



# BLACKTOWN CITY CORPS NEWSLETTER

3rd May 2015

Corps Officers—Captain William & Susanne Geracia

## TODAY:

Thank you for sharing in fellowship with us today. Pray for Captain Susanne and the Young People of our Corps as they are at Youth Councils. Following the meeting will be special MORNING TEA to farewell Majors Robert & Judy Holley who will be moving to Dubbo shortly. Pray for both Robert & Judy as they prepare to leave as they have both been unwell.

## COMING EVENTS:

**May 9th— LADIES BREAKFAST** 8am - Please make sure you sign up TODAY (form on the notice board) then come along at night to the



### SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT

here at Blacktown 7:30pm.

Bring your friends and neighbours. Come for the **MUSIC** and stay for Supper afterwards.

Adults \$8. Concession \$5. Family \$22

**May 10th: MOTHERS DAY.** There will be NO DELVE on this day. Next DELVE at the Quarters will be on **June 14th**. Don't forget to bring your Bible and meat to BBQ,

### BANDS TOGETHER CONCERT at Parramatta **23rd**

**May** 7:30pm. \$5 Admission. Featuring: Blacktown City Band, Sydney Veterans Band and Parramatta Band.

**May 24th** after the meeting could all Camp Committee Members please meet—just briefly.

**PASTORAL CARE COUNCIL meeting** Tuesday 26th May at 12:30pm.

Date for your Diary: 24th October there is an International Staff Band Concert at Sydney Congress Hall at 7:30pm. Tickets are \$25 each and are only available at the following website: [www.trybooking.com](http://www.trybooking.com)

ROOM TO RENT in the Penrith Area. Bond \$320. \$160 per week (includes water & electricity). Please phone 0418621475.



OUR RED SHIELD FAMILY STORE is in need of CLEAN PLASTIC BAGS and/or Newspapers. They also require a WHEEL BRACE for changing truck tyres with 40ml nuts. If anyone can assist please see Mark Andrews.

CELEBRATION IN BRASS at Dulwich Hill Corps 14th June at 3pm. \$ 5 Donation. Featuring Belmore, Blacktown, Hustville, Parramatta & Sydney Youth Bands.

*A beautiful natured dog named Chloe is 7 months old and is looking for a good home with a loving family. Please contact Sandra on 0421 814 600 for further details.*



### RED SHIELD VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!

**May 30th & 31st.** Please consider assisting in the Red Shield Doorknock Appeal. Everyone is needed from doorknockers, static collecting, catering, counting, child minding, drivers. This is the time we ask the public to assist us with our Social Service needs. We really do need your assistance. Please see Les, Doug or Susanne & Bill for details.

**REMEMBER: There will be NO meeting on Sunday 31st May due to Red Shield.**

If you would like to have your copy of the Newsletter sent to your computer, please email Gail Salmon at



### WEEKLY GIVING

Open Plate \$ 124.05  
Planned giving \$ 990.00



## HOME LEAGUE SYLABUS

- May 5th Cadets Paul & Jess Farthing
- May 12th Special Guest—Ron Ray Maritime Historical Society.
- May 19th Nick Cole from the BIBLE SOCIETY
- May 26th Major Mavis Humphreys



- 3rd May John Vesley
- 4th May Bella Heard



- 8th May Mark & Joy Andrews



## PRAYER REQUESTS

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

Pray for Rena.

Pray for Kath Paddison

Pray for Sandra Robinson

Pray for Estelle Ring

Pray for Sandra Tillson

Please pray for Cadets Paul & Jess Farthing along with their son Patrick.

### This week pray especially for:

Stephen, Karen, Michaela, Wendy & Isaac White, Majors Ron & Lyn Whitehouse, Anita Wright, Rena Young,

SPECIAL REQUEST: The 3 week old baby has been returned to hospital and is being monitored closely. The 5 week old is out of ICU and is a normal ward for 4 weeks. Please pray for salvation through this time for the families and healing for the precious new babes and for the Doctors and nurses who are being used by God.

**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.

## What are you doing on Saturday June 27th?

We have adapted our weekend camp to a day of **FUN, FELLOWSHIP, LEARNING and FOOD**. Join us for only \$10 which covers dinner and the other activities. (Kids not in school are free). Arrive at 1:30pm and stay till after our Bon Fire at 8:30pm. See the Blue Sheet on the Noticeboard for details and to put your name down.

## BLACKTOWN HOME LEAGUE



Blacktown Home League started as an outpost of Toongabbie Corps in a converted chicken farm in Mary Street, Blacktown around 1961. Mrs. Major White from Toongabbie Corps was the first Home League Secretary and there were approximately 20 ladies attending each week. In 1974 or 1975 it ceased to be an outpost and was taken over by the new Corps in Blacktown.

Today, Home League meets every Tuesday morning with around 30 –35 attending. Our Meeting starts at 11am till noon, followed by a fellowship lunch. We have a Prayer Meeting and a craft class during morning tea which starts anywhere from 9am (for some early birds) and finishes around 10:45 before our meeting starts.

We have a trading table operating each week and a library which gives ladies a chance to borrow new books to read.

For many years we have brought Christmas cheer to residents in Aged Care Centres with our Singers & Timbrels.

We also hold fundraising mornings during the year. This enables us to give to many worthy causes. Under Salvos sponsorship we give to A Water Sanitation & Health program in Kenya which involves 40 Schools, and in Haiti we sponsor a Safe & Sound Schools Program helping 3,000 school students from 20 schools.

We have guest speakers from time to time and have lots of interesting meetings. Many ladies who now attend our Sunday meeting have come through the Home League.

Some of our ladies have been attending for many years, they are a friendly lot and always happy to welcome newcomers.

Our Home League 4 Point Programme is **WORSHIP, EDUCATION, FELLOWSHIP and SERVICE**. Our Prayer is that all who attend will have a closer and personal relationship with God as we meet each week for fellowship together.

**GOD'S LOVE STANDS WHEN ALL ELSE FAILS.**