

Hallidays Point Community Liaison and Progress Association Inc. (CLAPA)



Saturday November 9th is the official opening of the Black Head Pathway Connection and Exercise Stations.

The event kicks off at 8.45 am with Lions providing a BBQ for attendees.

A gold coin donation will be appreciated by Lions.

At 9.30 am, the John Griffiths, CLAPA Vice President, who was integral in bringing the project to fruition, will represent CLAPA and the local community and together with Member for Myall Lakes Steve Bromhead and Mayor David West, they will formally open the exercise stations and pathway linkage.

A representative from the equipment supplier, will be on hand to give a demonstration and guide people in the correct and safe use of the exercise stations.

The project was identified as a priority and a promotion of healthy living, during community consultations by CLAPA and by Mid Coast Council as part of Council's Community Strategic Plan.

The support of Council and the NSW State Government made this project possible.

CLAPA is the acronym for Hallidays Point & District Community Liaison and Progress Association Inc

The name says it all but essentially our goal is to be a conduit that brings together community interest groups, to determine community priorities, build relationships with each other and to be a point of liaison for the three levels of Government.

CLAPA is not about to take sides when there are differences of views but hope by facilitating positive dialogue, that this will promote awareness and understanding, so that common ground and if necessary, compromise might foster harmony in our shared community.

New members are welcome to join CLAPA at an initial cost of \$5.

Alan Tickle, President

CAROLS in the PARK

A date to mark in your calendar is Sunday December 15th for the annual Carols in the Park commencing 6 pm in Wylie Breckenridge Park.

This event has grown in popularity where the local schools, and some accomplished musicians entertain, backed by the Manning Valley Concert Band.

Continuing Debate on the Location of a Skatepark

The News of Our World receives regular correspondence from residents in relation to the divided opinion within our community on where the Hallidays Point Skatepark will be located. Since this publication is for all our community, it is only fair that opinions received from both sides of the debate are published.

Our monthly magazine is a Lions Club project as a service to our community by providing local news and information with the intention of bonding our population. We will not debate politics or religion.

Our publication is made possible by the many regular contributors of articles from community organisations and individuals and by our sponsoring advertisers providing the income to pay for printing the 2,200 copies every month. The News of Our World is produced entirely by volunteers, some who are Lions Club members and many others who are not. These include the individuals who unfailingly deliver the magazine from house to house each month throughout our area. What would we do without them?

In publishing the articles relating to contentious issues such as the eventual location of the Skatepark, we are endeavouring to provide a balanced set of views. These views are not necessarily the views of the Hallidays Point News of Our World or the Lions Club of Hallidays Point and they are published without prejudice. While the communicative intent of articles remain intact, we reserve the right to edit wording which is considered to be unnecessary.

Ed

Following on the next page are two articles received on the subject of the Skatepark for publication in this November issue:



November Cover

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Local Resident Comments on Skatepark Surveys

In the recent past a survey was put to the residents of Black Head regarding the Wylie Breckenridge Park (WBP) as THE site for a skate park. The majority response was no and Diamond Beach Park (DBP) was suggested as the most logical area due to;

1. The area and surrounds has the largest population of children/teenagers and increasing due to land release/urban development.
2. DBP park is established with Basketball Court; Netball Court; Picnic Tables; BBQ facilities; Playground; Shade Areas; Toilets; Waste Bins. The majority of skate parks are located in established recreational areas.

Obviously, the fact that the first survey did not give the answer sought a 2nd survey was constructed and weighted heavily against Black Head residents (Black Head has the least number of residents and cannot make a majority against Diamond Beach, Red Head, Seascape, Tallwoods and Hallidays Points' denser population).

The skate park committee views the 2nd survey as a win, I suggest otherwise. The results demonstrate a 'sure, but not in my backyard' response.

My question to the committee is why? Why the determination to have a skate park in WBP when the largest population demographic of users live closer to DBP. The cost to WBP is horrendous and irreversible. The possible loss of 10 established habitat trees, the beauty and serenity of the park itself to be forever scarred by tons of concrete placed in an area with the least number of users. This is community division at its ugliest.

Coral Sharp, Black Head Resident

From the Hallidays Point Skatepark Committee

September the 25th was the day Councillors voted on the matter of a skatepark for our region. While the primary objective was to determine the site for the skatepark, this was not an approval to move forward with that particular site. Wylie Breckenridge Park was identified as the preferred location for the establishment of a skatepark in Hallidays Point. Council staff are now working on a site specific report to be returned to Councillors. We respect the democratic process council needs to undertake to ensure all aspects are covered, prior to an official approval to construct our skatepark. The primary goal now is to have the specific site for the placement of a skatepark within Wylie Breckenridge determined and approved with all facts considered.

The final recommendation voted by Councillors was that Council work with

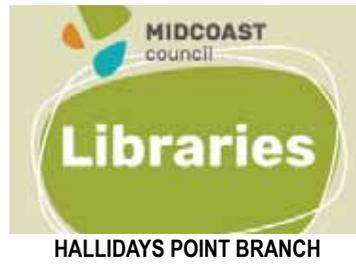
the organisers of the Black Head Bazaar to mitigate any potential impacts surrounding the Wylie Breckenridge Park being the preferred location for the establishment of a skatepark in Hallidays Point.

We respect and appreciate the long standing history of the Black Head Bazaar and the positive impacts it has had in our region, as an event that brings vibrancy to our community and through the community projects it has helped fund. We, in no way wish to adversely impact the Bazaar, and are here to work towards finding an amicable solution.

Thank you to the groups and individuals that in the past tirelessly pushed for the skatepark, as you laid the foundation and created the history of a want and need for this in our community. To the whole community that got behind us and truly wants this facility in our town, thank you for your ongoing support!

Simon Duber, Halliday Point Skatepark Committee

To stay up to date or speak to us directly please follow our Facebook page fb.me/hallidayspointskatepark or email us at hallidaysskatepark@gmail.com



Our Librarian Di Emms is currently on long service leave so there is no report from the Hallidays Point Library this month. We hope Di is having a well deserved break and look forward to her news in the December edition.

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Diamond Beach Residents' Christmas Party

This community event - now in its 3rd year - will be held on Saturday 7th December from 5.30pm 'til 7pm, at the Diamond Beach Park, next to the Fire Station.

Money Matters

Aged Care and Granny Flat Provisions

There are incentives for families to step up and provide care for their loved ones rather than aged care facilities.

One of those is the "Granny Flat Provision"

The term "Granny Flat" when it comes to provision of accommodation for a Centrelink recipient, is not to be confused with Council's definition of a "Granny Flat" but it simply means making available accommodation for someone else to reside.

The test is the genuineness of intent of the provider of the accommodation to provide life-time care and accommodation.

If for example, care is provided for 6 years, before care of a more personal nature such as palliative care is needed, then the intent is genuine.

The receiver of the care can gift an amount of money to acquire that care, without it being counted as an asset or regarded as a gift when determining pension entitlements.

The amount that is permissible is based on a reasonableness formula that multiplies the combined annual partnered aged pension rate by a conversion factor.

