

SANDRINGHAM

Santa to roll on down Beach Rd

SANTA is coming early this year, attending a fun-filled food drive parade in Sandringham this Sunday.

Invited by Sandringham Rotary, the white-bearded jolly fellow will lead a parade along Beach Rd from the rotunda opposite Melrose St to Green Point Reserve in Brighton.

Parents and kids are encouraged to dress up in Santa suits or elf gear, or decorate their bikes and prams with Christmas adornments.

The Sandringham Rotary Santa Parade Food Drive is on Sunday, November 27, starting at 9am at the Sandringham football oval. Food donations welcome.

Details: Sandringhamrotaryclub.org.au

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Director puts the spotlight on region

A SANDRINGHAM director has created a web series by harnessing the power of local organisations.

Chrys Phillips is the brains behind *Counter Play*, a drama/thriller that airs new episodes every Monday.

It has been described as *Gossip Girl* meets *Scandal*, features several Bayside actors and is filmed locally.

Backers include Bayside Council, Quest Brighton on the Bay and Network Video Sandringham, among others.

Phillips is a playwright, author and screenwriter, and has had global success with his books and plays.

So far *Counter Play* has already had 100,000 views.

Details: counterplayseries.com



Counter Play episode 3, which screens this week, is called *Dial M for Masquerade*.

shop talk



SHOP LOCALLY FOR CHRISTMAS

A group of Elwood traders have banded together to encourage more shoppers to come and visit this Christmas. A number of other stores in the Elwood Village area around Ormond Rd have joined forces to promote local retailers this festive season by having late night shopping every Thursday during the month of December.

DE SILVA TELLS TALE OF GAYE

A Sandringham performer is starring in a special one-off music sound spectacular. Andrew De Silva is the lead vocals and narrator for the show *Let's Get It On - The Life and Music of Marvin Gaye* at The Athenaeum Theatre in Collins St, Melbourne on Thursday, November 24. Details: ticketek.com.au