

# SANCTUARY POINT A CONCERNED CITIZENS NEWSLETTER March 2017 Vol.074 and website at

http://sanctuarypointaconcernedcitizensnewsletter.com

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http://shoalhavenholidays.com.au/events/?M=1+March+2017&A=31+March+2017&C=&L=&Y=#read

"I Said!"

\$850,000 for Mollymook Beach Play Space???

Census Population: 2011

Mollymook Beach 2,062...

Sanctuary Point 6,609

And I only received one Councillor and that was from Ward 1, who said "Well Done!".

So! I ask... What will it take for the Residents of Sanctuary Point, to say "ENOUGH!"

How much do you think our properties have lost in value, while other less populated Towns and Villages, keep increasing in value... When will you say "ENOUGH!"... I JUST DID!



Fair go... We pay our Rates also and we have eight councillors

who represent us...

4 in Ward 2 & 4 in Ward 3???

Who in NSW State Government and Shoalhaven City Council will time out and take a look at Ray Brooks Reserve, Palm Beach and the Basin Walking Track through Ray Brooks Reserve Sanctuary Point NSW 2540 with a critical eye and if this was in your back yard, knowing \$850,000 Rate Payers money has been funded for a Play Space at Mollymook Beach NSW and do nothing, when a portion of that could fix the

How Many More Years will it take to fix????

problem at Sanctuary Point where

so many potential accidents could

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take place!

With permission given by Julianne Stiles, a resident of Sanctuary Point, to include a copy of her email to Shoalhaven City Council, I believe it reflects the view of many of our concerned citizens in Sanctuary Point and has reassured both Kate and I that all is not lost in Sanctuary Point, there is hope, that when Sanctuary Point has citizens like Julianne, who does care for what happens in her home town, that one day, the seemingly inequality given to Sanctuary Point with its 6,900 residents, will be uplifted to that of the other less populated Towns and Villages of the Shoalhaven.

Thank you Julianne for bringing this to my attention, I know if I was a Councillor, I would be pleased to be your voice on Council and follow through on your behalf.

Please keep me informed of the outcome. Editor: Sanctuary point a Concerned citizens newsletter.

**Subject:** Re: Construction of footpath in Kingsford Smith Crescent Sanctuary Point. Plus other matters.

Date: 17th February 2017

Dear Council

First of all, thank you for constructing the footpath in K.S.C.S.Pt between Idlewild Ave and Paradise Beach Road.

This will almost put a complete pathway around Sanctuary Point Primary School, which is of a great benefit to the school and children attending, as well as local residents.

I would like to propose for your consideration, whilst you are working in the area, that the path be completed all the way around the school. This being a footpath running from the corner of Idlewild Ave and Centaur Ave around to where the path between the school and Francis Ryan Sports Field finishes at the skate park on Centaur Ave.

This would then make a complete safe footpath around the school.

It would not only benefit the school children, who wouldn't have to walk on the road or the very uneven "footpath" in Centaur Ave, but benefit older people in the area and people like myself who walk their dogs. When it rains there is no choice but to walk on the road. This extra path would only be a couple hundred metres.

It would also be nice if you could consider extending the footpath, on the other side of the road, opposite the school entrance, house # 60, another several metres to where the "road bump thing" is, (Not sure what you call those things to slow traffic!), as that is a convenient place to cross the road.

Whilst I have your attention I would like to mention a few other items concerning the same area.

#'s 56 & 58 Idlewild Ave is a vacant double block which is quite overgrown. It is hard to walk past on the "footpath". I have also recently seen a snake there, which isn't great if children are walking past, let alone my little dog! There is a very rough wire fence on the front border which has broken in one spot with the wire strand sticking out. I have tried to put it out of the way but it seems to have a mind of its own. Is it possible for the council to at least clean up the "footpath'? Maybe get the owner to clear the undergrowth? Thanks.

The vacant block on the corner of Idlewild Ave and Pelican St is also very overgrown. The area on either side of the new footpath needs slashing/mowing, as does, very much, the "gutter" area. As this block is overgrown, certain people who live across the road have used it to dump their tree/shrub pruning's. Any vacant block that is left to become overgrown only encourages this sort of dumping, which could become a fire hazard. Thanks.

