



Photo of Palm Beach Sanctuary Point NSW... Photo taken by the Editor Dennis Williams 27th Mar 2021.

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Shoalhaven, South Coast NSW Events Calendar can be located on the following Link...

<https://www.shoalhaven.com/events/?A=1+August+2023&A=31+August+2023&C=&L=&Y=#read>

NEXT DATE: TUESDAY, 08 AUGUST 2023 | 10:00 AM TO 02:00 PM



**Shoalhaven Indoor Sports
Centre, Cambewarra
Road, Bomaderry 2541**

**Annual Thrive
Together Fair**

Shoalhaven City Council is hosting the Thrive Together Fair on Tuesday 8 August 2023. The Fair is an opportunity for people doing it tough to connect with financial, housing, legal, government, physical and mental health and wellbeing support under one roof.

Whether you're facing financial problems, housing hardships, at risk of/or experiencing homelessness, or have been affected by the recent natural disasters and pandemic, everyone is welcome to come along and enjoy the day.

There will be lots of free activities including:

- Crisis and homelessness support
- Health and wellbeing services
- Free food and refreshments
- Performances by local musicians
- Activities for kids
- Plenty of giveaways

Everyone attending the fair will receive a free care pack with a variety of essential items, toiletries, non-perishable food items, and nappies.

Written and Printed as a community service, by the Editor... Dennis Williams
3 Ridglands Drive, Sanctuary Point 2540 Telephone: (02) 4443 3394

Kerry Street - Sanctuary Point - Pavement Damage

Council has received approval from TfNSW to undertake pavement remediation works on Kerry Street, Sanctuary Point, between Clifton Street and the childcare centre.

Public access: **No restrictions**

Where: [Kerry Street, Sanctuary Point 2540](#)

Project Status:
Construction

Last reviewed: 20
July 2023

The latest

20/07/2023 - Further pavement repair work will commence 24th July 2023 with bitumen seal being placed 4th August 2023, weather permitting.



About the works

03/07/2023 - Subsoil drainage has been installed on either side of the road and completion is now scheduled for late July 2023, weather permitting.

Temporary Closure

ROAD CLOSURE

Contractor Symal has advised they expect the road closure to remain from Friday 28 July to Tuesday 12 Sep 7.30am to 4.30pm (opening 12pm to 12.30pm) weekdays due to changes in construction sequence. The 9-tonne weight limit remains in place.

Upper Kangaroo River Road was severely impacted by the March East Coast Low and subsequent rain events.

Public access Where Upper Kangaroo River Road, Upper Kangaroo River 2577

CLOSED

Residents only

Load limit 9 tonne

Landslip

- Project Status Planning Last reviewed 03 August 20233

The latest 26/07/2023 - Contractor Symal has advised the closure is expected to remain until Tuesday 12 Sep 2023 at the current landslip due to changes in construction sequence.



Bherwerre Wetland Boardwalk - Stage 1

Local contractor GC Civil Pty Ltd has been awarded the contract to construct Stage 1 of this project.

Project Status Construction

Where [Bherwerre Wetland, 2540](#)

Last reviewed 07 July 2023



The latest

Bherwerre Wetland Stage 1 boardwalk construction has commenced and works to date include clearing of vegetation for the boardwalks, site compound set up and the installation of the piers for the accessible boardwalk along Cockcrow Creek, and the Viewing Platform. The piers for Alignment A are currently being installed to connect with Larmer Avenue.

About the project

The boardwalks at Bherwerre Wetland, Sanctuary Point, is one of seven [Sustainable Tourism Infrastructure Projects](#) to improve infrastructure around some of the City's most popular tourist destinations. Council successfully obtained grant funding of \$5.3 Million under the NSW Government's Restart NSW Infrastructure Grant for the sustainable tourism infrastructure projects.

The funding has allowed for Stage 1 works only which is on the northern side of the canal. Local contractor GC Civil Pty Ltd are undertaking the construction of the Bherwerre Wetland Boardwalk Stage 1. The current contract will see the construction of an accessible carpark at the end of Park Drive, an accessible boardwalk (393m long x 2m wide) to a viewing platform at the junction of the canal and Cockcrow Creek and a boardwalk from Larmer Avenue (420m long x 1.2m wide) to the proposed carpark. Signage and seating will also be included.

