



# Kismet News

22<sup>nd</sup> July 2023

What a glorious winters day it is, with a beautiful blue sky this morning.

Please note Kerryn & I will be away on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July at an industry meeting in Albury. Both Ann & Dean will be available if you need anything.

Thank you to Peter for arranging Australia's Biggest Morning Tea. It was lovely to catch up and relax over a cuppa and some morning tea.



Craig installed a rain gauge in March to keep a track of the rainfall in the park. Since then, we've had approximately 300mm (12 inches) of rain with over 30mm in July already.



We're sure everybody has seen Kev Mackay around the park, our resident "Kev the Builder", as Kev's been helping us to transform the old house down near the pool and the 2 new houses in Thiseldo Way. Unfortunately Kev's skills were also required to rebuild the side wall in the shearers house, after a car came through the carport of cabin 41 and into the kitchen wall.



The old house near the pool would be unrecognisable to anyone who has previously been in there. It will now be used as a Holiday/Airbnb home and is our only 3 bedroom cottage that would allow 2 families to share the house with sleeping for 10.



Our houses in Thiseldo Way are coming along nicely and will be sold as permanent residential homes once complete. These blocks will be larger than most here at Kismet (18 x 21). If you know anyone who may be interested, please ask them to give us a call. We'd be happy to show you through to if you'd like a sneak peak.



As you know, April saw most of the internal roads being regraded and new gravel laid in many places. In the main this has been a huge improvement to the park. Darren was here for a solid week, but couldn't regrade every road, with Thiseldo Way and part of Elvis Presley Drive still to be completed.



Once the two new homes are complete in Thiseldo Way, Darren will be back to regrade & correct these roads. Unfortunately, with all the rain we've had in recent months, lack of stormwater drainage and increased traffic, the verge on the northern side of Thiseldo Way has definitely seen better days.



We are in discussion with Federation Shire, Traffic NSW & other stakeholders to have the main entrance off Riverina Highway repaired as well.



The main entrance/exit (Rogers Road) will be regraded in the future, with the shoulder to be regraded to widen the road.

In the meantime, we've been filling potholes with bitumen where we can on Rogers Road. The rain has also seen some potholes form in the recently regraded roads. Unfortunately, the potholes need to be completely dry before you fill them with bitumen and the gravel roads need to be redone with the bobcat/roller to be effective.

If you're able, we'd ask you to use a different route where possible until the remediation work can be completed. We thank you for your patience and understanding.

You may have noticed some new solar lights are being installed within the park, with a new light being placed down at the boat ramp. This will make it much safer for everyone if your using the grassed area or boat ramp during the night.



We've also got a new water/river safety sign to instal 😊

Kerryn has had her green thumb 🍃 out and we've planted a couple of new shade trees on the grassed camping ground, as well as a row of plants between cabin 47 & 48



Congratulations to Ann & Dean on buying their new home here at Kismet. We know you love it here already and we look forward to you having many more happy years here. For Dean it's a return home from the Maroon state, as he was born in Cronulla. Go the BLUES!!



We have had the function room painted and what an amazing improvement. The back walls now seem to disappear and it opens up the view to the outside & river. There are a few functions booked in the coming months and can't wait to help celebrate with our guests. If you know of anyone looking to have a function, have them drop in to discuss how we can assist.



## **BOYS TO THE BUSH**

We've also been happy to have some boys come out and gain some work experience as part of the boys to the bush program.

Under the supervision of their mentor, the boys have done some fencing, split wood, picked up some leaves, mowed a couple of residents lawns and cleaned gutters as well.

As a reward, after completing a couple of hours work, the boys have been able to play golf or been for a fish down by the river so have enjoyed coming out here.

In a mini success story, one of the boy's was due to come out on Tuesday but chose to go to school instead.



## Drinking/Filtered Water – NO WATER

There has been a couple of incidents in recent weeks where we have had to cut the drinking water off for a period of time.

A couple of these occasions could have been avoided if there were isolation taps on each site.

An isolation tap allows the drinking water to be turned off on your own property (so not to affect the rest of the park), providing you time to repair your leaks, install new facilities etc.

Please have a look at your property/house and determine if you have an isolation tap and let us know in the office.

Having an isolation tap will be a requirement for each site in due course across Kismet. Further information will follow with timeframes to complete.



JOIN US FOR  
**Happy Hour**

Illustration of various drinks: a beer, a cocktail with citrus, a wine glass, a tall cocktail, a red cocktail with herbs, a margarita, and a champagne flute.

 2ND SATURDAY  
MONTHLY  
FROM 4PM

 COMMUNITY FIREPIT  
BBQ AREA

Kind regards, Craig, Kerry, Ann & Dean