

## Community Calendar

Join us in supporting these community events:

### January

#### Soul Cafe's Friday Chill

February – March 2018

Every Friday in Pacific Park, Newcastle  
Artists from across the region perform  
chilled out and fun tunes to help bring in the weekend.  
Go to [soulcafe.org.au](http://soulcafe.org.au) to see the gig lineup.



### February

#### SURFEST

12 – 26th February 2018

Wandiyali Indigenous Classic  
Merewether Beach

The event is again set to offer Australia's biggest purse for an  
Indigenous surfing competition. This is the richest indigenous surfing  
contest in the world and is an important part of the Surfest festival.



### March

#### QWH Water Polo Games

Saturday 25th March 2018

Cheer on the Hunter Hurricanes in a series  
of National League head to heads.  
Plus some local junior and senior games.



### April

#### Kurri Coalface Pedal Mountain Bike Ride

Sunday 8th April 2018

Races that includes schools and bike  
enthusiasts competing in various distances.  
Includes a Mines Team Challenge.  
Supporting the Westpac Rescue  
Helicopter Service.



## Community benefits from final 2017 funding round

Twenty organisations from across the Hunter benefited from a donation from NCIG's Community Support Program, as the final recipients were announced at an informal presentation in late 2017.

The community and not-for-profit groups range from grass-roots sporting clubs, university education programs, large-scale community events, and the arts and environmental initiatives.

The announcement, held onsite at NCIG, provided each successful organisation with the chance to hear and learn about others in the program.

NCIG CEO Aaron Johansen said the Community Support Program is aimed at supporting organisations who provide invaluable services to the Hunter community.

"We are delighted to support organisations that play such an important role in the wellbeing of so many people in the Hunter region. Many of the organisations we support are manned by volunteers and it's heart-warming to know that our support directly benefits their vision and their community," Mr Johansen said.

Robert Baker from the Charlestown City Blues Football Club said they were delighted to receive funding for the purchase of dedicated training equipment for their junior football teams.

"For many years we have not been able to purchase training equipment for our junior teams because much of the funds we raise have gone towards our senior divisions. Now, thanks to the funds provided by NCIG, we will be able to purchase full training sets consisting of portable goals, training mannequins and cones for each youth side. We're so thrilled!" Mr Baker said.

The NCIG Community Support Program has provided over \$1 million in funding to not-for-profit and community groups for projects and events since 2010. The program is run bi-annually in March and September each year.

## 2018 Funding Applications OPENING SOON

If your community group or non-for-profit organisation would like to be considered for a Community Support Program grant, applications for our March 2018 round will be open very soon. For more information and to download a copy of the application form, go to [ncig.com.au/community](http://ncig.com.au/community).



## Did you know?

Our people are always available to speak with our community. We would encourage you to get in contact should you have any questions regarding operations at NCIG.

### ENQUIRIES REPORTING

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NSW 2310

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NEWSLETTER

SUMMER 2018

## CEO Message

Being a local resident I often field questions from community members asking about the future of coal in our region. The short answer to this is that, with ever increasing demand for electricity coming from Asia, coal will continue to be a crucial energy source. While coal's share of total power generation worldwide is expected to reduce from about 44% today to about 33% in 2040, the absolute amount of coal demanded is expected to increase over that period\*. With much of the increase in demand for coal coming from Asia, Newcastle is well placed to meet this with the high-quality coal it exports.

The coal exported through Newcastle is bound for Asia, mainly Japan (45%), South Korea (15%), China (14%) and Taiwan (14%)\*\* but also increasingly to developing countries such as Vietnam, Thailand and Malaysia. This coal is mainly used for electricity generation, but also for producing steel and is the key energy fuel used in the production of cement, aluminium, glass and other highly energy intensive industrial products. Coal is NSW's largest export, valued at \$15.2 billion in FY17 and earns the NSW Government well over \$1 billion in royalties.

Asian countries face a huge challenge in meeting a rapidly growing energy demand as developing economies grow quickly and look to lift millions of people out of poverty towards the standards of living that we, in Australia, take for granted. Many Asian countries are balancing their growing demand for energy with a desire to contribute to global emissions reduction targets. This means an increased investment in renewable sources of energy. While the percentage of total worldwide energy from hydro and biomass (such as wood) is expected to be stable over the next 20 years, the percentage of world energy from other renewables is expected to triple from 2% in 2016 to 6% by 2040\*.

Many Asian countries are also investing heavily in the latest High Efficiency Low Emissions (HELE) coal fired power plant technology which achieves CO2 emission reductions of up to 35% when compared to pre-existing coal fired power plants. The coal that Newcastle exports, being amongst the highest quality coal in the world, is ideally suited for use in these HELE power plants due to its high energy content and low levels of impurities. For this reason, demand for Newcastle exports continues to grow and is expected to do so for the foreseeable future. This growth is reflected in NCIG's operational performance having recently experienced our seventh straight year of increased throughput. The services our terminal provides underpin the activities of the whole Hunter Valley Coal Chain and as such remain of critical importance to the region. We are proud of being a Newcastle business employing local people, and we look to add value to our local community wherever we can. We do this through employment opportunities, contracting with local businesses, volunteer work for activities such as the Stockton dunes restoration project, sponsoring local events and providing funding for not-for-profits through our Community Support Program.

