

EDITORIAL

Here we are 2020. Has a good ring to it, don't you think? Nice and even after an ungainly 2019. Here's hoping all bushfires will die, inundated with lots of rain and that the rest of the year will be just amazing with Alive 90.5 reaching even greater heights. Lots of presenters on holidays at this time of the year, so a big thanks to all those who have been able to fill in for their absent colleagues.

Leonie

Chairlady's Report

Another busy couple of months with all the Christmas and New Year activities. Despite a short family break, Gillian has had to really work hard getting everything organised from sponsorship, events, parties and loading and unloading equipment and attending OBs. Then there's the daily running of the station. It's a big ask but I know she does it with enthusiasm and vigour. At the moment though, she has to attend to her own job as well as her family business so she was unable to do a report this time.

MEMBERSHIP

Still needing a big influx of members as the total currently sits at 117 with Priscilla Fauvette our newest member. A big welcome Priscilla

TECHNOLOGY

On Saturday 25th Jan the phone system was upgraded to the new VOIP system with new Yealink handsets. The operation of the phones with the Axia consoles is pretty much the same as our old system, but Darryn has provided extra guidelines for those in need. A new phone contract will be in place at the end of this month. CSAs are now to be read directly from the website under On- Air Reads

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BUSHFIRE SUPPORT

A little short of our 8000 bottle target but 5121 was a very fine effort. Well done Gaan Bakso and Gillian for your idea

CHRISTMAS PARTY DAY

Another great celebration of the year with plenty of food and conversation. Gillian thoughtfully recognised people with special awards for long term membership, Sponsors and listening members and we thanked her for her enthusiasm and drive in progressing the station



Jack, Darryn & Steve chatting while Mario barbeques



Gillian & Jerome enjoy the day

NEW ALIVE T SHIRTS

We now have some large t shirts available in black with our logo for \$12 available from the office.

OUTSIDE BROADCASTS

OB's are always regarded as being very important to the station in connecting with the community and the last 2 months has seen a number of successful ventures. First, we returned to a regular sponsor- Chambers Cellars and Kellyville Ridge Twilight Markets, both on the same day (a bit of a drain on our staunch OB team.)





Free samples at Chamber Cellars



Kellyville Ridge Markets- Note how minimised the equipment is now

Then we were involved with Australia Day celebrations at Parramatta Park, an early 6am start where we did lots of interviews and successfully spread the message even wider about Alive 90.5. It was a very well- organised day with interviewees turning up on time as designated, and the support from the Alive team was wonderful. At least 8 people helped out with the event. Next, we are going back to former sponsors, Northmead Bowling Club (now re-signed). That will be on 22^{nd} Feb for a Bushfire Relief Concert.

FEEDBACK

Matt & Michael- Great show! Lots of fun and you are sounding great

You two are so funny. It was nice to hear my name called out on the radio.

OMG Jerome. You have raised the bar for Alive 90.5

COUNCIL LINKS





Cumberland Mayor Steve Christou

We are involving Councils again and the Cumberland Mayor is attending the station fortnightly to be interviewed. His latest projects include

Commuter parking in Pendle Hill,

A new garden for Volunteer Park and a new accessible playground is one step closer

DATES TO REMEMBER

Northmead BC OB- Sat 22nd Feb

General Meeting: Wed February 27th