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### Next ACCA Meeting:

**Thursday @ 7:00pm**  
at the ACCA Club-  
house 1st Feb 2007



Our chairman, Norm Gilmore & the executive committee members wish all Abbotsford Cove residents a happy & safe Christmas & thank everyone for their support during 2006.

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## Cove residents kick their heels up to celebrate Christmas



John Young (Flinders) & Jan Coulter (Alexander) present Sue Prell (Oxley) with the annual shield for winning the overall Abbotsford Cove Picnic Day events

A large group of residents from the Cove enjoyed the annual dinner dance at the Castel D'oro function centre in Great North Rd Five Dock. The night was billed as the best yet and the theme of 'nationality of origin' contributed to the fun and spirited competition between the various buildings at Abbotsford Cove. Almost all of the buildings were represented which was great to see. Once again the Castel D'oro staff excelled with fine food & wine along with very danceable music.



Definitely mischief makers from Elizabeth were Tim (the chemist) Ainsworth, Nick Gregorace & Aidan Leatham



Best dressed on the night were Kay Porter (Paterson), John & Dorothy Bryant (Endeavour)



Best national dress on the night goes to Frank Brus & his partner Birgitta who dressed in their native costumes.

## Abbotsford Cove Picnic Day

The annual picnic day organized by Jan Coulter was another great community success, with races, relays, games, tug of wars and a family barbecue.

This year the event was won by Oxley



All smiles! One of our young champions

New ferry  
services

Sydney Ferries has made extensive improvements to the rivercat service to & from Abbotsford. There are now more services calling at King St wharf in Darling Harbour & Circular Quay so you can have a night out at the Quay or Cockle Bay and catch rivercats arriving home as late as 10:15pm.

There are also several new morning & peak hour services, so get your self a new timetable. and avoid the crush on Victoria Road.

## Aqua Kookas party on at Cockle Bay



Happy Abbotsford Cove residents on the Cockle Bay marina deck

Forty five of the aqua aerobics group (Kookas) celebrated Christmas with a harbour cruise on Sunday 10th December aboard "QEII & Kahuna" thanks to Jan & Don Coulter & Rhondda Faleri & Ken Geary.

The boats berthed in the sheltered marina at Cockle Bay and dinner & fine wines were served on the marina deck.

Maureen Knox & Warren Langford proved that there are still plenty of fish in the harbour with a fine catch of tailor & bream which they immediately returned to the sea to fight another battle.



Warren Langford (Flynn) lands a big one at Cockle Bay



Bob & Lyn Holmes, Pat & John Reid (all Endeavour) & Tricia Kropkowski (Elizabeth) enjoying a drink or two at Cockle Bay

The QEII & Kahuna at Cockle Bay marina



## Carols in the park

When : Sunday 17th December @ 3:30pm.

Games, Lolly hunts

Santa arrives

Family barbecue 5:30pm

Carols commence 7:00 pm

People with an ear for music, or anyone who can play an instrument should contact Jan Coulter on



## Golf Day

Barnwell Park Golf Club in Canada Bay set the scene on 12th November when 18 players from Abbotsford Cove teed off.

The 3 ball ambrose was won by Geoff Goldman, Leigh Bonnefin & Margo Moore.

The longest drive was won by Kay Brunner & Ivan Meeke, while nearest the pin was won by Bess Rosen & Geoff Brunner.

The next Golf Day at Barnwell Park is on Sunday 25th March 2007.



## WORDS OF WISDOM -WOW

At the last meeting Elaine Hartnett (Catherine) spoke about "Care for Kids" with the message "Don't be afraid, be aware".

**Next meeting** for any resident is at the Club House on Wednesday 21st February where David Richard (Alexander) will talk on his experience as a Trade Commissioner in the Middle East. Join everyone for coffee at 10:30am in the ACCA clubhouse.

It's a great way to meet people & to find out interesting things.

## Bushcare

Bushcare is a volunteer group sponsored by Canada Bay Council with the aim to restore degraded bushland to allow regeneration of native species. A group currently works in Fig Tree Bay reserve & would like to tackle the sandstone outcrop between Meriton & the Cove.

For info email Gareth Debney on [gareth.debney@canadabay.nsw.gov.au](mailto:gareth.debney@canadabay.nsw.gov.au)



## Australia Day 2007

Keep the 26th January free to join in the celebrations under the fig tree in our foreshore park..

- **8:00** pancakes & coffee/tea
- **8:45** Re-enactment of landing of Governor Phillip
- **9:00** flag raising ceremony

There will be 2 long boats coming ashore this year, so volunteer rowers would be welcome. See strata notice boards for more information in January.



## Aqua Fitness

When : Monday & Wednesday mornings 8:45am to 9:45am & Tuesday evening from 6:15pm to 7:00pm

**Fitness lap swimming:** swimming for competent swimmers only from 9:00am to 10:00am each Thursday morning

**Where:** At the No 1 heated pool. Classes are free for Ladies & men.

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