The conversion factor is related to the age next birthday on the date that the right of occupancy was established.

As an example, the conversion factor and allowable purchase for a 79 year old is annual partnered pension x 10.04 = \$334,653

For an 88 year old it reduces to \$175,326

Real Example:

A real example is the 88 year old, who sold her modest home and moved into the home of her single daughter who was not yet of age pension age.

The 88 year old's assessed assets were reduced for Centrelink purposes, by gifting \$185,326 to the daughter made up as follows:

\$175,326 the purchase of lifetime care and accommodation, \$10,000 gift.

A further \$10,000 was placed to a funeral bond and a further amount to an annuity which had the asset value for assessment purposes discounted by 40%

There were discussions with an estate specialist Solicitor where there was fair provisioning for other family members in the aged person's Will and Testament.

The residue of the sale proceeds was invested to supplement what was close to full pension being received by the aged person.

Other Benefits:

The daughter was successful in obtaining Carers Pension and Carer's allowance for the care of her mother.

The money received from her mother was added to the daughter's superannuation, and as this amount is not assessable until the daughter turned 67, which was not for another 5 years, full carers pension was paid.

Family Attitude:

The family was happy because their mother was being cared for in a family environment.

They acknowledged that their sibling sister was stepping in for an aged care facility at a lower cost than what might otherwise have occurred, had accommodation costs been paid to an institution.

ACAT Assessment:

An assessment had been completed that entitled the aged person for other assistance, which allowed the daughter some time out for shopping and her own personal needs.

Get Advice:

Families often become shell shocked when talking to aged care providers when the cost of care confronts them.

The aged care providers are not aware of the financial capacity of the aged person.

Often, advice before decisions are made can minimise the impact or at the least consider viable funding options.

(This advice is of a general nature only and should not be relied upon. Individual advice should be sought at all times before proceeding)



ART in the Area

Olga Conacher – Hallidays Point

It is not always the case that the personality of an artist is obvious in their paintings, but in Olga's case it most certainly is. Her paintings are colourful, the subjects entertaining, the materials varied. And that is a true reflection of her life.

As Olga told me; "I was born in the last century and in the last millennium, on another continent, in the USSR! So many changes in the world have happened since!

My childhood was happy and free, despite the fact I grew up in a poor family. The social programs of those years provided unlimited learning opportunities for everyone. I got my first prize for the best picture at the school competition when I was 12 years old".

Then Olga attended teacher training college, where she studied graphics, painting, composition, sculpture and art history. After receiving a diploma of teaching, specialising in drawing and sketching, she then taught for 15 years at schools and children's art studios. Olga continued; "the organization and participation of children's paintings in local and international exhibitions and competitions brought many victories and prizes. The joy of communicating with little artists, when they turn from timid ineptitude into independent serious artists who can depict their thoughts and feelings on a regular sheet of paper, is excellent and unique!"

The next step in her life was getting a higher degree in the area of social activity combined with tourism. That allowed her to work in the Russian Peace Foundation, a non-governmental charity organization, where learning English was an added bonus. The foundation's programs were aimed at helping children's shelters, children with disabilities, veterans, holding international meetings and conferences to prevent social and international conflicts, conducting environmental projects and actions.



Corroboree



The Race from Bridge to Bridge

All this work involved young talented poets, artists, lawyers, economists, schoolchildren and students.

"In 2008, I arrived in Sydney for 3 months to improve my English and met my current husband, Davy. After a couple of months, he flew to Russia to get to know my family, then invited me to visit Australia for 3 months, then for another 8 months, and I'm still here", says Olga with a smile.

She continued: "here in Australia I'm living my second life. For the first 6 years it was a wonderful quiet place away from people with beautiful views of the river and mountains. New smells, sounds, colours; pacification and harmony inspired me to again take up brushes and paints, to remember the previously acquired skills. I was admitted to the Wisemans Ferry Gallery and participated in exhibitions with pleasure. In March 2013, I shared my first exhibition with another artist. It was unforgettable!"

In 2015, Olga and Davy chose their new home and moved to Hallidays Point. New life, new friends, new neighbours, new hobbies! At the end of 2018, Olga saw felted creations on the Internet and was inspired to add felting to her many artistic skills. Having tried and mastered the technique she can't stop! She particularly likes felting because it is impossible to predict the final result, everything changes during the creative process.



My Buddah

Looking back, Olga tells me "I do not like to do the same things for a long time. I feel bored and disinterested. Maybe that's why I did not achieve success or fame in my life, but, by and large, I do not aspire to this! But there is one of my lifelong hobbies, which stayed with me all my life. This hobby is gardening. In my childhood, I spent all my school holidays with my grandmother in a village which was located in a picturesque mountainous area. My obligatory duties were cleanliness in the house and some work in the vegetable garden. Thank you, my beloved grandmother, I continue to grow vegetables, plant flowers and trees wherever I live.

What amazes me and makes me happy about the Australian government is the free English language training programs for immigrants and also the opportunities for everyone who wants to be creative. Here every second person is an artist or sculptor or designer! Art galleries are located in all small towns. I am a member of the Forster Lake Street Gallery, and now my first exhibition at the Black Head Library during November is to show my work to that community. This is a great responsibility and great happiness for me.

I am happy that I can do what I like and enjoy it. I thank my beloved husband for understanding and support in all my projects, which are sometimes crazy!"

Story by Fred Bullen

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Red Head Residents' Christmas Party

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Bring along your own seats, nibbles, food and drinks.

You might consider making a gold coin donation on the night to help offset the cost of lollies when Santa visits the streets of Red Head on Christmas Eve.

For enquiries phone Peter on 6559-2780.

Hallidays Point Garden Club



The club's September meeting was held at Jenny Greentree's home at Bohnock. Jenny's garden, like all our gardens, is suffering from the serious lack of rain this year but it is always such a nice property to visit. Thank you, Jenny, for your hospitality. 35 members were present as well as a large number of visitors from the Taree and District Garden Club. Members and visitors contributed to the very large morning tea spread which was enjoyed on one of Jenny's large verandahs. President Graham showed an example of his tropical rhododendron - Vireya, always an impressive bloom.

Bob Kelsie from the visiting Taree Club reported his club's activities. They have about 35 members. He said the appeal of the local camellia show has gradually diminished and will not happen again in the foreseeable future. Bob talked about Fotheringham Park in Taree and the small memorial for the Boer War that is there. The garden club is helping with the garden around this memorial. The Taree club has also involved itself with the Craft Cottage in Pulteney Street and is working to improve the garden bed around the cottage, helping with the stock of plants for sale and working on a display in the shade house at the cottage.

Date with Melbourne Cup

Melbourne Cup Day occurs on the first Tuesday in November. It signals the day on which many gardeners plant their tomatoes and re-pot their begonias. Plant tomato seedlings quite deep to encourage good root development. It is important to stake the taller varieties such as "Grosse Lisse" right from planting time. As they grow, continue to tie them up to strong wooden stakes. Pinch out the lower leaves to encourage growth at the top and to keep them reaching for the sky.

