Welcome to my SANCTUARY POINT CONCERNED CITIZEN NEWSLETTER

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What you see, is not always what you get!
Ray Brooks Reserve, formally called Palm Beach, Sanctuary Point, as shown in the South Coast Leisure Times 2013/97 is what you see here!

So why is it not what you saw, if you visited in May 2013... or when you visited after the end of June 2013 High Tide, that was supposed to get rid of the weed!

If it is good enough to be shown in a pristine condition...Why is it not good enough to be maintained in a pristine condition?

What do we want? Our pristine beach back! ... When do we want it?

... We want it Now!
If we were a forest tree, where should we be?

I was recently contacted by a very concerned citizen of Sanctuary Point... Mr. Paul de Munck. Paul located my name and contact number from my Sanctuary Point Concerned Citizen Newsletter and although I believe this issue should have been directed straight to our local member of Council, I arranged to meet with Mr. de Munck.

Upon meeting Mr. de Munck at his residential address, I became quickly to the conclusion that I was speaking to a patient man, trying to come to a sensible conclusion with Council, whilst living under a tremendous threat, of a possible elimination of his entire family. Mr. de Munck was in fear of more trees falling around his house and the possibility of a tree coming down on his home!

Mr. de Munck told me he has gone through the proper procedure, in line with council's requirements, even to the extent of paying $350 for an ISA Certified Arborist (UK/I No 111) Arborist report for trees next to his property.

This article is not, so much of what the problem was... but! How was the problem resolved. Having been given permission to act on Mr. de Munck’s concern, a brief based upon the Arborist Report and a number of photographs taken of the site, was eventually sent to a number of recipients, who reviewed Mr. de Munck’s concern and acted upon them appropriately.

Mr. Graham French and Barry Mac of our local 2ST Radio took up the issue and a number of concerned residents throughout the Shoalhaven also had their point of view and I guess in some way… A community working together, will always out weigh, a community working alone!

Mayor Joanna Gash called a special night meeting and a motion was put by Councilor Greg Watson, seconded by Councilor Patricia White to accept the arborist report to remove the trees and review Councils Tree Management Policy… The Motion was Unanimously Passed!
Now! This article is not a political endorsement, but! If this Lady can Give us CCTV Cameras ... At the Sanctuary Point Shops, if she wins at the next election... I would be very pleased!

Kate and Myself were invited to attend a meeting at the Sanctuary Point Men’s Shed, with Ann Sudmalis in attendance, or should I say that in reverse?

 Seriously though! Ann Sudmalis, Kate and myself were accepted most respectfully by the Gentlemen (well?) by the Guys, who I can truly say, are living life to the fullest and know how to treat their guests to a good time!

As we were escorted around the grounds, that are privately owned in Falls Creek, I could not appreciate more, when the time, that their re location back to Sanctuary Point is fulfilled.

The Men’s shed is not for what you Know... But! For more of what you want to know... Allow me to introduce you to the Men’s Shed!
The Sanctuary Point Men’s Shed can be contacted by calling the President : Colin Loudon On 0412 347 322 or going on line at www.sanctuarypointmenshed.org To view their wonderful Carpentry and Wrought Ironwork, you can call into the SANCTUARY POINT MEN’S SHED at 20A WOOLAMIA ROAD, FALLS CREEK NSW (Short distant in from Jervis Bay Road)... Hours of Business: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 0900—1600 (9-4)

Both the metal and wood working, is located on private property at Falls Creek and it is time to bring back this registered charity to “SANCTUARY POINT,” where it belongs. Clifton Park would make a wonderful home, together with COMMUNITY GARDENS and a great BICYCLE TRACK for the recreation of the whole community to enjoy.

The Sanctuary Point Men’s Shed is a Registered Charity and they need your Support - All Donations over $2.00 made to SPMS are Tax Deductible.

The Men’s Shed is all about men, doing what men do best together... Helping each other, to talk and work together, as they live life to the fullest!

The above advertisement, is Inserted by the Editor as a Community Service.

You too can be a member of the Men’s Shed... Give them a call today!
SPRING INTO SANCTUARY POINT

Sanctuary Point Community Pride Inc. will again, this year, organise the most successful; “Spring into Sanctuary Point,” event and “YOU,” are invited to be part of the Showcase of activities that will be available on the Day...

Saturday 7th September 2013
at
Francis Ryan Reserve
SANCTUARY POINT.

If you would like to support this event, by running a stall, remember there is a $200 prize for the best decorated stall of a charitable organisation, a commercial run stall will be given a certificate of outstanding achievement. If you have an event, or entertainment you would like to include on the day...
Please contact Allen Kruse on (02) 4443 2755.

Be part of the SPECTACULAR and have a GREAT day!
When you read this current issue and if you would like a copy of previous issues, I can not send you a hard copy, however, if you have an e-mail address and telephone me with your details, I would be pleased to e-mail you a copy of past and future issues - telephone: (02) 4443 3394. Dennis.

After the King Tides and Heavy rains... We also had our share of Flooding!

John Williams Boat Ramp.

St Georges Basin and the Jetty

St Georges Basin car park and Boat Ramp

Paradise Beach

Ray Brooks Reserve (Palm Beach)
I am including the following information, within my Newsletter, as a community service. If you think something is Wrong, phone it in on the POLICE ASSISTANCE LINE … call 131 444 It will be recorded as an Incident and passed on to the appropriate Police Station to follow up … It will also become a Statistic and they can be used for the allocation of Police in your Local Police Precincts.

If it is an EMERGENCY … call 000 and ask for Police.
or
CRIME STOPPERS … call 1800 333 000

When you have had enough! … Remember … If you want to stop Crime … I mean … You really want to stop Crime … Commit yourself to a SIGNED STATEMENT and you will REALLY give your POLICE something to WORK WITH!

The Mobile Police Command Post made a Public Relations stop at the Paradise Beach Road, Sanctuary Point shopping centre at 11.30am—12.30pm on Thursday, 20th June 2013.

I was pleased to have had the opportunity to speak with Inspector Paul Condon and two of the Ladies from Police Volunteering; Annette and Pam, who were very helpful in answering a number of questions I put to them.

I also came away with the reassurance, that they are working for us, to prevent crime in our communities and bring perpetrators to account!

I was told, that CCTV was a great aid to Crime Prevention and Identification, but! To really help reduce crime in our Communities, as a concerned citizen, If you see a wrong happening, phone it in on the Police Assistance Line — 131 444 or Emergencies on 000 Remember it will be recorded as an incident in our Town and when allocating resources to an area, priority is usually given to the Areas, where phoned in incidents are recorded, which indicate where hot spots are and need additional resources!

HELP THEM! … HELP US! … PHONE IT IN! 131 444

The following advertisement, is Inserted by the Editor as a Community Service for the SAFETY OF LIFE AT SEA

When you are going on the waters, of the ST GEORGES BASIN … Don’t forget to log on and off with Marine Rescue Sussex Inlet, for the safety of your life on the water. (27 MHz Chn: 88 VHF Chn: 16) Telephone: 4441 3555.