

Gainsborough  
Greens PIMPAMA

# Spring 2020

## Community Newsletter



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### What's On

#### Social Get-Togethers!

##### Tuesdays

Gainsborough Pimpama Craft Group,  
Playgroup, Seniors Coffee Catchup,  
Pimpama Book Lovers

##### Thursdays

Seniors Coffee Catchup

##### Saturdays

Parkrun

##### Sundays

Walking Group

#### Community Events

##### Sept / Oct / Nov

Spring Street Parties

##### October

8th Annual Ladies Charity Gala Night

Halloween

##### November

Melbourne Cup Lunch

##### December

Christmas Festival of Lights

Christmas Movie Night



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# Hi From Suzanne & Bree

## Welcome to the Spring edition of our Gainsborough Greens Community Newsletter.

2020 has been a time that has tested us all individually and collectively – a unique unfathomable experience that we have learned a great deal from and continue to with the ebb and flow of changes we adapt to daily. We have seen the character of community shine through this period and this edition is a special tribute – a time capsule – reminding us of the importance of human connection, the strength of community and the significance of kindness we share and need in our lives.

Perhaps you are reading this edition for the first time or you have been in the neighbourhood for some time. Whichever it may be there is lots to share from what's been happening in our special community to what is on the horizon. So settle in, enjoy the read and we look forward to connecting with you soon.

Warm regards, Suzanne & Bree –  
Enriching Communities Pimpama.



## Community News

### Community Hero

It makes us proud to see community heroes stand up and shine. During the recent months we have all seen the great importance of staying connected and supporting one another. We often say heroes are those special people that put others first and do not seek any recognition in return. Combating isolation has been a driving force behind our community program activities for the last 8 years and it makes us proud when we see others in our community creating moments of social connection, the perfect antidote to isolation.

We would like to recognise a local lady and thank her for her kindness over the last few months. Her leadership to help create connections and reduce isolation amongst Seniors has been inspiring and worthy of recognition. Sandra D, we greatly appreciate your efforts in creating get togethers for our Seniors outside of the regular coffee catchups, we know they have been great times enjoyed by all. Sandra will receive a \$100- Mirvac Eftpos Gift Card.

Connections in our community would not be possible without the consistent support our volunteers provide, like assisting with our recent 'Staying Connected Postcards'. This family is our second Community Hero recipient and also receive a \$100- Mirvac Eftpos Gift Card in appreciation for the thousands of newsletters and flyers they have dropped in our mailboxes over the many years. Thank you to Jasmin, Amber and family

for always saying yes! We appreciate the countless hours you have walked around the neighbourhood.

### Staying Connected

Creating a connected community, a place where we belong and feel that sense of pride is both rewarding and enjoyable, it's that feeling of home. Connection to our local area, creating the friendships with each other and being part of our unique and beautiful community is what we love so much about Gainsborough Greens. Particularly in 2020, we have felt that amazing community spirit and pride through a number of wonderful moments. Our ANZAC driveway services, the generosity everyone expressed during Australia's Biggest morning tea, our video calls with seniors, the community led teddy bear hunt and many other special moments that make Gainsborough Greens more than just a place to live.

### New Traffic Lights

Gold Coast City Council recently announced that the intersection at Yawalpah Road and Gawthorn Drive is being upgraded by signalling the intersection due to be completed in early 2021. The additions will help improve traffic efficiency and most of all, road safety for the upcoming Gainsborough State School. Learn more about the upgrade and plans by visiting GCCC's website: [www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/yawalpah-road-gawthorn](http://www.goldcoast.qld.gov.au/yawalpah-road-gawthorn)

## Community Event Calendar

We've put together this handy guide so you don't miss out on any of the action! Be sure to follow us on Facebook for event details and community updates.

FEBRUARY	MARCH
<b>Annual Residents Golf Day</b> Rally your golfing buddies for the annual ambrose style event, open to all skill levels.	<b>Easter Street Party Weekend</b> Get your neighbours together for a drink and some Easter fun.
MAY	SEPTEMBER
<b>Ladies Charity Night</b> Enjoy an evening of entertainment and guest speakers while supporting a local women's charity.	<b>Spring Street Parties</b> Invite the neighbours out for driveway drinks or a sunset BBQ.
OCTOBER	DECEMBER
<b>Halloween Trick or Treat Adventure</b> Gainsborough Greens gets spooky with home decorating & trick or treaters.	<b>Festival of Lights</b> Since 2012 the Festival of Lights has been adding some Christmas sparkle to Gainsborough Greens.