The skate park area. Before the new part had its official opening last year I spoke to a couple of council officers about the rubbish in the area and the lack of bins. I was informed that putting in rubbish bins was a problem as the "riff raff" destroyed them. I was told that council staff would come around to pick up the rubbish. This is all well and good but doesn't solve the problem. I walk through there several times a week and there is always rubbish lying around, not to mention the broken glass. What happens if my dog cuts his feet? Does council pay for his vet bills? I have searched the internet and found that you can get SULO bins that are all metal. I have since been informed that council actually owns some of these! Not having rubbish bins in this area does NOT teach the children and others who use the skate park to be responsible citizens. I have also been informed that the council had an agreement with the school about keeping the area between the school and the sports field in good order. Can something be done to rectify the rubbish problem? Thanks.

The fence at the school end of Francis Ryan Sports Field is in danger of being destroyed by the new trees, mainly she oaks, growing through and/or too close to it. I love trees and really like this little area but there is no need for the fence to be destroyed. There is also a big hole in the fence, about half way along. It looks like someone has done this on purpose as there are many entrances/exits to the field. Thanks.

The laneway behind the shops running along the sports field needs attention. The road-way/tarred area really needs to be extended to include the parking area next to the sports field fence and to the back of the shops. When it is dry and windy weather the car park area is a dust bowl. When it is wet weather it is a mud bath. As this is a tourist area this laneway area is NOT a good look. The back of the shops also need to be cleaned up. If the laneway only serviced the shops and was not a public area it would not be as much of a problem. BUT it is a public area and we do have tourists visiting, as well as visiting sports teams when sports are being played. As a recent (happy) resident and a long time visitor to the area, I am very disappointed with the presentation of the rear AND front of the Paradise Beach Road shops. With the opening of the new shopping centre at Vincentia I am sure that business has dropped for these shop operators. The front of these shops desperately need attention. Can council speak with the owners of the buildings and consider the items mentioned? Thanks.

The bus stop outside the school on Paradise Beach Road and the bus stop on the opposite side always have rubbish lying around. Also not a good look, as this is a main road into the area. Can we have rubbish bins please? Thanks.

The foot entrance to the car park/shops/sports field from the corner of Centaur Ave and Endeavour St could really use a spruce up. Thanks.

Whilst this list may seem extensive, I don't believe it is beyond the reach of council. I have lived in the area for two and a half years now, having moved down here from Wollongong. I really enjoy living here, understand the nature of the area and don't want it to become too big. But most of the items on my "wish" list are basically good "housekeeping". Thank you for your time. Keep up the good work.

Kind regards

Julianne Stiles Resident Kingsford Smith Crescent Sanctuary Point.



#### The Sanctuary Point Men's Shed Inc.

President: Ray Marcusson 4447 8634 Secretary: John Kelly 0413 837 538

To obtain further <u>information about the Men's Shed, you can find them</u> <u>on their website www.sanctuarypointmenshed.org</u> Just click and enjoy!

To view their wonderful Carpentry and Wrought Ironwork, you can call into the SANCTUARY POINT MEN'S SHED

at 20A WOOLAMAI ROAD, FALLS CREEK NSW (Short distant in from Jervis Bay Road.)... Hours of Business: Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 0900-1600 (9-4) The Men's Shed is all about men, doing what men do best together... Helping each other, to talk and work together, as they live life to the fullest! You too can be a member of the Men's Shed...

Give them a call today! Ray: 4447 8634 or John: 0413 837 538

The Sanctuary Point Men's Shed will soon be re-locating to Clifton Park, Sanctuary Point, alongside of the Clifton Community Food Garden. If you join now, you can help them move and become a member, who help brought the Men's Shed home to Sanctuary Point.

The Sanctuary Point Men's Shed Inc. is a Fully Incorporated Registered Charity and you too, can support them by becoming a Volunteer Member, or making a Donation... All donations over \$2.00 made to SPMS are Tax Deductible.

