



# Blacktown City Corps

## Opportunities for Ministry

Oasis	Sunday	9:00 am
Family Worship	Sunday	10:30 am
Delve Bible Study	2nd Sunday of each month	1:30 pm
Koinonia (FELLOWSHIP LUNCH)	4th Sunday each month	
Junior Soldiers	During the meeting every 2nd Sunday	
PRISM Program	Monday	7:00 pm
Ladies Fellowship	Tuesday	
	Morning tea	10:30 am
	Home League	11:00 am
Ensemble Practice	Tuesday	7:30 pm
Kids at Play	Wednesday	10:00 am
Band Practice	Wednesday	7:30 pm
Know your Bible	Thursday	9:30—10:30 am
Timbrels / Your Group /Life	6:30	every second Friday Night.

## Blacktown City Corps Newsletter

14th September 2014



Visitors are always welcome at Blacktown. Please share in a time of fellowship during morning tea following the Service.

Please note: Any inclusions in the Newsletter please contact Captain Bill or Susanne or Gail Salmon.

Gail can be contacted on 4733 2401 (leave a message) or email: [gail\\_salmon@bigpond.com](mailto:gail_salmon@bigpond.com)

## Corps Officers

Captains William & Susanne Geracia

**COMING EVENTS: Please check the notice board for all coming events:**

**JUNIOR SOLDIERS** will be held today, during the meeting. If you know of any 7—11 year old children who would like to become Junior Soldiers, please see Candice Mannix or Captain Susanne for more details.

**EQUIP** - Sign up now!



September 21st Maddie Muir and Alison Douglass will be enrolled as Senior Soldiers and it will also be Youth Celebration Sunday.



The National Servicemen will be joining us on September 28th.

There will be KOINONIA lunch as usual. Please fill in the forms on the noticeboard to advise if you are coming and what you can bring. Could you also advise if you can bring extra to cater for the National Servicemen and their families.

A Koinonia lunch will be held on October 26th and that will be our last for the year—as on November 23rd we will be having a “Thanksgiving Meal” and further information will be given closer to the date.



**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST:** Please pray for Jo-Ann Douglass and the family as they are grieving the passing away for Jo-Ann’s mother.

**WEEKLY GIVING**

Open Plate Giving \$ 104.40

Planned Giving \$ 925.00

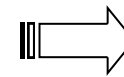


Christmas is a time to celebrate the birth of our Lord and Saviour, Jesus Christ. What better way to celebrate this season than to have a party and sing some carols. This year we are wanting to take the party to our community by having carols in the carpark. In order to do this, we need your help. There are many opportunities for you to get involved. Including market stalls, drama, show casing of our talented Corps folk. We are even hoping to have a choir. But in order to do this, we need you to express your interest in being part of this exciting event and sign up today. Please see Naarah or Captain Susan if you require and further info— sheets are on the Notice Board.

There have been several emails from Wayne this week—as there was not enough room in the Newsletter to record, I have printed them out and they are on the Notice board.

Janine is now home, welcome back, and Wayne will still be up there for a while. At the moment he is considering staying longer (will see how his patience holds out). Continue to pray for Wayne & Janine as they seek to do God’s will. Pray also for the people of PNG who they are ministering to.

**PLEASE NOTE:**



**DON'T FORGET** to check out the **NOTICBOARD** for new calendar information.



## BIRTHDAYS

14th September Joan Adkin  
 15th September Joshua Sinclair  
 16th September Bob Rogan



## Happy Anniversary

12th September Rod & Naarah Peters  
 19th September Bob & Debbie Rogan  
 20th September Ted & Val Norval

*The dearest friend on earth is but a mere shadow  
 compared to Jesus*

**SPECIAL NOTE:** We are still looking for a 'willing volunteer' to help Bill with pub ministry on a Friday night. If you feel this could be your way to minister to others, please see Bill as soon as possible.



