

BLACKTOWN CITY CORPS NEWSLETTER

1st November 2015



Corps Officers—Captain William & Susanne Geracia

Visitors are always welcome at Blacktown. Please share in morning tea following the meeting.

COMING EVENTS:

JUNIOR SOLDIERS will be held today, during the meeting.

30th Oct—1st Nov	Pray for those at the JUST MEN Conference.
1st November	Prayer meeting in Hall at 10am.

8th November Delve



Subscription Concert NEXT SATURDAY

NIGHT, November 7th. Commences at 7:30 pm at 2 Kempsey Street. Come for the Music and stay for supper. (Please bring a plate of food to share). Adults \$8, Concession \$5, Family \$22. Bring your family & friends.

JUNIOR SOLDIER ENROLLMENT 8th November. Please prayerfully support our young folk who will be enrolled next week. Pray also for their "Big Buds" (prayer pals). Pray also for the leaders of this very important section of our Corps. Those being enrolled are: Laura Batcheldor, Enosh Niriella & Isaac Baker.

DIVISIONAL RALLY to be held at Penrith, November 15th Starting at 4pm with family activities and then the meeting starting at 6pm. Please see the poster on the noticeboard.

28th—29th November <u>Sydney Commissioning</u>. <u>NO</u> <u>CHURCH</u> at Blacktown on the 29th because of Commissioning, which will be held at University of Western Sydney, James Ruse Drive, Parramatta (enter via Victoria Road). 10am Commissioning & Ordination 2:30pm Sending Out. Please come along and share in Worship & encouragement as the Cadets are Commissioned.

Advent season is upon us—starting November 29th.

UPCOMING DATE for Calendar: PLEASE CHECK THE NOTICE BOARD FOR MORE DETAILS.

Please plan to attend on Sunday December 13th <u>CHRISTMAS</u> <u>CIRCUS CARNIVAL and CAROLS NIGHT</u>. Check out the flyer on the noticeboard. **CORPS CHRISTMAS DINNER:** SUNDAY December 20th at 5:30 pm. The list of names will go up shortly—if you don't see your name, add it! \$8 per adult, \$5 children 10 and under, children under 5 free. Can you make a 'great Christmas Pudding?' We would like 2 for the Christmas Dinner. If you would like to donate a Pudding we will supply the Custard & Ice Cream. Please see Jan if you can assist.

SYDNEY STAFF SONGSTERS will be joining us in March of 2016! Stay tuned for more details.

<u>CORPS CLEANUP DAY</u>—SATURDAY January 16th from 9—2pm. Lunch and snacks provided. Please come and help give our building a good clean up and spruce!

HOME LEAGUE SYLABUS

3rd November	Christmas Card Making—Kath & Val	
10th November	Nerida Jackson—Australian Hearing.	
17th November	Caryl McCready—Our Overseas Holiday	
24th November	Christmas Service—Captains Bill &	
Susanne. Please bring something Christmassy to share		
for morning tea.		
HOME LEAUGE 2016		
2nd February	Major Mavis Humphreys	

9th February Betty

Help with Pub Collecting on Friday nights is still needed.

<u>OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD!!!!</u> Thank you for all those who took the opportunity to share in this ministry. Even though the cut off date has passed, if you still have not returned your boxes, please do so ASAP. Thanks again.

Did you know that we have a <u>Corps Library</u>? There are amazing books in there to borrow—just ask Jan! Also it's a lovely spot to sit quietly and read or pray.

WEEKLY GIVING

Open Plate	\$ 146.45
Generous Life	\$ 1,400.00



PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Pray for Rena who has moved to Qld. To live with her daughter.

Pray for Kath Paddison who had surgery this past Wednesday and is now home recovering.

Pray for Sandra Robinson & Phil Robinson who are not well at this time.

Pray for Sandra Tillson

Pray for Estelle Ring as she recovers from surgery.

Please pray for Cadets Paul & Jess Farthing along with their son Patrick as they prepare for their commissioning.

Pray for Eddie—who is the brother of Joanne Douglass in your prayers. Eddie is in a coma in hospital in Victoria in a serious condition.

Pray for our Government that they will make wise choices in all they do.

Pray for our Country, for a Revival of the Holy Spirit and let the REVIAL start with YOU!

PRAY for our young folk who are sitting their HSC over the next few months. Maddie Muir, Whitney Kuiper, Jack Douglass.

This week pray especially for:

Bob & Debbie Rogan, Max & Natalia Roorda, Peter Rumble, Tina Rumble, David & Gail Salmon, Kom Shol, Edwin Spindler, Manuel, John & Rebecca Sushmitha, Sandra Tillson.

<u>BOUNDLESS</u>—The whole World Praying—are you still reading Gods Word on a daily basis?

GIVE THANKS TO GOD for the answers to prayers and for the many blessings he gives us daily. Thank Him for JESUS and for the change it has made to our lives.

PRAISE POINTS!!

Jesus, Son of God let your Love shine through our eyes, your Spirit inspire our words, your Wisdom fill our minds, your Mercy control our hands, your Will capture our hearts, your Joy pervade our being, until we are changed into your likeness from Glory to Glory. (Michael Perry).



27th October

Gabriel Baker

OASIS is our Sunday School program here at

the Corps. We are on every Sunday during school term from 9—10am. What an amazing time we have! The last few years we have been working through the Oasis DVD packs generously given to us by Ivan Kelly and his team from Logosdor. These packs are amazing—they are an all inclusive Sunday School lesson. Each week the children sing songs, play games, do challenges, learn Bible verses, read Scripture, watch short videos. The themes we have covered are: God The Father, Holy Spirit, God's Mega Plan one and two, The Bible, On Track, Peter, Rock Solid, Proverbs, Paul, Joshua and right now we have just started Living Legend Powerful Friend.

Currently we have around 10 children that attend the program weekly. A part from our awesome children we have some amazing leaders. A big shout out and thank you to : Eliza Douglass, Carmen Douglass, Kathryn Hardy, Whitney Kuiper and Hayley Hawryciw—Oasis would NOT be able to function without you guys!

Please encourage the children and the leaders when you see them—they are certainly amazing and have learnt a lot and taught us a lot too. Please keep them in your prayers.

CAN YOU HELP? The Corps Kitchen is in desperate need of some new tea-towels. Thanks. Jan

If you would like to have your copy of the Newsletter sent to your computer, please email Gail Salmon at gail_salmon@bigpond.com to be included.

Isaiah 49:19-20 says "Those far from the Lord will return—we will say '<u>we need more room,</u> <u>it's crowded here</u>!'" Let us claim this for Blacktown Corps and see God bring in the harvest and expand our walls.