

Your Voice



Ready, set,
play at Borrol
Lookout!

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community together

Digging deep for the environment

Connecting Communities
Program

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Hello, Yarrabilba!

Welcome to Winter in Yarrabilba.

Exciting things are happening here in our community!

We are excited to announce the opening of The Yarrabilba Hotel - the ultimate dining and entertainment destination.

In this edition, we wrap up our Park2Park Series, the return of our regular Meet Your Neighbours events, showcase our newest parks and explore what's been happening at The Exchange.

We unveil our newest additions to The Parks precinct! Take a tour of Borrol Lookout Park and learn about the cultural story of Bingingerra (Mt Witheren). See if you can spot the animals featured throughout the landscape. Why not visit our brand new Sales & Information Centre and Display Village at 14 Prospect Circuit, it too boasts a beautiful new park for you to enjoy.



If you have any questions about the Yarrabilba community, suggestions for events and park activations, or a story for the newsletter, please contact Terry Hamilton, Social Impact Manager at terry.hamilton@lendlease.com

Growing a greener future

Year 9 students from San Damiano College have helped cultivate a sustainable community here in Yarrabilba, planting 85 native seedlings for the “Connecting Communities Program.”

The students, who have previously been learning about the carbon cycle in the classroom, went out on the school grounds to dig deep, planting their own natives alongside Natura Pacific and Lendlease. The group were further educated by the team from Natura on climate change, the carbon cycle and the role of native plants in carbon sequestration.

Leaving a lasting legacy, the students were each given a name tag for their plant, so they will be able to watch it grow in the coming years.



Celebrating the Park2Park series



A big shout out to our local community for getting behind our recent Park2Park series, where Yarrabilba hosted some interactive and tasty fun in the heart of our local neighbourhood - a chance to connect with fellow neighbours, enjoy a night off cooking, and encourage the kids to get involved. From the popular Food Truck Fridays to family movie nights under the stars and our new BMX and circus workshops, there has been a range of events for the whole family to enjoy. Let's keep the good times rolling with our upcoming events!

Logan City Council Starry Night Outdoor Cinema Program

BOSS BABY FAMILY BUSINESS

Saturday 30 September, San Damiano College oval, Yarrabilba at 5.30pm

Events Happening in October

NRL GRAND FINAL

Sunday 1 October, Yarrabilba Hotel, www.facebook.com/YarrabilbaHotel

Keep updated on coming events here: communities.lendlease.com/queensland/yarrabilba

To keep up to date with the events happening at your local Community Hubs in Yarrabilba during Term 3, make sure you follow Facebook:



The Buzz at Yarrabilba:
www.facebook.com/BuzzYarrabilba



Family Community Place:
www.facebook.com/familyandcommunityplace

Yarrabilba youngsters celebrate World's Biggest Playgroup

Families recently joined the fun at the World's Biggest Playgroup event in Darlington Parklands, supported by lots of stakeholders who are passionate about early childhood play and development. Celebrating National Playgroup Week, this fun filled event was all about promoting the benefits of playgroups for children, families and communities. Playgroups are safe and welcoming spaces where babies and children can learn and develop through play with the support of their parents or carers. We are lucky to have several Playgroups operating in Yarrabilba, so if you are looking for a way to meet people with children the same age, contact Family Community Place for more info: www.facebook.com/familyandcommunityplace/



Unveiling Yarrabilba's new Sales and Information Centre

In an exciting milestone for our growing community, Lendlease has unveiled the new Sales and Information Centre, the ideal place to start the home buying journey.

Located in the heart of The Parks precinct, let's take a look at the future of the Yarrabilba community.

"The Centre has been architecturally designed for the pleasure of clients coming in looking to buy in Yarrabilba," said Yarrabilba Sales Consultant, Ryan Robinson. "This amazing centre illustrates the evolution of the community, showcasing the broad mix of residents choosing to call Yarrabilba home, many now seeking luxury, innovation and sustainable living.

"The Centre and the new Display Village is located within 1 km of the Future Town Centre. There is also a feature park next door to entertain parents and children."

The Centre features a giant immersion screen, 3D model and lounge area, and is the first point of call for people wanting to learn about living at Yarrabilba. With a key focus on sustainability, the Centre has achieved number of eco-friendly initiatives including drought tolerant planting, the installation of a water tank, transplanted trees and solar panels just to name a few. While you visit the new Sales and Information Centre, why not browse through the latest home showcase at Yarrabilba's new Builder Display Village – located on Prospect Circuit in The Parks precinct.



Meet the team

Behind the scenes at Yarrabilba, a team of sustainability experts are working to ensure our community blends harmoniously with the natural environment.

Meet the friendly new face on our sustainability team, Theresia, who has taken on the role of Sustainability Coordinator through the Lendlease Graduate Program.

Theresia has been undertaking training with the Green Building Council for the Green Star rating tool, getting an understanding of Lendlease's Mission Zero commitments and what it means to the Yarrabilba project, working on sustainability and circular economy initiatives, and making contact with community members.

