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New General Manager for MidCoast Council



The Mayor, Cr David West has announced Adrian Panuccio has been appointed as the new General Manager of MidCoast Council.

The appointment follows a comprehensive recruitment process, which saw three short-listed candidates interviewed by Councillors at an extraordinary meeting on Monday, Cr West explained.

Mr Panuccio has significant local government experience and is coming to the MidCoast region from Sydney, where he has most recently held the position of Chief Operating Officer at North Sydney Council.

“I am looking forward to building upon the great work already undertaken by Council, and the opportunity to deliver on the community’s expectations for the MidCoast region. I am honoured to have been chosen to lead the Council during this next exciting phase,” Mr Panuccio said.

The Mayor said he was looking forward to working with Mr Panuccio, who started in the role on Monday 9 July, to continue on the work already undertaken by staff of MidCoast Council.

“I am confident Adrian will make a significant contribution to the organisation as he brings a range of skills and experience that will be a significant advantage for the MidCoast community,” Cr West said.

Mr Panuccio holds a Master of Business Administration from the University of New England, and a Bachelor of Law from the University of Technology, Sydney.

He has provided both legal and strategic advice within the local government sector since 1999, and as Chief Operating Officer at North Sydney Council has managed a team of professionals that specialise in the areas of procurement, contract management, risk, legal services, and Work Health and Safety.

In making the announcement, the Mayor paid tribute to Steve Embry, who has been the Acting General Manager since January.

“I would like to congratulate Acting General Manager Steve Embry and fellow Directors for their hard work and dedication to ensure we have been able to deliver the best service possible to our community during this transition.”

In accepting the role, Mr Panuccio said he was looking forward to working with the staff and Council of MidCoast to deliver for the community.

“I believe in the benefits of an effective community engagement strategy to plan and deliver the desired services, facilities and outcomes for the MidCoast community. I appreciate and enjoy the role that local government can play in bringing the community together.”

Mr Panuccio said he is looking forward to relocating to the area and plans to spend lots of his free time exploring the region and getting to know the community.

“Outside of work I am a keen golfer, social tennis player and restorer of old cars. My current project is a 1977 Holden Statesman – you may hear it around the area” he explained.

Image: Mr Adrian Panuccio will begin in the role of acting General Manager on Monday 9 July. For more information visit our website at www.midcoast.nsw.gov.au

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About That Roundabout



If you're a Tallwoods local or a regular traveller on Blackhead Road, you may be aware that the roundabout at the intersection of Blackhead Road and The Boulevard has been the topic of recent discussions. It was raised most recently at the Wednesday 23 May Council meeting when the developer of Hallidays Point Caravan Park applied for a modification to its development consent. The modification was subsequently refused, however concerns raised by the local community have been taken on board by MidCoast Council's engineering team who visited the site on Tuesday 29 May.

While the roundabout currently in operation is a temporary fixture, it meets regulatory design standards and follows the same geometric design as the roundabout proposed to be installed as a permanent fixture should the development proceed. "We have assessed the safety of the temporary roundabout and have made slight modifications to the location of water-filled barriers to rectify concerns regarding line of sight", explained Rhett Pattison, MidCoast Council's Manager, Projects and Engineering.

The barriers were installed to ensure traffic heading east on Blackhead Road followed the designed approach deviation, needed to slow vehicles approaching the roundabout. The barriers have now been spaced out to perform the desired function but allowing improved visibility for vehicles entering the roundabout from The Boulevard.

Installation of a temporary roundabout at the intersection was a condition of consent granted to the developer, with a requirement it is replaced by the developer within 12 months (by December 2018) with a permanent roundabout. Maintenance of the temporary installation remains the responsibility of the developer.

"For now, we have a functional roundabout that provides safe passage into and out of Tallwoods", Rhett added. "As the consent currently stands, by December, the developer will be required to construct something permanent, or to remove the roundabout altogether if the development doesn't proceed".

Meagan Cooper, Communications Officer



Kiddies Hut Children Visit the Library

The children from Kiddies Hut enjoyed a special excursion to the library to participate in the National Simultaneous Storytime event at the Library recently. Everyone had lots of fun listening to the story "Hickory Dickory Dash" and then deciding which objects belonged in which "rooms".

HALLIDAYS POINT BRANCH



Special Storytime

On Friday 8th June lots of children participated in a wonderful morning to celebrate The Very Hungry Caterpillar Show at the Manning Entertainment Centre. They enjoyed a reading of Eric Carle's much-loved book, followed by a special craft activity presented by the Manning Regional Art Gallery.



Wayne Barry - Art Exhibition

"Water; The Essence" is the name given to the beautiful watercolour exhibition by Wayne Barry, on display from 2 July to 27 July. Wayne's high quality seascapes and landscapes depict Australia's natural beauty with a softness that is very pleasing to the eye.



Bookclub Expressions of Interest

Would you like to join a book club? Speak to your Library Staff to register your interest and we will help organise a group for you.

School Holiday Fun

The July holiday program is available now (online and at the library). Book online at midcoastlibraries.com. A great line-up of activities for the July holidays including the ever-popular Kids Bingo, Science on the Move, recycled craft, and a drawing workshop are on offer at Hallidays Point Library. Lots of other activities are on offer at the other branches of Midcoast Libraries.

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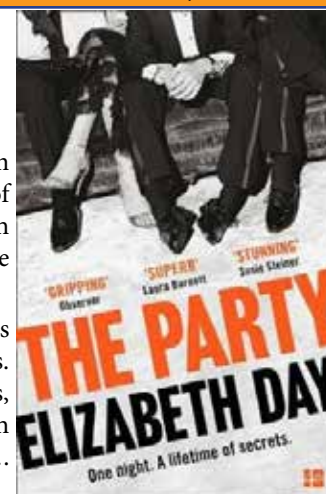
The Party Elizabeth Day

A social realism and grip-lit novel that revolves around two men who have a secret that binds them, is an observant description of the continuing power of class in Britain. Ben, a born into it rich man and poor Martin, raised by his freezing cold mother, owe each other big time.

The secret is revealed throughout the book with half-truths, lies and therapy sessions as Ben tries to free himself to enter politics. The perceived threat of Martin is consuming him. Their wives, ignorant of the event that binds their husbands can't fathom each other, they are so different, but are always thrown together... until the final party.

Elizabeth Day is a journalist and her first novel Scissors Paper Stone is next on my reading list.

Alana



Rainforest Regeneration Workshop at Black Head

A most successful Rainforest Regeneration workshop was held at Black Head on Tuesday 22 May. The workshop was part of a series of training and information sessions set up by Manning Coastcare Coordinator Pieta Laing, with significant input from Manning Coastcare President Daintry Gerrand and trainer Andrew Paget.

The Black Head workshop was coordinated locally by Landcare stalwart Peter Bell, with help from Landcare members Clare and Dick Bartlett and Helen Pursch. Of the 23 participants on the day, 10 were Hallidays Point volunteers (5 from Black Head/Red Head, and 5 from Seascape/Diamond Beach), with the remainder from Tuncurry, Wallabi Beach, Old Bar, Harrington, Upper Lansdowne and John's River.

An introduction and welcome from Peter Bell and Pieta Laing was followed by a walk through the interesting regenerating rainforest on Black Head Headland to our magnificent whale watching tower. Andrew Paget gave us some fascinating insights into the diverse rainforest species we encountered on the way, with lots of tips on weed control techniques. Daintry Gerrand contributed lots of historical background to the changing land use of the area, with a summary of the work done by dedicated volunteers over more than 25 years, leading to the restoration of the littoral (coastal) rainforest so enjoyed by residents and visitors and so valued by scientists.



Workshop participants at the whale watching tower on Black Head Headland.