Walcha Gardens

The New England area of NSW is usually a region of inspirational cold-climate gardens, but this region has been hard hit with both drought and early savage bushfires. The Walcha Garden festival is held over the second or third weekend in November every second year when eight of the district's best gardens are open. If you were planning to visit the Walcha Gardens this year, it might be best to check whether or not this event is still on.

For Garden Club enquiries please contact Annie Mayne on 6559 2570 or annietheaussie@bigpond.com

Hallidays Point Probus News



One of the most enjoyable parts of our general meeting is the slot filled by a 10-minute speaker, who is always a fellow Probian.

Most of us came to know each other at a later stage in life, and we often have no idea of what happened in that previous life before retirement. You never know what the 10-minute speaker is going to talk about, but whether it's family, hobbies, previous occupations or travels, it's always interesting, often awe-inspiring and it makes you look at people in a different way. Take our October speaker for instance, Ray Rowe. What an eventful life he had (and is still having), all 90 years of it! We thought Ray was going to tell us about his time as a drover, but instead he decided to give us an insight into his family history.

His parents married in 1925, had 10 children, and died in a car accident when the youngest was only a baby. Ray ended up in a boys' home (where the porridge was inedible) and many of the other children were fostered out. Some went to the other side of the world, which meant they lost contact. When older, Ray tracked down many of his siblings, but realized with sadness that whenever there was something to celebrate or commemorate, there were always a few missing. Ray told us the story of how he never gave up trying to get them all together, and, miraculously, this happened after 64 years! It made us all a bit teary. I'm sure Ray will be back with more stories, because there's so much more to tell and he has a natural ability to relate it all, being the vibrant 90-year old he is.

Morning tea was organised by Alan and Christine Bates, who, at the very last minute, had to cover for Noni, as she was taken to hospital that morning after what I think they call a turn. She's doing fine now, fortunately, and we wish her all the best. Many thanks to Alan and Christine for stepping in, again.

Guest speakers this month were well-known locals. Brian and Carol Lynch, who talked about their life as coffee plantation owners in Papua New Guinea. They left Australia for PNG after a drought in 1969, with the idea to start a piggery, but instead bought two plantations (Hobe and Moritto, near Goroka, the capital of the Eastern Province, at 1600 meters above sea-level) when they realized that this region was exceptionally suitable to growing coffee.





Carol had envisaged herself as The Lady of the Big Plantation, organising High Teas for the local gentry or sitting on the veranda in a rocking chair, sipping iced tea. She was bored out of her brain in no time and took a job at the Police Station. Meanwhile Brian, known as Brian Hobe, for there were about 10 other Brians, tended his 600 trees to the acre (and he had quite a lot of acres!), Harvesting practically all year round, producing 2000 tons a year. Growing coffee takes a lot of water, and there is certainly no shortage of it there: in the wet it rains 3/4 of the day and in the dry at least an hour a day. Brian showed us a branch of a coffee plant, complete with cherries in various stages of ripeness, and explained the process from harvesting to the roasting stage. This involved picking the cherries, either by hand or by harvester, removing the two beans from the fruit, soaking them in water for a day or two, drying them for about 2 weeks (turning them regularly to allow them to dry evenly), then the parchment is removed, after which the beans are finally ready to be roasted. Never knew there was so much involved in creating my perfect cuppa! Carol and Brian also told us about the beauty of the country, with its mountains, valleys, islands and breathtakingly beautiful flora and fauna. PNG will always have a special place in their hearts. Thanks so much, Brian and Carol, we, including our 7 visitors very much enjoyed your talk.

While I'm writing this I look forward to next week's BBQ and Jeu de Boules, and even more to the November meeting, when we'll have our inaugural debate morning, captained by Peter Hester.



October Birthdays

Preparations are underway for our December meeting, which will consist of a 15-minutes performance by newly formed choral ensemble 'Take Five', followed as always by a festive morning tea, after which entertainment will be in the capable hands of Lynette Hester. All of course with Christmas in mind. Christmas lunch will be at The Tavern again, and everyone is very welcome to join us (\$21 for members, \$ 31 for non-members). Payment at the November meeting.

For more info please contact our President Ian Campbell on 0417 928 791 or cutloose08@hotmail.com

or our Secretary Norm Maberly-Smith on 0490 858 581 or nmaberlysmith@activ8.net.au.

Our club meets every first Tuesday of the month, except in January, at the Black Head Surf Club, 9.30 for a 10 am start.

Note: our November meeting will be on the 2nd Tuesday, because of Melbourne Cup Day.

Anna Hamers - Publicity Officer

Hallidays Point Community Church

Chaplain Chat



Life is not measured by the breaths we take but by the moments that take our breath away

I've noticed this pearl of wisdom in a number of different settings lately and felt it is well worth pondering. Having this week watched my brother struggling for breath on a ventilator, there is no doubt that the breaths we take are important, but it is more likely the experiences those breaths enable us to have that make life worthwhile.

Either live or on TV we marvel as performers engage in "breath-taking" stunts. Then again, many of our residents have had the opportunity to visit breath-taking wonders of the world. However, living where we do, we don't need to go far from home to have our breath taken away by scenes of natural beauty. Beaches that rival any in the popular tourist spots; the bush around us; early morning bird chorus – the

list goes on. So often I hear expressions like, "we live in Paradise". May we never lose our wonder of these moments that take our breath away. Q: What breath-taking experience should I look out for today?

Peter Hester (Hon, Chaplain)

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Kiddies Hut

Kiddies Hut at Diamond Beach recently held their Art Show in which every child had multiple pieces of work on display that they'd been working on with their Educators. It was lovely to see the children's enjoyment at showing their loved ones around, as well as seeing the pride on their families faces!! Various art mediums had been used including charcoal, clay, dye, spray paint, collage, tile mosaics, indigenous art, loose parts art.



Lara from Yukul Art worked with several groups on indigenous art pieces and these were also displayed for the families to admire before they are hung within the centre. Visual Arts are an important part of our curriculum at Kiddies Hut and a dedicated art area provides ample opportunity every day for the children to immerse themselves in this creative outlet. Anyone in our local community with an interest or skill in the arts is encouraged to come in and share this with our children....we aim to provide them with as many opportunities in their Early Childhood years as possible! As the African proverb goes "it takes a village to raise a child".

Natalie Wilson

Hallidays Point Public School News

Stage 3 Go To Lake Ainsworth!

On the 9th- 13th September, Hallidays Point Public School students from Years 5 and 6 attended a weeklong camp at Lake Ainsworth Sport and Recreation Centre. Students and teachers had a wonderful time participating in many enjoyable and rewarding experiences and opportunities. Students should be commended on their maturity and respect shown to the camp staff and those from other schools. Students were asked to recount their time at camp- here are just a few:



Cassius Hourn: On the 9th of September 2019 at 5:00am we departed for Lake Ainsworth. It was a 7 hour drive with a stop at Coffs Harbour for breakfast on the way.

At the camp there were activities such as sailing, archery, high ropes and so much more. There were also night games which were things like trivia and country fairs. Every day we had two activities, but on Monday we only had one because it was late in the day.

