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AUSTRALIAN HOMESTAY NETWORK HOST NEWSLETTER

PICTURES OF THE QUARTER...



A very lucky student, from Brisbane, Frank, on the new bike his hosts bought him for his 18th birthday! He obtained a weekend job at a nearby service station so he can now ride to work rather than a long walk.....he wakes up with a smile on his face every morning.



Here's Fred from the Gold Coast making Pizza with his hosts, they look tasty!



Jonne From Adelaide checking out the wineries while she's here in Australia. She wrote a very good blog telling us all about her stay and her amazing host family - you can read it [here](#).



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HOST BLOG

We have a guest blogger!

Our very own host Deb, from Perth is the first to contribute to our host blog! We'd like to say a VERY big THANK YOU for the [amazing pieces](#) you've written so far.

If you'd like to contribute, please send us an email - we'd love to hear from you!

#WINNING

Our Feedback pick of the quarter is from our Brisbane student Meijing. **Congratulations Cheryl, you sound like an amazing host!**

I stayed with Cheryl's family for three months. This is the best homestay and I love all the family members! They are just awesome and are always so helpful. They helped me to get familiar with the new environment and tried to figure out all the ways to make my life in Australia easier. I learned a lot from everyone and got used to the new environment easily. Cheryl's the master chef and I have put on some weight. The doggies are so cute and they waited for me to come back from school every night at the door. I want to say thank you to all the family members for love and taking care of me all the time. I'm so happy to be part of the family. I had a great time staying with everyone and I love all of them!

If you have anything you'd like to share, please send an email to socialmedia@homestaynetwork.org with the details.

HOT TOPIC...



STUDENT
MEAL
EXPECTATIONS

Also, we have a new host [Resources page!](#)

#AHNNEWS

We're excited to announce our parent company

MyStay International, has been shortlisted for

The PIEoneer Awards 2017 – accommodation provider of the year!

#PIEoneers17 You can find out more about the awards by viewing our [press release](#). Please spread the word.



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IN CASE YOU'VE FORGOTTEN...

House rules:

Please print these and put them on your fridge. Be sure to sit down with your students and discuss your house rules with them when they arrive - it'll help preempt any issues before they arise!

Call centre services:

We have 24/7 assistance available to all hosts and students for emergencies throughout the whole homestay process. Our call centre staff are trained to triage and escalate calls to the appropriate AHN staff at any time. Our critical incident team also have counselling services available for hosts and students should a critical incident occur. Please call 1300 697829.

Host availability:

Please ensure you are keeping your availability up to date on the system so we can ensure we're offering you as many students as possible. If you haven't quite worked out the calendar yet - send it through to your local office (brisbane@, sydney@ etc) and we'll do it for you

GOSSIP @ AHN

QLD...

- A massive thank you to Lynn - she has coordinated one of the biggest August U/18 intakes ever and despite the frazzled feelings, she has done a wonderful job.
- Congratulations to Leanne for her baptism of fire with peak season - she has been a wonderful addition and help to the Brisbane team these last few months.
- We're coordinating 4 tours in the month of August also.

NSW...

- We're desperate for hosts within 60 minutes total travel time to our accommodation partners. If you have any friends or family who might like to host with us, please ask them to contact us ASAP.

Melbourne...

- If you think your students' would like to form new connections and learn more about Melbourne's favourite game as Melbourne take on St Kilda at the MCG, tell them to register via this link:
<http://mfcde.es/studentmatchday>
 - When: Sunday August 13th, 9.30am check in for a 10am start for the hands-on session, before they'll head to the MCG approx. 11.30am. The game at MCG commences at 1.10pm

WA...

- We are currently working on a tour for the Australian Institute of Management which is quite exciting. Basically it is a contract that has been signed between the Australian Institute of Management, WA state planning and the Chinese parliament for growth in the oil and gas sector. The partnership is known as the "Australia China Natural Gas Technology Partnership Fund." Partners include BHPBilliton, BP, Chevron, MIMI and Woodside. To find more information on the fund please visit: www.gasfund.com.au

GC...

- We have begun receiving applications for homestay for Commonwealth Games.
- We're having a huge peak, and will have precisely 443 tour students between July - September from UAE, Mexico, Japan, Mainland China and Taiwan
- We're receiving a lot of interest from new Chinese agents for early 2018, so please ask your family and friends to get in touch with us if they'd like to host!