A yummy morning tea at the BBQ area behind Black Head Beach was followed by a walk up the Beach, over the foredune and into Black Head Flora Reserve. Peter Bell gave us some insights into the geology and morphology of the area, and the succession of vegetation from dunal vegetation through to tall eucalypts, corkwoods and paperbarks deep in the reserve. Andrew, Pieta and Daintry contributed plenty of information about rainforest species and regeneration techniques, and Daintry congratulated all the volunteers who have worked tirelessly over the last 20 plus years to remove the tangled mass of lantana, senna pendula, ochna, climbing and ground asparagus and many other weeds to give us the magnificent reserve we can enjoy today.



Onsite training and information in Black Head Flora Reserve

Volunteers and residents may be interested to hear some feedback from two researchers from the Royal Botanic Gardens in Sydney who were doing some DNA testing of sandpaper fig trees in the Hallidays Point rainforest reserves in early May. This work was part of a project involving littoral rainforest reserves up the whole NSW coast, and the researchers were heard to say that our reserves are in the best condition of any they had visited. Take a bow all vullies!

The workshop finished up with a BBQ lunch back at the picnic shelters.

For more info about Hallidays Point Landcare - or if you would like to help look after our amazing rainforest reserves - contact Alan Pursch on 0413 482 505.

For info about Manning Coastcare, contact [Pieta Laing](mailto:pieta.manningcoastcare@gmail.com) at pieta.manningcoastcare@gmail.com or Daintry Gerrand at daintry.gerrand@lls.nsw.gov.au

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Stronger Country Communities Grant Program

CLAPA submitted two applications under this program in accordance with the wishes of the Community as determined at our public meeting in February.

The first application was straight forward in that it entailed a shared pathway from the Surf Club to the playground and from the picnic area to Lions Park with static exercise equipment through Lions Park. This was accepted by Council as the intermediary facilitating body and submitted for determination by the State Government's Department of Premier and Cabinet. Funding announcements will be made in August – hopefully this project will be successful.

The second application was for a shared pathway from Black Head to Red Head and was complex in route, topography and facilitation. Unfortunately insufficient detail was available and Council had no way of forwarding this application for determination. Planning will continue and a future Grant Application will be made.

Provision and Upgrade of Facilities

I recently was approached by a Member of CLAPA who had concerns about the upgrade of an essential service within the Village and I am liaising with Council to ascertain a timetable for that upgrade.

Should you have concerns about the lack of a particular facility or the need to upgrade a facility, do not hesitate to contact myself or a CLAPA Committee Member and we will seek an answer from the relevant level of Government.

John Griffiths, President, CLAPA

Hallidays Point Senior Citizens Association



Our bus trip to Bulahdelah, was terrific. The sun shone for us after many days of rain. We had our usual delicious morning tea (thank you Josie!) at the park and then made our way to the historic Courthouse where we enjoyed a fascinating lecture on the history of Bulahdelah and the Courthouse as well as the establishment of the surrounding areas.

The outer buildings were wonderfully laid out with various displays of old radiograms, TVs, typewriters, even a comptometer machine in the cells, all of which brought back many memories and laughs. There was agriculture equipment, and a replica of an old hut, where prisoners were kept.

Inside the Courthouse, one room was set up as an old classroom from the turn of the last century. Memories of pigtailed being dipped in inkwells and brown paper covered school books complete with pictures cut out from cards made us laugh. The sheet with the list of misdemeanours and the punishment accorded for bad behaviour also brought back memories and not so many laughs. If you're looking for an interesting visit, do go there, you won't be disappointed. Lovely nostalgia.

We then travelled the back way to board the punt to Tea Gardens and enjoyed a lovely lunch at the Hotel and a quick look around the shops before heading back. We had a singalong on the way and finished with a rousing rendition of the theme from Rawhide.

Happy July birthdays to:

Margaret Laing - 15th Richard Branson - 18th Ilse Nauer - 22nd

For a friendly morning's entertainment come and join our Friday morning Art Group. It doesn't matter if you can't draw a straight line or ever had a paint brush in your hand. All you need to do is buy some coloured pencils and an adult colouring-in book, readily available, then sit back and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere and chatter as you create colour on to the beautiful illustrations.

More advanced artists in our group are happy to share their expertise with those of us struggling with water colours and acrylic art work.

Whatever standard you are, you are most welcome to join our group and enjoy each other's company as we try to create something to catch the eye of a beholder.

Also, don't forget that membership renewals are due 1 July.

To see all the other great activities, we offer and the schedule, look on the inside back page of the News of Our World.

As Rowdy Yates would say, "YeeHar". If you don't know who Rowdy Yates is, you're too young to read this column!

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Black Head Lagoon Flows Out to the Ocean



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Hallidays Point Garden Club



The May meeting was held in bright sunshine in the garden of Jenny and Bill Lyndon. Close to 40 members attended.

Morning Tea was held first, and it was the Cancer Council's Biggest Morning Tea fundraiser. As well as the Biggest Morning Tea, members had been asked to bring along a piece of china – cup and saucer, vase, bowl etc. – for members to judge their favourite. This was done by placing gold coins in front of each piece.



Close to \$300 for cancer research was raised so that was a great effort by our little club. Annie Mayne, the Club Secretary, spoke about the fact that these morning teas for cancer research have been going now for 25 years and are held as close as possible to May 24th each year. The occurrence of cancer in the Australian population is now one in two so it is very easy to understand why research into this disease is so



very important.

In 2017 a new cervical cancer screening test became available and that will come as a comfort to all women.



The Lyndon's' garden was a picture of perfection as it always is and, as always, a new project is under way. This time, a lovely new swimming pool is being installed at the end of the verandah so that Jenny and Bill can jump in and cool off after their labours

in the garden. There were new front steps, new water features, new gardens and a new potting shed so the Lyndons have not been idle since our last visit.



Carolyn Begg spoke to the membership about a 9-yr old boy, Oliver, who was diagnosed last November with an Adrenal Neuroblastoma. Primarily a disease of newborns, the cause remains unknown. There are only 46 known cases at present in Australia. Oliver is currently being treated with Immunotherapy. When the massive growth on his adrenal was discovered plus metastases in the bone marrow and lymph glands, the family was living in Singapore where, fortunately, for Oliver, there are state of the art hospitals and no waiting lists. There is an international protocol for the treatment of this disease involving chemotherapy, surgery, stem cell treatment, radiation and immunotherapy. Oliver's chemotherapy commenced immediately and killed 85% of the growths and wiped out the bone marrow secondaries, which is regarded as a good response. Oliver now stands a 50% chance of recovery after five years remission. His parents were informed that to increase his chances to 75% he could go to the Sloane Kettering Institute in New York for his Radiation and Immunotherapy. The hospital required a \$1,000,000 upfront payment. Fortunately, for the family, the company for whom Oliver's father worked in Singapore transferred him to its Head Office in New York and their continuing company private health insurance will now cover Oliver for his treatment at Sloane Kettering. The Immunotherapy treatment is not without its side effects although it now consists of human antibodies rather than rat antibodies as before. Pain and nausea are the main problems and Oliver has lost 27% of his body weight. The treatment has affected his close vision and he now wears glasses for reading. Proton Therapy (radiation therapy) is also part of the treatment and that is done by a huge machine in New Jersey, the only one of its type in the world and hence the need to go to New York. This club's membership thanks Carolyn for sharing this story of Oliver and I'm sure every member sends his/her very best hopes and prayers for Oliver's recovery.



Bill asked members to think about possible gardens for next year's Open Gardens Weekend, reminding members that an open garden does not have to be a large one. The meeting closed at midday.

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Tribute to Meryl Bolin

“One Life Lived, Many Lives Touched”

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Following is the tribute by her husband Walter which was read at the service by their Son in Law, Peter Luxford:

Music was the key part in the life of Meryl Ruth Lloyd. Meryl sang in the Hurlstone Choral society and played evening sessions for a dance studio, while working as a bank clerk, as well as playing organ for her local church. Meryl also found time to play tennis. In 1956 Meryl became Meryl Ruth Bolin.

