



Photo of Palm Beach Sanctuary Point NSW on a clear day... Photo taken by the Editor Dennis Williams.

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<https://www.shoalhaven.com/events/?A=1+July+2021&A=31+July+2021&C=&L=&Y=#read>



“If we could ask you to keep us all SAFE... Would you do it for us?” Photo taken by Dennis Williams 1st June 2021

COVID-19 Tasmania: Hobart's Jean Hutton, 105, gets her vaccination



[Jessica Willard@jesswillard1989](mailto:Jessica.Willard@jesswillard1989)

JAB: Jean Hutton gets her first dose of AstraZeneca with the help of registered nurse Jen Graves. Picture: Supplied/Nikki Davis-Jones



At 105, Tasmania's Jean Hutton has become possibly the oldest Australian to get the AstraZeneca vaccination.

Mrs Hutton rolled up her sleeve at the Health Department community clinic at Rosny, in Hobart, on Wednesday to receive her first dose.

Having survived the 1918 Spanish Flu, she said the best thing she could do during this pandemic was to get vaccinated against COVID-19.

"I feel it is the right thing to do for the community," Mrs Hutton said.

"I get a lot of visitors in my home and the vaccination will help keep everybody safe."

The third-generation Tasmanian lives independently in Hobart where she's been most of her life, apart from some time on Bruny Island.

Daughter Lynne Pope said her mum had embraced and coped with change all her life.

This included getting her very first heat pump this winter, having chopped all her own firewood until this year - despite living with deteriorating vision.

"I'm surprised she's still got 10 fingers," Ms Pope said.

Mrs Hutton was born a twin, but sadly her birth-sister died at nine months.

Her timber-mill working father lived to the age of 89 year and her mother to 93 years.

Health Department deputy secretary Dale Webster congratulated Mrs Hutton for rolling up her sleeve to get vaccinated against COVID-19.

"Mrs Hutton has set the example for every one of us to follow and get vaccinated," he said.

"If she can do it, then everyone else who is eligible for a vaccine can do it too.

"Without doubt Mrs Hutton is a very special Tasmanian, and I'm pleased she's getting vaccinated, not just for herself but to help protect her family and friends.

"Her actions her today are to be commended."

As of June 22, more than 154,600 Tasmanians had received a first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine, and 40,728 the second dose.

It means more than 195,400 vaccinations have been administered in total.

*On behalf of Sanctuary Point a Concerned Citizens Newsletter, we congratulate Mrs Hutton for showing all of us how we all should stand up and be counted in dealing with this COVID...
Editors Dennis & Kate Williams, we had our first dose on the 27th April 2021.*



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Coronavirus (COVID-19) current situation and case numbers

We are managing the COVID-19 outbreak in Australia as a health emergency. We will update this page every day with the current situation, latest case numbers and related information.

The above extract has been taken from the Australian Government Department of Health Website and included by the Editor Dennis Williams as a Community Service for the Department of Health.

The following web site has been provided for the community to follow the current situation on a daily basis and don't forget **“If we all try together and don't give up, we can achieve almost anything.” AND WE WILL!**

<https://www.health.gov.au/news/health-alerts/novel-coronavirus-2019-ncov-health-alert/coronavirus-covid-19-current-situation-and-case-numbers>



Travelling to and from NSW

If you live in Greater Sydney which includes the Blue Mountains, Shellharbour, Central Coast and Wollongong, you must stay home, do not travel.

Border rules are changing as the current outbreak develops. If you live in regional NSW and need to cross a state border, we recommend you **check the relevant state government website** for the latest travel advice before you leave.

People across NSW should only enter Greater Sydney for essential purposes.

If you've been in Victoria in the last 14 days and are returning to NSW you must complete a NSW entry form whether you travel by air, road or rail.



[See travel advice](#)

service.nsw.gov.au

Telephone 13 77 88

Greater Sydney, Central Coast, Shellharbour, Blue Mountains and Wollongong

The map shows the areas where the restrictions apply.



Inner Sydney suburbs

If you live or work in the City of Sydney, Waverley, Randwick, Canada Bay, Inner West, Bayside, and Woollahra local government areas, you cannot travel beyond metropolitan Sydney while the restrictions are in place unless you have a reasonable excuse.





