambassador for Robertson, please contact our President Leesa Stratford, the website or check out Face book for more information

Have you ever thought of **becoming a member** of the Robertson Show Society? It is a great way to demonstrate your support to one of the last "True Country Shows" around. Membership (\$15 adult / \$5 child 10-16yrs) gives you entry into the show both Friday & Saturday, your renewal and show schedule are sent to your door each year – so be one of the first to know what is in store for the show. Applications forms are available on line or in the show schedule.

The Show cannot operate without the huge amount of help received from **volunteers** and the Show Society cannot thank everyone enough for your time and effort. If you have a hour or two to spare on either Friday or Saturday to lend a hand on the BBQ or Gates for example. For more details on any of the above please contact: **Leesa Stratford** on **0411 537 600** or **Sharon Makin** on **0488428776**.

All details are now available on our website or join our Facebook Page "Robertson Show Society" and keep up to date with all the news.

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- * can help you lose weight which can improve your health

2. You can lose weight

- * Efficient way to burn calories and lose weight.
- * Just make sure you don't think running gives you a gold pass to eat anything you want !

3. You can meet new people through running

- * why not hook up with your local running group "lazy runners" and meet other running type people
- * And yes you can run and talk – a lot of problems of the world are sorted this way!

4. Running is Free !

However, a good pair of running shoes is helpful!!

5. Running improves your energy levels

- * When you are feeling sluggish or tired, running is a great way to boost your energy, ironic really ?

6. Running will help you feel good about yourself

- * Regular runners report an increase in their confidence and self-esteem. The self esteem benefits of running are increased if you set a specific goal, a 5km run or even a marathon and accomplish it. (Lazy runners can help you with that as well!)

7. Running is versatile

- * you can choose when, where and who with and you can run in all weathers !!! Even in Robertson !!

8. Running can help with stress relief

Running, like other exercise, is a great cure for stress, emotional strain and even mild depression. Research indicates that healthy adults who exercise regularly are generally happier than those that don't (come and chat to our happy lazy runners!)

9. It's easy !

Apparently all you have to do is put one foot in front of the other, in a kind of shuffles sort of a move and off you go!

10. why not?

Got something better to do at 6.00 am in the morning ?

Call Liz on 0438 294813

Social tennis in the bush - Friday nights at Tourist Rd Oval

Players of all levels from hit and giggle to those wanting a serious game are welcome. The gates open at 7pm and a \$4 contribution to cover the cost of lights is appreciated. A BBQ is available so bring whatever you would like to cook, or just some nibbles for while you are watching the games.

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with GLENN DAWSON.

Glenn is a freelance Photographer specializing in Wildlife and Nature. A long time ago he was often found in the bush with a camera in his hands after school, enjoying Nature and liking what he could see through the lens of his camera.

To date, he has travelled to 84 countries (a bit over half way in the World) working in Antarctica on the Stations: Mawson; Davis; Casey (Aust.); McMurdo (America); Scott's (N.Z.); Dry Valley, which is on the west side of the Ross Sea; Abel Peninsula, Antarctic Peninsula of South America where he relived Shackleton's Footsteps from the Weddell Sea, Elephant Island and onto South Georgia.

Glenn and his cameras have made 4 trips to the Arctic, Alaska and Canada working with the Black, Brown, and especially Polar Bears, Arctic Foxes, Whales, Albatross. He has also travelled twice to Africa to work and photograph wildlife and landscape, to mention a few locations. Glenn says, "One of my greatest loves is working behind the camera, to freeze images into time."

Robertson is to be treated to a presentation by Glenn, sharing his love and knowledge of the Antarctic, and other lands he has visited with a focus on Nature and Wildlife and Cultures.
All ages welcome.

Date: Saturdays 28th February

Venue : Robertson CTC, Hoddle Street.

Time: 3pm – 5pm.

Cost: \$10 per person

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Robertson Residents Shine!

