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# Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year from the Rotary Club of Cessnock



# **Cessnock Rotary Christmas Party 2024**















Everyone enjoyed the night. We had our members and friends of Rotary including Jenna and Lisa from Oswald Plumbing and Georgina from Chreightons plus Llynda who are our current sponsors. Everyone did a great job in dressing up for the occasion but the outstanding costume clearly goes to Hashim Durani from the Rotary Club of Sydney who is a constant visitor to our club.



There was a marvellous meal prepared by our one and only Vicki Steep. Vicki is simply a power house in our club. Not only did she prepare the whole meal on the night, she did the same for the "Feed the Needy" Christmas lunch plus the Scone Time the day after. What a wonderful lady. We also had a lucky door prize with some wonderful plants.



Out of all the previous fantastic photos, there has to be a favourite and Lyn and Brian Trevenen definitely takes out that prize. Not only did they win a lucky door prize but they also won the Photographers Choice Award (which by the way has never been awarded before)

Embracing the Spirit of Giving: Cessnock Rotary's December Dedication It's been a busy and rewarding month for our club as we've worked together to spread joy and support our wonderful community:

- \* Volunteering at the Hunter Valley Gardens Christmas Lights for 2 weeks
- \* Helping out at Carols in the Park
- \* Supporting Creightons Memorial Service
- \* Hosting a BBQ for Natural Steps Preschool
- \* Decorating the Uniting Church Christmas Tree
- \* Providing a Christmas lunch for those in need
- \* Donating bicycles to families, in time for Christmas
- \* Celebrating together at our Rotary Club Christmas Social tonight (hope you enjoy the photos) And we're not done yet! Tomorrow will be our final Scone Time for 2024, and we'll finish the year with a sausage sizzle at the United Churches Carols in Bellbird.

We love supporting our community and thank everyone for their incredible support this year. From all of us at Cessnock Rotary we wish you a happy, safe, and joyful Christmas! Thank you to our wonderful sponsors <u>Creightons Funeral Service Hunter Valley Oswald Plumbing Services Pty Ltd East Coast Law Llynda Nairn Celebrant - Your Ceremony, Your Story JWN Electrical Jurd's Real Estate The Deck Cafe Lovedale</u>

# Invitation - Cessnock City Council 2025 Australia Day Awards Ceremony





Tracey Cocking 1:17 pm to me >







Dear Cessnock High School Interact,

Congratulations! You have been nominated for a Cessnock City Council Australia Day Award for 2025. What a magnificent achievement and well done.

An invitation is extended to you, your family and friends to attend an official Australia Day Ceremony on Sunday 26 January 2025.

Once again, congratulations and I look forward to seeing you on the day.

What a wonderful award by our Cessnock INTERACT team. Stacy and the 77 members this year have done such an outstanding achievement to be nominated to the Australia Day Awards. Our club looks forward to seeing this event unfold. At this rate the INTERACT club is going to have another fantastic year and the Rotary Club of Cessnock wish all the members another successful year when you return to school

#### UNITING CHURCH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL







Visit the Uniting Church in Cessnock to enjoy a stunning display of beautifully decorated Christmas trees, created by local community groups including Rotary, Lions, VRA, Motor Neurone, and more. Show your support by voting for your favourite tree with a gold coin donation. All proceeds will go

directly to the participating community groups.

# Christmas lunch at Uniting Church





The Rotary Club of Cessnock was proud to host a special Christmas lunch today for those in need. It was a heartwarming day filled with good food, smiles, and festive cheer.

Thank you to our volunteers and everyone who made this event possible, your generosity and kindness truly embody the spirit of Christmas. Wishing everyone a safe, joyful, and happy holiday season!

Breakfast and Lunch will recommence in 2025 on Wednesday 8 January







Disease prevention and treatment takes on many forms, supporting studies to helping immunize people to improving drinking water and the sanitation infrastructure.



TAKE ACTION: Join a Project



This year's Christmas Appeal has shown just how incredible our community truly is. In a time when many are doing it tough, you came through with generosity and kindness, and we couldn't be prouder.

Daniel Watton - Mayor of Cessnock joined us in handing out gifts and food to 13 local services, all of whom were deeply grateful for your thoughtfulness. Your contributions have put food on tables and gifts in hands, making Christmas brighter for those who need it most. From the bottom of our hearts, thank you. Your generosity proves once again that our community is

the best there is

## A Beacon of Hope: Cessnock Rotary's Transformative Meals Program







Please NOTE that Scone Time will have a short break
The last morning this year will be the 20th Dec 2024
Will Re start 31st January

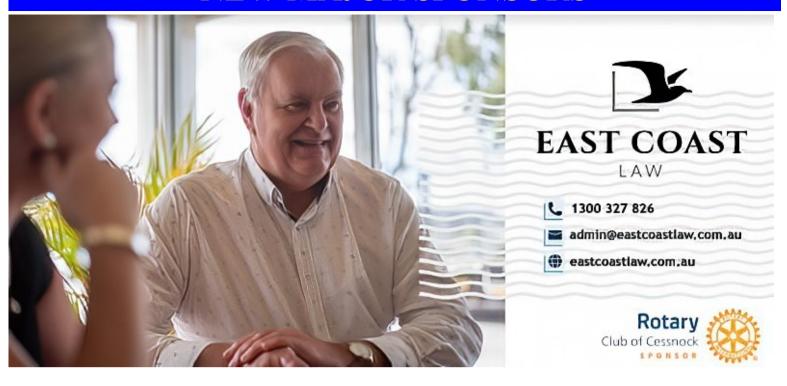
Breakfast and lunches will continue Except for New Years Day



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