

CHRISTMAS IN PYRMONT 2023



Wedged between rainy days, Christmas in Pyrmont on 26 November was perfect. Stallholders arrived from 6am, and by 10am Refinery Square was a dazzling array of tents and gazebos protecting sixty stalls. The welcome and smoking ceremony were elegantly performed by Uncle Mark Merriman and Mike Butler



and the hygiene arrangements approved in time for Lord Mayor Clover Moore to open proceedings.



By every measure this event was a stunning success. Ultimo Public School provided three musical performances to remind us that we helped them expand their music program. Pyrmont Sings! sang, young soloists Freddie Bailey and Emily Blake and our talented rock groups performed on either side of a delightful young jazz ensemble. Many children were charmed by Santa and delighted to ride the fire truck.



With support from The Star, the City of Sydney and local businesses, and huge fundraising efforts by volunteers, Christmas in Pyrmont this year raised over \$118,000. After covering our costs, we are able to distribute \$100,000 to our charities - \$25K each to Barnardos, Pyrmont Cares, Ultimo Public School and Uniting Harris Community Centre.

Next Christmas in Pyrmont? Save the date – Sunday 24 November. But we will need more help, especially from younger people. Please read the next item...

CA TREASURER OPPORTUNITY

CHRISTMAS IN PYRMONT 2024?

This festival has evolved over twenty years, to remain fresh, popular and valuable - bringing our community together, and raising funds for local charities. The entertainments become more diverse, adding to our local community bands and choir. And the event is managed by volunteers from Ultimo School, Pyrmont Cares, Barnardos, Harris Community Centre, Domain and many locals.



It is hugely rewarding and fun to plan and manage - but each year it becomes more complex. The logistics become trickier, as State and City officers apply more conditions, the weather becomes less predictable – and the volunteers who plan and implement this great event are another year older!

To keep Christmas in Pyrmont fresh and successful, we need fresh energy and fresh vision. If you have time for planning during the year, or have ideas, energy or experience for next Christmas in Pyrmont, please talk to Mary Mortimer, 0410 679 204, mary.mortimer@bigpond.com.

Our Community Association Treasurer is stepping down after four years. He leaves an opportunity for someone to contribute to the JL community at a high level.



This role is one of the three honorary office-bearers and contributes to the management and policy decisions of the CA. You need not be a qualified accountant (our strata manager does all the accounting) but you need to be financially literate - you'll review the CA's Balance Sheet and Income & Expense Statement and present a report to the executive committee meetings, and be involved in the annual budgeting, using projections from our building manager, strata manager and IT subcommittee.

This commitment involves an average of 4 or 5 hours per week.

You will receive an induction from the outgoing treasurer, who is remaining in Jacksons Landing. For more detailed background, feel free to contact (without commitment) David Rice on 0420 738 588.

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Call us for any advice for all your property needs.

Pymont Community Centre is closed for up to 2 years for renovations
Activities have moved to Maybanke Recreation Centre, 87-89 Harris Street
Ultimo Community Centre, cnr William Henry Street & Bulwara Road Ultimo
Harold Park Community Hall, Tramsheds, 1 Dalgat Way, Forest Lodge
Maybanke Christmas closure: 23 December-1 January, reopens 2 January, 2024
For more information, ring the centre on 9298 3134

When	What	Where	Who to Contact
Friday 8 December 6.30 for 7pm	Live Nativity - carols & the Christmas story - camels, donkey, baby, shepherds	Quarry Green Ultimo	David Gore 0412 820 023
Wednesday 13 December 7pm	Jacksons Landing Community Association committee meeting - all JL residents welcome	JL Station	Neville 0408 104 037
Friday 15 Dec 6pm	Community Christmas carols - all welcome	Union Square	Peter 0450 974 848
Thurs 18 January 7pm	Pymont Photography Group - email Heather	Zoom	heathercruising@hotmail.com

REGULAR ACTIVITIES

Check availability with the contact person over Christmas-New Year			
Sundays 7am	Pymont Run Group - free, all levels welcome	Meet near the kiosk	Karen 0408 477 778
Sun, Wed 8.30am	Landcare - bring bush back to Pymont	Around Pymont	Patrick 0419 494 532
Sundays 9-11am	JL social tennis - JL residents welcome, \$1 for balls	JL Tennis Courts	Anthony 0404 876 927
Mondays 11am	Pymont Supports Coffee Hour & chat	Pirrama Park Kiosk	Diane 0431 901 279
Mondays 12.45-2.45pm	Scrabble - tea and bikkies available	JL Station	Carol 0447 631 113
Monday 12-3pm	Crochet with Christie - need to book	Maybanke Centre	Christie 9298 3134
Monday 6pm	Local Running Group - free, all welcome	Meet at Laneway	Karie 0439 727 537
Tues, Thurs 6.30am	Boot camp - all ages and fitness levels	Meet Refinery Square	Karen 0408 477 778
Mon, Tues, Fri 9-1.30	Pickleball - must call to book first time	Maybanke Centre	Cintha 0402 658 886
Tues, Fri 10-1	Aquarobics - free, all JL residents welcome	Glasshouse pool	Lorraine 0419 021 309
Tues 12-2pm	Crochet for Beginners	Maybanke Centre	Centre 9298 3134
Tuesdays 2-3pm	Yoga - \$15 per class	JL Station	Julie 0411 085 393
Tuesdays 3pm	Ballroom Line Dancing	JL Station	Wendy 0402 065 585
Wednesday 9am	Pymont Walkers - details emailed weekly	Various walks	Sue 0423 717 237
Wed 8.30-9.30am	Yoga - gentle lessons for everyone. \$10 per class	Zoom	Helen 0407 949 073
Wed 10.30am-12noon	Meet for coffee and a chat - esp newcomers	Zebra Lounge, 1 Harris	Regina 9518 7235
Wed 12.15-1	Outdoor body blast with George	Maybanke Centre	Centre 9298 3130
Wed 6-6.45	Cardio boxing with George	Maybanke Centre	Centre 9298 3130
Wed 3-5pm	Ukulele Group - free, all levels welcome	Maybanke Centre	Centre 9298 3130
Thursdays 9-11am	JL social tennis - JL residents welcome, \$1 for balls	JL Tennis Courts	Nicki 0492 466 859
Thursdays 1-2pm	Pymont Tai Chi - text Louise to register	JL Station	Louise 0410 610 326
Fridays 6.30am	Run Group - all levels welcome	Light rail stairs	Karen 0408 477 778
Fri 10.30-11.30am	Zumba	JL Station	Zarala 0406 166 565
Fri 10.30am-12.30pm	Stitching Circle - sew, knit, chat, make friends	Maybanke Centre	Fiona 0414 741 931

FOR KIDS

The Harris Centre will close on 21 December and recommence activities in February			
Mondays, Weds	Soccer -18 mths-11yrs-\$105-114/mth. See website	Refinery Square	sydneylions.com.au
Mon 3.15-4.45, Tues 9.30-11.45	Miss Jacqui's Ballerinas - stop next week, resume in January	465 Harris St Ultimo	missjacquisballerinas.com
Tues 10-10.45am	Preschool Music and Movement - recommence Feb	JL Station	Julie 0401 101 171
Thursday 10-11am	Story time with Lailani	Maybanke Centre	Centre 9298 3134
Thursday 4-5pm	Basketball Workshop - 8-14 yrs - free	Maybanke Centre	Mereani 0477 712 494