The Inaugural Kiama Electorate Community Recognition Awards

On December 12th 2014, the inaugural Kiama Electorate Community Recognition Awards were presented at The Pavilion in Kiama. Four Robertson residents received awards acknowledging their contribution to their local community.

Robert Handley received a Sports Administration Award for his work with the Robertson Soccer Club; Damien Plain received a Sports Administration Award for his work with the Robertson Soccer Club, the Robertson Cricket Club and the Robertson Bowling Club; Denis Wilson received a Community Service Award for his photography and promotion of the nature of Robertson. Amy Aquilina was awarded the Female Junior Sports Award for her outstanding achievements in basketball.

At 11 years old, Amy has been playing basketball for 3 years and has been identified as a player of outstanding ability. She currently plays in the U14 Moss Vale Magic Southern Highlands representative team. Along with three other girls from the Southern Highlands, Amy was selected last year to participate in a three day jamboree in Port Macquarie, attended by fifty other players from New South Wales.



L-R: Paul Aquilina, NSW Governor David Hurley, Amy Aquilina, Gareth Ward MLA

Robertson Railway Station and the Iconic Cockatoo Run

Want something different to do on a Sunday Afternoon?

Why not take the kids on a train ride hauled by a vintage diesel from Robertson Railway Station to Moss Vale and return?

Trains leave from Robertson at about 12.30pm and return to Robertson by about 3pm.

Tickets can be bought on the day of travel from Robertson Station from 11.30am.

Return Tickets cost \$10 Adult, \$5 child/concession, \$25 family

The Cockatoo Run is scheduled to run on the following Sundays:

22 February and 22 March 2015

Further inquiries: Helen Tranter 4885 1394

or Neil Harvey 4885 2823

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Burrawang Memorial, wreath laying 10.15am. Followed by main Service at Robertson 11am. This year is a special remembrance being 100 years since the Gallipoli landing.

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'Health is the greatest possession' Lao Tzu

TRIVIA NIGHT

28th Feb, 7.00pm at the Robertson Bowling Club **EVERYONE WELCOME !**

To book phone the Bowling Club (48 851 306) or contact Aaron (0421 452 167 or aaronazz@hotmail.com)