When we arrived, we had lunch. After lunch had ended, we went to a place called Spot-X which we went to when we were going to our activities every day, here we sorted out our cabins and groups. We had three groups the Occys (octopus), the Turtles and the Mantas (manta rays). These groups did activities together and served food...I'll talk about food next.

Every day we had breakfast, lunch, dinner and a fruit break during activities. Every time except for fruit break, a group served the other group's breakfast, lunch and dinner. For breakfast we mostly had toast and cereal. For lunch we had sandwiches and wraps, and for dinner we had all kinds of stuff.



As every day got better and better, when we left I didn't want to leave. It didn't feel like five days. It was so fun, and I want to go back again!

Jaydon Condie: Monday the 9th of September to Friday 13th of September, Stage three students of Hallidays Point Public School attended the Lake Ainsworth school camp. The camp is an outdoor activity camp.

My favourite activities included sailing, kayaking, rock wall climbing and bike riding. Sailing was one of the best activities because it can help with teamwork and teaches you how to sail. The rock wall climbing was also fun because it requires strength for both the climber and the people pulling on the other end of the rope, making sure the climber doesn't fall down. A joke was made by the instructor "Don't drag the climber up the wall like a sack of potatoes".

Some of the other activities are: A high ropes course, snorkelling, archery, swimming and walking along the beach plus stand up paddle boarding. I didn't get to do the stand-up paddle boarding, but I know it would have been fun for others.



The cabins consisted of 6 to 12 people. My cabin had 10 people in it and those people were Leo T, Ashton D, Mason B, Oliver C, Jack O, Cassius H, Jack E, Jordan B and Me. At night it was hard to sleep because there was a bright light outside our cabin shining directly through the window and into my eyes. Eventually on the second night, I had the brilliant idea of attaching my jumper to the top bunk bed to hang in the way of the light's beams letting me sleep in peace. Of course there was some way to make it even better, so I made a miniature house out of towels around the bottom bunk.

Lake Ainsworth is a great camp and experience. The outdoor camp can make you see that trying a new thing is not as bad as you might think. Plus the tea tree lake is a good excuse to go swimming.

Miley Cox: We all got to school really early. Most of us were yawning and saying goodbye to our parents. We all walked up to the front of the school and said our last goodbye. We hopped on either bus 1 or 2. Off we go!

When we were on the bus half of us were sleeping and the other half were chatting or on their iPads or iPods. When we arrived at Coffs Harbour, we got off the bus, stretched our legs and bought food from Macca's. After we ate our food, we were back on the road for another 3 hours. Yay we're here! When we got there, we put our luggage at Spot X and headed off to lunch. After lunch we got our luggage and went to our cabins.

We found out our groups. There were Occy's, Dolphins, Turtles, Whales, Starfish and so much more. There were so many activities like ropes, marine studies, bike riding, rock climbing, archery, canoeing, sailing and stand up paddle boarding. Some activities were fun, and some were scary. We also had night games every night.

There were two other schools while we were there. We all made friends from other schools. We had breakfast, lunch, dinner and night games with them. Those times were good times to make friends.



We said goodbye to Lake Ainsworth and travelled back home. When we got back to school our parents were so happy to see us. We got our luggage and drove home. We all slept in on the weekend.

Annette Barber, Classroom Teacher

Hallidays Point Senior Citizens Assoc.



Another great day at the Black Head Bazaar, with plenty of hungry market-goers due to the school holidays. Thanks for your support, this is the major fund raiser for the Seniors, and you can't eat too many egg and bacon sandwiches we say!

The Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday 9 October 2019. Thank you to the members who attended. It was a lively meeting and I'm pleased to advise our Committee for the upcoming year.

- President – Peta Power
- Secretary – Clare Taylor
- Treasurer – Doreen Heaps
- Senior Vice President – Carolyn Lynch
- Junior Vice President – Lesley Atkins
- Committee Member – Maureen Longmore
- Committee Member – Topsy Marshall

Long serving committee members Gloria White and Pauline Rashleigh have stepped down and we thank them for their commitment over the past years. The big news is the appointment of three new Life Members. They have been appointed in recognition of their continuing support of the Seniors Association over the past years. They are:

- Bev Crisp • L Cameron, and • Marilyn Lambden

Congratulation to each of our new Life Members.

It was a lovely day for our bus trip last month. We headed towards Gloucester, sadly no rain for ages and the countryside was looking dry. We enjoyed our morning tea in the park in the centre of town, a quick browse around the shops and then up the road to the Hillview Herb Farm. What a great visit. Karen is the passionate owner and showed us around the farm and explained all about the culinary and medicinal uses of the herbs. She also entertained us by telling her great stories about how the family made their decision to move to Gloucester, the building of the farm and her involvement in the local community. We enjoyed our lovely lunch there and were able to purchase lots of different herbs infusions and creams to take home.

By the time you read this, we will be packing our bags for our 4 day trip to the Entrance on 5 November. We'll be in a big rush to get down there so we can claim our seats at the local Diggers Club in time for Melbourne Cup.

Our Christmas trip which will be held on Thursday 12 December is booked out, however, things happen, so feel free to put your name down in case anyone can't make it on the day.

Remember, we are always looking for new members. To see the great activities we offer and the schedule, look on the inside back page of the News of Our World. Come on along and meet some new friends and try your hand at something new!

Gail Phair

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Contact Jack McDonald
on 6554 3368, 0411 481 892,
email gretamcd@tpg.com.au
or just drop in to check us out.



The Lions Club

An

President's Report

Share A Cuppa

Thanks to Lion Virginia Stewart and her team for the excellent organisation of the Share a Cuppa fund raiser held recently at Black Head Surf Club. It's pleasing to see that 100% of the money goes into Kids Cancer Research. The final figure was over \$4000 raised. What a fantastic effort!



**President
Noel McManus**

The club appreciates the countless hours of work completed by Virginia, her team and the many volunteers. The raffle prizes were extraordinary and special thanks goes to the many fabulous businesses in the area for their kind donations. Thanks to all those volunteers who cooked, served, attended, sold raffle tickets – it all helps. Without the support of the local community it would not have been so successful. Thanks again.

Community Dinners

At the last 2 Club Dinners of the Lions Club of Hallidays Point we explored the needs of our community. From this, we will develop some additional strategies in an endeavour to better serve our local community over the coming years.

The guest speakers who attended the first meeting held at The Kranky Goat Restaurant, Tallwoods at the end of September included Marion Blackley from Hallidays Point Church, Tim Stenning from HP Sports Club (soccer/cricket), Alan Tickle (CLAPA) and Darren Bultitude from the Kranky Goat.



The second meeting was an informal dinner (BBQ and salads) held at the Black Head Surf Club at the end of October 2019. The several guests talked about their organisation, club or business; and shared their thoughts about the needs of their organisations, clubs and businesses in the area. The guests represented businesses such as A Stones Throw, Cellarbrations, XStyles, Dr Drool; and organisations/clubs such as the Senior Citizens, Probus, DB Landcare, Black Head SLSC, and DB Rural Fire Service.