## <sub>Sanctuary</sub> Point Men's She<sub>d</sub> We are almost HOME!





#### For all Enquiries or to REPORT A LEAK Phone 4429 3214



http://
shoalwater.nsw.gov.au/
Community/NewsEvents

#### http://www.shoalwater.nsw.gov.au

#### **Fact Sheet**

#### Background

- Porters Creek Dam is located on Porters Creek, about 11 km west of Lake Conjola and is situated within Morton National Park
- The dam has a reservoir capacity of 1,900 mega litres and provides about 30 per cent of Southern Shoalhaven's drinking water supply.
- The dam was originally constructed in 1967 and consisted of a 17 metre high by 139 metre long post-tensioned concrete gravity section with an overflow spillway integral with the crest.

#### Upgrade

- Regular monitoring and investigations into the reliability of the strengthening cables within the dam demonstrated that an upgrade was needed to guarantee the structure's longevity.
- ➤ Shoalhaven City Council commissioned GHD Pty Ltd to design modifications to the dam and a contract for construction was awarded to Leed Engineering and Construction Pty Ltd in 2015.
- 4,500m³ of concrete was batched and poured on site to form the new dam wall.
- > 3.6km of Porters Creed Rd sealed from the Princes Hwy to Graydon Pointer Rd
- 14 subcontractors engaged.
- 25,000 man hours.
- > Cost \$8.5M (within the \$10M budget)
- Construction of the dam wall and new stilling basin was completed in November 2016.
- Shoalhaven Mayor Amanda Findley officially opened the upgrading of the Dam 23 February 2017.

Inserted by the Editor as a Community Service for Shoalhaven Water



Original Dam



Final Works

### City Maintenance

Help us to Help you!



24 hours/day, 7 days/week, and an automated system will record your concern. Know this number...
And when you see a
maintenance or graffiti
problem in the
Shoalhaven... Get on the
telephone
and make the call...

(02) 4429 3506

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## Sanctuary Point A Concerned Citizens Newsletter





If we try together and don't give up, we can achieve almost anything!

Web Site

sanctuarypointaconcernedcitizensnewsletter.com



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If you are reading a hard copy of his current issue and if you would like a copy of previous issues, I

can not send you a hard copy, however, If you have access to the internet... Log into my Web Site at

http://sanctuarypointaconcernedcitizensnewsletter.com for past and current issues - Dennis.

#### MONTHLY COLUMN OF THE FEDERAL MEMBER FOR GILMORE





#### **Festivals Australia applications open**

24 February, 2017

Federal Member for Gilmore Ann Sudmalis is encouraging local artists and organisations to apply for the Festivals Australia program.

The program provides around \$1.2 million each year for high quality arts and cultural projects in regional and remote Australia that support community participation and audience engagement. "I encourage organisations in Gilmore to apply for this funding to bring a wider range of cultural events to people in our region," said Ms Sudmalis.

"Just this morning, we have a community member wishing to have a country music festival here in Gilmore and he may qualify.

"Activities can include parades, performances, workshops, installations, or exhibitions held as part of a festival or a significant one-off community event.

"Arts and cultural activities are an important way to bring communities together, celebrate diversity and promote a sense of community identity, increase jobs for our youth.

"This program helps organisations to deliver events in regional and remote areas and encourages community participation in arts projects outside of our major cities," Ms Sudmalis said. This competitive grant round is one of two funding rounds available each year through the Department of Communications and the Arts.

Applications must be submitted by 5.00 pm AEDST on Friday, 24 March.

The guidelines and application form are available at: http://www.arts.gov.au/

Media contacts: James Perrin, 0411 179 325

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#### ANN SUDMALIS MP MARCH VILLAGE VISITS Thursday 16th March 2017

TOMERONG... 9.30am - 10.30am General Store

SANCTUARY POINT... 11am - 12am Sanctuary Point IGA

1pm - 2pm Barton Street Mall VINCENTIA...

**HUSKISSON...** 2.30pm - 3.30pm Huskisson Bakery.

## Richard (Dick) Manwarring St Georges Basin

and

## Code C fancy dress benefit nights

#### With the Volunteer Drivers

Are providing Dignity and Comfort for the Bay & Basin Patients, who travel to and from the Shoalhaven Cancer Care Centre.





