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Celebrating the Journey

For the past 16 years a skilled team of engineers, community planners, designers, and landscapers have invested countless hours creating the spectacular, master planned community that is now Harrington Park. The project drew to a close with those involved reminiscing over the developments most memorable moments.

But perhaps the one whom remembers the most is Lady Mary Fairfax. Her husband Sir Warwick Fairfax purchased the land over 65 years ago, his vision was that he and his wife would one day create an idyllic community on the property he loved so dearly.

In 1981 Sir Warwick approached Camden Council with an application to rezone the Harrington Park estate. It took five years for approval and the land was rezoned from rural to urban in 1986. Just as things were beginning to progress,

Sir Warwick passed away after a long illness. Lady Mary Fairfax stepped in and began to spearhead the next stage of development to see her husband's dream fulfilled.

In 1992, Lady Fairfax met and appointed Terry Goldacre (Project Director) to take up the challenge of overseeing the development of Harrington Park – this proved to be the beginning of a long and fruitful relationship. In 1993, the scrapers broke the ground and construction on Harrington Park officially began.

The following year, the first stage of Harrington Park (Lakeside Village) was released for sale on 12 June 1994. On the morning in question, Terry Goldacre arrived at the office at 8am to find that more than thirty people had camped out in the middle of winter for an opportunity

to purchase their own piece of Harrington Park. He collected deposits for 22 homesites that first day.

As Harrington Park's reputation spread, each new release of homesites was followed by overwhelming demand. An unexpected by-product of this phenomenon was the strong friendships and social ties that began to be forged among those waiting to purchase their properties. This warm community spirit now marks the atmosphere of Harrington Park today.

On 14 October 1995, Harrington Park was officially opened by the Hon. Craig Knowles, Minister for Urban Planning and Housing, with Lady Mary Fairfax unveiling the commemorative plaque.

In that year, the first residents moved into the estate. The Harrington Park Community Welcome Program was

established by the development team, presenting each new family with a welcome pack including bottles of wine, chocolates and postcards to provide to friends and family with new contact details. This program spun off into a number of other social clubs and associations run by the residents themselves, including the Harrington Park Community Association, Harrington Park Youth Arts, the Over 55s and various sporting clubs.

Over the next decade, Harrington Park won numerous awards including Master Planned Residential Lifestyle Development Award and Community Development of the Year. Designed with broad, tree-lined streets, beautiful lakes and numerous parks and ovals, Harrington

Park boasts some 2000 homes and facilities including a school, childcare centre, shopping centre and sports facilities to cater for the needs of the community.

As Harrington Park moved inexorably towards completion, Harrington Grove – the next phase of Sir Warwick's vision – was waiting in the wings. Encompassing one of the largest private conservation areas in Sydney, Harrington Grove is a luxurious new development where homesites dwarf the average size in Sydney.

The first precinct, Araucaria, was completed in September 2008, and in the manner of Harrington Park, was greeted with keen anticipation. In March

2009, Harrington Grove Country Club was officially opened, marking a new era in Harrington Estates history.

"My favourite memory isn't from one particular event. It is more the thought of endless afternoons spent in the park with my daughter; walking along the scenic trails; feeding the ducks in the pond.

Harrington Park is the perfect place to watch my family grow."

Leanne (Harrington Park Resident)





Picture Yourself in Harrington Grove

Much like Harrington Park, Harrington Grove exhibits tree-lined boulevards that extend far in to the horizon. From the very first moment you enter the community, you will know that you have arrived somewhere very special.

Be amongst the first to enjoy the luxuries of the Harrington Grove Country Club, with its outstanding health and recreation facilities. The fully equipped fitness centre, tennis courts and swimming pools make it easy to maintain a healthy lifestyle, while the stylish modern restaurant, amphitheatre, function rooms and extensive grounds, make relaxation and entertainment a highlight in your new social calendar.

The first precinct available in Harrington Grove, Araucaria, is selling fast. Since its release in late 2008, an astounding

40% of home sites have been sold.

Sized between 800m² to 1300m², it's no wonder. The location offers spectacular views of neighbouring Harrington Park and beautiful Camden Valley, with a level of privacy not available in standard residential subdivisions.

Additionally, residents will be



among the first to enjoy the fastest internet in Australia. Harrington Grove is a Telstra Smart Community with the latest velocity fibre-to-the-home-network now in place and operating. This is running at 20 Mbps, which is 5 times faster than average internet speeds. Later this year it will be upgraded to 100 Mbps that's 20 times faster than current speeds. The future ready community will enjoy the

benefits of; crystal clear television, free to air Digital TV, Foxtel, and multiple fixed telephone lines.

