

October 2014 Hallidays Point News of Our World



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Art in the Area Barbara O'Donnell of Tallwoods



Barbara has just returned home after an incredible 14 weeks cruising around the world. "It was great fun of course, I loved every minute of it" said Barb, "but I've got to go back to my easel and finish a couple of paintings for my joint exhibition with Fred Bullen at the Long Point Vineyard during October and November". Barb continued, "on board there were art lessons and a lot of talk with other artists and we usually started off with our life story and what inspires us. I told them from an early age I loved to draw and paint, winning my first art prize whilst in primary school. After school, secretarial work followed and then ten years in the fashion industry, but I found painting became a serious passion which interfered with work".



"Dragonfly"

Her extensive travels through the hot, dry Australian outback together with old farm houses, historic buildings and local social activities were the greatest inspiration in her early works and still are today.

She moved to Scone to

breed horses for fifteen years so there was little time to paint. Finally a 'sea-change' came and Tallwoods was the chosen place. Her inspiration now comes from the coastal landscapes and lakes together with the local wildlife, in watercolours and pastels.



"Tilba"

"After my husband's death in 2008, painting became an obsession once again and now I spend five days a week experimenting with mixed media and ink as well as oils, watercolours and pastels" continued Barb.



"Pittwater"

"I have always claimed to paint what I feel rather than what I see and I hope you enjoy my work as much as I love creating it.

If you would like to see more of her artworks at her gallery/studio in Tallwoods, give her a call on 6559 2217 or email at barbodonnell222@gmail.com

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For the month of October artist Sandi Lear (part time resident of Diamond Beach), will have some of her stunning watercolours on exhibition and for sale.

We invite you to come along and watch Sandi creating her art during an "Artist in Residence" session on Thursday 30th October from 10.30am. (More details at the Library).

Also on exhibition will be her beautiful original watercolour 'First Light' which is being auctioned as a fund-raiser for the Living with Wolves organisation.



About Living with Wolves - a not for profit organisation

Wolves are being decimated in the USA and in Europe. Their habitats are being taken over, and farmers and ranchers are moving their livestock closer and closer to the few remaining habitats left, then lobbying strongly for the destruction of the wolves. As a result the few remaining packs are marginalised and fractured, with males having to travel dangerously long distances to find a female, and hunters taking the rest.

Living with Wolves is dedicated to raising broad public awareness of the truth about wolves, their social nature, their importance to healthy ecosystems, and the threats to their survival. Check out our latest book: <http://livingwithwolves.org/>

Mission

Wolves are complex, highly intelligent animals, caring, playful and above all devoted to family. Only a select few other species exhibit

these same traits so clearly. It is for those traits that we do not hunt elephants or dolphins or gorillas. Yet wolves are once again being killed.

A secret auction for the beautiful original watercolour 'First Light' inspired by Living with Wolves commenced on 1st September and continue until 31st October 2014.

Anyone interested in owning this stunning original watercolour 610mm x 320mm (unframed size) - 830mm x 1050 framed, should submit their bid with name, location and bid by one of two means:

1. go to Sandi's website: <http://www.sandilear.com/contact-sandi.html> and fill out the form and submit it, that way all bids are traceable
2. go to Sandi's FB page: <http://www.facebook.com/sandi.lear> and send a private message using the message button top right of the screen
3. All bids will be collated and more than one bid per person may be entered.
4. The work may be seen at Sandi's solo exhibition 'Freedom' at Hallidays Point Library Gallery, from 3rd October to 31st October 2014
5. The Gallery curator and Sandi will collate the bids to ensure transparency and announce the winner on the evening of the 31st October. The winner will be contacted by email or private FB message. It is preferred the winner will allow announcement of their name, however confidentiality can be assured if that is their express wish.
6. All proceeds will be donated to Living with Wolves to help raise awareness and funds for the wonderful work they do in protecting and ensuring the continued success of the endangered species, Living with Wolves is a wholly not for profit organisation and so all donations are tax deductible.

