

# La Gazette

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From the Editor...

Bienvenu et Salut de ma part

Please enjoy our spring newsletter, and I hope you travelled through winter in good health.

Welcome to a new look gazette! Please print a couple for friends and colleagues or forward to any interested (or would be) Francophones.

Bastille Day BBQ
A small but friendly attendance...
Apologies for a glitch in sending gazette to inform everyone.

#### LOST!!

Quentin lost a knife that day so please... if you adopted onelet me know ©

## Classes!! n so conside

**Term 4** will start soon so consider a French class for fun. self-improvement or travel preparation.

Patricia's Friday 10am class has some vacancies. Viviane's Friday conversation class is NEW!!

I have been privileged to attend classes held by Patricia and Viviane, and they are both excellent teachers-passionate, highly skilled, supportive & fun.

Check website for details

# IT Language Learning Tip Thankyou Neil!

- ★ French verbs for Android
- ★ \$12 for super duper version
- ★ Alphabetical-you choose
- ★ Will say the verb with conjugations!
- ★ Neil thinks it is good value for money

### Pétanque

Well. is it spring. winter or sprummer?
Who knows...?

Pétanque will be played at 9.30am prior to our rendez-vous at Erina Leagues Club.

Please risk a raindrop or two and join us. Eventually it will be glorious weather and our game will take off.

Be a part of the fun 🌣

Introducing...

### 'Club Causerie'

Native French speakers sitting together enjoying a cosy chat @ the monthly Rendez-vous. A relaxing way to converse freely with your own 'tribe'.

Patricia Ségui is performing at Lizotte's Kincumber on Thursday evening 27<sup>th</sup> November 2014.

Show only \$25 and you can order from the à la carte menu.

See patricia-segui.com or lizottes.com.au/live

French Country Market

- ▲ Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November
- △ Chertsey Rd P.S. Springfield
- ▲ Lots of fun
- A great way to promote the AFCC in the area Please visit the stall and stay to hand out flyers or chat to people if you feel comfortable doing so. Personal experience is great publicity

Merci beaucoup!
A la prochaine
Until next time \*\*

Contributions welcome for November (summer) edition at <u>lafirehorse@hotmail.com</u>

Please put gazette in the subject line so I know you are friend not foe.

Leigh

President's Report on page 2

### President's News:

Spring it is a good time to take stock of what we need to do to keep the club Vibrant, and above all, growing.

On the educational front we need many more students to participate in our French classes. These are now held in 3 places: Bateau Bay, Narara and Woy Woy, conducted by our highly qualified French teachers, Viviane and Patricia

Indeed we need to attract more native French speakers, to enhance a more French atmosphere.

In order to promote our Club generally, we propose to participate in as many "events" as possible. This includes the Narara Community Centre "Open Day", Markets and next year's "Harmony Day", which is a festival celebrating cultural diversity, to be held at The Entrance on March 21, 2015.

To make ourselves visible we have organized a pull-up banner, which gives a distinctly professional look to our activities. It is proposed to use this at special occasions, as well as proposed Shopping Centre promotions.

Even so, for the club to grow the best form of advertising is still word of mouth.

### L'information du Président

Le Printemps C'est Vraiment le bon moment pour faire le point et s'assurer que le Club reste Vibrant, enthousiaste et surtout en Croissance.

En ce qui concerne les cours de français, il faut dire que nous avons besoin de beaucoup plus d'étudiants. Maintenant on trouve nos cours à Bateau Bay, à Narara et à Woy Woy, dirigés par nos enseignantes, Viviane et Patricia, qui sont très qualifiées.

Bien entendu, il nous faut attirer plus de Francophones au Club, afin de créer une ambiance plus française.

Afin de promouvoir le Club de manière générale je veux proposer notre participation au plus d'événements possible, notamment le "Open Day" au Centre Communautaire à Narara, les Marchés, et le "Harmony Day" (Jour de la Concorde), un festival qui célèbre la diversité culturelle, et qui aura lieu le 21 mars 2015.

Nous avons acheté une banderole qui a l'air très professionnel.

Nous avons l'intention de l'utiliser dans les grandes occasions, ainsi que pour des promotions dans des Centres Commerciaux.

Il faut remarquer, néanmoins, que le bouche à oreille est toujours le meilleur moyen de publicité.

Regards