

# CENTRAL TAG NEWSLETTER



**Interview with  
Rodney**  
Central TAG Chair

## Why did you join TAG?

For a social outlet and lunch! It was a way for me to get back in to social networks after managing PTSD. I like the structure that comes with TAG.

## What advice would you give TAG members in this uncertain time?

I've spent my time mostly at home, gardening and with Pluto my therapy dog. But I recommend to learn about Zoom and use it. Reach out to people through Zoom. As humans we have the need for face to face identification and Zoom is a substitute.

## What are you looking forward to in the future?

People being able to freely say hello, have people around and make those intimate connections. I hope we don't forget the importance of these connections.

## Write for Bridge Housing Newsletters

Share a recipe, gardening tips, health suggestions or boredom busters. What ever you think would be of interest to the tenant community.

We love receiving tenant input and if we're able to use your input, we will provide a \$40 gift card!

## TAG UPDATE

We had hoped to be able to catch up face-to-face for the next TAG meeting, but we are mindful of the need to practice physical distancing and keep safe. With this in mind, we'd love to have a virtual 'catch up and cuppa' and for you to join us on a **Zoom meeting Friday 02 October at 11am**, to connect with your fellow TAG members and community. Your TAG Chair and Bridge will provide updates, don't forget your cup of tea!



## TAG Elections 2020

Would you like to represent your TAG or know another tenant who can? Nominate today! Tell us in 100 words or less on why you should be the Chair or Vice Chair. We can offer you training and support you in the role! Email or call a member of the Community Team for more information or to submit a nomination

## Rent Review

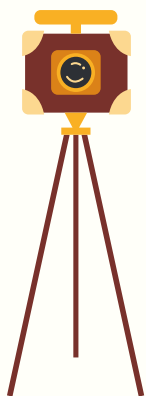
Just a reminder that rent review is coming up. Rent reviews ensure that you are paying the right amount of rent based on your income and personal circumstances. Changes to rent will take place from 05 October.

For further information contact the Rent Review Team on 8324 0800 or by emailing [rentreview@bridgehousing.org.au](mailto:rentreview@bridgehousing.org.au)



Community Team P: 02 8324 0800  
E: [community@bridgehousing.org.au](mailto:community@bridgehousing.org.au)

## GET INVOLVED!



### Can we take your photo?

We're looking for tenants to photograph for our next Annual Report and ongoing promotional material. If you're interested and want to participate, contact the Community Team to organise a 30 minute time slot to take your photos. Participants will receive a \$20 gift card for their time.

### ATTAG - Wellbeing Art and Craft Club

Do you knit, paint, sculpt or sew? Let us know about it!

Take a photo and send it to us. Let us know why you enjoy what you're creating. We can also help you purchase some of the tools, materials and equipment you may need. Call Kamal to discuss 0427 601 709.



### Bridge Buddies

We're encouraging any resident aged 18 or over to sign up to the Bridge Buddies Program. With social distancing still in place, this program supports you to connect via phone, email or letter. Sign up

today to be matched up with other residents who would love to email, chat on the phone or write letters.



## HOW TO GET INVOLVED!

To sign up for any of the programs above or to speak with someone about these programs, contact us!

### Community Team

Email: [community@bridgehousing.org.au](mailto:community@bridgehousing.org.au)

Phone: 8324 0800

### A prayer for Piyush

Nectar telling you what can or cannot  
being done as he succours  
My honey-eater darting from bush to  
bush and tasting the my flowers  
Whose eyes has he got and the shine in  
his hair, where does that come from?  
The gift of making friends with his  
character and show and pomp and  
hope, hope and a long fjord to home  
and hominess.  
He pollinates as a humming bird of  
retreats, this man, of Kanpur.

- by Noel Jeffs SSF  
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(Dedicated to Piyush, nectar in Hindi,  
who is one of my friends amongst the  
staff of Delhi O in Newtown, a place  
where you are always made welcome  
and made to feel at home at all times)

### A Thousand Words - Museum of Sydney

A Thousand Words is a photography  
exhibition inviting the public to contribute.  
You can comment and also read the real  
story behind the photo. New images are  
added monthly so you

can revisit the site  
regularly and find  
something new.



### Access this online:

[atwonline.com.au](http://atwonline.com.au)

Railway Commissioners  
NSW State Archives

### Bridge Housing and COVID-19

Bridge Housing Goulburn St and  
Brookvale offices are still open however  
tenants are encouraged to contact staff  
over the phone.

If you need to come into the office please  
book an appointment first by phoning  
your Housing Manager on 8324 0800.