Her first big travel adventure came several months later when with her new husband she travelled to the United States as a student. Just on a year later her first daughter Gay was born in Kansas City. In America she discovered the potential of Graphology to help people resolve life issues.

Following her return to Australia three more daughters joined the family, Joy, Melody and Michelle.

Despite her busy life as a mother she continued her study of Graphology, taught music and played the organ in the local church.

Her life changed dramatically in the 1970's when Walter's failing eyesight caused a big readjustment for the family. Meryl became very involved in the world of Disability. She edited an audio travel magazine and led groups of disabled people to New Zealand, USA, UK and Europe so that they could achieve their dreams of travelling.

Her involvement in music continued and she sang in the Sydney Philharmonic Choir. She loved to sing, play and encourage music in others.

Meryl had also developed skills in personal counselling and touched many. She used her knowledge of graphology to help people sort out their daily lives.

When she moved in 2000 to Diamond Beach, her lifelong tennis enthusiasm continued, and she still remained a Federer fan.

She was a foundation member of the Probus Club where many seniors will remember her lectures on music and she was a recipient of the Lions Citizen of the Year Award.

After more than 60 years of happy marriage I will miss her enthusiastic encouragement more than I can say. She was a human treasure of love, compassion and gentleness. Her life cannot be reduced to words, her being was in everything she did. She was my Mrs. Music.

Walter Bolin

Community Church

Biggest Morning Tea

A Resounding Success - \$1,000 Raised!

On May 23rd, the Uniting Church Craft Group hosted the Biggest Morning Tea raising funds for cancer research.

What a great morning! Many thanks to all who came and for those who helped by providing food and manning the kitchen. There were displays of craftwork, knitting and cross stitch. There were demonstrations of quilting, crochet, and hardanger embroidery.

The raffles and door prizes, donated by members and friends, were won by members of the local community.



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Art in the Area

Wayne Barry

For the month of July, the walls of the Hallidays Point Library will be hung with an exhibition called Water; The Essence; predominantly watercolour works by Wayne Barry of Forster

In conversation with Wayne he made it very evident that he has an abiding affinity with water; his favoured painting medium being watercolour, his favoured interests being surfboat rowing, surf lifesaving, surfing, scuba diving, and beach walking to name a few. Wayne even started life in 'The Rocks' area of harbourside Sydney. He has patrolled the local beaches for over 25 years as a lifesaver and Jet Ski operator and recently returned from the Aussies (Australian Surf Lifesaving Titles) in Perth.

His artist pursuits began when he was posted to the Western Riverina district of NSW after graduation as an Agriculture Teacher. After attempting to sail his sailboard in dams and irrigation channels he realised another pastime was probably warranted. Watercolour painting attracted him due to its inherent freshness and portability. His first paintings sold readily, and he won awards in local shows. Tutors were scarce, so he mainly learnt by 'brush mileage', meaning the more you paint the better you get. He has battled the flies on the banks of the Lachlan River and the dried- up watercourses of the Flinders Ranges. "I was encouraged by ready sales and have spent around 30 years having fun with water", said Wayne.

Initially relying on reflections in the muddy waters of the Edward and Lachlan Rivers for extra colour, he was "stoked" to be able to apply his painting expertise to waves, the sea and lakes of the Manning-Great Lakes areas when he was posted back to the coast 28 years ago. He realised early in his painting days that only the best materials should be used to facilitate the freshness he was after in his works. His paintings achieve their longevity by the use of the best papers and paints, some of his brushes cost well over \$100 so they have become treasured friends.



The Simple Things

Wayne loves the early morning and late afternoon for painting on-site (en plein air to use the French) and has tried valiantly to encourage other painters in the region to join him at his painting locations. He has tutored with the Great Lakes Art Society for many years and has been involved with life drawing classes in the Manning and Great Lakes societies. He has had many successes in the Pacific Palms – Taree – Forster area, winning awards and selling works. Many of his works now reside in North America, Europe and Asia.

Recently retired and having travelled through S.E. Asia, Hawaii, Tasmania and extensively around the S.E. and N.E. of Australia in the last few years, he now has a wealth of reference material to add to the substantial pictorial references from his two years in Europe, Africa and Asia during his youth. "Occasionally I paint an abstract or a still life, but I am continually lured back to landscapes, mainly marine", Wayne admitted.

Wayne says his focus in future is to capture atmosphere in his paintings so as to readily involve the viewer and the viewers' imagination. He readily admits that the challenge of watercolour is a lifelong endeavour and he has attended tutorials and workshops to that end. He has collected an extensive art library and admires the works of past masters such as Hans Heysen, J.M.W. Turner, John Singer Sargent, Blaire Young, Seago and Harold Herbert. Modern day artists he appreciates include Alvaro Castagnet, Joseph Zbukvic, Tony Smibert and Ross Patterson as well as many of the brilliant rising artists featured in overseas publications.

"T" is the journey", was Wayne's summary.

Story by Fred Bullen




That's Wayne 'dabbling' with the water second from the bow.



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Hallidays Point Probus

Our usual scribe Anna Hamers was unable to attend our 4th June meeting, after a 100% attendance rate for many years, so I hope I can do justice to her role.

During the opening of the meeting, a minute's silence was observed in memory of Meryl Bolin, a founding member and former President of the club. (A Thanksgiving Service for this much-loved member of our community was held at the local Community Church on 7th June.)

Three visitors introduced themselves and we sang Happy Birthday to our members celebrating birthdays in June. John Blacklock looked happy surrounded by ladies.

Our 10-minute speaker was member Jack McDonald, who displayed a couple of fence



Jack

palings and a wonderful array of articles he had made from such basic materials. Included were some articles with beautiful leadlight fittings that he had also made after doing a course. His family has greatly benefited from his handywork, with various pieces of furniture in their homes. This hobby only began in the 1990s. It is amazing what talents abound or interesting stories we hear from our members.

Kyung Lee was inducted as a new member and the choir is pleased to have her join them as an 'alto'. Born in South Korea, Kyung came to Australia in 1986 and moved to our beautiful area 4 years ago to seek some tranquillity after the busyness of Sydney. Hopefully her husband will join us too in the future. (I must ask whether he can sing).

The coveted dolphin trophy was presented to Membership Officer Marilyn Wilson for her win at the biannual Boules tournament on 8th May. A great effort for a first-timer.



Boules Champ

Welfare Officer Margaret Waldox reported on members who are unwell and mentioned a Thank You card from the Catterson family for our support and condolences in the loss of Sue, including the choir at the Thanksgiving Service. Sadly, Margaret is leaving the area, so she was thanked for her service in different roles. Fran Atkinson has stepped in to the role.

Following a nice morning tea with its usual lively chatter and fellowship, Robin Billings introduced our guest speaker, local resident George Hoad. George is the President of The Garden Clubs of Australia (membership of 50,000). Founded in 1950 by the late Margaret Davis, its mission is to extend

the culture of gardening to the community. Some of our members are also members of the local Garden Club. Even to those like me who have no idea about plants, his wonderful video presentation of beautiful gardens throughout the world was truly inspiring. This included his own property at Killabakh which is continually expanding in size and features. His biennial open days have raised over \$50,000 for Ronald McDonald House.



George Hoad

Following the meeting most of us adjourned to Club Blackhead (aka the Bowlo) for a nice lunch to celebrate Winterfest. Any excuse to spend time with each other to share friendship. The new caterers did the Club proud.

Our next meeting on 3rd July will have musical items from our choir. Visitors are most welcome.

John Clucas, Secretary.

Our club meets every 1st Tuesday of the month at the Surf Club in Black Head, 9.45 for 10 am.

For more info: 0417 036 550 or email jokay49@gmail.com

TOFS



The "Touring Old Farts", or TOFS for short, is an organisation for retired & semi-retired men. It began informally over 10 years ago and has grown to 5 sub-groups and almost 300 members in NSW.

