

# Streets Ahead

Our seasonal wrap-up of what's been happening in your community



## Supporting Our Youth

Boosting the skills of the young people who live in our properties has always been important to St George Community Housing. So, in conjunction with Project Youth and Bonnyrigg Youth Council, we have just delivered a suite of youth-focused training programs. The Youth4Unity initiative, funded by the

NSW Government's Youth Opportunities Program Grant, saw a range of activities and training opportunities offered to participants aged 14 to 24 – from barista training and car maintenance to first aid and traffic control courses. Thanks to all the young people involved, for their participation and contribution to program planning.



### \$1500 Tertiary Scholarships Open

A reminder to all TAFE, university and college students: our 2023 Strive Tertiary scholarships are now open. If you live in an SGCH household, you can apply via our website ([sgch.com.au/strive](http://sgch.com.au/strive)) and, if you're successful, you will receive \$1500 towards the cost of your studies. Applications close on Friday 31 March.

### Need a New Device?

SGCH can help! Our DigiConnect program allows you to buy discounted digital devices on an interest-free repayment plan. We purchase the product on your behalf, you take it home the day you sign the repayment plan, then you pay SGCH back in instalments over one year – just the cost of the item, there's no interest to pay.

### Rewarding Good Care

Did you know that we reward customers who maintain their properties well? If one of our staff notices that you're taking very good care of your home, your garden or your street, they can nominate you for a Pride of Place award. You will receive a \$100 gift card as an acknowledgement of this care, and as a token of our thanks.



Find out more online at [sgch.com.au](http://sgch.com.au)



**Rent Review:** To ensure that you are paying the correct amount, St George Community Housing reviews your rent every six months. This process is currently underway and you will be informed in writing of any changes shortly.

Did you know SGCH has a special Facebook group for you to keep up to date with what's happening in your community? Search 'Get Involved @SGCH' and if you join between now and June 1 **you could receive a \$100 gift card**. The winner will be randomly drawn and will, of course, be announced on Facebook.

# Community News



## Neighbour Day at Mt Annan

Thank you to all customers who attended our recent Neighbour Day event at the Australian Botanic Garden at Mount Annan. A picnic lunch was enjoyed, games were played and the gardens admired. Bonnyrigg language support workers who were in attendance reported that it was great to see everyone so relaxed and enjoying the day.



## Art Classes for Cammeray Customers

SGCH customers were invited to come along to a special art session on 17 March at the Community Room at 45 Amherst Street, Cammeray. Run by art therapist Mara Lyone, the workshop saw each participant make a beautiful papercraft suncatcher, as shown on the left, to take home with them.

# Coming Up Soon...



## ROAR Into The Weekends

The Residents Organisation at Riverwood (ROAR) is a community association that aims to bring the Riverwood community together with friendship, respect and caring. Its motto is “keep united, keep strong, keep building our community”. SGCH's Riverwood residents have an open invitation to attend ROAR's weekly barbecues, which take place every Friday afternoon from 4pm to 6pm at SGCH's Riverwood Community Room - 9B Washington Ave, Riverwood.



## Community Gardening Grows in Popularity

Gardening continues to be a great passion for our customers. If you'd like to join in there's always something happening in the garden: one of our Artarmon customers won a Vegepod that's now generously being shared with others; we're in the process of introducing compost bins to some gardens; and we're hoping to trial a Crop Swap soon, where the SGCH community can share produce and recipes.



## Bonnyrigg, Get Ready for The Y Factor!

Bonnyrigg Youth Council's upcoming talent quest, The Y-Factor, is happening on 20 April and is open for any young person from 12 to 25 to showcase their talents and performances for a chance to be in the running of a total prize pool of \$500. The event will be held at Bonnyrigg High School from 3pm to 6pm and there will be free food and beverages available. Applications for auditions close on 3 April.