Further expansions of the boardwalk are planned for the southern side of the canal, which includes a bridge crossing, and will be implemented as budget becomes available.

The site will be closed during construction – refer to the Boardwalk Construction Stage 1. It is anticipated the boardwalks will be opened in mid-September.



I have included a brief of the article I included in our July Newsletter of the Email sent to Shoalhaven Council Maintenance Department on the 9th May 2023 as follows

I Attached a number of photos I took this morning, after the school bus had picked up a number of children and after I attempted again to fill up the deterioration made, up in front of our drive at 3 Ridgelands Drive Sanctuary Point. My wife and I have no complaints about the children being picked up, it is just the deep holes the bus makes in front of our drive when the bus arrives and in front of our verge when it leaves.



The Reply from council, as follows, leaves us bewildered, to think that this is the way our council replies to concern citizens of the shoalhaven... Target Response time 180 Days
From: Shoalhaven City Council Sent: Friday, 12 May 2023 10:45 AM To: Dennis O Williams Subject: Request RDS23-03209 lodged Your Road / Carpark Maintenance request for 3 Ridgelands Drive SANCTUARY POINT NSW 2540 was received on 12 May 2023. Your request has been assigned for review by our team. Request Number: RDS23-03209 Please quote the Request Number above in any communication.

Road / Carpark Maintenance

Request Summary

Reference Id:	RDS23-03209
Tracking Number:	RDS23-03209.VFP
Received:	12-May-2023 10:44:21
Priority:	Target Response Time - 180 Days
Status:	Active
Stage:	In Progress
Address:	3 Ridgelands Drive SANCTUARY POINT NSW 2540
Detail:	Q. What requires maintenance? A. Potholes & Other Road Surface Repairs Q. Where is the issue? A. Road or Carpark Q. Indicate the type of road or carpark? A. Sealed Road (Eg Bitumen) Q. What maintenance is required on the sealed road or carpark? A. Pothole Q. Is the pothole bigger than a dinner plate? A. Q. What is the approximate length, height & width of the pothole in cm? A. Q. Please provide additional details A. see attached email & photos

Categorisation

Request Type Roads / Footpaths / Potholes / Drainage

Request Category Road / Carpark Maintenance

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Stage Updates

Date Completed	Stage
24-May-2023	In Progress
12-May-2023	New Request

Caller Information

Caller Information ID:	140844
First Name:	Dennis Oliver
Surname:	Williams
Email Address:	dwilliams12@bigpond.com
Address:	3 Ridgelands Drive SANCTUARY POINT NSW 2540
Notification By:	Email
Notify On:	Lodgement

It is nothing to do with the Road / Carpark Maintenance, it is to do with Council maintaining the Shoulder of the Road in front of 3 Ridgelands Drive Sanctuary Point 2540 NSW.

Since including this article in our July 2023 Newsletter, I have received a number of other concerned citizens responding to it, one of which left Kate and I concerned for one of the emails received which touched us greatly... with permission given for me to include her concern she has with council, I respectfully include it on the following Page 6.

**Hi Dennis,
Thank you for the newsletter.**

We too have the school bus pull up twice every afternoon. We don't have kerb and guttering. My husband now has a mobility scooter and has to navigate across the gravel to the road, which also brings us to the ever ongoing problem of no footpaths in this area, from Greville Ave until you get to Kerry St.

I recently drove to Hyam's Beach and wow what improvements have been done there. Excellent concrete footpath and still being constructed. Undercover bbq area, new toilet block, new kids' playground.

As usual Sanctuary Point population as per Census 2021 was 7874 is treated as the poor cousin to the other areas around here.

Hyam's Beach population as per Census 2021 was 137.

Last week did the Basin walk from end of Frederick St left up to the wooden bridge which was burnt and Council cut out the burnt bits, then yesterday did the right side going right up to the drive to Walmer Ave which is opposite the old Barefoot Cafe.

No proper path along either side gravel only, wooden bridges and a couple of new composite grating bridges.

I don't think they are going to put the composite grating boardwalk along these walks which I find very sad.

I took photos along the way and also of Hyam's improvements and will be emailing Council.