TOFS MC (Mid Coast) celebrated their 1st anniversary in April 2018 and have grown to over 20 members. We hold monthly outings to places of interest, and during the last year we have visited: Ellenborough Falls, a brewery in Port Macquarie,

Tuncurry Recycled Centre, Fighterworld, Barclays Oysters and a local winery.

Interested in joining us?

Contact:

Tour Organiser: Don Sheffield; 0408 672 242

Liaison: John Mead; 6559 3803 or 0417 007 456

We welcome visitors on outings, and hope to see more residents of the Hallidays Point area join us for more TOFS adventures in 2018.

More info: Google; TOFS Inc

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Lions Club of Hallidays Point

Hail Damaged Roofing to Dunedoo Bushfire Recovery Effort



The Lions Club of Hallidays Point continues to stockpile damaged roofing to be sent to Dunedoo. The Dunedoo area was devastated by fires in 2017 with over 20,000 hectares being burnt out, taking with it many farm sheds and houses.


The Club has been fortunate to have the assistance of some of the roofing contractors including Craig from Surething Roofing who has been our main supplier at this stage. JTM Constructions and Viper Roofing have also provided roofing for the project. The Club also thanks the home owners who have nominated the roofing provided by other roofing companies to go to the aid of Dunedoo Farmers and community.

Petries Trade and Hardware (formerly Campbell & Jones) have assisted moving several loads with their truck and crane. Their generosity has saved the volunteer members of the Lions Club many hours of physical work as otherwise they would have to shift the heavy sheets one by one, loading and unloading.



The effort continues.

Please call Barry Gazzard – 0425 209 335, Paul Eshman – 0412 361 622 or Noel McManus – 0458 904 149 for pick up.



Hallidays Point Men's Shed

is a Lions Club Project for Blokes to do a bit of woodwork, carpentry, etc. and chat with other like minded blokes.

We meet each Wednesday from 9am in the shed behind the Community Church on Diamond Beach Rd. BYO lunch. Cost \$2. Contact Jack McDonald on 6554 3368, or 0411 481 892, e: jack.mcdonald@hallidayspointlions.org.au or just drop in to check us out.

The Lions Club of Hallidays Point Continues to be a Community Partner to the Great Lakes Education Fund



The Lions Club of Hallidays Point has been an ongoing supporter of GLEF (Great Lakes Education Fund) for several years. GLEF provide scholarships for local students who would like to pursue post school education eg. University, TAFE, Business College. In 2018, fifteen students received GLEF scholarships with three of those students residing in the general Hallidays Point area covered by the Lions Club. These students were awarded scholarships after submitting a written application and going through an interview process.

In 2017 the Lions Club of Hallidays Point Club stepped up their commitment and became a 'Community Partner' for the first time - donating \$1000 for the support of a student whose home is in the Hallidays Point catchment area. The successful local recipient is now in his second year of university.

This year the club have continued their sponsorship and indeed have sponsored two students, doubling their financial commitment to GLEF.

Ethan Christ is one recipient of the club's sponsorship along with Keely Johnson whose profile appears below. Mia Gottstein, another local student, also received a GLEF scholarship and was already sponsored by a Forster business.

Student Profile - Keely

Keely would love a career in media or television. She has always been interested in performing and public speaking and has chosen the Bachelor of Media and Communications to prepare her for this goal. She hopes that the journalism and public relations components of the degree will also allow her to explore her passion for writing. Keely has not always found academic study an easy road, especially during primary school.



"However, when I began high school (especially senior) I worked extremely hard in and outside of school to achieve the marks I wanted," she says.

"Throughout Year 12 I have really enjoyed Advanced English and Drama, which has helped me prepare for a career in Media," she explains

In 2017, one of her most significant achievements was receiving the Great Lakes Learning Community academic excellence award for being a 'top ten student' in the area.



Lions Club Hallidays Point

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“I also received an academic excellence award in Earth and Environmental Science and a consistent effort award in Modern History and Drama.

“I was awarded third in my local toastmasters public speaking competition and first place in the Mid North Coast Eisteddfod under 27’s monologue,” she says.

Keely was involved in a range of extra-curricular activities during high school.

“In 2015 I was school captain of Tuncurry Junior Campus, Great Lakes College and was a member of the student representative council from Year 7 – 12.

“In addition to leadership, I have always involved myself in sport activities and groups during school. I was vice-captain of the junior girls’ soccer team as well as the futsal team and participated in the touch football girls team.

“I also volunteered in the school for events such as Clean Up Australia Day and Forster Running Festival. In 2017 I had a lead role in the school’s musical, Grease,” she continues.

Keely’s personal interests include playing piano or surfing. She explains, “I have been receiving piano lessons since Year 5 and absolutely love to play.

“I was often surfing at weekends with my dad at the beach or playing soccer for the Hallidays Point Soccer Club under 17’s team. I also enjoy reading, listening to music and debating.”

Keely sees her biggest obstacle to achieving her goals as the financial hardship associated with having to attend university. Keely lives with her father, who already supports an older sister in her third year of university. Keely intends to get a part time job to assist with her costs which include living on campus.

Student Profile – Ethan



From a very young age, Ethan has wanted to work with animals which is why he has chosen to study the Bachelor of Science and Bachelor of Advanced Studies (Animal and Veterinary Bioscience) which is a pathway into a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine.

Ethan says, “It is my absolute passion to work with animals, to provide excellent health care and service to animals of all shapes and sizes, and to provide peace of mind to owners and carers that their pet is in the best of hands.

“In order to achieve this goal, I have improved my class performance, gained veterinary work experience through several placements, and am currently being mentored by a local veterinarian. My mentor, my late Nana, friends and family all motivate me to continue to achieve my potential.”

In the long-term Ethan hopes to become a registered veterinarian working in the field of veterinary medicine either in a small and exotic animal practice, in the conservation of biodiversity and endangered animals, or working with injured wildlife.

As well as achieving admirable rankings in his studies during Year 12, Ethan contributed to the school community in a very positive way. He has been an elected member of the Student Representative Council, a member of the captaincy team as a College Prefect and has participated in numerous fundraisers such as the Mother’s Day Classic and Relay for Life. He also volunteered in coordinating light and sound for HSC Drama performances, for Clean Up Australia Day and for the Forster Running Festival.

He was awarded the Great Lakes Education and Christian Care Award (GLECCA) and Scholarship for Outstanding Commitment in the Service of Volunteering, helping and supporting others. He was also awarded a school service award and participated in casual employment as well as his work experience to further his application for tertiary study in Veterinary Medicine. Life has not all been rosy for Ethan. “I come from a disadvantaged background. My family has had to face some very tough times so this grant will make a huge difference to my ability to follow my career dreams,” he says.

Student Profile - Mia



Mia enjoyed all aspects of Biology while at school and this coupled with her interest in helping others through work in a medical field, led her to choose a Bachelor of Biomedical Science at Newcastle University.

“I would like to make a difference within the community, either by medical research or by directly helping patients,” she explains.

“I am planning to work in a medical research centre or with patients with chronic diseases like cancer.”

Mia’s extra-curricular interests at school included being a member of a local soccer team, school athletics and the school cross country team.

At the same time, Mia worked hard on her studies achieving a Great Lakes Learning Community Academic Excellence Certificate.

When asked what will make it hard for her to achieve her goals Mia says, “I will need to work part-time to support myself which may interfere with my full time studies.”

Like all students leaving home and setting up in a new environment Mia lists relocation costs, accommodation costs, living expenses and textbooks as imminent financial outgoings.

“In order to try to finance these costs I will be applying for both scholarships and Youth Allowance. If this is not sufficient I will need to work part time to support myself.”

Thanks to GLEF News for this extract from their April 2018 edition.

Lions Pop Up Shop

Winter is here and we have loads of winter woollies in the shop.



- Adult clothes • \$2, Children’s clothes \$1 and • Baby clothes 50 cents (unless otherwise marked).
- Books, • DVDs and • CDs \$2ea, with lots of bargains to be found.

