St Alban's Community Garden News

Official Community Garden opening attracts general community members and rcognises contributions from sponsors

The official opening of St Alban's Community Garden on the first day of Spring (Saturday Ist September) provided an opportunity for local community members to inspect the progress with the development of the garden, hear about the future plans, share some refreshments and share some community friendship.

The garden was established as part of the outreach of St Alban's Anglican Parish to provide an opportunity for local community members to come together and share friendships in a relaxed environment, learn about sustainable gardening techniques, grow and share freely a variety of vegetables and herbs, develop some new composting ideas and enjoy eating and cooking the produce from the garden. It was acknowledged that the garden had been made possible with the assistance of an Environmental Sustainability Grant from Lake Macquarie City Council and donations from Bunnings at Kotara and St Alban's parishioners and friends. Enthusiastic participation and cooperation in the coffee grounds composting project by Sal's by the Lake and King Street Depot was also acknowledged.

Andrew Cornwell MP, State Parliamentary Member for Charlestown congratulated the Parish on its ongoing environmental achievements and members of the garden team in taking the initiative to establish the garden and provide an opportunity for the local community to participate.

Regular working bees on Tuesday mornings and an informal morning tea at 10.00 am on the last Tuesday of each month will be held in the garden. All are welcome to join in the community friendship.

Andrew Cornwell, Geoff Rigby and Fr. Peter Middleton

Parishioners and local community members enjoying some of the hospitality at the garden opening

St Alban's Community Garden acknowledges with thanks the support provided by Lake Macquarie City Council, Hunter Water, Bunnings, Sal's by the Lake, King Street Depot and Custom Espresso