That's my rant for today.

Kind Regards,

When Kate and I receive emails like the one above, it makes us wonder how large a problem Shoalhaven Council have lost the plot in providing the Maintenance that so many of the residents require from their Council... Perhaps it's time for Kate and I to sell up and look for another Council that care for their residents!



2022/2023 Annual President's Report

My fellow members,

It gives me a feeling of absolute pleasure and one of considerable pride to be able to report to you, the outstanding result achieved over the past twelve months. This report is done so on behalf of your Board of Directors and our Management Team and exemplifies the fact that your club is a multi-million dollar organisation with a list of achievements as impressive as the spirit of our club itself. Members, consider this, that our revenue has grown by an incredible 27% and has now burst through the \$25 million mark, which has given rise to a profit of \$1.6 million, being a record trading profit. To achieve a staggering result such as this requires a comprehensive team effort where management and staff value the support and guidance provided by the board, and in turn, you, our loyal members are not only listened to, but feel engaged in the exciting journey that our club has undertaken.

Members, you have often remarked to myself that you appreciate the harmony displayed at all levels, that you appreciate the stability and competence displayed at all levels, and above all that you appreciate and enjoy the warm and friendly atmosphere that our wonderful club is known for.

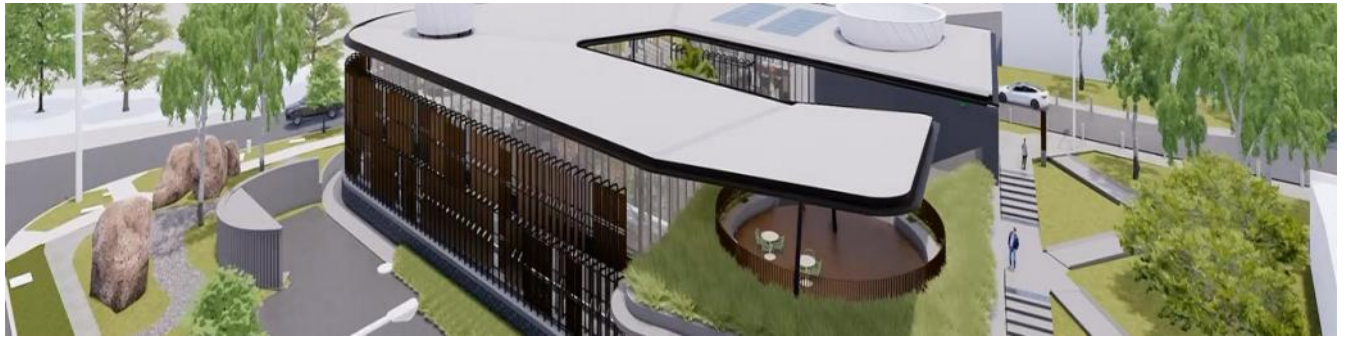
Hopefully, a frightening pandemic and major deluge rain events, which our community has been forced to endure, are behind us and there are better times ahead. These unfortunate occurrences would normally have a negative impact on the social fabric of our club for some time, but thanks to you our optimistic members, we have come out the other side together and look to the future with renewed spirit and much vigour.

Members, when a club is travelling as well as your club is, it is vital that we put measures in place to ensure that future successes occur. One such measure that your board recognises the value of, is that of staff and director training. To this end \$35,335 was spent on staff training in the past financial year, with management forever focusing on achieving greater efficiencies as well as positioning our club to take up its place in contemporary society. All directors undergo recurring mandatory training as well as being briefed by management on the latest developments in the club industry. We, as directors, are acutely aware of our duty not to engage in operational matters, as this is the exclusive domain of management. One of our main roles is to formulate policy and to provide management with the direction to do so.

Your fabulous club has much to boast about and it is most timely to sing some of the significant praises both loudly and proudly.

The cautious policy of paying down debt and not taking speculative risks with members assets has proved to be very well received. This can also be said regarding the future of the Vincentia precinct where an unsustainable loss of \$383,035 occurred. We look forward to discussing its future with the membership. Regarding the Paradise Beach Road land, we are currently waiting for the completion of a feasibility report. \$408,000 was spent on security staff in order to ensure that the very pleasant atmosphere experienced in our clubs is maintained to the highest of standards. To this end a sincere thanks goes to Wayne Turner and his team for a job well done. Catering revenue at the Basin hit an amazing \$3.3 million of high quality meals, with the independent caterer at Vincentia also proving to be very popular indeed. Functions and events revenue came in at a substantial \$231,963.