Club members came away from these meetings with quite a few suggestions for our future planning and we thank the businesses, clubs and organisation for their participation.

If you weren't able to attend these dinners and missed out on the opportunity to inform the Club about your organisation's plans over the next few years and/or have suggestions about how the Lions Club can assist you, please send an email outlining these to: noel.mcmanus@hallidayspointlions.org.au or to secretary@hallidayspointlions.org.au

Busy Times Ahead

The members and other volunteers of the Lions Club are quite busy over the coming months with many planned activities including:

- Saturday 26 October - Blackhead Surf Club 200 BBQ 12-4pm
- Saturday 9 November - Official opening Gym / walkway, Lions Park 8am
- Thursday 14 November - 5.30 pm Board Meeting at the Senior Citizens Centre with special guest Zone Chairperson Robyn Robertson
- Saturday 16 November - 6pm – set up Dragon Boat Regatta
- Sunday 17 November - Dragon Boat Regatta – Cooking start 6.30am.
- Thursday 28 November - 5.30 for 6 pm Dinner Meeting at Black Head SLSC
- Saturday 7 December - Diamond Beach Christmas Party DB Park from 5.30 to 7pm - cooking from 5pm. Sponsored by Diamond Beach businesses.
- Thursday 12 December - District Governor Dinner Meeting at Black Head SLSC - 6.30 for 7pm.
- Sunday 15 December - Cooking for Carols in the Park. Wylie Breckenridge Park - 6pm.
- 26 January 2020 –Australia Day Breakfast 7 - 9 am - Ocean Pool near Surf Club.
- 26 January 2020 – Fundraising barbecue – Historic Car Club – 10am - 12.30pm or thereabouts. Wylie Breckenridge Park.




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Club of Hallidays Point

Update of Activities



Nominations for the local Citizen of the Year

If you know of someone who has contributed significantly to the local community over the past year and/or over many years, please take the opportunity to nominate them by outlining their achievements. The Citizen of the Year will be announced at the local 2020 Australia Day ceremony.

Please send your nominations for the local Citizen of the Year to secretary@hallidayspointlions.org.au or post to:

Secretary, Lions Club of Hallidays Point Inc.
PO Box 5072, Hallidays Point. 2430.

Nominations close 5pm on Tuesday 31 December 2019.

Noel McManus, President

Lions Share a Cuppa for Childhood Cancer Research.

A pleasurable and successful morning was had by all at the Lions 'Share a Cuppa' held at the Surf Life Saving Club on the 24th of September 2019.

Many people now have a better understanding of the plight of these children and their families, from watching a short video and short address. Every year in Australia more than 700 children are diagnosed with cancer. Three children die from cancer every week. Lions Australia has supported childhood cancer projects for over 3 decades. The establishment of the Australian Lions Childhood Cancer Research Foundation (ALCCRF) has taken Lions commitment to focus on achieving 100% survival for kids with cancer to a new level. Currently ALCCRF is funding four significant research trials in Australia. Two are at Sydney Children's Hospital. Research into the causes and the treatment of Neuroblastoma, one is using drugs not previously used in the treatment of cancer. At Brisbane Children's Hospital, research into the best treatment regime to be followed by rural Doctors, when treating childhood Cancer is underway and at Royal Children's Hospital Melbourne, research into causes and treatment of hard cell tumours is underway.

Our morning tea raised \$4,000.00 for Childhood Cancer Research with 100% of this money going directly to the research with no administrative costs. Loose change collected in the Op Shop's jar was also a component of this amount. The jar is in the shop and continues to collect loose change especially 5cent pieces throughout the year.



I would like to take this opportunity to thank all Lions and community members who supported us in many ways from cooking, selling raffle tickets, setting up, working on the day and the weeks before hand. Special thanks to Glenice Honeysett, Helen Bauert, Michelle Innes, Jackie Prior, Denise Bray and Anne from Halliday Shores and to Reg Bromwich and Vaughn Parker, who rehearsed for weeks to provided us with wonderful live music and song throughout the morning. They have a permanent booking from now on! It was the Clough's 59th Wedding Anniversary and they enjoyed their cake and song to start their day of celebrations.

The following people won prizes in our raffle:-

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| 1st Prize – Ticket F04 - Margaret W | 19th Prize - E86 – M Kingcott |
| 2nd Prize - Ticket C46 – Reg B | 20th Prize – F24 – Ian Scarr |
| 3rd Prize – Ticket A100 - P Power | 21st Prize – A61 – S Stubbs |
| 4th Prize – Ticket A 90 – Rosie | 22nd Prize – C56 – G Cross |
| 5th Prize – Ticket A80 – Vonnie | 23rd Prize – E15 – J Studdard |
| 6th Prize – Ticket F13 – Pauline | 24th Prize – E30 – H Galvin |
| 7th Prize – Ticket F32 - Vicki B | 25th Prize – C04 - A Fiew |
| 8th Prize – Ticket B66 – Topsy M | 26th Prize – B 81 – S Murray |
| 9th Prize – Ticket A82 – Vonnie | 27th Prize – A50 - M Affleck |
| 10th Prize – Ticket A39 – Rose | 28th Prize – B94 - Vicki B |
| 11th Prize – Ticket C88 – Taryn Butt | 29th Prize - C99 - A Filmer |
| 12th Prize – Ticket A67 – L Milward | 30th Prize – B44 – Rodd |
| 13th Prize – Ticket A18 – Ross Timmins | 31st Prize – C03 – A Fiew |
| 14th Prize – Ticket A44 - W Kiernan | 32nd Prize – A56 – S Smith |
| 15th Prize – C 14 – D Tipping | 33rd Prize – B34 – L Young |
| 16th Prize – Ticket A78 – Vonnie | 34th Prize – A74 – K Walker |
| 17th Prize – C 59 – G Cross | 35th Prize – C41 – Michelle M |
| 18th Prize – B83 – unclaimed | 36th Prize – E75 – Marie |
| | Jewellery Prize – A45 - M Laing |

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Many people have commented on their enjoyable morning and look forward to next year. If you missed it this time, put it in your calendar for next year.

Lion Virginia Stewart Coordinator

Fundraising Report

Mum Lisa with daughters Willow (blue hat) and Lilly (pink hat) getting to know assistance dog Molly.



Lions again held a successful chocolate wheel at the Black Head markets over the long weekend raising funds to support local community projects including the New Year's Eve fireworks display.

Prize winners on the day were:

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| 1. Daniel Baker | 5. Jamie |
| 2. Alex Sarroff | 6. Jack Mannion |
| 3. Roin Jenkins | 7. Brett Thomas |
| 4. Mary Bromwich | |

Thanks again to all those who supported Lions on the day.

Remember we will be running the chocolate wheel at the November and December markets with Christmas hams again as the major prizes and we look forward to your continued support.

