

# SYDNEY HARBOUR

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SYDNEY HARBOUR  
HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

## YARD OF THE MONTH



*The Landscape Committee is happy to present Mark and Kathy Emery of 18010 Grotto Pt. with the Sydney Harbour Yard of the Month for November. Great job to the Emery's. Thank you for helping Sydney Harbour remain beautiful.*

## SECURITY



Christmas is around the corner. Thieves will be watching for signs of packages in homes. Please take precautions and don't let these bad people ruin your holidays.

Again, park your cars in the garage if at all possible. If not possible, take all personal items out of the car and lock it down good. And—don't forget the garage door opener. If they have access to the opener, they have access to your home.

For your homes, keep all doors and windows locked, daytime and nighttime. Keep outside lights on throughout the night. Keep your packages out of sight. We all want to show our beautiful Christmas trees but keeping packages under them only invites intruders inside. Install security cameras if at all possible. Use your alarms. Have them monitored and use them anytime you leave the house and when you come in for the evening.

Remember—it's our responsibility to keep our homes safe.

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## SYDNEY HARBOUR Christmas Lighting Contest

The Holidays are around the corner and we're ready to light up!  
Our next event will be the Sydney Harbour Christmas Lighting Contest. We hope that each resident will participate. First Place will receive a Lowe's gift card for \$100.00 and Second Place will receive a Lowe's gift card for \$75.00.

We ask that you go to [sydneyharbour2009@yahoo.com](mailto:sydneyharbour2009@yahoo.com) anytime before Sunday, December 20th at 8:00 p.m., and vote for your favorite home.

Since winners are ineligible to win again for two years, a list of ineligible winners will be sent to you via email & Facebook in early December.

We need your votes for this event to be successful!

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Cypress Woods High School Theatre Company proudly presents, *Annie*, the musical on December 18th & 19th at 7:00 pm and on December 20th at 2:00 pm and 7:00 pm in the Cypress Woods HS Auditorium, 13550 Woods Spillane Blvd, Cypress, TX. Tickets can be purchased on line at [www.showtix4u.com](http://www.showtix4u.com). *Annie* is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI). All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI. 421 West 54th Street, New York, NY 10019. Phone: 212-541-4684, [www.MTIShows.com](http://www.MTIShows.com)

### Show Dates

**December 18th and 19th at 7:00pm**  
**December 20th at 2:00pm and 7:00pm**

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## WHAT'S IN A NAME?

### Billabong Crescent Court



Billabong Crescent Court is the featured street in this edition of What's In A Name. Unlike previous streets covered, this Sydney Harbour cul-de-sac is not named for a specific place in NSW Australia. The word billabong is an oxbow lake, an isolated pond left behind after a river changes course. Billabongs are usually formed when the path of a creek or river changes, leaving the former branch with a dead end. Billabongs, reflecting the arid Australian climate in which these "dead rivers" are found, fill with water

seasonally and are dry for a greater part of the year.

Many of us may be familiar with the word billabong from a song we sang as children. Banjo Paterson's popular folk song "Waltzing Matilda" is set alongside a billabong.

*Once a jolly swagman camped by a billabong,  
Under the shade of a coolibah tree,  
And he sang as he watched and waited till his billy boiled,  
Who'll come a'waltzing Matilda with me*

Billabong is also the name of an Australian surf wear and skateboard brand which brings us to the "Crescent" part of Billabong Crescent Court.

#### Crescent Head, NSW

Crescent Head is about 19km south-east of Kempsey on the NSW mid-coast and is famous among wave surfers throughout the world. In fact, the surfing doesn't get much better than around here, especially when, for most of the year, there are long stretches of golden sand that you won't have to share with anyone. Anglers, too, are drawn to the surf and estuarine fishing. From the crest of 100m high Crescent Head you can almost see forever, with coastal views stretching over marine parkland to Hat Head in the north and to Point Plomer to the south.