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Sanctuary Point Library Project Update

Council is at an advanced stage of planning for the construction and delivery of the Sanctuary Point Regional Library.

The Development Application has been submitted and the next stage of the process is to consider the procurement and project management services for the construction phase.

Construction for the Sanctuary Point Library is likely to commence at the end of 2023.

Some highlight features that have been incorporated into the design are listed below:

- Roof Top Terrance where the ridge looks out over the basin and sea.
- Courtyard with a feature of native Palms.
- Public Art
- Bespoke feature lighting
- Dynamic Sunshades wrapping the entire external walls and incorporating public art.

Shoalhaven City Council has committed funding towards the design of a new Regional Library for the Bay and Basin area in Sanctuary Point.

The Sanctuary Point District Library will inject new life into the Sanctuary Point village by providing a hub of community activity; access to technology and information; a place for meeting, collaborating, connecting, studying; and access to business spaces, reader services and collections.

Disable Toilet at Frances Ryan Sports Ground Sanctuary Point was set on Fire on 22nd July 2022



As at the 4th of August 2023 the disabled citizens needing a toilet are left to manoeuvre around a small box alongside of the repaired toilet block minus the disabled toilet!



WHY SO ?

The Sanctuary Point Men's Shed Inc.

President:
Ray Marcusson 4447 8634

Secretary:
John Kelly 0413 837 53



Hours of Business 9.000am. - 3.00pm. Monday, Wednesday & Thursday... Phone the office on (02) 44438239 on these days, or call at the big green shed located at

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The NSW SES St Georges Basin Unit consists of a group of dedicated members of varying ages, from all walks of life with a wide variety of skills and experiences to offer. Each is individual but come together with a common goal, to assist their community in times of need.

The NSW SES offers members a wide range of training and equipment enabling us to help our community in a safe and professional manner.

Prepare now for flood, storm and tsunami

8 TIPS YOU CAN DO NOW TO PREPARE FOR STORMS



Your Emergency Kit

- Your emergency kit contents**
- ✓ A portable radio with spare batteries
 - ✓ A torch with spare batteries
 - ✓ A first aid kit
 - ✓ Candles and waterproof matches
 - ✓ Important documents including emergency contact numbers
 - ✓ Copies of any emergency plans
 - ✓ A waterproof bag for valuables

If you have to evacuate, add to your emergency kit

- ✓ Medications
- ✓ Supplies for your baby or any other people in your care
- ✓ Appropriate clothing and footwear
- ✓ Food and drinking water
- ✓ Mobile phone wall and car charger

Keep your emergency kit in a waterproof storage box. Check your emergency kit regularly and restock any out-of-date items such as batteries.

For more information: www.ses.nsw.gov.au



There are a few simple things that you can do now to help reduce the potential damage caused by severe storms:

- 1** Maintain your yard and balcony by securing or putting away items that could blow around in strong winds
- 2** Clean your gutters, downpipes and drains regularly to prevent blockages
- 3** Trim trees and branches that could potentially fall on your home or property
- 4** Fix any damage to your roof including broken or missing tiles
- 5** Check your insurance policy is current and adequate
- 6** Make a plan for your family that outlines what you would do in an emergency
- 7** Put together an emergency kit
- 8** Listen to your local radio station and other media for weather warnings

YOU TOO CAN BE A MEMBER, CONTACT YOUR LOCAL SES UNIT TODAY... AND SAY HELLO!

NSW SES St Georges Basin meet and train 6.30 pm Wednesdays

For further information on membership Please phone 1800 201 000

Principal Partner

FOR EMERGENCY HELP IN FLOOD, STORM AND TSUNAMI CALL: **132 500**

Criminal Justice System in NSW - Structure

As shown in Figure A, the NSW criminal justice system consists of: **Lower Courts** The Local Court The Children's Court

Higher Courts The District Court The Supreme Court (including Court of Appeal)

The Local Court deals with most criminal charges against adult offenders. The Local Court also holds committal hearings for indictable criminal matters (more serious offences). Some indictable matters may be determined by the Local Court if the defendant so elects. The Children's Court deals mainly with juvenile offenders (aged 10-17 years). In some circumstances, charges against offenders aged 18 years or over may also be heard before the Children's Court. Local and Children's Court proceedings are conducted by a magistrate. There are no juries in these courts.

