

Welcome to my SANCTUARY
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THE end of an OLD
BEGINNING, or the
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New Start!

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

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I am including the following information, within my Newsletter, as a community service, instead of a bipartisan agreement between our Local Police Force and the small contribution, that my Newsletter was hoped to contribute.

If you think something is Wrong, phone it In on the Police Assistance Line 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

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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 end of an OLD BEGINNING, or the BEGINNING of a NEW START! Kate and myself dedicate the picture on the front page, to the Concerned Citizens of SANCTUARY POINT, the many, who with us, said "ENOUGH" and meant it and to those who said "WE WILL NOT LIVE IN FEAR, or SHAME and we will, Dob in a WRONG because You know it is Right! But! Most of all ... the many names, who have become a part of our life for a short while and have stood up to the Bureaucracies for a better deal for our town and said "NO" to what we don't want and "YES" to what we do want for Sanctuary Point.

Our Newsletter started out as two concerned citizens of Sanctuary Point, writing to their Mayor of their Local Shoalhaven Council and voicing our concerns, how our town was being miss managed, it took over three months before we received a reply, but! In the meanwhile, other concerned people, of varied persuasions, understood our concerns and slowly, positive actions commenced for Sanctuary Point. We have got our New Signage to SANCTUARY POINT and we thank those who said they would help make changes to our Town and they did! So! With the support of the many ... we have come to the end of an OLD BEGINNING.

However! ... From the day we are born, every new day, brings a NEW BEGINNING. Tomorrow ... is the BEGINNING of a NEW START and we encourage everyone in our town to be part of that NEW START. It would be very nice, if we all could start tomorrow, without the NEGATIVES and instead ... If we could just support and encourage the POSITIVES in our town and perhaps ... maybe! Those who cowardly, cover their stupidity and selfish pranks, under the shroud of darkness ... just might see, that we are trying to create a Town with Pride and Dignity for all of the citizens of this town, who call this town ... Home! Do you really think, It's cool to be a Hoon or a Thug?... check out our new Correctional Gaol at Nowra ... ask Them! How cool it is to be locked up!

We need all of our citizens, to consider their actions in SANCTUARY POINT, for it is not what we do to ourselves ... But! What we do to others, that will bring the Respect and Honour or Shame and Dishonour, not only to ourselves, but! Also to the ones who mean the most to us! ... Our families, love ones and friends!

Think before the Shame ... You'll only have yourself to Blame!



Nowra City Youth has come to SANCTUARY POINT.

Nowra City Church has commenced a New Youth Program in Sanctuary Point and every Friday night, they will send out a team to run the same program, that they run in Nowra on Friday night's.

The program is for school year 6 - 12 youth and will be held at the Sanctuary Point Public School from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm every Friday night, except school holidays. On the last Friday of each month, a bus will be sent out to the Sanctuary Point Public School that will pick up youth from the Idlewild Avenue entrance at 5.30 pm and return there at 9.30 pm, to bring youth into the Nowra Campus for a massive combined night. The bus will cost \$2 return and Parent or guardians permission will be required on a form to be supplied, for anyone using the bus.

Nowra City Church look forward to serving our community and building relationships with young people in Sanctuary Point. This is a fully supervised program with adult security and it is drug and alcohol free. Last Friday 17th June 2011 there were 70 people who attended and if you need any more information or have any questions, then please call Simon Clegg, who is the Youth Pastor, on 0422 262 669 ... Sounds like a great time to be had by all!

If you Never Ever Try, you will Never Ever Know

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inserted by the editor, as a community service for NCC

We are very fortunate in our town, that we call Sanctuary Point! To have a very fine Australian Artist by the name of Lon Clark ... Lon has been a long time resident of Sanctuary Point and he and his lovely wife! Joan, have appreciated the life style that our town offers to all of our citizens, who live and visit our town and they have shown their appreciation, on many occasions, by their generosity of donating Lon's paintings to selected benefit nights, for worthy causes. At a recent Benefit night ... This painting was actioned for \$250 to provide much needed funds for a worthy cause.

