



HARRINGTON GROVE  
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Life is beautiful at  
Harrington Grove



It is an exciting time for everyone at Harrington Grove and we welcome all our new residents. A wonderful new community growing and blooming before our very eyes. We look forward to seeing many new faces at social events over the next few months at Harrington Grove.

## Dianella – Launch and construction progress

Dianella is the fourth and latest precinct at Harrington Grove and was launched in August this year. Already the subdivision work is complete with landscaping progressing well. Named after the local flora 'Dianella longifolia' found growing around the estate in summer, Dianella offers homesites ranging

from 702sqm to 1167sqm; most of which are large, flat and easy to build on and encompassed by bushland. Residents at Dianella will love the convenience to the Country Club as well as the close proximity to the Harrington Green Neighbourhood Centre which, when built, will also have a swimming

pool and barbeque area. There are 90 homesites at Dianella priced from \$280,000. For more details contact the sales office on (02) 4631 3200 or register your interest at [www.harringtongrove.com.au](http://www.harringtongrove.com.au)

## Precincts' update

To date there have been four precincts released at Harrington Grove, all named after botanical names of local flora. The first was Araucaria which was released in September 2008 and comprises 105 generous homesites of various sizes.

Second to be released was Maculata with homesites set amidst beautiful bushland. Most have views of the surrounding landscape as well as district views towards Camden. Many homes are now occupied with another 38 currently under construction or due to start shortly.

The third precinct released was Lomandra Rise distinctive for its elevated position and picturesque bushland setting. All homesites are 720sqm or larger. 22 homes are currently under construction.

Purchasers can use their own builder or can choose from any of the home and land packages on offer. There are a variety of quality builders available such as John McDonald Homes, Lily Homes, Clarendon Homes, Eden Brae, Bazdaric Homes, Wisdom Homes and Hilton Homes to name but a few.

## Last chance to purchase land at Harrington Park

Since the release of stage 39 in the "Hillside Village" area of Harrington Park, 19 lots have been sold leaving only a very few remaining; ranging from 1139m<sup>2</sup> to 1676m<sup>2</sup> and priced from \$290,000 to \$320,000. These homesites are amongst the most elevated land released in Harrington Park, offering views beyond the estate and overlooking the surrounding countryside. For more information please contact Brian or Kerrie on (02) 4631 3200 seven days a week.



## Meet your neighbours

*The Vidlers enjoy living at Harrington Grove so much that now three generations of their family are living here.*

It was the lifestyle, the great community and the scenic surrounds of Harrington Grove that appealed to Deborah Vidler ...as well as being near her family. She is looking forward to meeting new friends and

neighbours and seeing the community grow. Whilst awaiting completion of their new home at Maculata, Deborah and husband Max are staying with son Robert and his wife Kim at their Araucaria home. Two streets away, also in Araucaria, live Robert's sister Kristie, her husband Richard Dent and their three children, who recently relocated from Queensland. Not only do the families live within two minutes from each other, they nearly all work together in their business, M & D Plastics Pty Ltd, which is conveniently about to move to nearby Smeaton Grange. "We have really enjoyed the cocktail parties and met quite a few people already. There is a terrific community spirit; my daughter

and her family have met people around the pool and my son and son-in-law have both joined the golf club," says Deborah. "We've met lots of people through the golf club, which plays a different golf course once a month. The club has about 20 members of all different standards," says Robert.

The entire Vidler family are enjoying different aspects of living at Harrington Grove however all agree that the sense of community, the Country Club's great facilities and the picturesque setting all add up to a great lifestyle for each generation.

## The repair of Harrington Park homestead has commenced



The majestic homestead perched on the hill at Harrington Park is currently undergoing some repair and conservation work.

The homestead began its life as a humble stone and clay brick cottage when it was built by Captain William Douglas Campbell in 1817. Over the years it passed through many different owners and has had various extensions, changes and uses before growing into its present form; an elegant Georgian style home with a Victorian veranda. Sir Warwick

Fairfax bought the homestead in 1944 as a weekend retreat and it has remained with his wife Lady Fairfax since. Sir Warwick made extensive alterations to the homestead and he spent much time there with his family reading and writing. He wrote several plays, three of which were performed in Sydney, and he also wrote a philosophical book during this time.

"Although the homestead is currently covered in scaffolding the actual work being done is more like gentle repair, fixing joinery and



some under pinning," says Lester Tropman, of Tropman & Tropman Architects, specialists in heritage conservation. "The work is being carefully undertaken to respect the home's Fairfax history; to repair it to good order so it can be used as a family home again."