## HOME LEAGUE SCHEDULE:

- ⇒ 16th Sept. Mr. Noel Phelan Maritime Museum –speaking on collision between The Voyager & The Melbourne in 1964.
- ⇒ 23rd Sept. Guest Speaker Julia Longford—Australian Hearing.
- ⇒ 30th Sept. Ruth & John Tween—"Tween's Tours".

**YOUTH GROUP MEETING** for ALL leaders to plan term 4. October 5th at 1:30pm.

**OASIS LEADERS MEETING**—Wednesday October 8th during Band Practice. **PLEASE BE THERE!** Some things to discuss urgently. Come help us get ready for term 4 and decorate in our new theme of the CIRCUS!

**COLLEGE GALA DAY**—Saturday 11th October 9am—3pm, 120 Kingsland Road. Bexley North.—see notice board for details.

**WOMEN OF WORTH (WOW) October 24th—26th** (rego closes October 7th). Please see Susanne and/or check out the noticeboard for flyers. Please note: Cabins are limited! If you haven't handed in your forms now is the time to do so!



**Corps Camp:** Sign Up Sheet on the noticeboard: Sign up NOW to show your interest.

- ◆ Stanwell Tops—June 26-28th 2015
- ◆ Guests Majors Gary & Judith Baker
- ◆ 285 days away!
- ◆ Prices to come soon



**CONGRATULATIONS** to Michelle Duncan who became a Grandma on Friday 5th September. Shanelle introduced her beautiful little daughter to the Duncan Family weighing in at 3.4kg (7lb 5oz), 51cm long and naming her Arielle Michelle—Congratulations also to Heather and Trevor who are the proud Great Grandparents of Arielle and Colin a proud Uncle. Let us add this little family to our Corps Family prayer list.



## Sermon Series

***Please read and let God open your hearts.***

Jesus, in the Book of Revelations spoke truths to these Seven Churches.

In August and September, we will look at these Churches and explore their reactions. We will also discover what the Church can learn from Jesus' words and how we can avoid laying ruins as is revealed in these Seven Churches of Revelation. Start reading now Revelations Chapters 1-3, and start praying that God will expose us to the truths of Jesus' words!

This year Captain Susanne would like our Corps to participate in Operation Christmas Child. This is an amazing ministry run out of Samaritans Purse. In 2013 over 300,000 shoeboxes were packed by Australians and New Zealanders. This year they are being sent to South East Asia and the South Pacific. Collection month is October—stay tuned for more details or chat to Susanne!

On September 21st, from 1—5pm at the Corps, John & Nicole Viles, the DYS's will be holding a SAFESALVOS training day. Susanne will be speaking to some leaders; as most must get their training refreshed. If you participate in activities at the Corps in which children are directly involved you must also come to the training. Susanne has been informed by the DYS's that whoever has not had their training and forms completed by December 1st will no longer be able to participate/volunteer in such programs. Susanne and Bill take the safety of children very seriously and we will be upholding the standards that DHQ has set in place. We don't want to loose you as leaders! Please come! Chat to Susanne with questions.

## PRAYER LIST



Please pray our Officers, Captain Bill & Susanne and their family as they minister to us.

Pray for Wayne & Janine Robbins who are now in PNG.

Pray for Rena with continued serious health concerns.

Kath Paddison is at home but far from well. Please continue to pray for Kath as she seeks to do God's will.

Continue to pray for Sandra Robinson and her family as she is still recovering from her surgery.

Pray for Estelle Ring and her family as they have all been unwell.

Pray for John Humphreys who is in hospital.

Pray for Elaine Nash who is at home and recovering.

Pray for Sandra Tillson who is not well at this time.

Pray for Val Norval who is now home from hospital.

Pray for Tracey Sheaves.

Continue to pray for Cadets Chris & Kay Ford and Jessica & Sara as they continue their studies at The Training College and prepare for commissioning.

**This week pray especially for:** Majors Robert & Judy Holley, Vi Holman, John, Letitia, Nathan, Sarah & Hannah Hughes, John, Barbara & Warren Hughes, John & Lorraine Hughes.

**Give thanks to God for the answers to prayers and for the many blessings he gives us daily.**