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Bay and Basin Cancer Support Group

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If you have been touched by cancer and you would like a friend to talk with, you will be welcomed to talk with us and perhaps you may become a Basin Buddy and join our members in our monthly meetings at the Country Club St Georges Basin.... 11 Paradise Beach Road, Sanctuary Point NSW 2540.

We meet 2nd Thursday of the month between 10.00 to 12.00 am... Please contact our President or Secretary and say Hello to us!



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An Orchid is an Orchid, but do you really know what an Orchid is?

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There's more to the **orchid** that meets the eye. With a delicate, sculptural beauty and historical rarity, these **exotic blooms** carry an unrivalled symbol of refinement, luxury and mystery. Check out these five interesting facts about one of the most popular flowers in the world!

#1 There are more than 25,000 different types of

orchids existing naturally. Believe it or not, orchids make up the planet's largest group of blooming flowers. They grow in every continent but one (sadly, you won't find them in icy Antarctica), and come in hundreds of shapes and sizes. Also, about 99% of orchids today are within reach and available for cultivation, while 1% of tropical varieties still grow in virtually inaccessible habitats and have only been seen a handful of times.

#2 Orchids come in every colour of the rainbow, with the exception of one.

Whatever the occasion or mood, it's likely there's a colour of orchid to express it. Orchids bloom in every colour—from deep fuchsia to white to green—except for one: black! And although they're rare, there are even true blue orchids, and ones that bloom in dual colour combos like lavender and pink or green and yellow. That's just one of many reasons why orchids can be so versatile, acting as stand-alone centrepieces or as exotic additions to other arrangements.

#3 They're still hunted and traded by avid international collectors.

Despite their rarity, orchids are still sought out by international collectors, enthusiasts and hunters for their long-lasting and record-holding blooms.

#4 Once an expensive and highly demanded commodity, orchids were believed to have healing, disease-fighting and protective properties. In traditional Chinese medicine, the orchid was used to help cure coughs and lung illnesses. In ancient Greece, orchids were associated with virility and male fertility, the belief being that if women ate orchid flowers, they would bear a son to continue the family tradition. The Aztecs were known to drink a mixture of vanilla orchid flowers and chocolate to give them strength. And believe it or not—the Victorians were so mystified by the orchid's irresistible beauty that they collected and displayed them like treasures.

#5 The orchid flower gives us... VANILLA! (Yup, you heard right.)

You know the vanilla extract you pour into all those cake and cookie recipes? It comes from the orchid! Vanilla is a species of orchid, and vanilla extract comes from the orchid *Vanilla planifolia*. It's the only orchid that produces a fruit that can be eaten, which also means—you guessed it—vanilla is a fruit!

Want to learn more about the orchid? Or planning something for National Orchid Day coming up on April 16th? Start with these guides below, then find more tips & tricks on our blog.

[How to Care for Orchids](#)

[Orchid's Popular Indoor Variety](#)

[Radiant Orchid-Inspired Gifts for Mom](#)

[Orchids vs. Other Flower Types](#)

The Hon Shelley Hancock MP
Member for South Coast



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Member for South Coast
Minister for Local Government

MEDIA RELEASE

Tuesday, 18 June 2019

BUDGET DELIVERS ESSENTIAL INFRASTRUCTURE AND SERVICES FOR SOUTH COAST

Member for South Coast Shelley Hancock today welcomed a Budget which delivers new schools, upgraded roads, redeveloped health facilities and better roads for the South Coast.

“This Budget delivers on the commitments the NSW Government made prior to the March election, with funding secured for a new school at Worrigee/South Nowra, the relocation of Budawang School, a new police station for Culburra Beach and millions to upgrade the Princes Highway,” Mrs Hancock said.

“Funding secured in today’s Budget allows us to commence work immediately to plan for a new public primary school for the Worrigee/South Nowra communities.

“Further, funding has been secured to commence work on the relocation of Budawang School to the former Shoalhaven Anglican School site at Milton whilst we continue consultation on future uses for the school grounds.

“Education is front and centre, with funding for 2,300 new early childhood education places, 4,600 more teachers, and before and after school care also provided for in the Budget.