From the Office of the Hon Shelley Hancock MP

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**Member for South Coast - Minister for
Local Government.**

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**GET IN
TOUCH
NOW**

Monday, 28 June 2021

NSW GOVERNMENT HELPS HEAL FOR NAIDOC WEEK

The NSW Government is acknowledging the important role Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples play in continuing to shape local communities through funding support of the Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Government Regional NAIDOC Awards.

Minister for Local Government Shelley Hancock and Member for South Coast said this year's NAIDOC Week theme 'Heal Country!' calls for all Australians to continue to seek greater protections for land, water, sacred sites and cultural heritage.

"Supporting events like the Local Government Regional NAIDOC Awards presents an opportunity to celebrate the rich history and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples," Mrs Hancock said.

"This is an important opportunity for communities to strengthen partnerships and develop more opportunities between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people, local councils, organisations and businesses for now and into the future.

"The significant annual event acknowledges, celebrates and promotes the achievements of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people and organisations in the Wollongong, Shellharbour, Kiama and Shoalhaven Local Government Areas.

"I look forward to learning more about the nominees and their stories, alongside a number of exciting local activities and events planned for NAIDOC Week that will run from 4 – 11 July 2021."

Shellharbour City Council, in partnership with Wollongong City Council, Kiama Municipal Council and Shoalhaven City Council will host the 2021 Local Government Regional NAIDOC Awards on Saturday 24 July 2021 at the Shellharbour Civic Centre.

Awards will be presented in the following categories: Aboriginal Elder of the Year (male and female); Aboriginal Worker of the Year; Aboriginal Young Achiever of the Year (male and female); Aboriginal Community Volunteer of the Year; Aboriginal Organisation or Project of the Year and Outstanding Contribution to Reconciliation (Aboriginal or Non-Aboriginal).

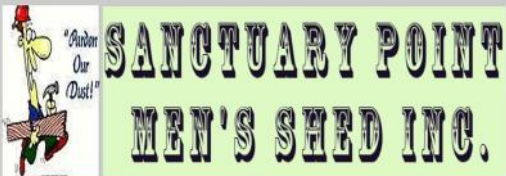
Nominations for the 2021 Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Government Regional NAIDOC Awards will close on Friday 2 July 2021.

**For more information about the awards and how to nominate, go to:
www.shellharbour.nsw.gov.au/whats-on/council/naidoc-awards-2021.**

MEDIA: Caterina Polistina | 0439 196 539

or contact the Office

of Shelley Hancock MP 4421 0222



Sanctuary Point Men's Shed is a self funded Registered Charity allied with the Australian Men's Shed Association
You are invited to come and join us or just visit to see what we do



The celebration of the 10 years Anniversary on the 1st July 2021 Due to COVID Restrictions in the Shoalhaven, has been cancelled... Let's see what they do for their 11th Year...

If you think you might like to become a member, stop thinking! Why not drop into the Men's Shed at 17 Clifton Street, Sanctuary Point during business hours 9.00am - 3.00pm Monday, Wednesday & Thursday, or give them a call on (02) 4443 8239... The Men's Shed is not all about what men do for themselves... In my book, it's what they do for their communities. Editor Dennis Williams.

The Bay & Basin Cancer Support Group

ABN: 84 056 901 368

NOTIFICATION OF THE CANCELLATION OF OUR HIGH TEA DUE TO COVID RESTRICTIONS.

At the

COUNTRY CLUB VINCENTIA

Thursday 1st July 2021..... 2.00pm



49 Murray Street
Vincentia NSW 2540
Phone: 02 4443 0666
Dianne Dummett President (02) 4443 3275
Bay & Basin Cancer Support Group





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Location

42 Bridge Rd, Nowra NSW 2541
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JULY
WHAT'S ON



Hi Dennis,

The whirlwind of excitement since reopening only continues to fill our foyers and theatres - and there is no sign of stopping if the month ahead is anything to go by!

Veteran of the Australian roots/blues/rock scene **Jeff Lang** combines his classic catalogue from 30 years on the road with the launch of his new book, in an intimate and unmissable night of music and conversation with local music man Paul Greene (Watch & Act).