Lion Jim Frewin



The Op Shop is now in full Spring mode, with Winter woollies packed away and Spring fashions filling the racks. We have many charming dresses for the upcoming Melbourne Cup celebrations for just \$5.00 along with shoes, handbags, and jewellery to complete the look. Come in and buy your wine glasses, punch sets and glass platters for the upcoming parties. We have some lovely low maintenance succulents in store to adorn your table or outdoor area. We also have an assortment of games and puzzles. We are very grateful for your donations, now needing Summer (not Winter) clothing, modern novels' children's books and DVDs at the moment.

Lion Virginia Stewart Shop Manager

Liv'n'dream

OUR STORY

Liv'n'dream was founded by Julianne Mara and her daughter Olivia (Liv) in 2015. The idea was one born of both positivity and personal tragedy.

In 2012 Jules and her husband Gary took Liv to California for the holiday of a lifetime. They were celebrating Gary's 50th birthday and their 10 year wedding anniversary. Liv had just turned 8 and their first destination was Disneyland - 'where all your dreams come true'.

However a drunk driver was about to change all that. As they were crossing a road, the driver sped around the corner heading straight for them. Gary took the brunt of the impact and was killed. He was, and always will be, their hero. Liv and Jules survived that day but struggled to function. They struggled to keep living and dreaming of a happy future.

Liv hit the water and started surfing. Jules exercised her artistic talents and hence the Liv'n'dream brand was born. Together they began screen printing bags and t-shirts as gifts from home. Friends and family were their first customers and then friends of friends started requesting shirts. Production quickly grew as did their ability to keep living and start dreaming.

The logo represents this remarkable family - Liv is the wave, constantly pushing ahead, Gary is the dragonfly - always buzzing about watching over them, and Jules is the circle - her strength an infinite end.

The Liv'n'dream message is so powerful. No matter what happens in your life, you have to keep on living and dreaming.

Michele Brown (Shell) joined the team in 2019 to assist with product development, distribution, and advertising. Jules and Shell have known each other since they were three. Their connection has proven a very natural partnership and successful evolution of the business. If a couple of old school friends can achieve international recognition, then anyone can - you can!

So get passionate about life - it's not a practice run.

Travel the world, start that business you've always wanted to, get motivated and keep the ideas coming. Anything is possible when you dream. Make your dreams your reality.

Deb Schmitzer



XStyles Salon Introduces

Julie our New Senior Stylist

Julie has worked with Francina 25 years ago in her Hallidays Point and Forster Salons .

We are delighted to have Julie return to the area to be with family, after years of living and working in Sydney, it is so nice to have her familiar face back again!

Julie comes with 30 years' experience and a very highly developed skill set in Hairdressing. She has managed salons overseas, and in Australia plus has operated her own salon in Queensland

Working in Sydney included managing a salon and 7 years Educating, Training and mentoring staff in our industry.

With the ever changing industry Julie regularly attends courses to update technical expertise!

With our area growing so fast, supply and demand increases, so we will be extending our hours next year as many of you have requested. This will take the pressure off Chantelle and myself as we are booked well in advance moving towards Christmas. We look forward to introducing Julie to our great friendly salon and accommodating you with more available appointments.

Welcome Julie from Francina, Chantelle, Molly and Amber @ XStyles Salon



TOFS MC Tour Report

Our membership has now grown to 38. We are obviously providing an outlet for the retired/semi-retired men of the area.



September's trip (Friday 27 September 2019)

Mid Coast Maritime Museum in Port Macquarie. A wonderful day as captured in the Report written by Gary S (322) and can be seen in full on the TOFS website at:

<https://sites.google.com/site/touringoldfartsinc/tours/recent-tour-reports?authuser=0>

However a brief extract which captures the mood of the day is as follows:

"With sailing time set for the high tide at 9am 21 intrepid crew boarded the SS Halliday Shores under the Captaincy of Peter Hester who elected to handle the steerage whilst the First Officer and Navigator, Don Sheffield ensured we were heading in the right direction".



October's trip (Friday 25 October 2019) will be to the Coastal Brewing Company in Forster, with a brewery tour, followed by a beer tasting, and later lunch at a local club.

Cheers, John Mead, Liaison Officer - Phone: 0417 007 456

Email: johnmead2430@gmail.com

Diamond Beach Rural Fire Brigade



Hi John sorry I haven't had the time to do a report this month. Due to being up north fighting the fires we have a camp set up in Glen Innes with 200 crew but are now being deployed to Tenterfield to fight the fires up there. I went up with 13 members from other mid coast brigades with 5 trucks in total.

We were deployed to Glen Innes to fight fires there the first day. Then the next day we had to take the trucks up to Tenterfield as big fires were breaking out up there and the local brigades were worn out and needed a well-earned rest.

It's very sad to see how dry it is up there. I was told they have only had 30mm of rain up there this year, the ground around the houses is just dust no grass at all. I feel very sorry for the families that live up here at the moment, they need rain so bad I get emotional listening to their stories and all they want to do is thank us for coming up to put the fires out. I think they are the true Aussie fighters not us. Regards Leo

Rainbow Flat Rural Fire Brigade



Preparing Your Rural Property

If you live on a rural property, whether 100, 1000 or more hectares, there are simple tasks you need to complete to prepare your property for fire. Grass fires in particular can spread quickly over large distances, wiping out entire farms in an instant.

A well-prepared property can:

- be easier for you or firefighters to defend
- give you more protection if a fire threatens suddenly and you cannot leave
- reduce the possibility of a fire spreading onto your property
- increase protection of valuable assets such as stock, crops, fodder stores, infrastructure and machinery.

Top 5 Actions to make your property safer:

1. **CLEAR/SLASH.** Clear flammable materials (such as gas cylinders) and slash areas of long grass around structures like your home and sheds
2. **BURN.** If you have the required permit/approval and training and conditions are suitable, conduct a controlled burn on your property to reduce the fuel load
3. **PLOUGH.** Plough firebreaks around paddock boundaries to prevent the spread of fires
4. **ROTATE.** Rotate stock across the property to ensure paddocks are well grazed
5. **PREPARE.** Prepare and maintain sturdy hoses and water pumps in case you need to defend your property.

For further information on useful tools to develop your Farm Fire Plan, please visit www.rfs.nsw.gov.au or contact Robyn King, Rainbow Flat Rural Fire Brigade Community Engagement Officer on 0490 013 182.



FAWNA

This rarely seen Regent bower bird crashed into a window of a Diamond Beach home. Luckily the owner took him to vet Joe at Diamond Beach who contacted FAWNA.



He was collected and transported to carer Gail at Rainbow Flat where his every need was catered for. He made a full recovery and was released a few days later back at Diamond Beach near where he was found. Many thanks to Joe and the person who rescued him.

Photo by Gail Whitwell.

Unfortunately our other wildlife is not faring as well due to the shortage of suitable food. Flying-foxes in particular are having a very bad time, some reduced to trying to exist on lemons. We have received many calls to rescue these threatened animals, but most have died by the time we arrive, or die on the way home.

At this time of year we would normally be receiving this year's pups that may have dropped from their mums, but so far, we have only been getting undernourished adults or sub adults. They are not sick but are starving some have lost 200g which when you consider the normal weight of an adult is 500 - 600g, is quite a lot.