The benefits of Harrington Grove don't stop there. Soon you will be able to experience the quality, stylish homes designed by a range of builders. All to be showcased in the brand new display Village.

Display Village

Harrington Grove is pleased to announce the beginning of works on its new Display Village, aimed to inspire the imagination and help you choose the home of your dreams in Harrington Grove.

With a select range of builders including Dartanyon, Lily Homes, Eagle Homes

and MacDonald Jones Homes, the Harrington Grove Display Village will be spread across approximately two and a half acres of land, so you can browse a wide variety of homes.

Homes in the Display Village will be designed to suit the specific landscape of Harrington Grove, blending leading architectural design with the beauty of the natural landscape and environment. You'll be inspired by the luxurious layouts, sophisticated designs, entertainment options and endless ideas to suit your lifestyle and budget.

With completion aimed before Christmas 2009, a visit to the Harrington Grove Display Village is a must for all families hoping to create their future in Harrington Grove. Harrington Estates

sales consultants will be on hand to help you select your private sanctuary and liaise with your chosen builder to ensure that you get the lifestyle you've always dreamed of.

Picture yourself living in Sydney South West's most talked about estate, Harrington Grove. Speak to a sales consultant today on 02 4631 3200.



Highlight on: John McDonald Group



John McDonald Group are masters of grand home design. Setting the standards high, they will be the first to build and sell completed homes in Harrington Grove. A typical home carefully crafted by John McDonald Group can be likened to a large country homestead. Boasting large bay windows, and glorious wrap around verandas – its not hard to fall in love.

With over 26 years of industry experience John McDonald Group are specialists in creating homes to suit your unique lifestyle. Based locally in Camden, the group have won a host of awards, including the Macarthur Industry Trade award and Macarthur Industry Award for Professional Services, John McDonald Group is a trusted name when it comes to home building and construction services.

The company is proud to participate in the building of homes in Harrington Grove, offering a variety of specialist advisors and qualified professionals to oversee construction, building the home you've always wanted has never been more simple.

For more information call John McDonald Group on 02 4648 0300 today.



John McDonald Group's grand home designs



State-of-the-art Fitness Centre

Harrington Grove Country Club boasts an exclusive new fitness centre with a range of cardio equipment including cross-trainers, treadmills, various body-strengthening equipment, rowing machines and free weights.

Also equipped with a separate exercise room with a special low-impact flooring system, you'll find a fitness routine or class to suit your needs – no matter what your fitness level.

Nearby, there are conveniently located locker rooms and showers, as well as immediate access to the 25m pool for further exercise. Also within the luxurious Country Club, you can follow up your workout with a drink in the stylish restaurant or just relax.



The sports and recreation facilities, including the fitness centre, swimming pools and tennis courts, are reserved for the exclusive use by Harrington Grove residents.



Harrington Grove Country Club Launch

On the balmy Autumn evening of March 21st, 280 guests converged upon the Harrington Grove Country Club for a special night to celebrate its completion. It was a marquee event, recognising all those involved in designing and constructing the luxurious facility. Amongst the builders, architects, landscapers and the Harrington Estates development team, Lady Mary Fairfax was in attendance to view the magnificent building which is the

pinnacle of the Harrington Grove estate. Other guests included Camden Mayor, Chris Patterson, and special guest M.C, Andrew O'Keefe.

The evening began with pre-dinner drinks and canapés on the upper balcony of the Country Club during sunset, followed by a locally catered meal and entertainment in the marquee set up on the Club grounds. Musical entertainment included a mix of modern

opera, a Motown cover band and a string quartet from the local Macarthur Anglican School.



Harrington Park Restaurant Review

Banana Leaf Thai & Modern Asian Cuisine

The Banana Leaf Thai & Modern Asian Cuisine Restaurant is still in its early stages, having just opened in April at Harrington Plaza. Owner/manager Sarah is excited to broaden the local palate with a fresh menu full of flavours from regional Thailand.

When asked what prompted her to the restaurant business, she says, 'I love creating menus and special new dishes, and I love to serve. I have a passion for Thai food and I want to share it.'

Having previously managed restaurants in both Gosford and Avalon, Sarah is no newcomer to the business. She chose Harrington Park because 'as soon as I came here, I felt relaxed. It was a different community – so clean and well-designed with lots of trees. I was very

impressed, and I wanted to bring a fresh flavour to the community.'



The Banana Leaf is open for dinner from Tuesday through to Sunday and offers a special weekend lunch menu. Call Sarah on 4648 1500 to make a reservation, or just pop in to experience a taste of Thailand.

Competitions

Harrington Estates Garden Competition

Harrington Park is known for its manicured lawns and exotic gardens, and with the annual Garden Competition coming up again for 2009, this well-deserved reputation is bound to last for at least another year.

