

# BLACKHEATH AREA LOCAL NEWS

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December 2023

Monthly Newsletter



New murals by Alex Grilanc at Sacred Heart Parish's Community Kitchen Garden

## Incredible Edible Blackheath: Free Food Every Day of the Week!

The beating heart of the Blackheath community is getting even stronger! The number of groups, organisations and businesses working together to ensure no one goes hungry, and everyone has access to free food, is growing. Recently Blackheath's Vegie Patch changed ownership and Mel and her team have rapidly become part of our caring community: providing free food and seedlings to community groups and proudly sponsoring this month's Local News. Free food is available every day of the week in Blackheath here:

**Mondays-Fridays** Blackheath Area Neighbourhood Centre Food Pantry (9.30am-4.30pm Mon-Thurs; 9.30-12.30 Fri; closed for lunch 12.30-1.30pm) Ph. 4787 7770

**Mondays** 11am-1pm: Free Soup at Uniting Church Hall

**Wednesdays** 9.30am-12pm: Sacred Heart Parish Cuppa's Together and Community Kitchen Garden 167 Wentworth St Ph. Brian on 0401 768 688

**Thursdays** 9am-12noon: Cliff View Community Farm working bee followed by a cuppa. Produce is grown for BANC veggie boxes and to share with volunteers. Ph 0414 565 258

**First Friday of the month** 5 - 7pm: Blackheath Area Neighbourhood Centre's Free Pizza night at 125 Wentworth St Ph. 4787 7770

**1st and 3rd Saturdays** 11am-1pm: Sacred Heart Parish Community Kitchen Garden Ph. Brian on 0401 768 688

**Sundays** 10am-1pm: Blackheath Community Farm. Produce is shared with volunteers. Free Community Lunch every Sunday. Ph. 0407 437 553

## District Events in December

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### Free Composting and Wormfarming Workshops

10am-11an Learn Composting skills (10am); 11.15-12.15 Worm Farming skills  
Blue Mountains City Council will be presenting workshops on how to keep food out of landfill. Sacred Heart Parish Kitchen Garden Brian 0401768688

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### A Midsummer Night's Dream

Staged across three outdoor locations, the audience is guided through the woods and back again, amongst the beautiful grounds of 'The Grange'. 38 Selsdon St, Mt Victoria [www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1143187](http://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1143187)

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### Theatre Mamusidom presents Shirley Valentine

Sat 2nd and 9th, Sun 3rd and 12th. Shirley is a middle-aged English housewife who leaves her Liverpool home for a holiday in Greece. Liz de Koster stars, directed by Peta Toppano. Tickets from Colliers. Church Hall 6 Bundarra St

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### Blackheath Community Farm

10am-1pm Pop in to learn about how to grow food in our climate. We work together then share the day's harvest before a joint shared luncheon in the garden. All welcome. Ph. 0407 437 553

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### Blackheath Xmas Market

Olives, homemade chocolate fudge, jewellery, cards, wooden toys, wooden clocks & children's puzzles, soaps and more. Stallholders welcome. Call Rahim 0409339473 2 Bundarra St. Blackheath RSL Hall, Bundarra St.

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### Free Soup

11am-12.30pm All welcome for a free lunch with nourishing soup and pleasant conversation. Blackheath Uniting Church 43 Govetts Leap Rd.

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### Tuesday Trivia

6pm-8pm Join us at the Gardeners Inn. \$5. Singing encourage during the music round. Book a table of 6. [facebook.com/profile.php?id=100092334826447](https://facebook.com/profile.php?id=100092334826447)  
Gardners Inn, GWH Blackheath

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### Blackheath Community Kitchen Garden

10am-12pm Help grow organic vegetables for those in need. Bring your own tools, or these can be supplied on the day. Gloves recommended. Blackheath Catholic Church Hall 165 Wentworth Street.

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### Pat Drummond

7.30pm Pat is a troubadour with an innate sense of fun and an astonishing capacity to involve an audience. He has a passionate commitment to this country and its people. Gardners Inn. Floor performers are welcome. \$5

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### HUFF: Heads up for Fire Meetup

6pm-8pm Develop a grassroots strategy to ensure everyone is informed and prepared for an emergency. HUFF aims to eliminate isolation and connect neighbours. Bates Hall, Blackheath Comm. Centre. Enq Mina 0419 629 407

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### Artplay with Lindena

10am-12noon every Wednesday morning. Have fun exploring your creativity with these weekly workshops. No artistic skill required. 125 Wentworth Street \$35 All art materials supplied. Enquiries Lindena 0410310205

## District Events in December

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### Blackheath Horticultural Society Christmas Party

10am A delicious buffet luncheon and lots of fun after the Society's General Meeting and Mini Flower Show at Uniting Church Hall, 43 Govetts Leap Rd. Blackheath and District Horticultural Society. RSVP 0405393281

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### Life, The Universe and Stories

10am-12pm A different kind of social group. 'Life, the Universe and Stories' is a relaxed social group that centres around the reading, reflection and discussion of great short stories. 125 Wentworth Street, Blackheath

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### Christmas Lunch every Thursday and Friday in December

Spectacular Christmas Lunches with Christmas carols! Victoria and Albert Guesthouse Mt Victoria. If you would like a private event call us on 0459 844 345.