If you see a flying-fox on the ground or low in a tree, it is in distress and needs to be collected by a vaccinated member of FAWNA as soon as possible. Do NOT handle the bat, keep pets and children away from it, if it's on the ground cover it with a box or washing basket and phone FAWNA as soon as possible.

This photo shows little Hattie, a Grey-headed Flying-fox, being fed with a syringe. Only about a year old, she was found lying on the ground too weak to hang on to a tree. She was fed and rehydrated every couple of hours for 3 days, then at longer intervals, and after a week in care, is nearly ready to feed herself. A major part of her care has involved being held close (for warmth and security) and getting lots of neck rubs.



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Fishing News

It has always been recognised that October and November are the least productive months for fishing as it is the transitional period between the winter varieties and those of summer such as whiting and flathead inland and snapper, pearl perch and flathead offshore.



However, this October has been different – again an example of nature out of kilter. Although not in abundance, it has been rare that the anglers have not come home with a decent feed of bream and whiting, both of reasonable size, caught on beach worms and pipis. Such was the case with little 7 year old Eve, who with grandpa Garry and grandma Lyn, caught her first bream and a 34cm beauty at that, on Tuncurry Beach, as illustrated.

It is a similar story in the estuaries and Wallis Lake. Location, location! You have to know where the food is – around leases, wharves, rock walls and sand and reed flats that are exposed at low tide.

Neighbour, Brian, and daughters Brooke and Alice wasted an age drifting the usual spots at Manning Point, only to return to 50 metres from the ramp they launched their boat and, in only half a metre of water, caught a smorgasbord of fish. Bream to 40 cm, flathead, whiting, and flounder soon were dancing in the fish box. The secret is the light line and no sinker and using live yabbies that they had pumped. I heard that a 48 cm bream was caught by a young lad off the footbridge at Crescent Head. That was a monster.



We ventured in the estuary chasing luderick again after catching a good feed a fortnight ago. Three hours were wasted by the three of us trying many of our favourite locations in the Wallis system to not get a single down, so, obviously, the luderick season downstream is over, as the fish migrate up stream during spring and summer.



Our Halliday's Point postmaster, Alan, tried his luck on Tuncurry Beach after mulloway using fish bait, to be rewarded with a creditable 16 kg trophy.(see photo). Being a postie it was obviously a MALE fish!! Well done. Quite a few of this species have been beached of late, with Damian successful on several occasions using worms.

Offshore continues to be productive. The Hills, reading Luke's fishing news of Tuncurry Tackle, about the success of the Vibe lures, purchased a couple. He had only turned the handle of his reel twice after the line hit bottom and –wham-a 3kg snapper in 17 metres of water off Black Head. Further out at the "5 mile" they filled their box with more snapper, pearl perch, flathead and a rare but succulent goat fish. This story has been replicated in all offshore sites from Diamond Head to Seal Rocks, as indicated by the fantastic prevalence of outside fish at the club weigh in at Harrington recently.

Good Fishing, Trevor

Black Head SLSC



The Black Head Surf Club has partnered with Envirobank, a recycling firm, to ensure cans and bottles do not end up in landfill. It also allows the club to earn some much-needed funds for patrolling and other activities of a 1st responder.

If anyone would like to recycle and help the club, the orange bags can be picked up in the green bin at the side of the club and when full, returned to the same area. It doesn't accept wine bottles or large beer bottles, but will accept any of the cans, glass and plastic bottles.



Activity around the club recently was a coaching weekend with members from Mona Vale, Sawtell and Coffs Harbour joining in with the local members to learn from our head coach, Marty Cowper.

One of the many highlights of the weekend was the education session with physiotherapists Aaron and Mitch from Mayo Hospital, providing instruction sessions on stretching techniques for high performance athletes. The weekend was such a success the visitors have already booked in for 2020.

Three of our members Leana Glover, Connor Anderson and Izaak Boag were selected to attend the Talented Athletes Program, in Sydney. All came away with a greater appreciation of life as an athlete.

Firefighters Sydney Tower Climb

Saturday November the 9th, Myself and other Firefighters from around Australia and the world will ascend the iconic Sydney Tower Eye as quickly as possible in full structural firefighting ensemble to raise money and awareness for Motor Neuron Disease (MND).



Firefighters will race to climb all 1504 stairs (98 floors) of the Sydney Tower Eye, each carrying an additional 20kg of gear. It will be a grueling challenge; however, it is nothing in comparison to the challenge patients with MND face every day.

MND is Motor Neuron Disease, or ALS, or Lou Gehrig's Disease. It doesn't matter what you call it you don't want it. Normal healthy fit people exactly like you get MND. It strikes indiscriminately, at any time with no proven explanation.

MND is a progressive, terminal neurological disease. MND affects the nerve cells (neurons) controlling the muscles that enable us to move, speak, breathe and swallow, causing them to degenerate and die. A person's senses and intellect are not affected.

Every dollar raised will directly support vital MND research at the Macquarie University MND Research Centre.

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I have recently suffered a setback in my training being involved in an accident, I suffered fractured ribs and sternum as well as some other minor injuries that I am still recovering from, nonetheless I haven't given up on trying to raise funds and I will definitely be attending the event, even if I am only there as a volunteer to assist with the running of the event and if I am in any way fit enough I will still attempt the climb, I can't promise I will make it to the top, but I can promise that I will try.

Thank you, Pete Willard, Station Commander, Fire and Rescue NSW Taree and Hallidays Point local! :)

Tallwoods Golf Club

20th Anniversary

Twenty years have elapsed since Tallwoods Golf Club was formed by some of the Tallwoods Village estate pioneers. In celebration of the 20th anniversary, here are some more stories about some of these early settlers.

1. Bill & June Brookes



When it comes to Tallwoods Golf Club, Bill and June Brookes are as original as they come with membership numbers ending in 001 and 002. Their life stories could fill a book but by way of summary, they have been married 56 years and have 5 children (including 4 daughters) and 5 grandchildren. Bill worked as a ground engineer and maintenance supervisor for QANTAS for 40 years, a career that has given him great experiences and memories. Bill and June started in Melbourne with Bill's career taking them to Mauritius and Fiji. It was in Melbourne that Bill developed a life-long love of the Essendon Bombers and during their 5 years in Fiji, Bill and June found a shared love for the game of golf. Golf and family have kept them young as they look forward to the next era of TGC which is just beginning.

Bill and June first heard about plans for Tallwoods at a Golf Show in Sydney in the 1990s and were one of the first to put a deposit on a block of land in 1996. Some others moved into project homes before them, but Bill and June were the first owner builders to move to Tallwoods in 1996. The course was still being built at this stage and Bill and June were able to watch with interest from their vantage point on a hill as fairways were sown, Lakeside Garden Estate was built and the popular pole homes (that were somehow balanced on poles on sloping blocks of land) sprung up all around them.

Bill and June played in the first competition game run by Tallwoods Golf Club on the 3rd of July 1999. Bill and June have achieved success in various golf events at local and district level. Bill has been as low as a 6 marker but has now drifted to the mid and high teens where is he still plays a very competitive game of golf. This is especially so in inter-club match play pennant competitions where Bill has been representing Tallwoods Golf Club for 20 years.

