

Welcome to my SANCTUARY POINT CONCERNED CITIZEN NEWSLETTER June 2012 Vol. 017

Council Staff Confronts Nowra CBD Filth Don't blink!

But was that Shoalhaven Council, Business identities and Political representation walking around the Nowra CBD, to tell us that Nowra has a problem with Maintenance issues? ... this is volume 17 and I have been telling Council for seventeen months, that they have a problem with maintenance, as far out as Sanctuary Point! ... That is SANCTUARY POINT! ... Hello?

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

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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 email 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

Council Staff to confront Nowra CBD Filth

On Friday the 26th May 2012 Shoalhaven Council Senior Staff, some of our twelve councillors, local Business Identities and Political Representation, thought it was a good time to take a slow walk around our Nowra CBD and tell us, what a disgraceful image Nowra has turned into over the last three years and seven months! ... As if they really believe Nowra is Bad! ... What about Sanctuary Point, Callala, Old Erowal Bay, Shoalhaven Heads, Culburra, Worrigee, Vincentia, Huskisson or nearer to you, East or South Nowra and the remainder of the forty Nine (49) Towns and Villages within the Shoalhaven, that bleeds from the lack of maintenance, day and night, three hundred and sixty five days a year!

Seriously! ... Nowra CBD is nothing without the backing of its Towns and Villages. The wealth of Nowra CBD is determined by the spending power, from all of the citizens, from all of the forty nine towns and villages, which make up the Shoalhaven Shire and if importance is to be considered, then I would be considering the out lying towns and villages, that do not have the facilities of the Nowra CBD and contribute the much needed wealth, that maintains Nowra CBD on the pedestal, some of us believe it to be!

Tourists do not usually spend all of their recreational dollars in the CBD's, they usually visit and spend in the locations that they have come to love and be most comfortable in. If they can not find that comfort in the towns and villages of the Shoalhaven, where they most likely will spend their hard earned dollars, they will settle for another Shire, State, or another Country! ... Maintenance needs to be seen in all of the Towns & Villages, it can not be swept under the carpet of the CBD.

I have lived in the Shoalhaven for Thirty Years, it is the place that I call home, it is a vast area and requires a large infrastructure to sustain the well being of the Towns and Villages, so everyone can feel proud to call their town home! ... It takes a lot of funding, but!

If we short fund the areas we have, we short fund the quality

of life that, I believe, we all deserve. Funding comes from responsible budgets and Council needs to ensure the Budgets have the adequate funding to provide adequate MAINTENANCE for ALL of the Towns and Villages throughout the ... SHOALHAVEN!



These are but a few of the hundreds of photos I have taken around my home town Sanctuary Point! ... We all need URGENT upgrading of Council Maintenance and Control! ... not just the CBD!







Action by Council—

Before After



The quagmire which confronted these residents, adjacent to the overflow car park at Palm Beach, for many years, is now being addressed by council. It can be seen from these photos, the new



road has been laid out, compacted and ready for sealing with bitumen and although appreciated by the land owners, I believe there is no provision that will allow the refuse pick-up trucks to turn around and the residents will just have to be content with the beeping of the trucks safety reverse warning, when backing out of the road. Surely this could be considered a cul-de-sac and a turning circle included at the end?

Before After



Picket fence at the Sanctuary Point Oval, home ground for the Bay & Basin Cricket Club and the little athletics, has been repaired, with thanks and appreciation going to Shoalhaven



Council, the South Coast Correctional Centre Community

Projects Team and NSW Sports & Recreation.

When my wife and I walk out into our back garden and have a look around at what needs to be done! We at times wonder when will we have the time to do it all! ... It gets done and we do have a nice back garden, then we pat ourselves on the back for a job well done! ... BUT! Who thanks Council for the numerous jobs that are well done on a daily basis, or are they all there just to be criticised for the problems unattended over our large and exciting shire of Shoalhaven.