“The NSW Government has once again committed significant funding to the Princes Highway, with work to commence on upgrading the Highway between Jervis Bay Road and Sussex Inlet Road. This work also includes a major upgrade of the Jervis Bay Road/Princes Highway intersection.

“I am pleased the NSW Government has delivered on our commitments and invested significantly in the South Coast,” Mrs Hancock said.

The NSW Government is getting on with the job of building a better NSW by delivering on its election commitments, investing a record \$93 billion in infrastructure, supporting drought-affected communities, cutting taxes and boosting cost of living relief to families in the 2019-20 NSW Budget.

“This Budget delivers on our promise to provide greater opportunities and quality of life for all citizens across NSW, no matter where they live or their personal circumstances,” Mrs Hancock said.

“Only through a strong Budget are we able to provide cost of living relief to households, invest unprecedented amounts in infrastructure and services, and support the most vulnerable in our community.”

25 June 2019 Appointment of new General Manager for Shoalhaven City Council

Following a very competitive recruitment process involving rigorous assessments and interviews, Council has reached a unanimous decision to appoint a new Chief Executive Officer. Out of an outstanding field of candidates competing for the role and a short list selected from both NSW and interstate, Mr Stephen Dunshea has been appointed the new Chief Executive Officer of Shoalhaven City Council.

The appointment was made at a meeting of the Council held on 25 June 2019 and then announced to Council staff. Mr Dunshea brings extensive local government experience to the role, with impressive qualifications in management and finance, including experience across a range of corporate, commercial and service functions within local government. Stephen has previously held a range of senior executive positions at a number of New South Wales Councils, including Blacktown, Wagga Wagga and Woollahra. He has most recently been fulfilling the role of General Manager (Acting) for Shoalhaven City Council and holding his substantive role of Director Finance, Corporate and Community Services for the last 12 months

Mayor Findley said:

“Following the departure of the much loved and long serving Russ Pigg, it is now my privilege, along with my fellow Councillors, to appoint Stephen Dunshea as the new Chief Executive Officer. “I am looking forward to working with Stephen to continue to deliver excellent services, facilities and outcomes for our community.” “Stephen has been working closely with our community and has already built a trusting and community focused relationship with many of our residents.”

“I know that Stephen will bring a new energy to the organisation and work across the region to drive organisational performance and provide a community focused approach to getting things done.” “The Interview Panel was extremely impressed with his commitment to the Shoalhaven and the fresh ideas and initiatives he will bring to the role. His knowledge of the role local government plays in building connected and strong communities was particularly evident to the Council.”

Mr Dunshea said:

“I am excited to lead the organisation into the future and to continue to build on the ambitious program that Council has set for the organisation.” “This is an exciting time for the Shoalhaven. We have the opportunity to continue to grow and support our City and expand our role in the region.” “I have received so much support from the community, Councillors and staff as part of this process and I am grateful for their trust and belief in me.” “I will be working with our team to continue to improve our organisation, so we can be clearly seen as a place where customers can easily do business.”

“It is important that as an organisation we enhance the role that Council plays in the lives of our residents and ratepayers and provide excellent customer service to our customers.” “Being a can-do organisation and creating a culture that is customer focused is important to me and to the Councillors, this will certainly be a significant focus for me in this role.” “There are also a number of other priorities that I believe need to be addressed. These were outlined during the interview process to the selection panel.” “I will, however be working with all Councillors to determine what their priorities are for the future so that we can work together on creating an organisation that has a positive reputation and that we can all be proud of.”

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Mr Dunshea will be on a five year contract.

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IT WAS unusual for my father-in-law to call me at work; the urgency in his voice was disturbing.