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2. Ralph & Rosanne Ezzy

Ralph started playing golf at age 13 and initially trained in carpentry before joining the NSW police force. He lived dangerously solving crimes as a detective in Sydney before returning to carpentry and running a successful building business.



A friend in Tuncurry knew Ralph was a keen golfer so rang him in the 1990s to suggest that he check out the new Tallwoods Village Estate.

Ralph and Rosanne looked at an exhibition home that Rosanne immediately fell in love with. Ralph would have preferred to build a house but agreed to buy the property, so they could get straight into golf. In 1999 the Ezzys joined the original early settlers and Ralph became the first President of Tallwoods Golf Club that he had helped establish. Ever since then Ralph, has continued to make major contributions to the sustainability of the club under changing ownership.

Ralph and Rosanne have been married 51 years, have three children and six grandchildren and have now down-sized but still live at Tallwoods. They have achieved many golf successes including the 2015 Mixed Fourball Championships. Ralph has scored two hole-in-ones, but Rosanne has bettered this with three aces, scored on various courses.

The best view in Tallwoods is from the Black 17th Tee where on a clear day you can see all the way to Forster and Cape Hawke. It was here that Ralph built a seat dedicated to his wife and called it "Rosie's Chair". Some other seats around the place are memorials but Ralph and Rosanne intend to spend many more hours there together, admiring the view from this terrific vantage point.

Jeff Cutler, Club Captain

And, by the way, membership is growing, with 4 new members from the October Bazaar.

Grant Application; NSW State Government; Stronger Country Communities

Late September the Club lodged its most recent Grant application for replacement of the surfaces to both existing courts, with a number of letters of support including Lions Club of Hallidays Point Inc.

At our most recent General Meeting, held on Saturday 12 October 2019, a question from the floor asked why it was taking so long to fix the lights. Meeting Chair John Mead gave a brief account quoting the "Court Lighting History", a brief summary from Meeting Minutes over the last 15 years, which notes that "lighting replacement" was first sought in 2007, 12 years ago. John also pointed out that further quotes were sought in 2010 and 2011, 8 years ago, but no further action occurred. Discussions from the floor brought up the fact that since the committee was made aware of the lighting issues in May this year, the committee has been very active in gathering information from Mid Coast Council, Tennis NSW and the insurers for Tennis NSW, and Crown Lands, plus obtaining quotes for total lighting replacement, and preliminary processes for a Grant application, which with a cost of \$35,000 +, is the only way the club can reintroduce night tennis.

Working Bee; 12 noon Saturday 9 November 2019; in an endeavour to keep making improvements, or at least to "keep things working", like drains around the courts, please bring a shovel, a spade or just some enthusiasm. Social tennis to follow.

Your committee is working hard to ensure a bright future for our club.
Cheers, John Mead, President - Phone; 0417 007 456.



Blackhead Tennis Club



At the most recent Black Head Bazaar, held on Sunday 6 October, we had 6 committee volunteers manning our stand to spread the word and all the good news items currently happening at the club. Visitors to our stand were asked to sign a petition to support the need to provide "suitable tennis facilities in our community"; namely new and upgraded surfaces for our 2 courts and lights that satisfy public liability insurance. Last month we had 61 signatories to our petition. This month we had 187 who called in to say "Giddy and sign the petition. To those who showed support a very BIG THANK YOU from all members of the club.

Hallidays Point Netball Club



HPNC is thrilled to reveal that our B Grade Ladies Cellarbrations team are the 2019 Grand Final winners. It was a terrific game where on-court discipline and playing experience saw our ladies take the lead by half time and maintain this till the final whistle. It was wonderful to see the sidelines packed with HPNC families, past and current players and general supporters from Hallidays Point.

We would also like to acknowledge the ongoing support from our B grade sponsors, Cellarbrations at Diamond Beach. Congratulations to all our B Grade ladies on taking out the grand final championship, two years in a row!



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There is an old proverb which states, 'Many hands make light work'. HPNC is fortunate to have many parents, associated family members, friends and supporters who assist with the smooth running of our club and competition. Often this help is provided behind the scenes. On Grand Final day, several players and parents from our U13's The Point Bakery and Cafe Team spent 3 hours serving in the canteen, to fulfil our HPNC 'club' duties. This team had narrowly missed out on making the U13's grand final, so it was generous of them to work rather than play, on this day.

HPNC would also like to thank Club Blackhead for hosting our end of season club presentation. Teams gathered to



2019 Finalists, U13's 'The Point Bakery and Cafe team'.

celebrate together with a fun day of dressing up, face painting, jumping castle and sports on the Bowling Green. It was a different setting this year with outdoor, daytime activities. The 'littlies' received trophies whilst our walking netballers were also acknowledged. Our older teams will receive a HPNC 2019 playing shirt, which will be distributed by their team managers when they arrive. It was a windy but lovely day, and we appreciate the effort from the HPNC committee and the staff at Club Blackhead for organising and enabling this celebration to happen.



'HPNC end of season celebration'



Hallidays Point Netball Club would like to invite you to attend our annual AGM on Wednesday 27th of November 2019, at Club Blackhead from 6pm.

This is a great opportunity to provide feedback and have input into our club moving forward into next year.

Please look to our Facebook page and website for further information.

Tank's Corner



Diamond Beach Veterinary Clinic will be closed for 1 week from Saturday 2nd November and will reopen on Monday 11th November.

For those clients whose pets are on medications, please arrange your stocks so that you will have a supply during this period.

Dad has asked me to explain some of the confusion with Flea, Tick, Heartworm and Intestinal worm preparations. Our clinic likes to simplify things for us pets and our owners by using a yearly injection called Proheart for the prevention of Heartworm spread by mosquitos. For Ticks and Fleas we recommend products that prevent infestation of fleas and counteracts and kills Ticks without all the add-ons (Nexgard, Bravecto and Bravecto spot on). We recommend 3 monthly all worming products for intestinal worms as the add on products do not do all intestinal worms as claimed. These products will treat Roundworms, Hookworms (make sure that they do both Hookworms), Whipworms, but do not kill Tapeworms. There are 3 types of tapeworms affecting Dogs and the claims of preventing tapeworm infection only applies to the Flea (spread) tapeworm and not the other 2 types. The claim is that they prevent the Flea tapeworm by killing the Fleas, but do not actually kill any of the tapeworms if they are already in

the dog. Thus you are worming your dog every month, but never worming for tapeworm.

The manufacturers reply to our questioning of their product and their claims is that you have to worm your dog every 3 months! That is why our clinic does not supply or advise these products and sticks to the simple preventatives described above. There is no question that the "all in one" products work well for fleas ticks and Heartworm and if you prefer to give them to your pet, then just make sure you also use a proper all worm product every 3 months. This is important all year round in this area.

This advice is given by our clinic and you should ask your vet for their recommendations, especially after reading this advice. Remember, there is no question about the efficacy of all products for the prevention of problem parasites that they do prevent or kill, just make sure to add a 3 monthly all worming product to your list.

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