Strap yourself in for a fast-paced, poetic night at the theatre when **Rovers** rolls into town. Woven from true stories and wild machinations, don't miss this celebration of trailblazing Australian women performed by two of the finest actresses in the country.

And just in time for the school holidays we have something extra fun on offer: a hilarious and rambunctious introduction to **Hamlet**. In true **Listies'** style we promise an hour of fun-filled theatre that appeals to the cheeky little kid in all of us. If you haven't seen them before, we guarantee you'll have as much fun as the kids!

All that and much more is coming in July and beyond. Keep an eye on our website and social media for up-to-date information as new events are announced. PLUS, don't forget that the use of Dine & Discover vouchers has been extended, so you have until the end of July to claim them at our Box Office, or over the phone.

Best wishes,

The Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre team

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JERVIS BAY ROAD AND PRINCES HIGHWAY INTERSECTION UPGRADE



Next Steps - What happens now? Transport for NSW will collate and consider the submissions received during the public display of the REF and prepare a submissions report. Feedback received will help further refine the design of the proposal and we will keep the community updated as the proposal progresses. Early work is on track to start in late 2022. Submissions must be received by Sunday 18 July 2021.

REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL FACTORS (REF) AND CONCEPT DESIGN

CONSULTATION OPEN

The community is invited to provide feedback on the Review of Environmental Factors

To make a submission:

Email: jervisbayroad@transport.nsw.gov.au

Survey: Have your say via the project survey [on the concept design portal](#)

- **Mail:** Attention of Jervis Bay Road and Princes Highway intersection Project Manager, PO Box 477 Wollongong NSW 2500
Community consultation is now open until Sunday 18 July 2021.

Join us online for a Q&A Friday 2 July, 12:30pm – 1pm on [Facebook](#).

Meet the team at the following information sessions:

Tuesday 6 July, 2pm to 6pm at the Huskisson Community Centre, Dent Street, Huskisson
Thursday 8 July, 9am to 12pm, Vincentia Public Hall, Wood Road, Vincentia

Saturday 10 July, 8am to 12pm at Falls Creek Public School, Vidler Road, Falls Creek

Bookings are essential. Click on each session for more information.

(REF) and concept design for the Jervis Bay Road and Princes Highway intersection upgrade to deliver safer, more reliable journeys along the South Coast.

For more information on these works, [visit the project website.](#)

And

[Jervis Bay Road intersection upgrade](#)



Rate & Water interest charges recommence 1 July 2021

In January 2020, Council resolved to waive interest charges on outstanding rates and provide financial assistance for some water charges. In addition, from 1 July 2020, Council waived interest charges on all outstanding rates and water accounts until 30 June 2021.

This was just one of the ways Council offered financial relief to Shoalhaven residents in the wake of the Black Summer fires and the height of the COVID-19 pandemic. Just a reminder for all residents, from 1 July 2021, Council will reinstate interest charges on overdue accounts at an interest rate of 1.5% p.a. Reinstating at this low interest rate will allow Council to continue supporting the community in the wake of 2020 financial strain while remaining financially viable.

Shoalhaven ratepayers will receive details about this change in your Rates notice in early July 2021. If you are experiencing financial hardship and need assistance managing outstanding rates or water payments, Council has a number of ways we can support you. Visit our [Rates information page](#), our [Water Account Assistance page](#), or call us on 4429 3111.

LEARN MORE



Bay & Basin Community-Led Strategic Plan

Developed by the Bay & Basin community and supported by Council, the [Draft Bay & Basin Community Strategic Plan](#) is open for exhibition until 25 July 2021.

The draft plan was developed with community input collected between November 2020 and February 2021 and is focused on enhancing the natural environment and village character of the area while providing adequate community and business services along with key infrastructure to continue to support the area.

Submit your feedback on the draft plan by emailing sanctuarypointprinting@gmail.com by Friday 25 July 2021.

LEARN MORE

Winter is the Time to Watch Out for Woody Weeds; Bitou Bush

18 June 2021 Pictured: Bitou Bush flower and seed

Shoalhaven City Council is encouraging the community to be on the lookout for Bitou bush as winter takes hold. June marks the start of Council's annual Bitou bush control program, with the aim to prevent the further spread of this invasive weed across multiple beaches across the region.