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OUR NATURAL WORLD

With Geraldine

I love this Lady's "Bling"

I was sitting at the window enjoying a morning cuppa when the noisy miners and magpies started up a racket of high pitched alarm calls. I looked out on the front lawn to see them jumping up and down flapping their wings very agitated. When I looked closer I could see the cause of their angst, a large black snake was gliding her way across the garden. The snake was 2 metres long, a beautiful shining black with a distinctive pattern of creamy yellow splotches up and down its length, forming diamond like shapes (how is that girls, a 2 metre long necklace of diamonds!). A member of our household had in the past attended the FAWNA reptile training course and announced with authority that it was a Diamond Python and was non-venomous.



The Python disappeared under a bush to consider her next step, about an hour later when the coast was clear she continued her journey heading around the corner presumably to check out the garden shed as a prospective new residence. We didn't see her again but a few days later our neighbour Richard reported that she had been sunning herself on his driveway, she obviously preferred his garage to our shed.

Diamond pythons often take up residence in the roof spaces of private houses. Many people are not keen on having such lodgers, however, the snakes carry out a very beneficial task by eliminating any unwanted rodent pests. Once the food supply has been exhausted, the snakes move on. There were stories from the gym junkies that at one stage when the gym was at Diamond Beach they had a pet python living in the rafters. The pythons have also been known to devour the odd chook if rats are in short supply.

If you encounter a Diamond Python hopeful it will be from a distance that allows you time and space to admire her beautiful bling.

Geraldine

Hallidays Point Community Church Annual Fete

will be held on Saturday 25th October in the Church Grounds.

Activities begin at 8.00 am with many stalls including:

Books, Clothes, Toys, Woodwork and Bric-a-Brac.

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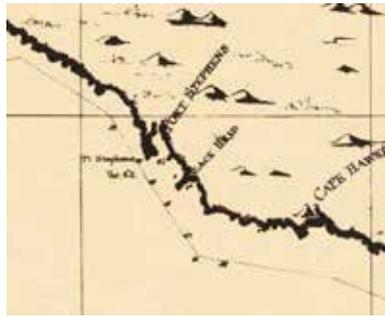


A CASUAL HISTORY OF HALLIDAYS POINT

This is a series of articles based on information collected through chatting with local people. It is not rigorous and it is about people and our community. The information gathered will be left in the library.

THE NAMING OF BLACK HEAD

This has been the point of discussions that I have heard over the years. There are two points of view. One is that Captain Cook named Black Head on his first voyage on the Endeavour up the east coast of Australia. This is in fact quite true, however, it was not our Black Head. Some published maps show Cook's Black Head to be a headland on Broughton Island which lies just off Cape Hawke, however, maps drawn by Cook, copies of which can be viewed online at the National Library in Canberra, show that Cook's Black Head lies between Port Stevens and Cape Hawke.



If you are interested, the map is called:-A chart of part of the sea coast of New South Wales on the east coast of New Holland [cartographic material] / by Lieut. J. Cook, Commander of His Majesty's Bark the Endeavour 1770 and is available online at:- <http://catalogue.nla.gov.au>

A more widely held view is that William Hoy, who arrived here via boat to Failford in 1862 named Blackhead (not Black Head) after the place called Blackhead in Ireland. He felt that it had some similarities. Looking at the picture, I think I can see some

similarity at a stretch! Blackhead, just south of Galway in Ireland is some 250km from his home town of Dublin.

Pictures show Blackhead in Ireland and Black Head NSW



The next story will be about the history of the pool. If you have a story to tell or would like to contribute to this collection of local knowledge, please meet with me at the Point Bakery on the second Wednesday of the month (12th October) at 2pm.

Join in the chat if you want to help me get it right!

Ingrid Horsburgh 6559 2295



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FISHING NEWS

With Trevor



While teaching at Forster High School in 1987, I could see the need for the introduction of a new elective subject to be included in the curriculum, to cater for the vocational needs of many of the students who would be employed in the fishing, oystering, trapping and other allied industries such as tourism. The course would include the life cycle of species, methods of catching, aquaculture, and, in particular, the need to protect and monitor the environment in which they live, so that these enterprises continue to flourish and be sustainable.

I submitted the subject to the Department of Education and it was approved. I called it 'Marine Studies' and, I'm pleased to say, it is taught in many schools up and down the coast and even at some inland schools.

For many years I have been concerned about the health of the waters of our local beaches and the disappearance or scarcity of many of the endemic species such as pipi, worms, crabs, and the diminishing number of fish. More about this in a later issue.

