



*Welcome to my SANCTUARY  
POINT CONCERNED  
CITIZEN NEWSLETTER  
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Allow me to present to you!  
The out stretched hand of  
the Shoalhaven City council,  
in the disguise of a business  
card, inviting you to phone  
in a Maintenance & Graffiti  
issue, that concerns you, and  
allow them, to show you!  
How serious they are!

City Maintenance  
Help us to Help you!   
Maintenance & Graffiti Reporting Line  
Phone: (02) 4429 3506  
24 hours/day, 7 days/week, and  
an automated system will record your concern.

**Dob in a  
Wrong! ...  
You Know  
it's Right!**

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

**SHOALHAVEN CITY MAINTENANCE** has set up a 24/7 automated system, which will record your concerns of a Maintenance & Graffiti issue and from the information, which you provide to our Council, it will assist them to allocate the appropriate priorities towards the concerns they receive.

I need not tell you, that the Shoalhaven Shire covers a very large area and of the forty nine (49) Towns and villages within the shire, our Coastal Village of Sanctuary Point is but one and your patience and perseverance may come under a lot of pressure before remedial action is applied to your concern. Waiting for Council response is a bit like playing Golf, some days you win, most days you lose, that is with me! ... Tomorrow may be your day to win! ... So never give up the game! ... You are the eyes of our town, if it looks wrong, phone it in!

Since our first Newsletter, Kate and I have always believed the concerned Citizens of our town, will step forward and do in a wrong, because they know it is right, so why not **HELP COUNCIL HELP US!** To fix the wrongs in Sanctuary Point ... the Maintenance & Graffiti today! ... Who knows what issues tomorrow?

**IF YOU HAVE A CONCERN! ... PHONE IT IN!**

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**YVETTE HOPPER ~ Clean up Australia Day coordinator for Sanctuary Point ~ Our Sanctuary Our Haven.**

*Yvette Hopper the Coordinator of the inaugural Sanctuary Point Clean Up Australia Day, on the 4<sup>th</sup> March 2012 ~ asked me to include her message of appreciation, for a job well done!*

"To everyone who helped and supported Clean Up Australia Day this year at Sanctuary Point, thanks!!! Despite the weather we accomplished so much and every part that was marked on the map to do we did!! - And more! :-) 35 recycling bags and 29 non-recycling bags were taken to the tip, as well as one mattress, one bed frame, multiple bits of building material and scrap metal and that box!!! All this couldn't have happened without your support so a huge thankyou to all you wonderful volunteers! We hope to see you next year as well! Well done! :-)" Yvette Hopper.

*It was too late to insert Yvette's message of appreciation in last month's Newsletter, as it had already been sent to print, however for her gallant effort for Sanctuary Point, I have included her message in the April Newsletter ~ Congratulations Yvette on a Job very well done and Thank's from all of the Good Citizens of Sanctuary Point!*



Last month I may have been a tad hard on our Sanctuary Point Business owners, and for that I am sorry! As a few more of your colleagues have stepped forward into that leadership role and took control of a nasty incident outside of the St Vincent De Paul shop and across the road, and into the car park opposite the Sanctuary Point Post Office.

Early Friday morning of the 16th March 2012, I took a telephone call from a business owner, who advised me of an incident that had taken place, some time during the late hours of Thursday 15th March or early hours of Friday the 16th March. This concerned person at 8.22 am on the 16th March took the following photographs, of once again, the loutish behaviour of irresponsible, misguided and troubled minded persons, I say persons, because without support of the same mentality individuals, they may appear to be somewhat respectable within the community and may see the error of their ways and the crooked pathways, that are leading them, to their own same destruction, that they create under the cover of darkness.

This is not from the after mast of a Greek Wedding, it is the thoughtless behaviour of individual who smash good dinner services over the roadway and car park with no thought for those in our community, who appreciate the efforts of St Vincent De Paul and find pleasure in supporting a charitable organisation.

After contacting the Police and Shoalhaven Council, and receiving no assistance, the clean-up was left to two business proprietors, who cleared all of the broken carnage, for the safety of the good citizens of Sanctuary Point, and then went about running their own business ... for the Locals and those who visit our town! ... From Kate and myself and those who care ... **WE THANK YOU!** Here is yet, just another reason, why we keep on asking all of the



levels of Government to help us identify the undesirables in our town.

For the benefit of all towns of the Shoalhaven, use our town as a trial run for seriously using CCTV ... we sure need someone to keep an eye on our town, especially at night. as a quick response from our over stretched Law Enforcement Agencies, rarely results in bringing the vandals to account for their actions and the vandals know, when the call goes through to NOWRA ... if anyone is despatched from NOWRA, it will be at least a half hour before someone comes.

