



**PAWSOME PET**  
**HILARY**

**My breed**  
Domestic Short-Hair Tabby

**My occupation**  
Queen of the castle

**My people are**  
Craig and Libby

**My favourite treats are**  
Chicken flavoured creamy treats

**What are my favourite things about the community?**  
There's always lots happening - I sit in the window and watch for hours

**THORNTON COMMUNITY BBQ**

**MORTON COMMUNITY**

*Barbeque*

**THURSDAY, 31<sup>ST</sup> MARCH 2022**

**5:30 PM - 7:00 PM**

**BBQ AREA, RON MULOCK OVAL**

*All the usual goodies with the added bonus of Easter Eggs!!!*



.....**LAST MINUTE UPDATE!!!**



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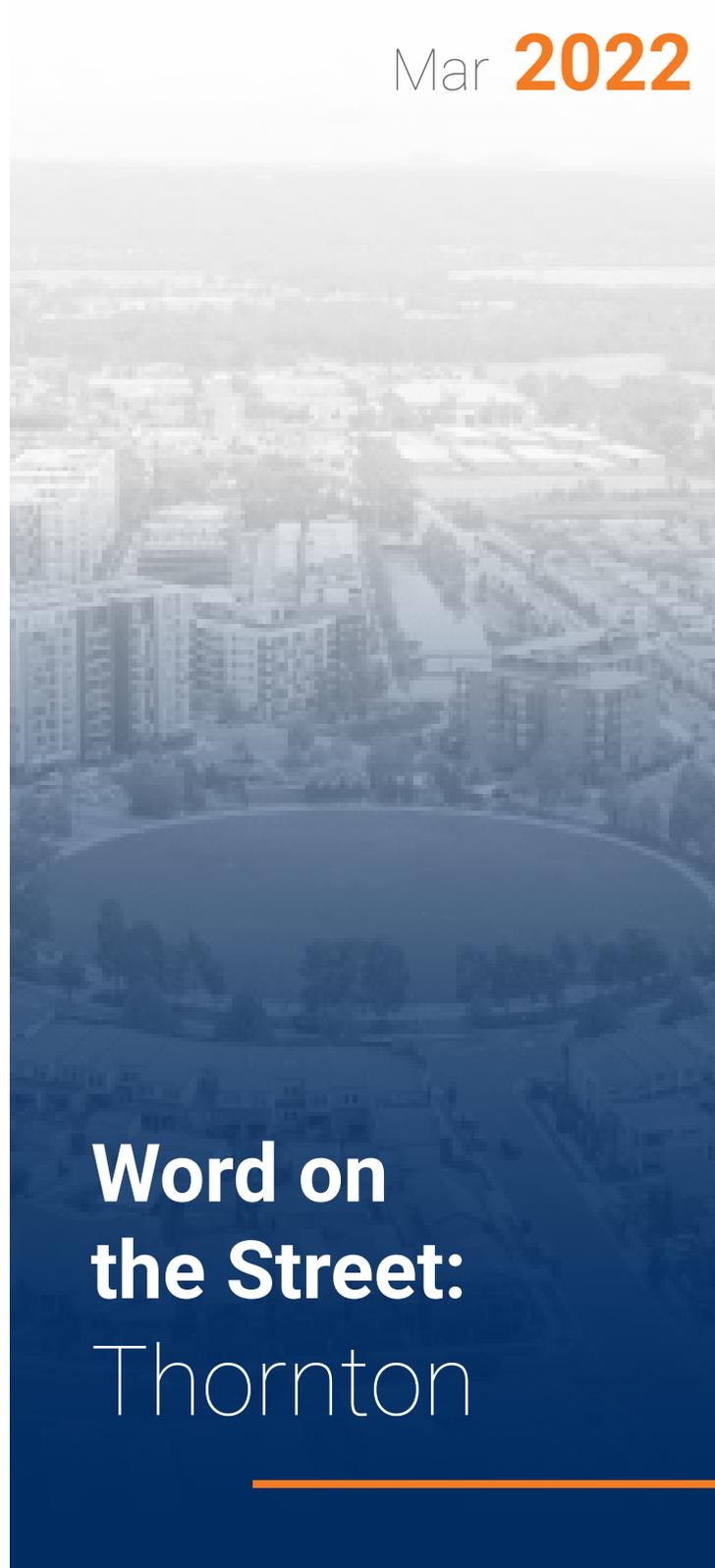
**URBAN**

Demonstrating their enthusiasm and determination to forge ahead The Thornton Community Group Inc has already locked in a new date for the exciting 'We Love Thornton' proudly brought to you by Urban Property Group.