For all the knitters out there we have plenty of wool and needles at the moment.

So next time you are down at Hallidays Point Shopping Village pop in for a look, you might be surprised with what you can find and if you need help on locating an item just ask the staff and we will be very happy to assist you.

Children’s Cancer Research 5 cent Fundraiser:



Bottle No 2 raised \$157 giving a total of \$305.45 so far and bottle No 3 is on the counter. Thank you for your ongoing support. It really is amazing how those 5 cent pieces add up!

Pop Up Shop Hours.
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Lion Helen Bauert

Diamond Beach Rural Fire Brigade Maintenance and Training at the RFS



Winter is time for a bit of a rest for the fires at Diamond Beach, wildfires are few and far between, particularly following the consistent rainfall we’ve enjoyed lately, with some motor vehicle accidents and the occasional structure fire keeping us on our toes. So, this is a time when we can get ahead on our training and maintenance.

Unfortunately, the job of maintaining the equipment at the station at Diamond Beach is made that bit more difficult by the actions of some inconsiderate locals who seem to feel that the fire shed is fair game for vandalism. Recently there have been ongoing issues with damage to the front roller doors as well as rocks and broken bricks which have been thrown at the station house. It’s very sad to think that one day someone may call for our assistance and we’ll be unable to help because of a door being jammed closed due to the actions of a few thoughtless individuals.

The members of Diamond Beach are asking for the help of the Diamond Beach community by keeping an eye on the fire shed on Anniversary Drive, and if they spot any antisocial behaviour, please report it immediately to Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000.

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"Volunteering is a good way to meet people and to put something back into the community - it's a 'feel good' thing. You get to meet people with the same cause."
Ruth, Northern Tablelands



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 Sec/Deputy Captain Jan Kempe 6559 2966

"The NSW RFS will provide you with a lifetime of education and leadership development. You will learn your personal limits and how to stretch them."
Dane, Thirimeru Brigade



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On a happier note, training is a major part of the Diamond Beach Brigade activities with weekly sessions held every Thursday morning from 9.00 until midday where a variety of skills are taught and honed. New members are given additional training at times which suit them in Foundation courses which provide basic through to intermediate skills and knowledge in preparation for working under direct supervision within a team. Once the basic qualifications have been achieved new members are able to respond to incidents and if they wish, move on to more Technical courses which provide intermediate through to advanced skills and knowledge in preparation for working at an advanced level without direct supervision.



On the first Thursday of each month training sessions are maintenance drills where all members check over every piece of equipment for proper operation. This is a great way to keep up-to-date with the myriad pieces of kit used on a modern day fire appliance and is also a great way for members to interact and build friendships and camaraderie.

And of course, Diamond Beach Brigade is famous for the morning tea which follows training, a great time to chat and keep up to date with how our mates are doing.

We have been fortunate to welcome eight new members to the brigade over the past year with all having been successful in gaining their Bush Firefighter qualification. But we're always looking to welcome more new members, so if you're interested in any more information about the RFS please drop in for morning tea on a Thursday morning, or phone Martin Davies for more information.

Martin Davies, Deputy Captain. 0428 404 012

The Mid North Coast Event Putting Dog's Happiness First

The Dirty Dog Tail Run Returns for 2018

DOGS love the great outdoors, they explore, they sniff, they get a little bit dirty, but most of all they are at their happiest.

The Dirty Dog Tail Run gives hounds and humans the opportunity to get outside and adventure together with a bunch of other dog lovers.

Presented by a team of dedicated animal loving volunteers, the 4km or 8.5km walk or run will take place the picturesque Coopernook State Forest Sunday 19 August, for its third year.

Event Creator Danielle Donnelly said the event has been designed around the dog's happiness and welfare. Additionally, money raised from ticket sales goes towards Forster based welfare charity Sweetpea Animal Hospital and Rescue. "It's about promoting responsible pet ownership and showing that having fun with your dog and taking them on adventures is a major part of taking the best care of them possible. We've designed the course, so it appeals to hound and humans of all shapes, sizes and abilities" Danielle said.



Every pooch will receive a doggy bag with a race number, a Dirty Dog Tail Run medal and bandana and doggie treats, as well as refreshments along the course.

After the run the day will transform into a fun day with obstacle courses for dogs, Beer dog's Brewhouse 'beer' for dogs, give-aways from sponsor Love 'em Pet Treats, a pooch smooch kissing booth and interactive games by On The Ball Dog Training.

Tickets are available now at: www.dirtydogtailrun.com.au

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Our Natural World with Geraldine



Ladybird, ladybird, fly away home

I think most young children have enjoyed finding a brightly coloured ladybird in the garden and having their mum or dad sing the little rhyme “ladybird, ladybird, fly away home your house is on fire, your children have flown”. Maybe it is because the ladybird is such an innocuous creature compared to the other creepy crawlies in the garden or because if you catch the beetle and blow them on their way your wish will be answered.

Ladybirds, also known as ladybeetles and ladybugs, are natural controllers of aphids, scale insects and mites which otherwise damage plants. You can be sure that if your garden has regular ladybird visitors it will receive a helping hand keeping healthy. Most ladybirds are brightly coloured and that’s a warning, a signal to potential predators that they may be toxic. If they’re scared they can exude a yellow liquid which is foul tasting. As a final defence, they may drop to the ground or fly away.

A female ladybird can lay up to 2,000 eggs in its life. Ladybirds are found in large groups as they huddle together and hibernate in the cooler months. There are many different types of ladybirds, the spotted potato ladybird, the mealybug ladybird, the spotted amber ladybird, etc.

In 1888, the native *Vedalia* ladybird became the world’s first biocontrol when it was exported to California to rid citrus orchards of cottony-cushion scale. The mealybug ladybird followed in 1891 and successfully controlled California’s citrus mealybug. Sounds like it worked much better than the cane toads as a biocontrol!



But like every family there is always a black sheep, it is the leaf eating ladybird. Both adults and larvae feed on a range of plants - cabbage, potato and bean family are preferred foods.

I was going to suggest you go out and search your garden for some ladybirds but with the cold weather we are having I suspect they are all hibernating for now.

Fishing News

The contentious issue of Four Wheel Drive vehicles on designated beaches has again been raised and debated on the ABC radio with many listeners making contributions, some were understandably negative about the issue where they believe the 4x4’s were impacting on the microscopic invertebrates, crabs and pipis near the water’s edge. In my over 40 years beach driving experience,



there is little or no impact on the pipi population as I have collected them on hundreds of occasions on tracks made by dozens of vehicles. Of greater impact is that of horses with a couple of hundred kilograms concentrated on a 10cm wide hoof, easily smashing the pipis shells.

There are thousands of licences sold every year by our council, with a large financial return, but unfortunately, next to nothing is done to police the actions of a few fools who flaunt the rules and spoil the reputation of the vast majority of drivers who abide by these rules with no detrimental effect on this glorious environment.

Once again, the power of nature has manifested itself with waves to 7 metres ripping the beaches apart and moving millions of tons of soil. In John Ritchie’s 91 years of visiting Black Head, he has never seen the surfing area devastated as much, with no sand left and bare rocks evident, as seen in the photo. A bonanza for the board riders for a couple of weeks, but, hopefully, nature’s recuperative powers will rejuvenate this damage.



I promised last edition the sea bream would be plentiful on our beaches and off the rocks by June. I am wrong again as this has not eventuated. However, the fisherman is jubilant off the walls at Harrington and Forster-Tuncurry with top class bream and blackfish filling their quotas. Strangely, there are a few whiting still about in the 20-degree waters on worms and pipis, but you have to be patient as they are few and far between. Tailor are being landed using metal lures, pilchards and garfish off all beaches and rocks.