**You don't have to be Sherlock Holmes to know that!**

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it's Right!**





You may recall, an issue I wrote last month, of some concerns I had, regarding an issue of drainage at the **Corner of MacGibbon Parade and Fitzpatrick Street, Old Erawal Bay.**

I am happy to say, I have received a reply from the Shoalhaven City Council, Tree Management Officer, Mr Cameron Low, who informs me that the tree in question has a low potential to become hazardous in the foreseeable future and the other issues listed were inspected and considered and no further Council action is required at this stage. I am sorry to harp on this **Low Potential to become Hazardous in the foreseeable Future concern!** ... But if this concern was alongside of the Entertainment Centre in Nowra and this tree was hovering over the patrons inside and the drainage over flowing, don't you think Council and a few more concerned citizens, might feel a little concerned, as I do!

A copy of the letter I have received, can be emailed to you, if you contact me on my email at : [dwilliams12@bigpond.com](mailto:dwilliams12@bigpond.com)

**Dob in a Wrong! ... You Know it's Right!**

As I said in my last issue

**Hey! It's not in my backyard ... but! I do feel some concern for the family, who must constantly live alongside this exposed safety hazard! ... And I still Do!**



## Recognise these ... it's our Village!



**Dob in a Wrong! ... You Know it's Right!**



**This is but a few of the things the vandals do at night! Imagine what the real undesirables inflict on our Towns and Villages within the Shoalhaven and now think of the \$COST and suffering and how it is all paid for! ... It is paid for with the hard earned \$\$\$ of the Local & foreign investments and the hard working backbone of this great land of ours! ... Our Australian Taxes & Workers ... so! Why not remove the Speed cameras from the streets, and use them in the crime spots with CCTV, return the reduction in Police needed, when the crime rate goes down using CCTV, to the Highways and Roads and maybe we will further reduce the carnage on our roads and more importantly we can return our suburbs to the way it used to be, when law and Order was patrolled and our shopping centres were a pleasure to frequent ... DAY or NIGHT!**

**SANCTUARY POINT  
PARKCARE GROUP  
Together! ... We can make a  
DIFFERENCE!**

**We believe that the formation of the Parkcare Group for our Town, can help with maintaining the pride in the Parks and Recreational grounds, where our citizens take time out to enjoy what our town has on offer. Please contact Dennis Williams on 4443 3394 if you want to make a difference and Join us! ... Or perhaps you just want further details, on what our Volunteer Group can do for our community!**



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**

**Dob in a Wrong! ... You Know it's Right!**

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!**



**RESCUE:** Jervis Bay 40 (the Colin Woods) was returning from a \$420,000 refit when tasked to rescue a stricken yacht in heavy seas on Sunday.

## High seas drama for Jervis Bay 40

By **KEN McMANUS**

A MARINE Rescue NSW vessel travelling homeward after a \$420,000 refit at Taree had to divert from its delivery voyage on Sunday afternoon to answer an emergency call from a yacht in trouble off Sydney's Northern Beaches.

Jervis Bay 40 (the Colin Woods), a 12.5m Steyer offshore rescue vessel, was journeying south when it was called on to assist the boat, which had lost engine power several miles off Broken Bay and was struggling in four- to five-metre seas and strong southerly winds.

The Colin Woods had left Newcastle late Sunday morning and met the same conditions off Norah Head, turning the normal two-and-a-half-hour voyage to Sydney into a slow, thumping six-hour slog into oncoming seas and swell.

Skipper Wayne Walker from the Marine Rescue Jervis Bay unit decided to cut the voyage short

and overnight in Broken Bay before proceeding to Sydney Harbour the next day.

On arrival in Broken Bay, a call for help was received from a 28-foot Compass yacht, whose skipper had just bought the vessel and was sailing it home from Port Stephens to Sydney. Unable to start the yacht's engine to gain extra speed, the vessel was fighting a losing battle with the weather and making little headway, with no navigation lights through loss of battery power.

With only the delivery crew of fleet project officer Don Alexander from Middle Harbour unit and Ray Mazurek, from Forster-Tuncurry Unit aboard, Skipper Walker called for two extra crew from Broken Bay. Broken Bay 20 met Jervis Bay 40 in Pittwater off Barrenjoey, where Matt Palmer and Bob Reid transferred to the Colin Woods, which returned to sea to search for the yacht.

The yacht was not equipped with GPS, so could not supply an accurate position. Radio direction finder technology was not operational as fitting the Colin Woods' RDF was to be completed while in Sydney. Using traditional navigation skills and the experience of many years at sea, the Marine Rescue crew located the yacht just before nightfall after searching for two hours.

A tow line was attached to the yacht and the two vessels made their way 15km back to the relative calm of Broken Bay at a slow five knots. Arriving not long before midnight, the yacht was safely put on a NSW Police Force Marine Area Command mooring and the Royal Motor Yacht Club Broken Bay generously offered the Colin Woods an overnight berth.

"This wasn't really what we had planned for last night but the conditions were a superb test for the Woods," Mr Alexander said.

**Feeling BORED?  
Nothing to DO?  
Have you got what it  
TAKES?  
Do you want a SEA  
CHANGE?  
Become a Vol-  
unteer with  
Marine Rescue  
NSW.  
And do some-  
thing for some-  
one else!**

**JUST ONE  
THING  
LEFT TO  
SAY!**

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.**

For



**HAPPY EASTER and lots of Chocolate!  
To Celebrate the Three Days of Easter.**