It will now be held on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> May 2022 from 12pm-3pm on the Ron Mulock Oval, Thornton

With more time and the ongoing support of the Urban Property Group the organising committee has a lined up a showcase of art, culture, music and food as well as fun activities for the kids and entertainment for all ages. You'll be able to travel the world without leaving Ron Mulock Oval.

Mar **2022**



**Word on  
the Street:**  
Thornton

# Thornton market snapshot

## February 2022

### UNITS

18



Properties for sale

2



Properties sold in February 2022

\$500,000



Median sale price (Penrith)

\$400 pw



Median rental price (Penrith)

\$850,000



Highest sale price in February 2022

814/2A Lord Sheffield Circuit

**morton.**

### HOUSES

1

NIL

\$802,500

\$430 pw

NIL

### LOOKING TO BUY, RENT OR SELL?

For more information on buying, selling or renting within Thornton, give David Lipman a call for expert local residential property advice or from the New Year you can drop in to their new on-site office - Shop 1/91 Lord Sheffield Circuit, Penrith.



David Lipman | 0409 663 535 | [david.lipman@morton.com.au](mailto:david.lipman@morton.com.au)

**STAY IN TOUCH:** The Thornton Community Group Inc Facebook page is regularly updated with news, tips and information relevant to the local community so make sure you follow them by visiting:

[www.facebook.com/thorntonlife](https://www.facebook.com/thorntonlife)

Thornton resident? Join the Group here:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/196770045428210>

### GET TO KNOW STUART SKENE



RFS volunteer: Stuart Skene

This month in recognition of the extraordinary work and support provided by tireless volunteers over the recent flood crisis we chat to Thornton resident, Stuart Skene who was on hand to help as a volunteer with the Rural Fire Service.

### How long have you been an RFS volunteer and what 'BRIGADE' do you belong to?

I've been in the RFS for around twelve years now. I started with Blaxland Rural Fire Brigade then moved to Woodford Rural Fire Brigade in September 2019 "on loan" to help with a local problematic fire. I became a member of Woodford brigade prior to the onset of the Black Summer fires and I was recently voted on to the Executive Committee as the Treasurer of Woodford Brigade.

### What led you to become an RFS volunteer?

Up until December when I moved to Thornton, I was a Blue Mountains local and felt like contributing to the local community in some way. Since I joined, I have found far more reasons to keep me going back. Since moving to Thornton, I have maintained my membership with my brigade and continue to volunteer. Getting to ride in a fire truck is also pretty awesome.

### What type of work were you doing in the recent floods around Penrith?

I was actually cut-off from my brigade during the height of the floods, but members of my brigade helped sandbag and more recently we've been helping with the clean-up in the Hawkesbury area.

One member volunteered to help in Northern NSW where he did three days onsite which is quite common in the RFS. We can be flown domestically and internationally to help with fires. It's important work and the organisation is highly respected internationally.

I should point out that in the case of floods, the SES take the lead and does the majority of the volunteer organisation-based work while the RFS offers support. In fires, the RFS takes the main volunteer lead, and the SES supports. We are very collaborative organisations and always want to support our comrades on the "other team".

### What hours are involved?

During floods the shifts could range from callouts of a couple of hours through to strike team shift work of 12 hours but in reality, those shifts are often longer because the need is so high. RFS and SES volunteers worked every day during the flood itself and now teams continue to work daily to help with the recovery.



### What is the response you get from the local community?

During and after any major incident the community are very thankful, and we appreciate that. Most brigades will have walls of cards and letters of thanks that hold pride of place for us.

### What are the best and worst things you experience as a RFS volunteer?

The best moment for me comes from one of our community events, the Santa Run, where we drive Santa around the local streets to meet the local kids and deliver lollies and smiles. The worst.... well unfortunately some things you see and experience are difficult and stay with you but we have excellent support for those events and in the grand scheme, if I can help make a difference to someone's life, it's worth it.

### If someone is interested in learning more about volunteering, what should they do?

Any volunteer organisation, not just RFS and SES, will always welcome members. For Thornton locals there are several local SES and RFS organisations waiting for you to reach out and I'd be happy to answer any questions anyone might have on the RFS. Get in touch with the other amazing local volunteer organisation, the Thornton Community Group Inc and they'll have my details..