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### Qigong

4pm each Friday during the holiday season. All levels welcome for one hour of gentle movement and meditation. Blackheath Fitness Centre. Enquiries to Tania Grasseschi on 0412152928 All are welcome.

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### Support Co-ordinator and Support Worker Workshop

10am-1pm A free workshop for navigating professional self-care while working in care-giving roles. Amaroo Equine, 99 Caloola Halt Rd, Megalong Valley. Enquiries 0407 063 915

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### Woolly Wildlife Makers

10.30am For regular or occasional makers who can crochet possum palaces and nests. If you knit and care to help get a knitting crew of makers organised, please join Woolly Wildlife Makers! Gardners Inn Hotel

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### Phoenix Choir

An enchanting performance of Rheinberger's 'The Star of Bethlehem' and other festive songs by a renowned Blue Mountains Choir. Phillipps Hall. Tickets phoenixchoir.org.au/tickets

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### Members' Christmas Lunch

12 noon Blue Mountains Rhododendron Society is hosting its Members' Christmas Lunch. RSVP secretary@rhodogarden.org.au or 0436 002588. Please bring a plate of food to share. The Lodge, Bacchante St Blackheath.

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### Community Carols

4.30pm Kids activities 6pm Carols. Light Hill Band, Local School Acts, NA Dance Company, RFS Sausage Sizzle. Visit from Santa, Fairy Floss and Popcorn. Blackheath Gardens cnr Hat Hill Rd and GWH. Bring a picnic rug.

SUN

10. 23

### Blackheath Growers Market

8am-12noon Regional food. Meet the growers and producers of a fantastic array of foods on the second Sunday of each month from February to December, with an additional Twilight Market on Saturday 23 December 2023.

**All details are correct at time of printing.  
Please contact event organisers to confirm details.  
Send events to [events@thebigfix.org](mailto:events@thebigfix.org) or phone 0407 437 553**

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## ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE

### ZOE's

- 1st Lawson Creek
- 2nd Andy Penkow
- 7th Open Mike
- 8th Ljnden
- 11th Pizza Party
- 9th Devi Mamak & the Caravan Band
- 15th Evika
- 16th Sy Dyson
- 25th Tala Willow 8-10pm

**35 Govetts Leap Rd, Blackheath**  
Enquiries **0448 321 233**

### Hotel Etico 6-8pm

- 1st Narrownecks
- 8th The Tinkers
- 15th Linda Mizzi
- 22nd Fret Buzz
- 29th The Winstons Duo
- 30th Gravity Belt

**11 Montgomery St. Mt Victoria**  
Enquiries **0438 511 352**

### Side B Vinyl Bar

- 10th Cameron Love (Bathurst) 6pm
- 17th Craig Sinclair (Blackheath Local)

**237 Gt Western Hwy, Blackheath**  
Enquiries **info@sidebvinylbar.com**

## MT VIC FLICKS

### Next Goal Wins

Wed 13th 6.45-8.40pm

Mount Vic Flicks is hosting a preview screening of Next Goal Wins, directed by Academy Award Winner Taika Waititi. Based on the true story of the American Samoan soccer team, known for their 31-0 loss to Australia in 2001. Tickets \$13/11

### Poor Things

Sat 16th 8-10.30pm

Be one of the first to see Yorgos Lanthimos' highly anticipated film, Poor Things, starring Emma Stone, Mark Ruffalo and Willem Dafoe. Tickets are \$25/23 and on sale now!

### Poor Things

Sun 31st 6.10 (sharp)

Celebrate NYE at Mount Vic Flicks with a special screening of Poor Things followed by the Sydney's 9pm fireworks live on the big screen afterwards! All tickets include a complimentary bubbly or fizzy on arrival. Tickets \$25/23 +BF,

**mountvicflicks.com.au to book**

TUES

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### Jubilee Park Plant a Tree for Posterity

8.30am Shovels, diggers and garden gloves provided. It will be a celebratory occasion! Afterwards at the Uniting Church Hall for a celebration to thank everyone. Jubilee Park Enquiries to Eva Johnstone 04323217

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### Amaroo Equine Workshops and January Summer Camp

Equine & Nature Assisted Learning small group workshops and individual, sibling or family sessions encompass a variety of activities tailored to foster personal development and growth. Enquiries Bel 0448408184

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### Community Women's Circle

For local women of all ages and stages of life to come together to share conversations, enjoy creative art and writing activities and indulge in guided meditation. 165 Wentworth St. Sally (02) 88432545.

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### Blackheath Golf & Community Club New Years Eve Dinner

A JukeBox and the Fireworks on the big screen. Enjoy dinner at Birdies Bistro and dance the evening away. No cover charge but bookings on 4787 8406 recommended. Blackheath Golf & Community Club