Over the years, more and more garden enthusiasts have emerged to enter the competition, and it has now become a highlight of the Harrington Park

community social calendar. With the awards presentation taking place at the Harrington Grove Country Club on Saturday 14 November, prizes will be awarded for the following categories:

- Best garden under 2 years
- Best garden over 2 years
- Best lawn
- Best small garden
- Best entertaining garden
- Judges' choice (at their discretion)

Get your gardening gloves on and enter today. Call Harrington Estates on 4631 3200 for more details, and mark 14 November 2009 on your calendar.



Harrington Park Dental Care Photography Competition



Harrington Park Dental Care is proud to announce its inaugural photography competition. Entry is open to residents of Harrington Park and submissions must be made by 4pm, 12 August 2009.

Categories

Junior Open (12 years and under)

Photo Specs: Any type of photograph taken within Harrington Park

Prizes: 1st: \$75, 2nd: \$45, 3rd: \$25

Senior Open

Photo Specs: Any type of photograph taken within Harrington Park

Prizes: 1st: \$150, 2nd: \$100, 3rd: \$50

Senior Artistic

Photo Specs: Photos of an artistic nature taken within Harrington Park

Prizes: 1st: \$150, 2nd: \$100, 3rd: \$50

Entries will be exhibited at Harrington Plaza from 15 August 2009, on which date judging will take place. Call Harrington Park Dental Care on 02 4647 9768 for queries.

Community Notices

Camden Senior & Junior AFL Club

Playing each Saturday at Fairfax Reserve, Juniors at 9am and Seniors at 12 noon. For details of the draw please go to www.camdenseniorafl.org.

New players are always welcome.

Contact: Warren Ph: 0414 795 529

Harrington Park Fishing Club Inc

Meet 2nd Wednesday of each month in the HP Community Centre at 7:30pm.

Contact: Dave Ph: 0418 664 523

Parenting Seminars

A series of 3 seminars for anyone keen to develop in their role as a parent.

Seminars presented by Ray Kennedy - counsellor, educator and trainer for over 20 years, and father of 4 adult

children. Hosted by Harrington Park Anglican Church. Held in the Meeting Room upstairs at the plaza. 7pm - 9pm, Tuesdays 26th May, 2nd June, 9th June. Cost: \$20 total for the 3 sessions including materials and supper. Contact 4648 1822 or office@harringtonpark.anglican.asn.au for more details.

Kids' Club

Kinder to year 6. Thursdays 3pm to 4.30pm during school term. Harrington Park Public School. Contact 4648 1822.

Bookworms Storytime

Toddler story time and craft group. 10am on Tuesday mornings during school term. Church Meeting Room upstairs at Harrington Plaza.

Youth Group

Year 7 to 12. 7pm - 9pm on Friday nights during school term. Harrington Park Public School. Contact 4648 1822.

Sunday Church

Morning: 10am at Harrington Park Public School.

Evening: 6.30pm at Church meeting room - Harrington Plaza (upstairs).

Harrington Park Book Club

Meet on the 1st Monday of each month. Contact: Adrienne Taylor Ph: 4647 2018

The Sewing Guild

Meet 4th Wednesday of each month from 10am - 3pm at the HP Community Centre. Contact: Mirella Czerny Ph: 4683 1716.

Camden Valley Way Intersection Upgrade

Harrington Estates is pleased to announce the beginning of works on a new intersection for Cobbitty Road and Camden Valley Way. Starting next month, the works are expected to take 12 months to complete.

The project aims to ease the struggle that commuters face moving onto Camden Valley Way from Cobbitty Road, especially during peak times. The intersection, involving new traffic lights, is a major work expected to bring relief on some of the busiest roads in the area, and assist with further infrastructure upgrades.

Jarrahs Now Open

Jarrahs offers a stylish new experience in modern Australian Cuisine. Set in the elegant grounds of Harrington Grove Country Club, the restaurant offers an idyllic setting for you, your family, and friends to enjoy a tasty bite to eat.

For reservations phone 4631 3222.

Free Friday Night Bus Service

Jump on from 10pm at

The bus shelter in **John Street Camden**
OR **Campbelltown Station**.

and grab a lift to

Camden, Catherine Field, Cobbitty, Currans Hill, Elderslie, Grasmere, Harrington Park, Leppington, Mount Annan, Narellan, Narellan Vale

Call or text the bus on
0435 133 761 or 0420 822 517
for the approximate pick up time

Info: 4645 5021

www.camden.nsw.gov.au

Conditions apply

- Identification is required
- 2 bus routes will operate
- Last pick up from Camden is 1am
- Last pick up from Campbelltown is 2am

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