The shire is not owned by Council, it is primarily owned by someone who has purchased either developed or non developed property, which becomes their private asset. When we pay rates to Council, on our property, we know we are not passing our assets to council, and simply paying for a service from council to certain infrastructure's and Utilities ... so! Why not Help Council to do a better job, by being a part of the SOLUTIONS and when we see a problem! ... Either or Phone

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And give them a pat on the back, for the things they do, do well!

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Frances Ryan Reserve — Home Ground for the St Georges Basin Junior Rugby League Club and the playing field for Cricket, Soccer and other Sporting games. So! When will the Lighting and CCTV be switched on, to identify the vandals and trouble makers, who take out their frustration on the facilities, that are essential for the visiting and home teams, who use the facilities in the promotion of the Game and the enjoyment of healthy competitive sport, for both the Players and Spectators.

FRUSTRATION





You Know it's Right!

COMPETITIVE ENJOYMENT



St Georges Basin Junior Rugby League Club in Action



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Be Part of a TEAM for the GOOD of the GAME!

The Bay & Basin Cancer Support Group; Worlds Biggest Morning Tea which was held at the St Georges Basin Country Club, Located at 11 Paradise Beach Road Sanctuary Point on the 9th May 2012 was again, a great success for both the Cancer Council and the Bay & Basin Cancer Support Group

\$651 raised from the Biggest Morning Tea will go directly to the Cancer Council and a further \$2,638 raised by the support group from the Raffle, Craft Table and the Chocolate wheel will be retained by the Support Group, for assistance and support of the Group members and other cancer related projects throughout the Shoalhaven.

THANK YOU!

With Love, from The Bay & Basin Cancer Support Group



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23 May 2012

Dennis O Williams 3 Ridgelands Drive SANCTUARY POINT NSW 2540

Dear Mr Williams.

Sanctuary Point Concerned Citizen Newsletter Vol 16 May 2012

Thank you for your newsletter concerning a number of issues around the Sanctuary Point area.

The open drain in the road reserve on the corner of MacGibbon Parade and Fitzpatrick Street has been inspected and is clear and flowing from the pipe outlet. The open drain meets a pipe crossing downstream from the outlet that is partly blocked with sediment. The area was cleared on 16 May 2012.

The drain is not known to pose a threat to property, even in storm events.

The picket fence at Sanctuary Point Oval has been inspected and repaired.

Scheduled maintenance programs are designed to provide residents and visitors with a clean, safe and well presented City. Regular inspections are made to record the condition of Council's assets such as roads, parks, footpaths, buildings, and other public areas.

Council also relies on residents for timely information regarding changes to the condition of these public facilities. To report any maintenance needs or graffiti, please phone 02 4429 3400 or alternatively telephone the Maintenance & Graffiti Reporting Line on 02 4429 3506 24 hours / 7 days per week and an automated system will record your concerns.

Yours faithfully

Cliff Harris Acting Director – City Services & Operations Dob in a Wrong! ... You Know it's Right!

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Reply from Shoalhaven City Council in response to the May 2012 Newsletter.

Thank you Mr Harris.

The repairs to the picket fence gives much pride back to the oval.

The clearing of the outlet, which was blocked with sediment, will be appreciated by the family living beside it and no doubt many of the local citizens in Old Erowal Bay.

I do however, still feel there is a safety issue with the exposed open drain, so close to a private resident, where children and other people reside. Your com-

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ments are noted and received in judgement from those who read our Newsletter.

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

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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!

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!

Re-Naming of Palm Beach, Sanctuary Point to RAY BROOKS RESERVE

Ray Brooks, OA. Was a long - term serving President, up until 2007 of what was the St Georges Basin Forum, that is now known as the Basin Villages Forum.

Ray was a founding member of the original group and in 2003 Ray received an Order of Australia for his long contributions to many community groups.

Ray Brooks, OA. Passed away on the 19th March 2009 ... May his name long be remembered , for his contributions to the Community Groups he served on.

The Late

The Late Ray & Norma Brooks

For

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.

