

# bits & pieces

## The Illawarra Folk Club

Why not join the Illawarra folk club for news on interesting folk and cultural activities for families throughout the year? Benefits include:

- ▶ concessional rates to Club Concerts throughout the year
- ▶ a monthly Folk Club Newsletter about concerts and folk events
- ▶ active support of folk music in the Illawarra and Australia
- ▶ early information about the annual Illawarra Folk Festival
- ▶ performers listings in Folk Club register in Newsletter and Web-Page
- ▶ opportunity to be involved in organising the Illawarra Folk Festival.

Next year also marks the 25th anniversary of the Illawarra Folk Festival to be held from January 14-17 in Bulli. This event is a showcase of over 120 international, national and local acts and incorporates concerts, dances, workshops and sessions for all ages.

[www.illawarrafolkclub.org.au](http://www.illawarrafolkclub.org.au)

## Westfield for Kids

Westfield Warrawong has these fun activities coming up in their centre court. Be there or be square!

25 February	Craft
4 March	Bakers Delight Cooking
11 March	Forte Music Lessons
18 March	Kazzajazz Dance Lessons
25 March	Story Time
1 April	Environmental Activities
8 April	Easter Activities

## School Holiday Activities

13-17 April	Robots Activity Centre
20-24 April	Craft

## Southside Lakewalk Festival 2009

Saturday 21 March

This years festival theme is the health and wellbeing of our community and the environment in which we live. The festival is set along a 3km pathway on the shores of Lake Illawarra, between Warrawong and Berkely. The festival will include artwork, music, wonderful healthy food and the opportunity to participate in diverse activities along the walkway. Be a part of this fantastic cultural community event!

## Sustainable Illawarra Update

# sustainable illawarra

[www.sustainableillawarra.com.au](http://www.sustainableillawarra.com.au)

Six months ago the three Illawarra councils joined forces to combat the effects of climate change by working with our communities to assist them to reduce their individual ecological footprints.

Project Manager Dee Topic, said since the launch of Sustainable Illawarra, community support has been overwhelming. Hundreds of residents have taken serious steps forward to reduce their individual footprints by either participating in some of the many great workshops and events held throughout the region, or by taking up some of the amazing offers for reduced rates on sustainable products available through the project.



"We've held a number of free workshops on a range of environmental topics including backyard habitat creation and water and energy saving workshops. Workshops on cheese making and keeping backyard chooks, and escarpment bushwalks have proved to be some of the most popular topics so far."

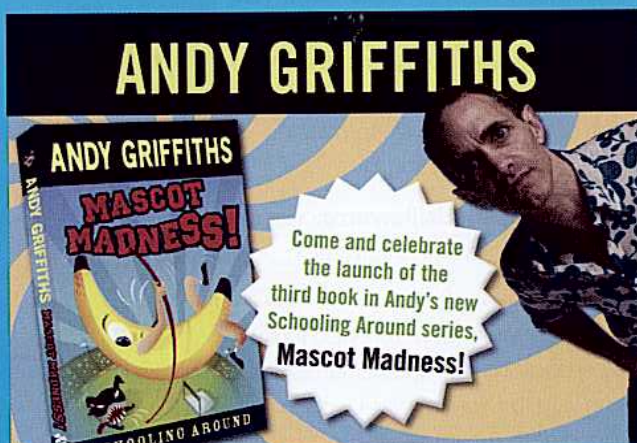
"We also held a unique op shop bus tour as a way to encourage people to shop more sustainably. The first two tours booked out very quickly and we're definitely planning on holding a few more tours this year, so people who missed out first time around should keep an eye out for dates in 2009" Dee said.

## Meet Author Andy Griffiths

Head to Nowra High School and celebrate the launch of the third book in author Andy Griffiths Schooling Around series—Mascot Madness! Books will be available at the event and Andy will be signing copies.

Mascot Madness! is available in book stores now.

**TUESDAY 31 MARCH 2009**  
6:00-7:00pm  
Nowra High School Library  
90 Moss St, Nowra



Book-signing after the session until 7:30pm

This event is free but bookings are essential. RSVP to Kerrie Griffiths on 02 4421 4977 or email: [KERRIE.GRIFFITH@det.nsw.edu.au](mailto:KERRIE.GRIFFITH@det.nsw.edu.au)