I watched Tim McNamara, a regular tailor fisherman, spinning off the rocks and he landed several green-backs, but, he said “Some I missed were so big I couldn’t hold them”. Their presence is, no doubt, the consequence of the abundance of the schools and schools of sea garfish which have been prolific in the area for several months. (we caught another feed off the rocks recently). The garfish are also attracting the yellowtail kingfish which still remain in the estuary at Forster. Mulloway are along both walls with most between the 90cm and 1.2m mark. A bit of fun for the family is catching the humble leather jacket which are present around rocks and leases. An easy set up – small float, small no. 8 long shanked hook, just about any bait and fish half way to the bottom.

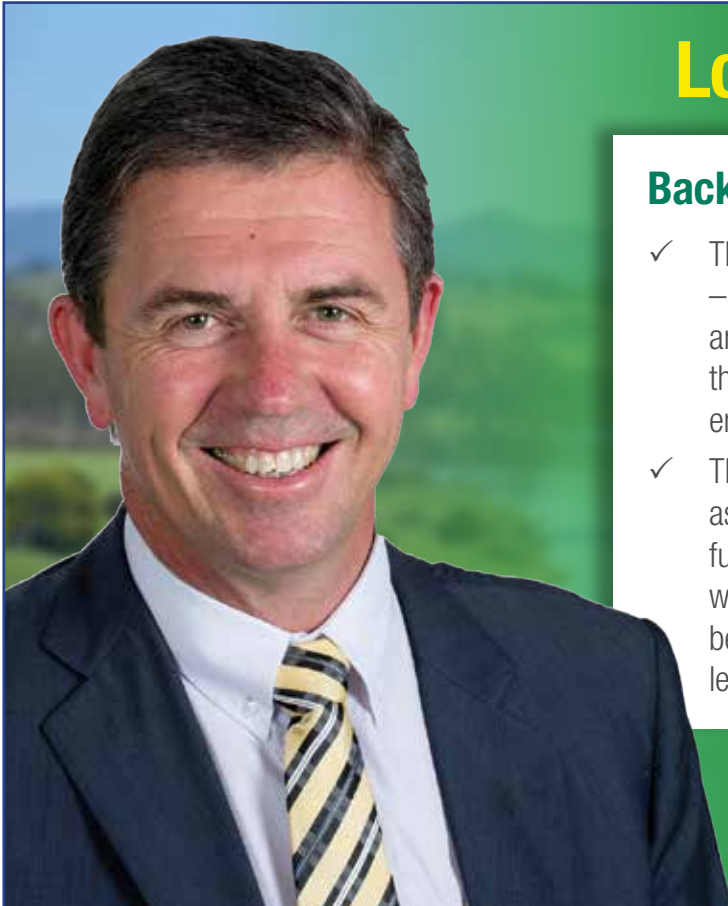
Wow there has been some prize fish offshore with snapper still dominating. Professionals are travelling all the way from Newcastle to fish the shallower waters less than 50 metres deep, right up to Crowdy Heads. Teraglin and pearl perch are also in the mix and, of course, the ever-reliable flathead. With the bad weather, the windows of opportunity have been limited.

Good Fishing, Trevor

Locals Benefit from the Budget

Backing enterprise and jobs

- ✓ This will help the 14,590 local businesses – with turnovers up to \$50 million if they are incorporated, and up to \$5 million if they are unincorporated, in Lyne invest, employ and pay their workers more.
- ✓ This Budget extends the popular instant asset write off for small businesses for a further twelve months. Small businesses with turnovers up to \$10 million can benefit from writing off assets costing less than \$20,000.



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From A to Z and Beyond



After humankind with free will became rational, a time when fire had already appeared, and nourishment came from pterodactyl stew or dinosaur ribs for protein, with salad of course, they discovered that the rocks on the ground around them could be put to a use which would improve their lifestyle.

If picked up and hurled they could kill wildlife for food or their opponents if peace or close relationships were interrupted by envy or jealousy. Otherwise usefully they could be sharpened and used as tools.

When reason evolved with marital harmony, as the Flintstones later demonstrated, it quickly became obvious that round things were easier and better controlled than square ones and the wheel arrived.

After that It was quickly learned that more strength was acquired if groups of friends formed liaisons. They were then able to overpower other groups and take their goods and other possessions.

Leadership genes allowed individuals to arise as leaders with skills of various types and quality. Time passed. Good and bad times came and went. Monks preached and taught. Knights fought. Farmers farmed. Musicians, artists and authors composed and painted and wrote.

A battle and sermon or two later, weapons, prayers, writing and learning were refined. Seats of learning became established.

Now Merchant marine trading on the seas took off. Technology crept in then hurried up. The printing press arrived. Steam from boiling water was discovered to have a use.

Mining for metals was worked to better advantage. People found a need to move faster than walking pace. Coach and Horses became overtaken by steam trains.

Steam engines quickly demonstrated their value in factories. Manufacturing and employment took off.

Cities grew. Economics allowed riches to accumulate but unevenly so that poverty persisted nevertheless. Electricity and the internal combustion engine impacted on daily life.

Friction over demands for land and power led to wars, each one more devastating than the last. Advancing scientific knowledge allowed the development of flight, rocketry, and nuclear power. Each war resulted in the loss of so many men that populations were decimated in the four hemispheres, east and west, north and south.

Peace has never existed worldwide and the development of weaponry and means of transport have accelerated alarmingly.

Now 4.5 billion years later the rock throwing humans who arrived on Earth only a few minutes ago in relative time, have landed on the moon and still aspire to travel further afield in space at exorbitant cost.

Worryingly, this is happening before the home planet has been developed with the joyful essentials of Peace, Love and Justice have been established worldwide.

As if things couldn't get better or worse, desperate efforts are in progress to develop artificial intelligence which through deep learning might easily, and even maybe by accident, exceed human intelligence when further development of our Earth could be lost to human control.

What then after the next few hundred years will a similar sketch of them read like?

Any suggestions? tattle@mail.com

Tony



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There's gold in them hills

I didn't always find it comfortable to have a difficult conversation. Actually, I used to find them extremely uncomfortable – so much so, my standard response was to get up and leave. While that can be appropriate in some situations – it certainly isn't a practical (or helpful) way to deal with differences.

My lack of ability to sit with uncomfortable feelings (like frustration and uncertainty) and my unwillingness to see things from the other person's perspective (by being closed minded and focused only on my needs) started to impact on my relationships both socially and in the workplace.

I decided to do something about it and went back to university to study mediation. That's where I discovered a whole new way of looking at the world and better understanding myself - and developing the skills and confidence to help people work through differences.

Why do I share this story with you?

Relationships are the cornerstone of our lives - and conversations help us care for these relationships with talking and listening.

When we see things differently to another person – when it feels like there's a mountain between us - that's not something to immediately run away from. We need to – and we can – talk with each other, through learning the skills to communicate openly and respectfully or with the support of a mediator.

The tale of two siblings

I've recently worked with two siblings who took over the management of their family business a few years back. It's a great business – solid reputation, consistent client base, good revenue generator – basically, it ticks all the boxes for the family.

One's a whizz with the finances and sales – the other is great with people and marketing. Combined, they have all the attributes and experience needed to run a successful business. But they're chalk and cheese when it comes to communication and what they see as the priorities of the business. These differences had started to eat away at their relationship and rather than talk about it – they started to give each other the cold shoulder. The break down in their relationship had started to impact on the morale of the team and the business.

So we sat down and talked and listened. We worked through the aspects of their communication and the business's needs that were causing them frustration, and came up with a simple and practical game plan. They've been working with it now for a couple of months and report they feel they are back on the same page about the business.

While not every difficult conversation goes as you'd hope it would – I know from personal and professional experience that when we give it a red hot go, there can be gold in them there hills.

If you'd like to learn how to have a conversation that really matters to you or you need a hand to speak with someone, drop me a line at mlewis@resolutionnetwork.com.au or give me a call on 0415 160 881.