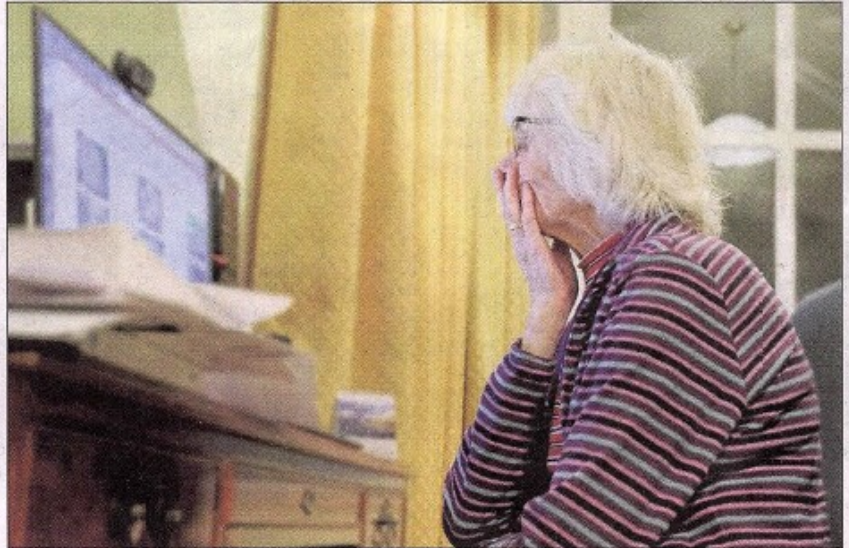
"Would you be able to take me to the bank ... today," he gasped, "I've inherited some money - \$12,000 - and I need to get to the bank."

Now we don't come from a particularly flush family when it comes to money in the bank, so I was suspicious. Why did he need to get to the bank if someone was giving him money?

"I just need to get some money to take to the money exchange people to send to the man to cover the paperwork and I'll get the money in a few days."

Oh dear. Pop's joy turned to disbelief and then embarrassment. He had almost been scammed.

Sadly, scammers are slick characters, sometimes going to elaborate lengths to look authentic. Their only goal? To fleece the



ON GUARD: Whether it's online, on the phone or at the front door, beware someone offering you something that sounds too good to be true. **Photo: Shutterstock**

unwary of as much money as possible.

We all know that if something sounds too good to be true, it probably is. But when put on the spot, with news that brightens a dull day, even the most scam-savvy of us could be forgiven for pausing, if only for a few seconds, to ponder the possibility of instant, unplanned wealth.

An email from a reader reinforced this. He'd been on Messenger when a friend "waved" at him. "Wave back" came the message. And so messages went back and forth ... but in language that did not quite sound like his friend, who apparently had received \$90,000 thanks to a random Facebook giveaway and had seen the reader's name and picture on the winners' list. He needed to contact the agent, quickly, to make sure he was still on the list. The reader admits

that after waiting far too long, he called his friend who, of course, knew nothing of the messages.

This story had a happy ending: thousands do not. Scammers gleaned more than \$21.4 million from Australians aged over 65 last year. Investment scams were worst (\$7.6 million), while dating and romance scams also took a huge toll (\$5.8 million).

Whether it's a phone call, a text, email or Facebook message, or someone at the door offering to asphalt your driveway, be vigilant. And don't be afraid to ask someone for help or advice. You might feel stupid, but a red face is better than an empty bank book.

Find out more at www.scamwatch.gov.au

Cheryl Field is editor of *The Senior*, Australia's leading newspaper for over-55s. Read it online: thesenior.com.au

The above article is an extract from Shoalhaven and Nowra News a subsidiary of the South Coast Register, whose web site can be viewed on line at <https://www.southcoastregister.com.au/>

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Check out the Scam Watch web site on line at <https://www.scamwatch.gov.au/>

SHOALHAVEN NEWS



A standout performance from a Shoalhaven SES team

25 June 2019

A Shoalhaven team has won the NSW SES Division of NavShield - Australia's most challenging bush navigation event.

This weekend a combined **Nowra –St Georges Basin SES team** won the **Cliff Harris Memorial Trophy**.

Shoalhaven recorded the most points by an SES unit in the overnight event held in rugged bush terrain 180km west of Sydney.



The team were led by NavShield veteran Dave Jones from NSW SES Nowra Unit.

“The course was challenging especially in the freezing conditions, but our resilience and teamwork gave us the competitive edge. It’s incredibly rewarding to achieve this recognition amongst our emergency service peers.

“We’re proud to receive this award named after a

much-missed member of our Nowra Unit, Cliff Harris,” says Team Captain Dave Jones.