A luncheon to thank the volunteer Drivers was held on 26th Feb 2017. The Code C Benefit Nights from 2017 will be organised and coordinated by Kerri Sedman, Christine Kolbakas and Wendy Hay, who will continue the Code C Benefit Nights in aid of Cancer related causes and the running costs of the bus! Dick would ask that you support them, as you have supported him over the many years.









This is a **CALLOUT** for Residents with **CCTV** in the vicinity of **Clifton Park Learn to Ride Track** to keep an eye out for vandalism being constantly directed to the vandalism of the Learn to Ride signs. Although they are firmly bolted to the metal posts around the track... Low life vandals are twisting them off the poles, as in the first photo.

I have been informed that nine signs have since been vandalised and each time, they have been repaired by the Sanctuary Point Men's Shed members, who volunteer their time for the good in the community, unlike those who take their frustration out on equipment, which has been installed to teach our young visitors to the track, to learn safe riding habits, that will keep them safe when they are on the roads and bike paths.

As if our **Police** don't have enough to look after in our communities... If not already, the occasional unannounced **drop in to Clifton Park would be appreciated.** 







Thank you Shoalhaven Council and St Georges Basin Country Club, for making safe a potential hazard and closing off the thoroughfare between Paradise Beach Road and the Golf Course... The tidy up of the Council section of the thoroughfare, mainly the old and broken logs previously used as a barrier, has many protruding nails sticking out.









#### From On The Beat - NSW Police Shoalhaven Crime Prevention



#### On the Beat with Senior Constable Anthony Jory

Australia Day has past and hopefully you and your family had the best time joining in on the festivities. Some of the lucky ones take Friday off as well to make it a long, long weekend. It wouldn't be the Australia day weekend without barbecues and beer (In moderation) however there are some dangers that lurk within the Long weekend barbecue genre. There have been instances where backyard barbecue get together's have exploded

out of control in more ways than one.

There have been instances where the humble barbecue has blown up due to poor maintenance or construction, leaking gas cylinders or poor gas connections. This can cause serious injury or death. Other problems arise when you pour water on a grease fire underneath the barbecue or squirt accelerant on a fire. If there are people nearby they could be badly hurt and you may be looking at criminal charges in relation to a negligent act. What I am trying to say is, be careful with what you are doing, alcohol may cloud your judgment and you may not see the danger in your actions. The consequences may well change your life.

Frauds are still the flavor of the month for me. I know you have heard it all before and it's becoming boring, but until everyone takes their valuables such as wallets out of their vehicles and then lock the vehicle I will continue to rant about it. Your Credit cards within the wallet can be used at any shop that has paypass / paywave. You could lose over \$1000 overnight before you realize the cards are gone. One simple action can stop an enormous problem for you. I promise.

**Traffic:** Has everyone seen the Highway Patrol cars out and about? It would be in your best interests to slow down and follow the road rules because they are there, if you get a ticket whilst you are speeding you only have yourself to blame.

Remember: Do not Drink and Drive.

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!

In the case of an Emergency Phone: 000		
Position	Location	Phone Number
Huskisson Police Station	Huskisson	02 44415779
Sussex Inlet Police Station	Sussex Inlet	02 44412665
Nowra Police Station	Nowra - Main switch	02 44219699
Crime Prevention Officer	Nowra Police Station	02 44219619
Detectives Officer	Nowra Police Station	02 44219629
Dalias Assistanas Lina	DAT	121444
Police Assistance Line	PAL	131444
Police Assistance Line	PAL	02 92113776
(PAL)	TTY	

NSW POLICE FORCE website address -

www.police.nsw.gov.au

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**↓** 

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 <a href="Lost Property">Lost Property</a>, <a href="Intentional Damage or Graffiti">Intentional Damage or Graffiti</a> and <a href="Theft">Theft</a>, 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

#### 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)
Or Telephone:
4441 3555.



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SUSSSEX 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 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!

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