The beaches have been ripped apart and eroded badly by the continuing heavy seas so there are no holes or gutters. Consequently other than a few good size tailor and salmon on Diamond and Tuncurry Beaches the beach and rock fishing has been disappointing and I can't understand why, as there should be plenty of feed inshore after the heavy seas and rain.

Brad of Tuncurry Tackle, reports that bream, small jewfish and blackfish of quality are still being taken from the sea walls and

leases. I caught six off the Forster wharf using green weed. Postie Alan, had a bonanza a few nights ago, when he and a friend landed 20 bream and 10 blackfish, using mainly yabbies, off a wharf at Tuncurry.

Bream will eat many things, meat, cheese, bread, gut, as well as the usual baits but the best of all is yabbies. Fishing light with little or no sinker, on run out tide, and at night gets best results.

Tip: After heavy rain and if the water is dirty, the humble earthworm is a top bait.

Only a few days during the last month provided an opportunity for the offshore boats to venture out with some rewarded with great snapper to 6kg., teraglin, a few pigfish and the ubiquitous flathead.

Good Fishing Trevor

Waves of Quilts
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What is it like to loose your house in a bushfire?

The following is an extract from an article in The BUSH FIRE BULLETIN by a resident from Sunny Ridge Road, Winmalee in the Blue Mountains, the fires in Oct.2013:

A friend had rung to see if she was OK. I said I'm fine, Why? She said there was a fire close by.I looked outside and there was a little

bit of smoke, but not that much, so I didn't think too much of it, I though I would take a photo so I went and got my camera and by the time I did that, the smoke had got really thick and was this brownie, orangey colour, I thought this doesn't look good. Then it got worse.

I started getting a few things together in case I had to leave. Then I went out the back and the trees next door were on fire, I thought It's time for me to go.

It was very surreal and you do silly things. I grabbed my camera, I grabbed two hard drives. I thought do I grab the TV? but realised my life was not worth risking for any of that.

As I drove to the top of the driveway I realised I'd forgotten my iPad so I went back inside, I knew that would keep me up-to-date with what was happening, the 'Fires Near Me App' and the RFS on Facebook, so I needed that. Every alarm was going off and the back of my house was on fire. I ran out the front and both houses next door to me were on fire. It happened so quickly there wasn't time for the fire brigade or police to be there. I was scared and I was shaking and I couldn't stop shaking and I couldn't stop pacing for about three days. I just walked and walked. I couldn't Lie down.

We lost our house.

My husband and I have been in the Blue Mountains for 30 years and have been through three of four fires. The wind that day was ferocious, The fire was ferocious. Nothing could have saved my house that day.

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Hallidays Point Probus Inc. September Meeting Report



Members at The Hallidays Point Probus September meeting got all the inside information on house swapping from a couple with many years experience swapping houses all over the world. Heather Cawthorn and Ray Bell shared the joys, pitfalls and funny things which they had in other peoples' homes as well as others sharing their home.

The happy times had and the people they met have enriched their lives and many members interest was sparked to try it themselves.

The guest speaker was a Probian from Probus Head Office. Oh dear how boring could this be? Well it was anything but boring.



Gary Blackler, past Chairman of Probus South Pacific and current Rotary District 9650 Chairman asked for questions. His explanations on finance, insurance, election of office bearers was lively and enlightening and most certainly not boring. Most members appreciated the way he was able to talk to us in language all could follow and we left the meeting with a fuller knowledge of how Probus works.

Congratulations to Nikki Taylor on her outstanding win.

Nikki Taylor of Tallwoods Golf Club winner of the Women's division of the Annual Mid North Coast Veteran Golfers' Association Tournament.



The 32nd Mid North Coast Tournament was held at Coffs Harbour Golf Club 18 – 22 August.

Following a 4BBB on day 1, Nikki contested 3 gruelling days over the 27 hole course which provided plenty of challenges.

Nikki led from the first day accruing a total of 110 over the 3 days, 12 points ahead of her closest rival.

A fine achievement winning Nikki the 2 major trophies – the NSW Women's Veterans Shield and the Glad Irvine Shield for the Overall Women's Champion.

Story by Frances Crampton

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Patrols are now every week end from 9am to 1pm Saturday and Sunday, so come and have a swim between the flags, have a chat with the very friendly and helpful volunteer surf patrol members or join the club and participate in club activities.

