

Evans Head Library upgrade



In preparation for the \$880,000 upgrade of the Evans Head Library which is set to get underway in mid-January 2021, a temporary library/council customer service has been set up in the Evans Head Visitor Information Centre building. The setting up of this temporary library and preparing the library ready for construction was a big job that commenced in December 2020 and involved a lot of packing and unpacking, dismantling and reassembling.

It was a great team effort with the Evans Head Library/Customer Service team doing a fantastic job identifying what was needed and then packing it all up. The Evans Head Outdoor crew did a great job dismantling and transporting the large items to the VIC building and to storage. The library staff then chipped in transferring library items to the temporary library, assembling the shelving and re-shelving the books ready for the re-opening on Monday 11 January 2021.

Meanwhile the IT team were ensuring that customers and staff were right to go on re-opening while the PMO team carried out some modifications on the building including a fresh coat of paint and the installation of a new counter. The Visitor Information Centre team assisted by rearranging their space to accommodate the Library/Customer Service.

5,000 books, DVDs and magazines were transferred to the temporary library and library customers still have access to 45,000 items. Reserves can be placed using the library app, via the website or placing your request with staff.

A temporary Evans Head Storage Branch library has been created. This is housing excess items that were not able to fit at Evans Head Visitor Information Centre. These items are still available for reserve and loan, and library staff will endeavour to make your items available as quickly as possible. Please contact library staff if you have any queries.

Due to COVID-19 restrictions and to maintain social distancing only 3 public internet PCs have been setup.

The opening hours of the temporary library are 8.30am to 4.30pm Monday – Friday and 9am to 12pm Saturday. There is an after-hours return chute if you are unable to visit during opening hours.



For details of our regular monthly programs, please visit the <u>What's on</u> page of our website.

Please note that **bookings are essential** for all programs, due to physical distancing regulations. For Casino programs, phone 6660 0250, and for Kyogle, phone 6632 1134.



NSW Reads Lucky's



The New South Wales Public Library Association is thrilled to announce the very first state-wide reading program, *NSW Reads*. It's a big book club, and everyone in New South Wales is invited.

From 10 December 2020 to 17 February 2021, library members across the state are encouraged to read Sydney author Andrew Pippos's debut novel, *Lucky's*.

Described as "a must-read saga, and a gripping monument to Greek diaspora" by The Guardian Australia, central to the theme of Lucky's is the iconic Greek milk bar/café businesses, found in so many Australian towns and suburbs. NSW Reads will celebrate the heritage of these venues and the migrant experiences of food and community as readers from all over the state share a reading experience.

To celebrate NSW Reads, join in an Instagram read-along via @nswlibraryevents, take part in an online panel discussion on Greek-Australian cafés past and present,

and meet the author, Andrew Pippos, online in a Lucky's 'In Conversation' with Amy Heap from the Riverina Regional Library.

Pop in to your local library to get your copy of Lucky's by Andrew Pippos, and join in as **NSW Reads**!

Greek Australian Milk Bars: Past & Present

Every town used to have a milk bar or café. What are your memories of milk bars? The ice creams, the milkshakes, the lollies?

Leonard Janiszewski, author of Greek Cafés and Milk Bars of Australia, will take us on a fascinating trip down memory lane sharing stories of the milk bar culture. Barbra Godfrey will also share her experiences as director of Parry's Milk Bar, Caringbah, an iconic retro styled milk bar with a modern twist that is still successfully operating after 62 years.

Date: Tuesday, 9 February Time: 12 to 1.30pm Location: Casino Library Cost: Free



Bookings are essential. Phone 6660 0250.



ANDREW PIPPOS

Lucky's is a story of family. A restaurant chain. A fire that changed everything. A New Yorker article which might save a career. The mystery of a missing father. An impostor who got the girl. An unthinkable tragedy. A roll of the dice. And an immigrant story of love lost, sought and won again (at last) — a story abundant with hurdles, tragedies, second chances, defeats and victories.

Andrew Pippos will be in conversation with Amy Heap from Riverina Regional Libraries with the support of NSW Public Libraries Association.

Date: Wednesday, 17 February Time: Join online at 6.30pm Location: Online, via Zoom Cost: Free Bookings are essential. Go to:

https://bit.ly/apippos

Not familiar with Zoom? Book a free one-on-one Tech Savvy session now to learn all about it! Phone 6660 0250.



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DECEMBER WINNER Felicity Joan -Casino



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