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Tuncurry Coach Tours was established in 1990 and has been operating ever since from the Forster Tuncurry area. We are family owned and operated, providing quality coach tours with friendly personal service. We specialise in scenic day tours and short breaks as well as longer tours of up to fifteen days, for individuals, couples, seniors and groups.

October 2018 Thursday 11th

In The Mood

Show goers will be taken back in time with up-tempo Swing hits There is no other show of this era like it – full of outstanding singing, incredible dancing and colourful costumes

Manning Entertainment Centre.

2pm Matinée. Cost \$100.00 per person

December 2018 Wed 12th

Jersey Boys the Musical

Our second trip to this popular show

Cost \$155.00 per person

January 2019 Tuesday 22nd

Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

This Roald Dahl classic comes to life in a wonderful musical getting fantastic reviews worldwide. Cost \$120.00 per person

DAY TRIPS

August 2018 Wednesday 22nd

Agquip in Gunnedah

Over and back on the same day. Departing at 2am includes Breakfast & Dinner

Cost per person \$90.00

November 2018 Wednesday 14th

Shop 'til You Drop

Enjoy the morning at Charlestown Square with 240 specialty stores. After lunch we will travel to the recently expanded East Maitland Shopping Centre, Stockland Green Hills which includes David Jones and 2 levels of shopping. After all that retail therapy, it will be time for dinner with an all you can eat buffet at East Maitland Bowling Club. Cost \$55.00 per person



OVERNIGHT TRIPS

Bendigo Ballarat Christmas in July

21st to 27th July 2018

7 Days & 6 Nights

We will visit Ballarat Wander lights, Eureka Stockade, Sovereign Hill, Bendigo Talking Tram, Golden Dragon Museum, Bendigo Pottery, SPC Fruits, Kincross Woolshed

Cost \$1400.00

Single Room extra \$299.00

Deposit \$100.00 at time of booking



South Coast NSW

27th November to 2nd December 2018

6 Days & 5 Nights

Come with us and explore the amazing South Coast of NSW. Some of the places we see include:

- Braidwood, ▪ The Bedervale Homestead,
- the pristine waters of the Clyde River,
- Nelligen,
- the Mogo Zoo,
- The Tilba Cheese Factory, ▪ Eden,
- the Killer Whale Museum,
- the biggest Buddhist temple in the Southern Hemisphere the Nan Tien Temple (staying at the Pilgrim Lodge),
- The Seacliff Bridge, ▪ the Sydney Tram Museum and much, much more.

Cost \$1050.00

Single Room extra \$300.00

Deposit \$100.00 at time of booking

Tasmania

2nd February to 16th February 2019

15 Days & 14 Nights

Travel from Melbourne on the Spirit of Tasmania Ferry, then:

- Wynyard, ▪ Stanley, ▪ Hobart Wooden Boat Festival,
- Cradle Mountain, ▪ Strahan, ▪ Richmond,
- Gordon River, ▪ Port Arthur, ▪ Ross,
- Queenstown, ▪ Wall in the Wilderness, ▪ Beaconsfield, ▪ Sheffield ▪ Devonport

Cost \$4000.00

Single Room extra - \$1020.00

Deposit \$100.00 at time of booking

To book your place or to find out more call Adam on 0456 704 877 - Follow us on Facebook

Michael's Computer Trouble Shooting

Hi Folks,

I came across an interesting article with some unusual facts about computers that I thought would be fun to share with you.



- Completed in 1945, the first electronic computer ENIAC weighed more than 24,000 kg and took up about 170 sq. meters. Not quite a desktop PC just then. You probably wouldn't be taking it with you on holidays.
- There are more than 6000 new computer viruses released every month and approximately 70% of virus writers are said to work under contract for organised crime syndicates. See Mr Corleone, it is important to keep your anti-virus software up to date.
- The password for the computer controls of nuclear tipped missiles of the U.S was 00000000 for eight years. We have talked about passwords before; Passwords need to be a mixture of alpha and numeric characters, so Zero0000000 would be much safer. Alternatively, B000000m would have tricked the Russian hackers.
- An average person normally blinks 20 times a minute, but when using a computer, he/she blinks only 7 times a minute. That is of course NOT whilst looking at your credit card statement, where you stare for one minute and then start crying.
- The first ever hard disk drive was made in 1979 and could hold only 5MB of data. That would be one selfie. The first 1GB hard disk drive was announced in 1980 which weighed about 250 kg and had a price tag of \$40,000. That would be thousands of very expensive selfies.
- More than 80% of the emails sent daily are spam. I didn't really need to include this fact, did I?
- China has a population of 1.38 billion and India has 1.29 billion. If Facebook were a country, it would be the largest country in the world with 2.2 billion people. We are not sure what proportion of those Facebook users were set up by the Russians to influence the outcome of the American election.

I hope that this was fun for you.

Michael Gallen

Black Head Longboarders



Black Head Longboarders Inc held their 20th Anniversary Meeting on 19 May 2018.

Around 40 competitors competed on the day, in perfect surf and weather conditions. Current and former members later assembled at Black Head Surf Club where approximately 110 people enjoyed a fantastic night of reminiscing, belly laughs, and a celebration of our club.

A compilation movie was played, and awards were presented following the days competition. Four current members [Fordy, Terry, James and Hosti] were presented with their 20-year service awards and a highlight of the day was a paddle out, to spread the ashes of our former member and President, Len Cooper.



Anyone interested in joining Black Head Longboarders is invited to come along, second Sunday of the month with an 8.00 am meet at Diamond Beach Carpark and enjoy the camaraderie within our club.

Contact details – Terry Aldridge 0412 268 932
or tlaldrige@bigpond.com

Black Head Women's Bowling Club

The final game of Club Championship Pairs was played off with Karen Carlton & Cindy Hudson against Ruth Higham and Donna Hampson.

For a final match the game was very tight all the way, which on the 18th and final end finished a draw. A coin was tossed for the one end playoff and Ruth & Donna were victorious by four. A top effort for Karen & Cindy as the scores were neck and neck throughout the game, a great game was had on all accounts.

Congratulations to Ruth & Donna, winners for the Black Head Women's Club Championship Pairs 2018. Both ladies are looking forward to the experience of playing in the Champion of Champions event at Rosehill / Caringbah early in October. Watch this space in the next edition for our triples Champions currently in play.



Donna Hampson Publicity Officer, Black Head Ladies

Tank's Corner

Hullo to all my "forever" friends and to your owners.



A common question asked is whether a dog's nose should be wet or dry? A healthy dog's or cat's nose may be wet and cool at one time and slightly warm and dry at another time without there being a problem. Variability is quite normal.

The average dog's nose is 10,000 times more sensitive to odours than the human nose and secretes a thin layer of mucus which helps to absorb scent chemicals. Dogs also use a moist nose as one of the ways to regulate their body temperature, alongside sweating from their feet pads and heat loss via their respiration and tongue. They do not have sweat glands on their bodies, so, while it is advantageous to cool a dog's body during heat stress, the main cooling affect is by cooling their pads and wetting their tongues and noses.

The wet or dry nose can be an indicator along with other clinical signs of an unwell pet, but not just by itself. A wet and runny nose with coughing, sneezing and wheezing or any breathing difficulties necessitates a visit to your Vet. A dry nose accompanied by lethargy, decreased or absent appetite, vomiting and or diarrhoea is also a reason for a visit to the Vet.

Don't forget to keep up your pet's tick prevention over the Autumn and Winter as we see tick cases in June and July, but especially August, September, October and November. This a result of owners not giving prevention during these months and, or forgetting to start prevention early enough.

Yes, December, January and February are also "tick" months, but most owners are aware of this and use preventatives on their pets during that time. For dogs, Nexgard (1/mth) and Bravecto (1/3mths) are proving reliable and easy to use. Cats still need to use Frontline as a tick preventative 1/2wks.

I hope you have an enjoyable Winter and I will be back on board for August.

Lots of Licks. TANK.