## Gainsborough Primary School

As the Pimpama community grows, I am excited to be appointed as the Principal for the new state primary school opening in 2021 for Prep to Year 6. Our team will commit to creating a learning environment that allows all of our students to be successful. Founded on teaching excellence, innovation and insight, we will take care to ensure the health and well-being of our students whilst offering them an engaging education every day. Our mission is to have happy students who are excited to learn.

We are also positioned within a supportive cohort of neighbouring schools and I thank them for their warm welcome too. Our school's community will be at the heart of our school, so I look forward to continuing to meet more and more of our future students and parents as we progress closer to Day 1 in 2021!

All the best, *Clay McCann – Principal*

## Upcoming Community Events

### Spring Street Parties are back!

Wheel out the eskies, grab some nibbles and invite the neighbours out for driveway drinks for our community Spring Street Party weekend!

It's easy as 1,2,3 –

- STEP 1.** Head to the Facebook Group named / GainsboroughGreensResidentsGroup (since 2015) to privately list your Street Party event to Gainsborough residents only
- STEP 2.** Save the 'official street party photo', this will be the image you will use to advertise your street party, find the street party photo image located at FB/GainsboroughGreensResidentsGroup
- STEP 3.** Create your street party event – click on 'Create event', complete all the event details include Event name, ie Street Name/s for example: Gainsborough Drive & Swan Rd Party, list the date, time and street address, upload the street party photo – so everyone knows this is a street party gathering
- STEP 4.** Describe your street party – list what you would like the neighbours to bring along, nibbles, drinks, cricket set, chairs, picnic rugs, ice etc. Share your phone number so your neighbours can make contact before the event to organise the gathering together
- STEP 5.** Review your event – check all details are correct and press PUBLISH when you are ready to advertise your street party – Remember to

Share your event to the newsfeed in the [FB/gainsboroughGreensResidentsGroup](https://www.facebook.com/gainsboroughGreensResidentsGroup)

- STEP 6.** Remind your neighbours to come along in the lead up – with 1 or 2 reminder newsfeed posts in the group and in your event before street party weekend  
[FB/GainsboroughGreensResidentsGroup](https://www.facebook.com/GainsboroughGreensResidentsGroup)

Please feel free to print out flyers to drop into your neighbours mailboxes – you can use the photo for street parties like shown here.

Let's get started! Head to any of these Facebook pages for the Street Party Event Photo to advertise your party

[FB/gainsboroughgreenscommunity](https://www.facebook.com/gainsboroughgreenscommunity)  
[FB/enrichingcommunitiespimpama](https://www.facebook.com/enrichingcommunitiespimpama)  
[FB/gainsboroughgreensresidentsgroup\(since2015\)](https://www.facebook.com/gainsboroughgreensresidentsgroup(since2015)) and other resident closed groups.

*Enjoy the party!!*







Please ensure all little explorers only adventure around under parent supervision.



There is magic in sight when the pumpkins glow by moonlight on this creepy adventure!! Gainsborough Greens Halloween celebrations see our neighbourhood transform into a spooky wonderland for all Halloween seekers.

Halloween has become an annual tradition in our community with ghastly displays and crazy costumes roving around our neighbourhood. Set the 31st of October in your calendar and come out if you dare! It is easy to join in this fun afternoon community event – here's our tips to get involved...

1. Visit FB/enrichingcommunitiespimpama Facebook Post & Event listings to share your involvement
2. On the Enriching Communities Event – add your street address in the 'Comment section' – sharing where the scary streetwalkers should head to
3. Leave your front light on
4. Hang a decoration on your mailbox
5. Have a fun time!

Foxtrot your way into our Roaring 20's Ladies Night fundraiser event this October. This year we want to celebrate the beauty of our collective human spirit with you! Ladies night is one of inspiration, friendship and always an evening of fun with the girls.

This is a night not to be missed with live entertainment, inspiring speakers, light refreshments and auction prizes supporting the important work of Queensland's DVConnect. Set the date in your diary for a swinging good time with your dolls.

**Tickets are available online only**

Limited Spaces – Book early, follow the below link

- DATE:** Friday 16 October 2020  
**TIME:** 6pm doors open  
**TICKETS:** \$17- online only  
 visit <https://8thladiesnight.eventbrite.com.au>  
**LOCATION:** Pimpama Tavern

### Melbourne Cup at the Tavern

Let's head trackside for the race that stops the nation this November – the Melbourne Cup! Join us for a community lunch booking at Pimpama Tavern, for a fun afternoon of sweeps and fashion as we take in the iconic race on the big screens. Our community sweeps are always a buzz as we watch the top thoroughbreds take their mark at the starting gate and cheer them on as they cross the finish line.