That's a wrap for Trail Fest 2023

Yarrabilba is a healthy, active community! Just check out these smiling faces from the recent Yarrabilba Trail Fest, which saw racegoers lacing up their sneakers for a trail run within Plunkett Conservation Park, Wickham National Park and Wickham Timber Reserve.

The Yarrabilba Trail Fest presented by The Trail Co was a great way to bring the community together with the annual off-road adventure along hidden trails at the doorsteps of Brisbane, the Gold Coast and Mt Tamborine.

From experienced runners, through to those stepping out to explore beyond their backyard, the Trail Fest was a great way for competitors to experience beautiful nature trails all while getting fit and active. It was a win, win, win! The event includes three distances of trail ranging from 5km to 18km.

Trails wind through Plunkett Regional Park, Wickham National Park and Wickham Timber Reserve where competitors discovered incredible views atop rugged sandstone outcrops and explored the open eucalypt forests.

Congratulations to everyone that gave the Yarrabilba Trail Fest a go - we look forward to seeing you all at next year's event. To learn more about this exciting event follow Yarrabilba Trail Fest on Facebook: facebook.com/YarrabilbaTrailFest or visit: www.yarrabilbatrailfest.com.au



Open for play! Let's explore Yarrabilba's newest community park



Celebrating its deep connection to Country and the cultural stories of the Aboriginal People, Yarrabilba's newest community park, Borrol Lookout, is now officially open for the whole community to enjoy.

RPS Group Principal Landscape Architect Emma Fraser takes us on a tour of the new playscape, which will support community connection, encourage children to learn about the park's cultural significance, all while embracing the natural surroundings.

"The vision for the park is to share Country with the community through retelling the Yugambeh story of Bingingerra. The design retains the existing vegetation, protects the rock face, and celebrate the view to the mountains," she said.

"This park is located on the highest point in Yarrabilba. It sits on a rocky outcrop referred to as South Rock, and has an expansive view of the mountains to the south which are central to the story telling. A number of Indigenous artefacts have been found here".

Jabree, the cultural heritage body for Yarrabilba, has collaborated with Lendlease and RPS Group to outline cultural stories and help incorporate the local culture within the Yarrabilba development. From this collaboration, two key stories have been explored in this park, the nearby Bora Ring and the creation of Mount Witheren – Bingingerra.



South Rock adventurers learning the Bingingerra story at Yarrabilba

South Rock State School recently celebrated the opening of Borrol Lookout Park in Yarrabilba with 100 Foundation students and staff.

The park features a significant rocky outcrop called South Rock, offering the highest vantage point in Yarrabilba. It also provides views of Mt Tamborine, Mt Witheren, and Canungra, celebrating the southern vista. The park's design incorporates the story of 'Bingingerra,' a giant freshwater turtle who transformed into Mt Bingingerra (Mt Witheren) after a battle between land and sea animals.

RPS and Eureka Landscapes paid careful attention to incorporating these elements into the park's design, including carvings and a lookout that offers views of the surrounding mountain ranges. Jabree Ltd played a crucial role in understanding the park's cultural significance. Students from South Rock State School, from Prep to Year 6, enjoyed learning about the Bingingerra story through the park's features, including interpretive signage, carvings, and a playground. They also participated in an art workshop with Quandamooka Artist Libby Harward, focusing on the story's animals, and an interactive session with Cultural Educator Rick Roser that included ochre, feathers and clap sticks.



Hearing Children's Voices

At South Rock State School their vision is 'Building pride, belonging to our community'.

The school wants students and families to become part of the school community right from the beginning of their involvement, and have developed the Hearing Children's Voices – Our Transition Project. By giving students and families the opportunity to share their thoughts on the transition from Kindy to Prep, the school can develop the transition program they want and need and ensure positive relationships are developed before the students even commence at school.

The project will be conducted throughout Term 3 with support from the local Early Childhood Education Centres the children attend Kindy, or the families themselves. The project will entail opportunities for the future student to share their thoughts in a secure online environment by sharing drawings, videos and audio responses. Families will also receive brief surveys to share their thoughts.



If your child is commencing Prep in 2024 or 2025 and you would like to be involved in the project, scan the QR code if you would like to find out more.

FREE BBQ AND ACTIVITIES FOR THE KIDS

STAY AND PLAY

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT KINDY AND PREP IN 2024

TUESDAY 29TH AUGUST 2023
Darlington Parkland
3pm - 5pm



Learning about the Circular Economy

Yarrabilba children recently had the chance to put 'reuse' into action by creating Bric a Brac Art to take home! The workshop, held at Family and Community Place and facilitated by Natura Pacific, gave children a hands-on opportunity to sort the recycling from the rubbish while learning more about recycling and the 3Rs.

Now open! Welcome to the Yarrabilba Hotel



- A spacious bistro with 300 seats, serving a delicious menu
- An outdoor terrace with expansive seating and a big screen TV
- Sports Bar boasting a 5-meter TV that guarantees you'll witness that Origin try from any seat in the room
- TAB and gaming area
- Three function rooms for private events
- Dedicated kids area and play zone
- Drive-through bottle shop

A new era in entertainment and hospitality has begun, as the highly-anticipated Yarrabilba Hotel has now opened its doors – the hottest new destination in town!