The homestead is a significant piece of state history and we look forward to bringing you further updates about the repair of the homestead.

## The Harrington Grove Racquet Club

The Harrington Grove Country Club has four rebound ace surface tennis courts for the use by residents of Harrington Grove and their guests. Earlier this year, we formed the Racquet Club, which is run by our Director of Tennis, John Thompson.

The Racquet Club has various coaching programs available for adults and children, which include initiatives by Tennis Australia, plus much more. Coaching terms operate over 10 weeks and these coincide with school terms. During the school holidays we hold a number of activities including a 'Tennis and

Sports Fun Camp' for children of all ages. Children are welcome to bring friends and family along to the camps. The next camp will be held between Monday 16th and Thursday 19th January 2012. If you would like to find out more about the programs or holiday camps, contact the community team on (02) 4631 3200 or visit [www.grovelife.com.au](http://www.grovelife.com.au). Stay tuned for more action on the courts in 2012.





## Residents' Rendezvous Cocktail Evening

Our Residents' Rendezvous Cocktail evenings are held at the Country Club on a Friday, night every second month, for residents to get together. The most recent one in November was a great success with over 100 people attending. Already many new friendships have been formed and judging by the fun and

laughter on the night, a great time was had by all. Join us for the next cocktail evening on January 13th at 6.30pm. Complimentary canapés will be served from 6.30pm to 8.00pm and the bar will be open for you to purchase drinks.



## Grovelife.com.au Log on to stay informed

Living at Harrington Grove is about being part of a strong and active community. [www.grovelife.com.au](http://www.grovelife.com.au) is a directory of all the activities, clubs, events and general information for residents at Harrington Grove. The website is simple

to use with everything you need to know about living at Harrington Grove at your fingertips - from booking facilities to upcoming events.

VISIT [www.grovelife.com.au](http://www.grovelife.com.au)



## Harringtons Bar & Grill Restaurant

Harringtons Bar & Grill is a family friendly restaurant in a casual setting at the Country Club. Choose from our signature Harringtons burger, half and full racks of ribs and steaks. There is also a selection of salads, pastas, burgers and other mouth-watering, fresh from

the grill items including kids meals. Set menus for group bookings are available. Reservations are recommended. For restaurant bookings, or to make a function enquiry for your next social event, please call (02) 4631 3222.

For more information visit [www.harringtonsbarandgrill.com.au](http://www.harringtonsbarandgrill.com.au)

**Tue to Sat: Lunch 11.30am to 2.30pm,  
Dinner from 6.00pm.**

**Sat & Sun: Brunch Menu from 9am to 4pm**



## Pool deck dinners coming up

Now that the weather is warming up we are looking at bringing back our pool deck dinners. Residents will soon be able to dine under the stars again. Stay tuned for further details....

## The 2011 Golf Club Championship

The Harrington Grove Social Golf Club was formed earlier this year by some of the residents. There are currently 26 members and growing. We welcome new players of all playing standards.

The first year of the Harrington Grove golf season has drawn to a close with the 2011 Club Championship being played out and won by Scott Granger. The season's end was marked by a November weekend away in Bowral where a great time was had by all; lots of golf and loads of fun. The weekend ended with a presentation back at the Country Club where trophies were presented. Congratulations to Scott Granger for his win over Chris Young in a very exciting final played on 16th October at Camden Lakeside. Both men played well however it was Scott's day, playing excellent golf with a fine short game.



A huge thank you to everyone who contributed to the new club and to the club organisers Jim, Michael and Gary. If you would like to find out more about being part of the Social

Golf Club, contact your community team on (02) 4631 3200 or visit [www.grovelife.com.au](http://www.grovelife.com.au).



## Spring Fair at Harrington Grove

Harrington Grove's Spring Fair, held on Sunday 13th November, was a fun filled day, with beautiful weather accompanied by jazz music, tantalising roast lunches and finished off with pool entertainment.

The day commenced as Jess Pollard Trio and Champagne Sundaes performed impressive modern and traditional jazz music in the amphitheatre. While parents indulged their tastebuds with spit roast lunches with various choices of succulent meats and freshly made salads, the kids got wet and wild on "Skull Island". Some even had a game of bocce on the lawn and a friendly cricket match with their neighbours. It was a great day of entertainment, food and activities for the whole family.