Ladies and Gents grab your hats and heels, we will have the sweeps ready and wish you luck. All meals are to be purchased by those attending.

- DATE:** Tuesday 3 November 2020  
**RSVP:** 30 October 2020 – Limited Seats  
**BOOK ONLINE AT:** [2020melbcup\\_enrichingcommunities.eventbrite.com.au](https://2020melbcup_enrichingcommunities.eventbrite.com.au)



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1. Visit FB/enrichingcommunitiespimpama Facebook Post & Event listings to share your involvement
2. On the Enriching Communities 'Festival of Lights Event' – add your street address in the 'Comment section' – sharing where we should all head too
3. Light up your home during December
4. Thank you for bringing the Christmas cheer to our neighbourhood!

### Festival of Lights

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas with lights on every door, our annual tradition is set, a time they will not forget and it's right at your front door!

The Festival of Lights tradition at Gainsborough Greens has been shining since 2012. Head out for an evening walk to discover the neighbourhood sparkle or share your creative Christmas styling at home. We encourage it all with sprinkles of snow flakes, Santa in your front garden and fairy lights in driveways. The true spirit of togetherness at Christmas is one for us all to be so proud of.

## What's been happening!



### Gainsborough at Home

Autumn 2020 was like no other, we were reminded very quickly the importance of togetherness jumping to it we joined forces with our Everleigh

Greenbank team, along with our many community friends and businesses we have partnered with over the years to create an engaging and interactive online video program called 'Gainsborough at Home'. Our online video series ranged from Sunday Sundowners sessions with Cruize, a backyard Reptile Show with the famous Gold Coast & Brisbane Snake Catcher Tony Harrison, the "We've Got This" support for parents during home schooling video series, science workshops, DJ workshops and even story time with the Easter Bunny. During Spring Holidays we returned again with more exciting online content for the kids school holidays. We are thankful to all those people that embraced the technology and stepped up to the challenge with them we were able to bring the vision of 'Gainsborough at Home' to many people.



### Pimpama Book Lovers

Pimpama Book Lovers Club launched August 2020.

It was a wonderful evening meeting other book worms, sharing our different interests and formalising the first 2 reads for our monthly group. With a great introduction to 'Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind' by Yuval Noah Harari, our Club meet again to discuss the read together. The club meets on the last Wednesday of the month. If you are interested in joining Pimpama Book Lovers, send an email to [bree@enrichingcommunities.com.au](mailto:bree@enrichingcommunities.com.au) and join our Facebook Group /pimpamabooklovers group for some fun online discussion about all things books!



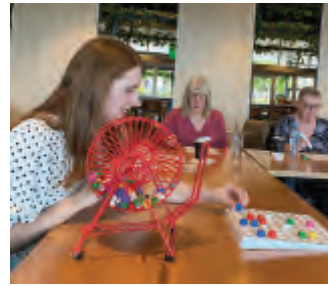
### Storytime in the Park

Dr. Seuss always brings the magic of wonder and joy to our little listeners and we did just that during the July School Holidays. Amusing our children's imaginations, taking them on adventure is always close as the bookshelf.

Mary from Sparkly Wishes

took the kids on a story time adventure with a captivating read exploring "I can read with my eyes shut!". For more get-togethers come join us each week at Bim'Bimba Park at Playgroup – the children have so much fun exploring seeing their friends and making new ones. Everyone is welcome and it is free to attend. For more information visit Facebook Group / gainsboroughgreensmums





## Bingo for Seniors Month

Staying connected is easy in Pimpama at our weekly Seniors Catch Up's held at Pimpama Tavern. For Queensland Seniors month we got the balls rolling as

Bree called Bingo with style. Everyone had a morning of laughter with a few happy faces taking home vouchers from the Tavern. So if you are wanting to step out for a morning chat and coffee – we welcome you along anytime, or if you know someone at home wanting to connect with other locals, we would love to meet them and help them connect into our community. Please contact Bree 0439 661 338 or [bree@enrichingcommunities.com.au](mailto:bree@enrichingcommunities.com.au) if you have any questions. You can also join us online in our Facebook Group /seniorsgrouppimpama



## Australia's Biggest Walking Morning Tea

Our community is always keen to support a great cause like The Cancer Council's Biggest Morning

Tea and this year we did it with a twist! Our Biggest Walking Morning Tea was served from our community garden with the tea brewing, coffee steaming and the generous walking in donations we raised \$472 for this important cause. This reinforces the strength of community and how a little can go a long way when we do it TOGETHER. Thank you to everyone who gave and to local businesses for generously donating the raffle prizes: Sunlit Studios, Jaclyn's Nail Bar & Dirt Roots Greenhouse – your generosity was very much appreciated.