The moment you've all been waiting for is here...take a look at your new state-of-the-art local, the Yarrabilba Hotel by the McGuires Hotel Group! The venue boasts features such as:

Follow the Yarrabilba Hotel on [Facebook](#) to keep up to date!

Calling volunteers!

Volunteers make a positive impact in the community, gain new skills and experience, develop lasting friendships and get to part of a fun team.

5FOLD is on the hunt for volunteers in our community who love helping people and enjoy working in a collaborative team!

The team is currently looking for volunteers who can...

- Sort and tag clothes, and work the register in the Op Shop

- Greet and assist customers
- Help manage 5FOLD's Friday morning haircuts
- Make tea & coffee and have chats with people who come in
- Help with Coles pick ups at 10am each morning 5FOLD is open

If you would like to know more, please pop into the shop and ask for Melinda to chat further! **Opening hours: Wednesday - Friday, 9am to 4pm.**

Follow 5Fold on Facebook: facebook.com/5FOLDAU



The Yarrabilba Salvo's Store is now open and looking for volunteers. Drop into the store anytime and say help or make an appointment by emailing: ss.yarrabilba@salvationarmy.org.au



New residents receive warm welcome at Meet Your Neighbour event

Residents braved the sudden winter chill to enjoy our Meet Your Neighbour fun this week. With activities for young and old, it was fantastic to meet some of our newest residents.

We had great support from our stakeholders including the teams from Family Community Place community hub and The Buzz community hub showing off their beautiful venues. New residents had lots of questions answered by Deputy Mayor Laurie Koranski, South Rock State School Principal Aaron Jones, Play Matters, the Early Years Network, 5Fold, Dunamis Church, The Exchange, The Bridge youth group, TAFE Qld and Opticom. Stay tuned for the next Meet Your Neighbours Event planned for Spring.

See more photos on Facebook: www.facebook.com/myyarrabilba/photos



New beats at The Buzz

In exciting news for music lovers, YMCA are working on a new recording studio at the youth space in The Buzz community hub. With the facility located between Yarrabilba State Secondary College and San Damiano College on Yarrabilba Dr, this is sure to be a very very popular addition for our community's musicians. We can't wait to see the creations from this 'place of song'. To stay up to date or lend your musical support to YMCA, follow The Buzz for updates www.facebook.com/BuzzYarrabilba

Career pathways and local business support in Yarrabilba



The Exchange is a one stop shop supporting local jobs, skilling, and enterprise in Yarrabilba. As an initiative of Lendlease, this service is free of charge to both Yarrabilba residents of working age and employers. Since its inception in December 2016, over 3,510 locals have been supported by The Exchange, with over 1,258 job-seekers placed into local employment and over 432 into skilling and training. We couldn't achieve this without the support of a wide range of stakeholder partners who are equally as committed to helping the Yarrabilba community thrive.

Our newest community hub - The Buzz at Yarrabilba - is a central meeting place that supports community connection, learning, earning and innovation. So, it makes sense that The Exchange has made its new home here to best serve local residents. The community hub is managed by the YMCA, and The Y's new manager of The Exchange service, Mr Niu Fiu, has been super busy over the past few months, making lots of new connections and expanding the services to continue meeting the needs of our growing community.

"The Exchange is here to empower Yarrabilba's residents to take control

of their career journey, providing support and guidance to connect them to local job opportunities and help them thrive in the workforce. This even includes the early building blocks for young people considering their future careers. We are here to facilitate better connections between job seeker individuals with employers in the local area, ensure training is delivered locally and is tailored to specific vacancies in a wider range of industries including hospitality, construction, business, aged care and disability. The Exchange is also a resource that Yarrabilba's Small Businesses and Home Based Businesses can tap into for guidance and support, whether they are established or just starting out" said Niu.

The Exchange also collaborates with partner schools to deliver school to work transition strategies and opportunities, provide assistance identifying local work experience and volunteering opportunities, facilitate access to accredited training courses to existing employers and candidates to assist the pathway to sustainable employment. Access to accredited training will be given a huge boost now that Yarrabilba will have its own TAFE based at The Buzz.

Just in the last few months The Exchange has been supporting locals in the following initiatives:

- Apprenticeship program by Australian Training Company with YSSC Yr 11 students
- Ready 4 Employment – pathway opportunities with resume writing and cover letter assistance
- Registering students into traineeships, work experience and volunteering opportunities
- Supported QLD Small Business Month with informative workshops & networking for local small and home based businesses
- Collaborated with Reclink in supporting participants with graduation and ongoing employment opportunities
- Played host to Lendlease's recently revived Meet Your Neighbours events as they made a post-covid return to community hubs

To stay up to date with news from The Exchange: www.facebook.com/YarrabilbaJobsExchange/

To register your details as a job-seeker with The Exchange: <https://v2.forms.jobadder.com/f/IWY70jz3LVqRKEg8d6exYmMQr>





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Opening Hours

Monday – Friday: 9.00am – 5.00pm

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