Bitou bush is an introduced species that thrives in coastal environments with significant infestations in the Culburra, Berrara and Bendalong areas. Shoalhaven City Mayor Amanda Findley is encouraging everyone to play their part by locating these invasive weeds.

“Council is commencing the annual Bitou bush control program. The program will aid in the protection of the Shoalhaven’s native flora and fauna and our Environmental Officers need the community's help in locating these plants.” Clr Findley said.

“Integrated controlled techniques are used to provide targeted control of the weed. Spot spraying, hand removal, biological controls and licensed drone spraying of Bitou bush in manually inaccessible areas such as cliff lines at Bendalong: these are all methods being employed starting in June and continuing throughout the Bitou bush control season,” Clr Findley said.

“It is important that the community report any isolated Bitou bush plants as they can potentially create large infestations within the area, resulting in significant environmental damage,” Clr Findley said.

"As a community we have put so much effort into controlling this ferocious growing woody weed, it would be sad to see us return to the infestation levels of the past. We really need our citizen patrol to be out there looking and even weeding if they have the knowledge to do so,” Clr Findley said.

A Bitou bush can be identified by its multi-stemmed bush with bright green, round, fleshy leaves and distinctive yellow 'daisy' flowers, which are clustered at the end of branches. The main flowering season is May to July, which makes it easy to spot along coastal dunes. Further to this, the bush may also have ripe berries containing hard seeds which are black and fleshy.

Community members are encouraged to report isolated Bitou bush plants or infestations they see along the coastline; residents are also reminded to not remove the plant themselves as this may result in accidental spread of the weed.

To report a Bitou bush sighting please contact Council on 02 4429 3111 and ask to speak with the Bushland Management team. ** End **

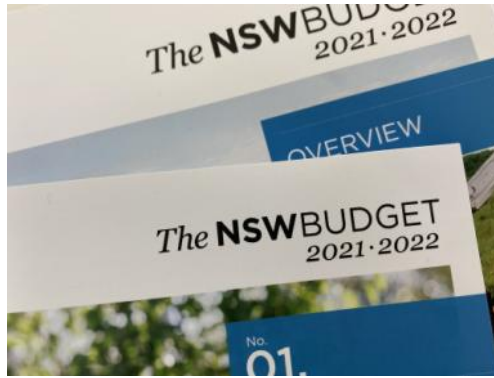
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Shelley Hancock MP

MEMBER FOR SOUTH COAST



23rd June 2021

The South Coast is a 'massive winner' following the release of the 2021-22 NSW Budget yesterday.

Vital funds have been secured for projects on the South Coast including new schools, upgrades to the Princes Highway and Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital.

Funding secured as part of the **2021-22 NSW State Budget** for the South Coast includes:

\$11.691 million to commence early construction works on the redevelopment of the Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital

- \$61 million for the Berry to Bomaderry upgrade
- \$72 million for the Nowra Bridge replacement

\$88 million to continue and finalise planning on Princes Highway projects

\$13.404 million to commence construction on Budawang School for Milton

\$5.269 million for a new primary school for South Nowra/Worrigee

\$2.094 million to upgrade Bomaderry High School

The Budget will also deliver an increase in the **Community Building Partnership Program**, with the South Coast electorate receiving an additional \$100,000 in funding, totalling \$400,000 available for community projects.

As a mother and grandmother, I am pleased to see the NSW Government allocating \$44 million for swimming lessons. South Coast families will be able to use a **\$100 Learn to Swim voucher** for children aged three to six, making a huge difference and could help save lives.

This Budget shows that the **NSW Government** is working hard to deliver for South Coast people and their families.

Regards

Shelley

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The Sanctuary Point Men's Shed Inc.



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**Hours of Business 9.00am. - 3.00pm.
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday...
Phone the office on (02) 44438239 on
these days, or call at the big green
shed located at
17 Clifton Street, Sanctuary Point
NSW 2540 and Say Hello Mate!**

Web Site at:

<https://www.sanctuarypointmenshed.org/>



THE COUNTRY CLUB
St Georges Basin

**Meetings are on the 2nd Thursday
of every month in the upstairs
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Crime statistics March 2021: Sexual assault spikes in March

Release date: 10.30am, Thursday 10 June 2021

Link to reports summary:

[NSW Recorded Crime Statistics quarterly update March 2021](#)
[Why did sexual assault reports spike in March 2021?](#)

Latest crime statistics released by the NSW Bureau of Crime Statistics and Research (BOCSAR) show a sharp and unexpected jump in sexual assaults reported to NSW Police in March 2021. Police recorded 940 sexual assaults in March 2021; 300 more than in February 2021 and 61% more than the monthly average.