## New opening hours for the Country Club's sporting & recreation facilities

Residents at Harrington Grove can now enjoy the Country Club's stunning sporting and recreational facilities for longer hours during the summer and holiday period.

Our sensational fitness centre, well equipped with the latest in cardio equipment including treadmills, cross trainers, bicycles and rowing machines, is now open six evenings a week from 6pm to 9pm. Swimming in our fabulous 25 metre swimming pool is also a great way to keep fit and the pool will stay open, along with the children's paddling pool, until 7pm Monday to Saturday. Alternatively, enjoy a game of tennis on one of the four tennis courts which are open from 8.30am to 9pm every day of the week. Take advantage of daylight saving and the extended opening hours and

enjoy the Country Club's barbecues which are available for use until 9.00pm every evening; what a great way to catch up with friends and neighbours for a casual dinner after work! Tennis court and barbecue lights can be turned on at the light box located at the entry gate to tennis court 1.

Residents can access the facilities through reception or via the side gate adjacent to the driveway. These gates will be open from 8.30am to 9.00pm every day, however, you will need to use your access card to open the gates located at the top of the stairs. Change rooms can be accessed from outside using your access card. Lights will automatically turn off at 9.00pm promptly and all gates will be locked. Residents are kindly asked to vacate by 9.00pm.



## Playgroup every Monday morning

Playgroup is held every Monday between 9.30am and 11.30am in the Community Room at the Country Club. This is a great opportunity for parents and their young children to get together with other Harrington Grove friends and neighbours. For more

information or if you would like to suggest another day for playgroup please email your ideas to [info@grovelife.com.au](mailto:info@grovelife.com.au) or call (02) 4631 3200.



## Holiday fun at Harrington Grove

The summer holidays are long but luckily there are a number of fun activities for kids at Harrington Grove's fantastic Country Club. Kids can enjoy swimming in the pool or playing tennis and there will be lots of sporting games such as volleyball, bocce, cricket, croquet and soccer. There will also be loads of crafty things to keep them entertained. Of course mums and

dads will also love the Country Club's resort style recreation and sporting facilities.

If you're entertaining at home over the holidays, don't forget about the Mobi-Q, our fully self-contained mobile barbecue and entertainment unit. Great for community events, private street parties, picnics, functions and get togethers. Just book and tow into

place!! To enquire about bookings contact (02) 4631 3200 or submit a request online [www.grovelife.com.au](http://www.grovelife.com.au).



## Meet the community team's newest members

The Harrington Grove community team would like to welcome its newest members – Gail, Lauren and Keenan.

Gail will be working closely with the management team to promote and coordinate

the community events and is interested in hearing your ideas. Lauren and Keenan will be on hand to assist with your enquiries when you visit or call the Country Club. So, when you are next in the Club, please say hi to our newest members.



## The Residents' Christmas BBQ



Join us for a BBQ meal, entertainment for the kids and a special visit from Santa. BYO beverages or purchase drinks from the on-site bar. Bring along your picnic rug, chairs and sunshade for a great day for everyone. We look forward to seeing you at the residents' Christmas BBQ.

Date: Saturday, 10th December 2011

Time: 4.00pm to 7.00pm

Harrington Grove residents are invited to celebrate the festive season at our annual Harrington Grove Christmas get together.

Venue: The Harrington Grove Country Club  
BBQ meal: Served from 5.00pm in the Community Room  
Phone: (02) 4631 3200  
Email: [info@grovelife.com.au](mailto:info@grovelife.com.au)  
Website: [www.grovelife.com.au](http://www.grovelife.com.au)

## Community Sporting & Social Clubs

**Cobbitty Narellan Cricket Club**  
Contact Mark Bush 0408 833 376

**Harrington Park Hockey Club**  
Contact Sandy Parker 0408 483 743

**Camden Senior & Junior AFL Club**  
Contact Warren Back 0414 795 529

**Harrington Park Netball Club**  
Contact Louise Higham 0401 895 151

**Harrington Park Softball Club**  
Contact Wayne Boss 0433 3925 304

**Harrington United Football Club**  
Contact Stuart Cadden 0412 517 999

**Harrington Grove Residents Social Golf Club**  
Contact Harrington Grove Country Club  
(02) 4631 3200

**The Harrington Park Over 55's Club**  
Contact Martin Hayes on (02) 4648 1065

## Harrington Plaza

23 Fairwater Drive, Harrington Park

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