Some of the community programs NCIG supports are mentioned in this newsletter and we also give a nod to 54 of our employees and contractors who, together, raised over \$33,000 towards men's mental health by being involved in the Movember initiative. I hope everyone gets something from reading this newsletter. If you have any questions about any topics raised in this newsletter then please contact us.

  
Aaron Johansen | CEO

\*World Energy Outlook 2017 – International Energy Agency  
\*\* Port of Newcastle trade statistics – 2016

## MOvember Foundation applauds NCIG fundraising initiative

The outstanding efforts of the NCIG Movember team were officially recognised by the Movember Foundation at a morning tea held on site in early December. What started out as a way of building awareness of men's mental health and a small contribution towards the Movember Foundation, snowballed into a month-long fundraising campaign involving over 54 staff and contractors.

Movember is very close to the heart of all at NCIG with the original aim to raise \$10,000 through 20 men participating in the movement. However, the final cheque presented to the Movember Foundation was for just over **\$33,000**.

"Our goal was to raise money for the Movember Foundation, but more so we wanted to normalise the discussion around mental health. It's really important that as a team we talk to each other, not just about work related issues but personal problems too," said Mark Curtis, NCIG's Maintenance Planner.



NCIG's efforts didn't go unnoticed by the Movember Foundation's Development Manager Kieran Ryan.

"This right here is what Movember is all about. NCIG created an atmosphere where men can freely talk about mental health issues without the burden of feeling like less of a man; it's something you should all be proud of."

NCIG's Movember initiative included a series of fun and inclusive activities such as moustache guessing competitions, fundraising barbecues, lunchtime guest speakers such as former Newcastle Jets player Stuart Musialik who shared his own experiences with mental illness, and a "best on show" moustache competition.

As an added bonus NCIG placed second in the invitational Movember 100 Club category and fourth in the Movember Mining Challenge, while NCIG's Chief Financial Officer John Kite placed third in the individual category having raised \$7,777.

Congratulations to the following staff who MOved us with their impressive facial hair:

<b>Best Mo</b> .....	<b>Jason Wise</b>
<b>Most Money Raised</b> .....	<b>John Kite</b>
<b>Dirtiest Mo</b> .....	<b>Scott Liddell</b>
<b>Encouragement Award</b> .....	<b>Jarrod Freeman</b>
<b>People's Choice</b> .....	<b>Jason Wise</b>
<b>People's choice runner up</b> .....	<b>Tim Neary</b>

In addition to the money raised for the Movember Foundation, NCIG also made a donation to Lifeline Newcastle Hunter for \$25,000 to recognise the outstanding community contribution made by staff during Movember.

## Small business ripe for the picking

For the second year running, NCIG has partnered with a small business support network to help small businesses in the Hunter region grow and prosper.

Many Rivers is a not-for-profit organisation which provides small business support, at no cost, to aspiring and existing small business owners experiencing challenging circumstances. Through practical and tailored assistance, Many Rivers supports individuals to start, stay and thrive in business.

Thanks to a **\$50,000 donation** from NCIG, Many Rivers has been able to support over 46 Hunter based businesses which have all needed support and advice to keep their businesses thriving.

We recently caught up with Stanley Phung, from Local Crop in Newcastle, to ask him how support from the program has helped his business.

### Tell us about your business . . .

The Local Crop is a group of local farmers and makers that got together to create a retail space for our produce rather than relying on weekend markets. Our Ethos is "Local Crop, Local Community". We aim to provide an environment that fosters community, promotes locally grown, made and created goods.

### What services did you receive from Many Rivers? How did it help?

I received a lot of help with marketing and how to keep and maintain fresh produce from our Many Rivers mentor, Dylan. He has a wonderful



knowledge in setting up a retail fruit and veg space. He even helped carry boxes and assisted with painting the whole shop!

### What has been the biggest success to date?

The Local Crop is a co-op that's located in a shop. We source produce within a 150-200km radius, which is why we call ourselves local. It is difficult co-ordinating 27 members who are all independent, strong minded individuals running their own businesses but it's very rewarding to work and deal with genuine people.

### What do you hope to achieve in the future?

A steady income, which we hope to achieve in the next 12 months. Secondly, every individual in the group has a big community focus and the guys are really keen for people to see it as a community space, not just your local fruit and veg shop.



## NCIG finishes 2017 with a bumper month

### A few interesting points about December

- NCIG loaded its 2nd largest monthly outbound tonnes
- NCIG had its highest vessel count for a month with 59 vessels completing loading (beating our previous best of 58)
- December 2017 recorded NCIG's largest ever monthly average Gross Unload Rate (GULR) of 8,702 tph



**5.49** million tonnes  
2nd LARGEST MONTHLY  
OUTBOUND TONNES

## Performance Statistics



**633**  
TRAINS  
TIPPED

**59**  
VESSELS  
LOADED



**4.74** million INBOUND TONNES