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District 21 - Central Coast

\$8,000 support for Camp Breakaway



Hilda Gibbs, Richard Blanschard, John Jenkins, David Levesque, Graeme Ingall, Chris Matthews, Sara Evans, Brett Walker, Eric Gibbs, Matt Harrison

Camp Breakaway is a purpose-built facility established in 1982 at San Remo on the Central Coast of NSW just 35 minutes from Gosford and less than an hour from Newcastle. Specialising in providing respite care for children and adults with moderate to severe disabilities and their carers, siblings, parents, etc.

Camp Breakaway's name reflects its mission of providing short-term stays with accommodation and individually planned programs of activities. These services can provide a family holiday or a carer's break where specially trained carers enable 'time out' for a carer or family. Not only does this give essential respite to support the ongoing well-being of families, but individual experiences ensure an enjoyable fun-filled time with plenty of unforgettable memories for all.

Sadly, since March 2020, Camp Breakaway has had to close its doors to the community due to the outbreak of Covid-19; with this closure, normal income streams and donor support have dwindled.

\$12,750

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Freemasons on the Central Coast along with the Lodges of District 21 recently combined to financially support Camp Breakaway with a donation of \$8,000. Ms Sara Evens, Community Engagement Officer, sincerely thanked the Freemasons for this most generous donation.

This valuable contribution, together with other donations of goods – carpet, special beds, paint, lino, etc – has enabled Camp Breakaway to put the temporary closure to good use and focus on the upkeep of the facility with a full six months of renovating, refurbishing, painting, landscaping, etc; time spent enabling the organisation to move forward smoothly and efficiently.



Graeme Ingall & Brett Walker (Manager of Camp Breakaway)



Shop conducted by the Volunteers Auxiliary

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The site and facilities can be hired by other respite care providers and the general public to raise additional funds. The peaceful 25 acre site is fenced and gated with a natural bushland backdrop, secure on-site parking and is well suited for a variety of both indoor and outdoor events (eg. weddings, parties, corporate/business meetings/conferences) offering function rooms, catering options and cabin-style motel room accommodation.

Camp Breakaway has re-opened after the temporary closure. For further information, phone (02) 4390 7624.



Hilda Gibbs, Richard Blanshard, Graeme Ingall and Chris Matthews with the donated beds

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