Diamond Beach Veterinary Clinic, Ph: 6559 2277

The following is purported to be a carefully worded response from a Tax Office to a letter they received from a disturbed taxpayer!

Dear Mr Addison,

I wish to express our thanks for your prompt reply to our letter and to answer some of the points you raise.

I will address them, as ever, in order.

Firstly, I must take issue with your description of our last as a "begging letter". It might perhaps more properly be referred to as a "tax demand".

This is how we, at the Tax Office have always, for reasons of accuracy, traditionally referred to such documents.

Secondly, your frustration at our adding to the “endless stream of crappy whining and panhandling, vomited daily through your letterbox “ has been noted.

However, whilst I have naturally not seen the other letters to which you refer I would cautiously suggest that they’re being sent from “pauper councils, pirate banking houses and pissant electricity/gas-mongers” might indicate that your decision to “file them next to the toilet in case of emergencies is at best a little ill-advised.

In common with my own organisation, it is unlikely that the senders of these letters do see you as a “lackwit bumpkin or, come to that, a “sodding charity”. More likely they see you as a citizen with a responsibility to contribute to the upkeep of the nation as a whole.

Which brings me to my next point. Whilst there may be some spirit of truth in your assertion that the taxes you pay “go to shore up the canker-blighted, toppling folly that is the Public Services”, a moment’s rudimentary calculation ought to disabuse you of the notion that the government in any way expects you to “stump up for the whole damned party” yourself.

The estimates you provide for the Treasury’s disbursement of the funds levied by taxation, whilst colourful, are, in fairness, a little off the mark.

Less than you seem to imagine is spent on “junkets for fat cat polities” whilst far more than you have accounted for; is allocated to, for example, “that box-ticking facade of a university system.”

A couple of technical points arising from direct queries:

1. The reason we don’t simply write “Muggins” on the envelope has to do with the vagaries of the postal system;
2. You can rest assured that “sucking the very marrows of those with nothing else to give” has never been considered as a practice because even if the Personal Allowance didn’t render it irrelevant, the sheer medical logistics involved would make it financially unviable.

I trust this has helped.

In the meantime, whilst I would not in any way wish to influence your decision one way or the other, I ought to point out that even if you did choose to “give up the whole foul jamboree and go and live in India” you would still owe us the money. Please forward it by Friday.

Yours Sincerely, Customer Relations

Doug Moran National Prizes

Art lovers have the opportunity to view the 30 finalists in the Doug Moran National Portrait and Moran Contemporary Photographic Prizes when Manning Regional Art Gallery hosts the free touring exhibition from Thursday 28 June.

For the past 29 years, the Prizes have encouraged both excellence and creativity in contemporary Australian portraiture and photography. Founded by Doug and Greta Moran and family in 1988, and currently with \$180,000 in prize money, the Portrait Prize is an important part of Australia’s arts calendar. The Prize is acquisitive and the winning portrait immediately becomes the property of the Moran Arts Foundation, to be exhibited permanently as part of the Moran Arts Foundation Collection.

Assistant Art Gallery Director, Jane Hosking says “this exhibition is a great opportunity for MidCoast locals to enjoy a national art exhibition of the highest calibre, with one of the world’s most valuable portrait prizes”.

The Portrait Prize asks artists to interpret the look and personality of a chosen sitter, either unknown or well known.

Last year’s winner, “The Lunar Savant (Portrait of McLean Edwards)” by Tim Storrier, depicts his friend, artist McLean Edwards wandering in a mysterious moonlit landscape - “an arresting, intriguing image at once both disturbing and playful” according to judge, Wendy Sharpe.

Tim Storrier is a resident of Bowral, NSW and is one of Australia’s most respected and awarded artists. He was born in Sydney and attended the National Art School. In 1994 he was awarded the Order of Australia AM for his services to art and was an Archibald winner in 2012. This is his first time as a finalist in the Doug Moran National Portrait Prize.

The exhibition launched on Friday 29 June and continues until Sunday 12 August.

Image: Winner of the 2018 Doug Moran National Portrait Prize, Tim Storrier’s “The Lunar Savant (Portrait of McLean Edwards)”.



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WHAT'S HAPPENING!

Your community group
at Hallidays Point could use
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HALLIDAYS POINT COMMUNITY CHURCH

Contact Mary Marshall: 6559 2455

Services each Sunday at 9.00am

4th Sunday of each month - prayer and worship 5.00 pm
followed by fellowship tea

WEEKLY ACTIVITIES

KIDZ CLUB: Every second Friday

Look for the sign out the front. School kids Yrs 3-6 3.30 pm

\$4. Fun and activities with tea provided

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP: Friday 8.15 am

Prayer group for men.

CRAFT: Every second Wednesday 9.30-12'ish

Meet with other crafty people. Share ideas. BYO Craft

\$3. Includes Morning Tea

OVER 55'S LUNCH 12-3pm

Anyone over 55 is welcome. 2 Course meal and afternoon tea.

Bingo. Pick up available if necessary. \$8.

Book if you are able on number above.

HALLIDAYS POINT LANDCARE GROUP INC.

Volunteers are always welcome to help
maintain our local environment.

Working bees at Black Head Mondays and Tuesdays

from 8.am until 11 am. - Contact Alan 0413 482 505

Seascape/Diamond Beach working bees

Fridays from 9.am to 11am - Contact Tim 6559 2827

Hallidays Point Community Liaison & Progress Association 'CLAPA'

Contact me for a Membership Application form to be part of our team
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John Griffiths, President

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SENIOR CITIZENS - BUSY CALENDAR

The Senior Citizens Centre is located at the
Black Head Sports Reserve in Baywood Drive.

Activities are as follows:

Mondays - Croquet 9.30 am to 12 noon

Every 1st and 3rd Monday - Bingo 10 am - 1.00 pm

Every 1st and 3rd Monday - Poetry for you 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

Every 2nd and 4th Monday at 1.00 pm - Senior Moments

Tuesday - Tai Chi - 8.00 am - 9.30 am

1st Wednesday of the month - Open Forum 10 am - 12.00 noon

Friday - Art class - 9.30 am - 12.00 noon

Films/Theatre (see notice board)

1st Sunday of the month - Black Head Bazaar

5.30 am - 1.00 pm (not in winter)

Further enquiries, contact Marilyn Lambden 0411 481 350

(If unanswered please leave a message)

Hallidays Point Combined Probus Club

meet at the Black Head Surf Club on the first Tuesday
of each month at 9.30 for 10.00am start.

Visitors will be made most welcome to join in fun and friendship.

TENNIS



You are invited to join
Black Head Tennis Club

in Wylie Breckenridge Park behind the Shopping Centre

Club Membership Categories:

Adult \$40 - Family \$100 - Junior \$20 - Associates \$15

Membership Fees Due 1st July, 2018

Fees remain the same

Social Groups play weekdays and Saturday afternoons from 1.30 pm

Anyone interested in night tennis, please phone the following contact numbers:

Enquiries: Rhonda 0412 828 593 or Sharyn: 0414 353 926

Court Hire 7 Days - AM / PM through "Point Bakery"

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Hallidays Point Community Church, Diamond Beach Rd
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LIONS CLUB OF HALLIDAYS POINT



Lions are an active part of this community and
have been responsible for providing many
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Lions meet on the 2nd & 4th Thursday of each month:
2nd Thursday 5.30pm at the Senior Citizens Centre
Business Meeting, Members Only
with dinner at the Tavern afterwards (optional).

The 4th Thursday is a Dinner Meeting
6.30pm when Partners and Guests are welcome.

Venue is usually at the Black Head SLSC but can sometimes be changed.

Please check with the Secretary.

New members are always welcome, men and women,
so why not come along and check us out.

Enquiries: Secretary: Vaughn Parker on 0409 593 268

Membership: Gerard Cross 0419 274 607

E: vaughn.parker@hallidayspointlions.org.au

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