The District Court deals with more serious offences committed by both juveniles and adults. District Court proceedings are presided over by a District Court Judge. The District Court hears trials, sentencing matters and appeals against decisions made in the Lower Courts. In most cases where the accused person pleads not guilty, trials are held before a judge and jury. In certain circumstances the accused may elect to be tried before a judge alone. If the jury delivers a verdict of guilt, the judge determines an appropriate penalty. When a person admits guilt there is no jury trial and the matter proceeds to sentencing.

The Supreme Court conducts trials before a judge and jury for a few offences which are more serious than those heard in the District Court, such as murder. As in the District Court, in certain circumstances the accused may elect to be tried by a judge alone. The Supreme Court may also deal (without a jury) with certain offences which carry very heavy fines (e.g. water or air pollution offences). The proceedings are presided over by a Supreme Court Judge.

The Court of Criminal Appeal, which is a special division of the Supreme Court, hears appeals against convictions and/or sentences from the District Court and from the Supreme Court. An appeal is conducted in the presence of three Supreme Court Judges. The Court of Criminal Appeal is the ultimate court of appeal for criminal matters in NSW.

As an alternative to entering the court system, juveniles charged with relatively minor offences may be dealt with by a system of formal police cautions. A caution is issued by a senior police officer in the presence of the offender and his/her parent or guardian.

Figure B shows the possible routes of cases through the criminal justice system in NSW.

Figure A. Criminal jurisdiction in NSW

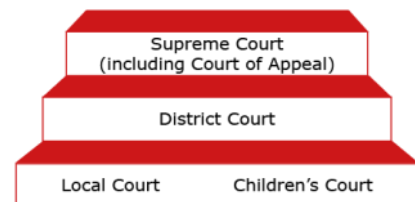
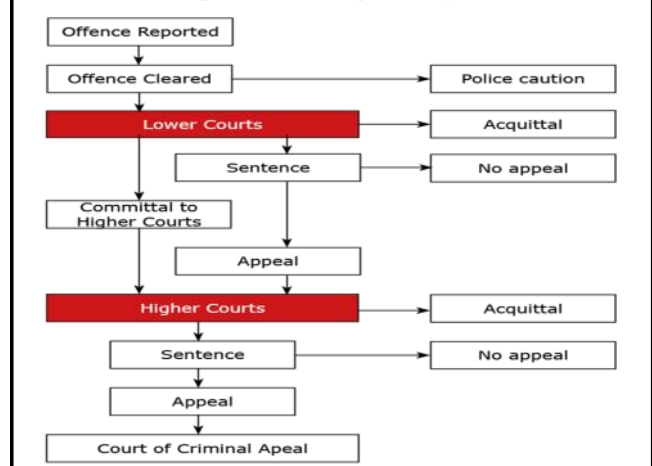


Figure B. Schematic representation of the flow of cases through the criminal justice system



Further enquiries: Jackie Fitzgerald, Executive Director, NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research Phone: +61 423 139 687

Email: bcsrc@justice.nsw.gov.au

Copies of the report: www.bocsar.nsw.gov.au

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something is Wrong... Help them to help us! Contact your Local Police Station... Or Phone it in when you know it is wrong!

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Position	Location	Phone Number
Bay & Basin Police Station	Sanctuary Point	Phone: 02 44421899
Bay & Basin Police Station	Sanctuary Point	Fax: 02 44421811
Crime Prevention Officer	Nowra Police Station	02 44219619
Nowra Police Station	Nowra - Main switch	02 44219699
Sussex Inlet Police Station	Sussex Inlet	02 44468880
Police Assistance Line	PAL	13 14 44
Police Assistance Line TTY Hearing / speech impaired only	PAL	02 92113776
Crime Stoppers	Crime Stoppers	1800333000

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