## Gainsborough Greens Bear Hunt

Our neighbourhood was led on a very big bear hunt when koalas and teddy bears started popping up in front windows, local trees

and mailboxes around Gainsborough Greens. The children in the community young and old – took to the walkways for the lockdown adventures spotting the furry friends around our neighbourhood streets. The idea was born when local lockdown ideas legend Heather, encouraged our community to get involved over social media. The adventures put smiles on countless children's faces with the detective work heading out to the pavement and people sharing their cuddly friends pictures across the community pages.

Thank you again to Heather and everyone who was involved in making the bear hunt a wonderful memory that will always be remembered!



## Rock & Fairy Adventures

Creativity continued flowing in Gainsborough Greens when our local footpaths and parks were sprinkled with rock art treasures. Thanks to the ingenuity of Sarah Pitt for starting the painted rock art – with many

others getting involved displaying their art pieces around our community. Sarah took it one step further welcoming the Gainsborough Fairies with 'Luna Mist' being the door to imaginary worlds for little ones. Thank you so much Sarah for sprinkling the fairy dust and rocking good creatures around Gainsborough Greens.

## Pimpama Pen Pals

Behind the scenes we have been working on a special initiative that will connect young and old together. Pimpama Pen Pals aims to bridge the intergenerational separation in the Pimpama community through the regular writing of letters between youth and aged care residents. PPP is a supportive program that will enrich the lives of our elderly and foster the sharing of knowledge and playfulness that sharing can bring for everyone in involved. Stay tuned for our official launch.



## Garden Winners

Spring time is beautiful in our community with many gardens taking bloom, bringing much loved colour and sweet smells to our walks. In each community newsletter edition, we recognise local green thumbs who tend to their gardens keeping them mowed, fertilised and looking their best. This spring we extend our Congratulations to 2 new winners who both are receiving \$250 – Mirvac



Eftpos Gift Cards to enjoy: Gary & Liz from Melville Dr and Mari-Lee from Lindemann Cct. Our next edition we will be asking you to share photos of our garden with the judges. For more information please contact Enriching Communities.

# Mirvac Development Update

## On behalf of Mirvac, we are delighted to have delivered and opened the final stage of the Habitat Release.

In the face of uncertainty, our contractors were able to ensure the site remained a clean and safe environment ensuring the construction program stayed on track. The Habitat Release roads opened to the community late August, with our future residents expected to be in a position to settle and start building their dream homes in October of this year!

Since our last update we also released the first stage of the Grand Reserve, our final precinct at Gainsborough Greens located between Bim'bimba Park and the entrance to the Body Corporate precinct. We had a sell out response to the first 25 lots that face Gainsborough Drive. You will see homes commence construction along Gainsborough drive in September. As usual, we ask that you please be mindful of construction traffic and abide by the speed limit along Gainsborough Drive.

In infrastructure news, we are pleased to announce the new State School was aptly named 'Gainsborough State School'. With resounding support from the local community, the decision is a testament to the proud



community and sense of place formed at Gainsborough over the years. The school is set to welcome 400 prep to year 6's early 2021.

Our beautiful Bim'bimba park was recognised as 'QLD's Best Park' in July at the QLD AILA Awards. Mirvac are proud to have worked with Naturform, Form Landscape Architects and the Gold Coast City Council to deliver this landmark for Gainsborough Greens and the surrounding Gold Coast community. We mentioned in the last newsletter that the Bim'Bimba park has now been handed over to the Gold Coast City Council. The GCCC are now responsible for the emptying of bins, park structures, booking requests etc. While Mirvac will continue to maintain the park's landscaping for the next 12 months.

The future Pimpama Train Station is still in design phase with QR and the Department of Transport and Main Roads. Mirvac will continue to monitor the Department's progress and notify our residents of any updates as they are released.

If you have any questions regarding the development of the community please don't hesitate to contact the Community Hotline on 1300 033 800.



# Welcome Packages

## Gainsborough Greens really is a special community to live and play in, with Enriching Communities partnering with Mirvac to deliver our unique community connection program.

We passionately organise special events and social activities to offer you an enriched way of living. We also welcome all new residents moving to the community at a personal 'meet and greet'.

Call or drop us an email to book in your 'Meet n Greet' appointment. We have a Welcome Gift and Kit ready for you to enjoy!

Feel free to contact Bree 0439 661 338 or [bree@enrichingcommunities.com.au](mailto:bree@enrichingcommunities.com.au)

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