Lon and Joan are both to be con-



gratulated, for Lon's generosity of giving from the heart and Joan for allowing Lon to be so generous ... Thank you Lon and Joan.

I have heard that the intended Goal Posts for the Sanctuary Point car park, to stop vehicles over 4 tonne, has been delayed, so that the contractor can bring in his heavy equipment to seal the surface. The commencement for this work is still programmed for July 2011 ... There will be a lot of people, happy to see the elimination of the pot holes and covered with a safe surface.

A big thank you ... to the Council, Property Owners, Business Owners and the chosen Road Surface Contractor! It will make shopping at Sanctuary Point more acceptable for our motor vehicles and for the safety of all who enjoy the friendly service's, given by all of the business establishments.

Come, take a stroll with me and we can fight our way through the bush, littered with, beer bottles, plastic bags, broken glass, disposed food and drink containers and other unidentifiable articles, that has become a permanent tip for those who litter our town with their unwanted rubbish.

When you look at these photos, you may think this is in the middle of the bush ... Think again! This is what the residents of Centaur Avenue Sanctuary Point, can thank their Shoalhaven Council Maintenance Department, for allowing one of their reserve strips, alongside Frances Ryan Reserve to deteriorate into a dumping ground ... If it looks like a Dump, it will be treated like a Dump and don't they know that! If this was maintained properly, it would be cut with Pride ... as "we" the residents are expected to look after our own property.

I have been told of food scraps, a feral cat, rats, spiders, ticks and snakes have all been sighted in this reserve, that comes under the heading of COUNCIL PROPERTY. Surely! If we are expected by council to maintain our private properties, in a clean, tidy, safe and environmentally friendly condition ... is it not presumptuous to expect the same expectations from our Council.

The following photos are a few of the many that I was ashamed to have taken alongside of Centaur Avenue, at the Basketball Court and Skate Board Park all bounded by the same location.



As we say "If it looks like a DUMP it will be treated like a DUMP! ... And this is just not good enough! It is visual pollution, in the sight of anyone, from any town, from any Shire in this great Land that we call HOME! Fix it! ... "Please".

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OH! Just when you might have thought that I was finished with Centaur Avenue, Sanctuary Point ... there are a few more issues that need addressing.

1. The following photo titled Power Line shows a limb from the wonderful White Gum Tree, hovering over the Power line that runs the length of Centaur Avenue (see insert). The following text has been taken from a Wikipedia Web Page, for explanation;

River Reds and many other eucalypts have an ominous nickname, "Widow Maker", as they have a habit of dropping large boughs (often half the diameter of the trunk) without warning. This form of self-pruning may be a means of saving water or simply a result of their brittle wood. This is also an efficient way of attracting wildlife that live in the holes formed which gives the red gum a source of natural fertiliser.

If this tree decides to drop the bough over the power line, it could cause a large fire, so close to residential property ... perhaps on this occasion, someone from either Council or the Electricity authority could have a look, to determine if some remedial attention should be instigated and perhaps, the whole area could be properly maintained on a regular basis?

Please note the power line underneath of the large limb, on the left hand side of this photo and also note the deterioration of the limb at the centre bottom of the photo ... I am not qualified to give an expert opinion ... but! If that tree was in my garden, I most certainly would have an expert have a good look at it ... wouldn't you?

1. POWER LINE

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2. This Photo titled Blocked Drain is in the same area and also needs attending to ... Wouldn't it be easier to just keep up the Maintenance? ... it would have to be cheaper in the long term! 3. Fire Pit and 4. Unkempt Verge also need maintenance attention at the Skate Park and Basketball Court.



2. BLOCKED DRAIN

3. Skate Board Park Fire Pit 4. Basketball Court unkempt verge around Court

AND NOW FOR SOME MORE POSITIVE ISSUES

THIS IS OUR SANCTUARY POINT it is the place that we call home and if you haven't noticed yet! Let me remind you, of what a wonderful SANCTUARY ... it is!

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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)

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