# **AUSTRALIA DAY 2015**

### Free breakfast followed by ceremony

than coming together and catching up for a barbecue with your mates.

Cessnock residents are invited to come along to East End Oval for a free breakfast, prepared by the Rotary Club of Cessnock and Wine Country Lions Club, from 7.30am to 9.30am this Australia Day.

There will also be a live broadcast from 2CHR-FM radio, entertainment, face painting, information displays, jumping castle and stalls to keep you entertained – or you can just sit back and enjoy a relaxing breakfast.

After breakfast, all are invited to attend Cessnock City's official Australia Day ceremony at East Cessnock Bowling Club.

The proceedings will kick off at 10am and will include an address by Australia Day ambassador Peter Herbert; a citizenship ceremony for a number of local residents and the announcement of Cessnock's Australia Day award recipients.

With this year marking the Centenary of Anzac, there will be a special theme to the day with musical performances by Tara Navsmith and local high school



■ POPULAR EVENT: Cessnock's Australia Day awards ceremony always draws a huge crowd.

"Australia Day is a day to reflect on our national journey: acknowledge our past, rejoice in the present and look confidently to our future," Cessnock Mayor Bob Pynsent said.

"Australia Day in Cessnock will be an enjoyable occasion for family members young and old and I invite everyone in our community

Be sure to pack a hat and sunscreen and a comfy chair to sit on for the oval activities.

Council is taking applications for stallholders interested in attending the day. Full criteria and application forms are available from www.cessnock.nsw.gov.au.

For more information, call Gina Radford at the Mayor's office on 4993 4210.

#### Where else but the Aussie?

The name says it all where else to celebrate your Australia Day but the Australia Hotel?

There will be great food and live entertainment, plus a barbecue to be won on the day – just buy any Tooheys product from the Aussie in January for your chance to win.

Newcastle band The Milestones will perform from 3pm to 6pm.

Playing classic rock 'n' roll from the sixties and seventies as well as anything from the present day that has caught their ear, the Milestones are sure to provide the perfect soundtrack for your Australia Day festivities.

Grab a bite to eat for lunch or dinner in the bistro; there's a great ofvariety Aussie favourites on the menu.

For more information or to book a table in the bistro, phone the Aussie on 4990 1256.



**LIVE MUSIC BISTRO OPEN LUNCH & DINNER** 

**136 Wollombi Rd. Cessnock** 

#### Australia Fun Day at church

The Anglican and Catholic parishes in Kurri and its surrounds are combining resources to offer an Australia Fun Day for children aged 13 and under this

The fun day will be held at St. Paul's Anglican Church in Lang Street, Kurri from 11am to 2pm. All are welcome to attend this free event.

"If you're looking for something to do with the kids before school goes back, bring them to this fun day and let them run around and have a great time. We're really looking forward to a fantastic day," Kurri and Weston Anglican priest, Fr. Chris Jackson said.

Activities include mini-jumping castle, water balloons, sports, food eating competitions and other

Children should bring a towel for the water games. Lunch will be provided.

"Our churches are committed to working together to serve our community. Both our churches want to do all we can to support our community and families," Fr.

Parents will be required to register names, allergies and other details at entry.

In the event of wet weather, all activities will be moved into the church hall. For further information, call Fr. Chris on 0401 717 686.

#### Say a prayer for the nation

An open prayer meeting will be held in the Cessnock TAFE grounds on Saturday to pray for Australia Day.

The meeting will start at 8am and a sausage sizzle will follow at Cessnock City Church in North Avenue. All are welcome.

#### Sausage sizzle for the SES

Bunnings Warehouse Cessnock will support the NSW State Emergency Service with an Aussie Day Weekend fundraiser barbecue this Saturday.

Family activities, fun games and entertainment will also be held throughout the day from 9am to 4pm.

Complex manager Stephanie McLennan said the fundraiser is a terrific way to show appreciation for the wonderful work done by local volunteer emergency

by local volunteer emergency services across the Australia Day weekend," he said. NSW SES Commissioner, Adam Dent, said he is pleased that Bunnings has chosen to support emer-

gency services with this great initiative. "The support of Bunnings will assist our volunteers

to do what they do best - helping their local community in times of accident and disaster," he said.

#### **Open day at Mulla Villa**

Historic Wollombi guest house, the 1840 convictbuilt Mulla Villa will open its doors to the public on Australia Day.

All are invited to try traditional old recipes such as a ploughman's lunch with scotch eggs, scones, jam and real cream and milk shakes made with fresh fruit.

See newly discovered historical spots on the site such as the sandstone convict road, wood-lined drinking well, old bridge over the brook, convict holding cells, heritage trees and the 19th century farm equip-

The new owners, Don Spencer and Davey Spencer, have revitalised the gardens and building upgraded the car park to hold 100 cars in all weather conditions.

The open day will run from 7.30am to 6pm at 3174 Great North Road, Wollombi.

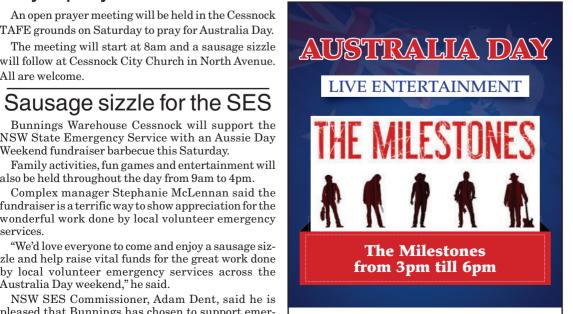
#### Market day at Wollombi

The Wollombi village will be having one of its fabulous big market days on Australia Day.

You can't miss the market – it's in the saleyards on Paynes Crossing Road, on the edge of the Wollombi Village and there's plenty of parking.

The market will feature endless stalls with plants, food, jewellery, clothing, books, toys, second hand goods and more.

Proceeds will go to the local Wollombi Tennis and Croquet Club and the Wollombi Pony Club.



The Australia Hotel Ph: 4990 1256 136 Wollombi Rd, Cessnock



## Australia Day 2015

Monday, 26 January 2015 Official proceedings from 10am East Cessnock Bowling Club Hosted by Mayor, Cr Bob Pynsent

Australia Day Ambassador, Peter Herbert Citizenship Ceremony

Join us for a free breakfast! 7.30 - 9.30am East End Oval Victoria Street, Cessnock

Face painting Jumping castle Entertainment Animal display Giveaways... and much more! Don't forget your hat, sunscreen and chair!











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