*Berrinba Wetlands billabong located in the state of Queensland, Australia*



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## NORTHWEST HOUSTON **BUSINESS & PROFESSIONAL WOMEN**

The women of Northwest Houston Business & Professional Women (BPW) are sponsoring a "Neighbors in Need" campaign in December to collect toys for infants through age 12. BPW is partnering with a renowned Houston non-profit organization, Northwest Assistance Ministries (NAM), to spread some Christmas cheer to children in need. The monthly luncheon will feature speaker, Carole Little, a dedicated leader with more than 30 years' experience in health and human services. Since 2001, she has served as President & CEO of Northwest Assistance Ministries. Members and guests are invited to the luncheon on Dec 18 at Northgate Country Club and to bring an unwrapped toy for infants through age 12. RSVP online by Dec 16 at <http://nwhoustonbpw.com/>.



## Trash & Recycling Pickup **HOLIDAY SCHEDULE**

### No Pickup on Christmas Day **Thursday, December 25th**

If the scheduled trash or recycling collection day falls on any of the following holidays, the normal service will be resumed the following scheduled pick up day. Holidays are: New Years Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.



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# NORTHWEST FLYERS YOUTH TRACK CLUB

## FREE REGISTRATION/ORIENTATION BREAKFAST

The Northwest Flyers Youth Track Club will celebrate its 28th Anniversary Season by hosting its annual free Registration/Orientation breakfast on Saturday, February 7th, 2015, for all boys and girls who are interested in joining for the 2015 track season. The breakfast starts promptly at 8:30 AM at the Cypress Creek Christian Community Center Forum located at 6823 Cypresswood Dr., Spring, TX, 77379.

The free breakfast is the opportunity for youth athletes to register for the 2015 spring/summer track season, and to meet the Northwest Flyers coaches, staff, and other new and returning athletes. The event will be highlighted by a special presentation from a member of the USA Track & Field Olympic organization (USATF). All athletes and parents who wish to join the Northwest Flyers must attend the orientation.

The Northwest Flyers Track Club is a youth (ages 6 -18) track club, affiliated with USA Track & Field (USATF), that provides a full program of sanctioned "track" events such as sprints, hurdles,

middle distance, distance and relays, and sanctioned "field" events such as long jump, triple jump, high jump, pole vault, shot put, discus and javelin. The Northwest Flyers has approximately 285 members. The club was founded 28 years ago by Olympic gold medalist Fred Newhouse to foster the development of youth track & field in the Northwest Houston area.

The Northwest Flyers is a member of the "Win With Integrity" program, a partnership between USATF and the American College of Sports Medicine. "Win With Integrity" brings elite track & field athletes and school-aged kids together to promote healthy lifestyles, keeping active, and living with integrity through the sport of track & field.

For additional information on the Northwest Flyers Track Club, please visit the team website at <http://www.northwestflyers.org>, contact Linette Roach at [linette.roach@sbcglobal.net](mailto:linette.roach@sbcglobal.net), or "Like" the club on Facebook.

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# SYDNEY HARBOUR



Sydney Harbour now has an official Facebook page. You can find information about upcoming events, photos of past events, meeting notices, and articles from our committees. We hope that as this grows, you'll find this to be a useful tool to keep up with Sydney Harbour.

Let us know what you think. Leave a comment on the FEEDBACK entry.

Like us! Help us reach our goal of 100 likes by the end of the summer.

Sydney Harbour Communications Committee

## STREET LIGHT OUTAGE

Neighborhood street lights are one way to help curb crime. If you see a street light that is out, get the six (6) digit number located on the base of the light pole and an approximate address / location of the outage. Go to [www.centerpointenergy.com/outage](http://www.centerpointenergy.com/outage) to fill in the required information. You can also call 713-207-2222.

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### MEDICAL FACILITIES

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Cy-Fair Medical Center ..... 281.890.4285  
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### COMMUNITY SCHOOLS

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*Contact for any concerns or general questions for the association regarding violations, deed restrictions, ACC applications, interest in joining a committee, clubhouse/pool rentals and any other questions regarding the property.*

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