The increase appears to be due to a temporary rise in victim willingness to formally report sexual violence. The timing of the increase closely aligns with saturation media coverage of numerous sexual assault allegations in late February and March 2021. This triggered a wide-spread community conversation about sexual violence and consent of a scale not previously seen.

Sexual assaults involving victims aged 13 to 20 years accounted for two thirds of the increase and the vast majority involved female victims. The rise in sexual assault reports was as much to do with an increase in recent contemporary assaults as it was related to reports of historical offences.

General Crime Statistics

In the 24 months to March 2021, two of the 17 major crime categories showed upward trends, ten trended downwards and the remaining five were stable. The offences trending upward were sexual assault (up 14.4%) and domestic violence related assault (up 1.1%). The offences trending downwards were:

- Robbery without a weapon - Down 21.9%
- Robbery with a firearm - Down 35.2%
- Break and enter dwelling – Down 27.1%
- Break and enter non-dwelling – Down 32.6%
- Motor vehicle theft – Down 16.3%
- Steal from motor vehicle – Down 29.1%
- Steal from retail store – Down 29.0%
- Steal from dwelling – Down 13.8%
- Steal from person – Down 45.2%
- Fraud – Down 17.9%

The large decreases reported in many offences represent falls in crime associated with the response to the pandemic in 2020. Since April 2020 violent offending has returned to pre-pandemic levels, but many property offences, including car theft, break and enter and retail theft are still below pre-pandemic level.

Commenting on the findings, BOCSAR Executive Director, Jackie Fitzgerald, said the spike in reported sexual assault incidents was remarkable and preliminary April data suggests reports have since come back down. "Typically only around 10% or 15% of adult sexual assault victims report to police. The March 2021 increase shows that, under the right conditions, more victims will come forward. More now needs to be done to make sure that victims who reach out are appropriately supported."

Further enquiries: Jackie Fitzgerald, Executive Director, 0423 139 687

Email: bcsr@justice.nsw.gov.au

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



With Senior Constable Anthony Jory, who has retired from the Police Force
It is with much regret and yet much more appreciation...

Regret that we will not be including the Anthony Jory articles on the many issues occurring in our communities and his down to earth exclamations of how we should behave, to keep ourselves and others safe in the places we all call home! And Appreciation of the many years this Police Officer has provided us with the knowledge he has witnessed and given us that knowledge to keep us up to date with the law, to keep us from doing the wrong thing and knowing how we should behave ourselves...

While keeping us all safe!

THANK YOU FMR. SENIOR CONSTABLE ANTHONY JORY... CONGRATULATIONS MATE AND ENJOY YOUR RETIREMENT!

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. on 1800 333 000

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.

Information provided by On The Beat & Inserted by the Editor as a Community Service for
Shoalhaven LAC

Log on to the NSW Police Web Site for the "Tell us what you want SURVEY!".

SURVEY LOG ON

<https://secure.peoplepulse.com.au/display.php?mid=2060116b2b887848336>

If you think

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

**Shoalhaven Local Area Command
Police Telephone Contact List
In the case of an Emergency Phone : 000**

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 44412665
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

SHOALHAVEN LAC FACEBOOK PAGE 
<https://www.facebook.com/ShoalhavenLac>

Where no emergency exists and immediate investigation by a Police officer is not necessary, registered community members can now create online reports such as Lost Property, Intentional Damage or Graffiti and Theft, in their own time anywhere where an internet connection is present, using devices of today's technology.

NSW Police Community PORTAL — Check it out for yourself

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

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4441 3555.**



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Service for
SUSSEX INLET



POLICE ASSISTANCE LINE... 131 444 For reporting of non urgent matters, 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 area.

EMERGENCY ... 000 and ask for Police. For Life Threatening or Immediate Attention Required.

CRIME STOPPERS ... 1800 333 000 Anonymous Information.

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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