\$20 per person - table of 6-8 players

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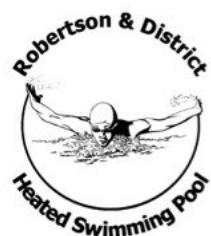
Robertson Events Calendar				
February				
8	Sun	9am-3pm	Robertson Markets mob:0408 238 575 Pat	Robertson School of Arts
10	Tues	From 10am	Fettlers Shed History Group ph: 4885 1394 Helen	Fettlers Shed
11	Wed	1.30pm	Robertson Community Centre Management Committee (<i>see page 4</i>)	Robertson Community Centre
12	Thur	5pm	Fettlers Heritage Art Prize meeting ph:: 4885 1598 Anne	Fettlers Shed
13	Fri	10am-1pm	Computer class - Basic computing ph:4885 2665 Karen (<i>see page 5</i>)	CTC@Robertson
18	Wed	From 10am	Fettlers Shed History Group	Fettlers Shed
20	Fri	10am-1pm	Computer class-Word	CTC@Robertson
21	Sat	7 for 7.30pm	Burrawang School of Arts Trivia Night ph: 4886 4565 Annie	Burrawang School of Arts
22	Sun		Cockatoo Run and Loop Train ph: 4885 1394 Helen (<i>see page 8</i>)	Robertson Railway
27	Fri	10am-1pm	Computer Class - Excel	CTC@Robertson
27	Fri	7.30pm	Burrawang Film Night "Charade"	Burrawang School of Arts
28	Sat	3pm-5pm	Photographic Journey - Antarctica with Glenn Dawson (<i>see page 7</i>)	CTC@Robertson
28	Sat	9am-3pm	Basket making with Jill Taylor (<i>see page 5</i>)	CTC@Robertson
28	Sat	7pm	Robertson Burrawang Cricket Club Trivia Night Bookings ph: 4885 1306 \$20 includes dinner (<i>see page 8</i>)	Robertson Bowling Club
March				
6	Fri	10am-1pm	Computer Class - Email (<i>see page 5</i>)	CTC@Robertson
6-7	Fri-Sat		Robertson Show (<i>see page 6</i>)	Robertson Showground
7	Sat	10am	Piano at Ten - From Words to Music mob 0401 946 289	Bundanoon Memorial Hall
7	Sat	5pm	Autumn Tones-Koto & Shakuhachi Concert ph0405151651	Burrawang School of Arts
8	Sun	9am-3pm	Robertson Markets	Robertson School of Arts
10	Tues	From 10am	Fettlers Shed History Group	Fettlers Shed
13	Fri	10am-1pm	Computer Class - Powerpoint	CTC@Robertson
14	Sat		Opening of Fettlers Heritage Art Prize Exhibition	Fettlers Shed
14	Sat	9am-3pm	Basket making with Jill Taylor (<i>see page 5</i>)	CTC@Robertson
18	Tues	From 10am	Fettlers Shed History Group	Fettlers Shed
19 &20	Thur,Fri		Seniors Week Activities (<i>see page 5</i>)	CTC@Robertson
21	Sat	9am-3pm	Basket making with Jill Taylor	CTC@Robertson
22	Sun		Cockatoo Run and Loop Train (<i>see page 8</i>)	Robertson Railway
27	Fri	10am-1pm	Computer Class - Ipad/tablets	CTC@Robertson
28	Sat		NSW State Election (<i>see page 1</i>)	
Regular Events				
3 rd Mon	7pm	Wuka Plukas Ukulele Group	mob 0429 826 431 Jenny	CTC@Robertson
Every Tues	7.30pm	Trivia Night		Robertson Inn
Every Wed	8.15am	Robertson Walking Group	ph: 4885 2936 Martine	Café Pirouette/Butcher
Every Fri	7pm	Live Music		Robertson Inn
Every Fri	7pm	Friday Night Tennis	ph: 4888 2293 Lin	Tourist Road Oval
Every Sat	9am-10am	Crop Swap	(<i>see page 3</i>)	Outside Rockabellas
1 st Sun, 4 th Sun	8am	Communion(1 st), Morning Prayer (4 th)		St Johns Robertson
Every Sun	9.30am	Family Service	- Sunday School	St Johns Robertson
1 st ,3 rd ,5 th Sun	8am	Catholic Service		St Peter's Burrawang
2 nd , 4 th Sun	5pm	Catholic Service		St Peter's Burrawang

Why not dive in and help with the Robertson pool ?

The Robertson & District Swimming Pool Association has been quietly working away for many years to get a swimming pool in Robertson. The Association is looking for more helpers as the project starts heading towards the pointy end of making this happen.

At the AGM of the Association held in December 2014, it was reported that the current balance of funds for the pool in the Term Deposit was \$213,057.28. This is all money raised by the Robertson community.

The Committee are currently waiting on the results of a grant application for additional funding for the project now known as the Aquatic Centre. They are also waiting for sign off from Council for the rezoning of the selected ARTC (Australian Rail Track Corporation) land at the railway end of Caalong Street. News on this is expected in February.



Once the site is confirmed, a key milestone, the project will be able to progress to the next stage.

Additional Committee members are needed to help with this exciting project as it goes forward.

If you think you can help and would like further information.

Please contact Don Ferguson, Vice President on 4885 1215 or dgf.focus@yahoo.com.au

Is Mrs Waters the longest serving shopkeeper in Robertson?

On Australia Day this year, Mrs Hope Waters celebrated 39 years of owning the Robertson Newsagency.

When we spoke to Hope in mid January, she was getting ready for a big bash to celebrate the milestone.

Congratulations Mrs Waters you are a legend ! You are one of the important people that make Robertson the special place that it is.



Hope Waters at work in the Newsagent



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