Now in its 31st year, NavShield was organised by NSW SES Bush Search & Rescue Unit (BSAR). Teams compete in one day or overnight exercises and are equipped with maps and compasses. The winning team reaches the most check points across the 80 square kilometre course in the shortest time.

The 2019 course was set in Kanangra-Boyd National Park.



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MEDIA RELEASE

Wednesday, 26 June 2019

Local Youth Invited to Taskforce

Member for South Coast Shelley Hancock MP today encouraged young people in the Illawarra Shoalhaven Region to get in their applications to join NSW's first ever Regional Youth Taskforce which will give youth a chance to have their say on local issues.

Mrs Hancock said the taskforce will be made up of 18 members who will meet regularly and provide direct advice and feedback to NSW Government agencies and Ministers on policy decisions and local action plans regarding youth.

"To the young people living in the South Coast, this is your chance to be heard, to voice your opinion on local issues, to represent your mates and peers and to help make decisions that will drive change in your own community," Mrs Hancock said.

"Homelessness and mental health are just some of the challenges in our area and will be working to address these with the help of the Taskforce."

"We know each region has different challenges, that's why we are seeking an even representation of two members from each of the nine NSW regions - if you are aged 12 to 24 and have an idea for youth in our community, this is a great time to share it."

Minister for Regional Youth Bronnie Taylor said work is underway to address issues facing young people in regional NSW through multiple initiatives including the \$50 million announced for regional youth through the Stronger Country Communities Fund.

"I am pleased to say the NSW Government has established the first ever Office for Regional Youth and we will soon release the State's first Regional Youth Strategy to address challenges in regional NSW," Mrs Taylor said.

"The young people of today will become the leaders of tomorrow which is why the NSW Government wants to ensure our regional youth are front and centre throughout the decision-making process."

Travel costs and accommodation will be covered for Regional Youth Taskforce members travelling across NSW for meetings.

To find out more or submit an application visit

www.nsw.gov.au/RegionalYouthTaskforce Applications are open until 11:59pm 14 July 2019.

For more information contact the Office of Shelley Hancock MP 4421 0222



with Senior Constable Anthony Jory

Opportunistic Offences

Many thefts from your yard and home are opportunistic offences.

Take a minute to have a look around your front yard and consider the amount of removable property that is laying around your yard, verandah, carports and in the back of utes or boats.

Yes, some items are unavoidable and need to be left at some risk due to their daily use and purpose. However, I can guarantee there are many items that could be moved and secured out of sight.

In the past where these offences have been committed regularly in certain areas, general duties officers during proactive patrols in the early hours of the morning in several residential areas have seen garage doors open with lights on displaying a variety of valuable property, lawn mowers and bicycles left on the front lawn.

They have seen a variety of valuable items left in boats and tray backs.

On occasions officers have left a promotional pamphlet at the premises highlighting the time police were in the area making the observation and some property security hints.

This achieves several things for police - firstly it is hoped this would prompt the property owner to take some action towards some home security options as well as prevent a future offence from occurring.

Secondly, it also shows police are out and about responding to crime trends identified and we are trying to prevent further offences.

We just need property owners to assist by taking away that opportunity where they can in the first place.

Remember: Do not Drink and Drive and you can Dob in a Druggie any time you like, by contacting Nowra Police or ringing Crime Stoppers. As always, in case of emergency, call (000)

Non Emergencies contact Police Assistance Line on 131444 or your local Police to provide anonymous information call crime stoppers on 1800 333 000

Shoalhaven Domestic Violence Officers Email shoaldvlo@police.nsw.gov.au

Don't forget. Cops are tops.

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Sussex Inlet Police Station	Sussex Inlet	02 44412665
Nowra Police Station	Nowra – Main switch	02 44219699
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
Police Assistance Line	PAL	131444
Police Assistance Line (PAL) Hearing / speech impaired only	PAL TTY	02 92113776
Crime Stoppers	Crime Stoppers	1800333000

NSW POLICE FORCE website address www.police.nsw.gov.au

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NSW Police Community PORTAL — Check it out for yourself

http://www.police.nsw.gov.au/community_portal/about-the-portal

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

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