Don't forget Sunday Sippers from 3pm every Sunday afternoon, all families welcome to sit on the verandah and enjoy the view with a drink from the bar and yummy nibbles.



Check the Black Head Surf Club notice board for up and coming events.



Media Release



Your surf culture needed at the gallery

The Manning Regional Art Gallery will present a major exhibition of local surfing culture next year, and is putting out the call now to Manning Valley residents for surf memorabilia, photographs, fashion, music, film or artwork to appear in the exhibition.

The exhibition titled Local Only 2 will look at surfing in this area from both a historical and contemporary viewpoint. The display will include surfing exhibits dating back to the 1950s and possibly before. Exhibition curator, Jane Hosking encourages people to contact the Gallery about possible exhibits stating: "There may be some hidden gems in someone's attic or garage that will bring back memories for visitors to the exhibition."

"Visitors to the last exhibition were intrigued and fascinated with the surf paraphernalia, artworks and old photographs of the local surfing history," continued Jane. "Many brought friends in to see photos of themselves from the 50s, 60s and 70s. It was a nostalgic experience."

In 2008 curators Jane Hosking and Julie Slavin presented an exhibition titled Locals Only which highlighted the culture of surfing and surf lifestyle in the Manning area. The exhibition, which opened with a beer, hot chips and sauce celebration, drew surfers and beach lovers young and old, from all along the North Coast. The exhibition was such a success that Jane felt it was time to revisit this important subject.

Anyone with something to contribute should contact the Gallery on 6592 5455 or galleries@gccc.nsw.gov.au -- or just come to the Gallery at 12 Macquarie Street in Taree.

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The Annual Grocery Grab

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The Prize Draw will take place in the Shopping Square at 12 Noon on Saturday 25th

October and the lucky winner will be able to do their \$300 Grocery Grab on Tuesday 28th October at 8.00am.

Our Lions Club would like to acknowledge the generous annual sponsorship of this event by Colin & Leanne Westle, the proprietors of Foodworks Hallidays Point and their contribution to this worthy cause.

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New Venue for Car Boot Sale a Great Success

Our first Car Boot Sale in the Hallidays Point Shopping Square Car Park on Sunday the 7th September was a big success with twelve stalls. Because of the weekend weather and the cancellation of the Bazaar, some might have thought the Car Boot Sale would also be cancelled, but being a bitumen surface, we only cancel if it's raining too hard on the day of the event.

Speaking to the Stall Holders, everybody was very happy with the results and the many buyers in attendance from start to finish.

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We will try also this time to explore new topics in our great PBS system.

Q) I am travelling away, what is the best way I can get my medication done without affecting my safety net?

A) there is a regulation called (REG 24) that you can ask the doctor about which allows you to get as many supplies as the trip can go and you can take them as one go from the chemist and they won't affect the safety net on the contrary each box will count towards the safety net limit.

Q) I went to the chemist and they said we won't do your scripts today we better wait, why is that?

A) sometimes especially, if you as a person or as a family reach the safety net the chemist will ask you to comply with the (20 DAY RULE) which is a rule by the government that states that if a script is dispensed for the same item within 20 days of the previous supply it won't add to the safety net count so make sure to ask is it early to get my scripts or not in saying that some important medications are excepted from that rule e.g. asthma medications, antibiotics, eye drops and diabetic medications.

Q) Can I just get it from the shelf; it doesn't need a script, does it?

A) Some items can be dispensed on a script and will add to your count through the year or if you on the safety net you will get it for

free on a script, many items that you don't think of but can save you a lot such as:

1- Pain killers e.g. Panadol osteo, panama, coated aspirin, ibuprofen (Nurofen) etc.

2- Eye drops: refresh tears plus, systane, optive, thera tears, bion tears, gental gel, gental drops etc.

3- Gastro medications: Bisalax, gastro stop, Movicol, Normacol.

Veteran card holders have so much else to get on scripts such as medicated shower gels, moisturisers, sun block preparations even Webster packs too!

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1. Search your pet (dog and cat) at least every 2nd day, and preferably every day, regardless of any products used to "prevent" infestation.
2. If you find a tick on yourself or your pet, remove it. If your search is a routine one and your pet is NOT showing any signs (lethargy, vomiting, lost voice, weak or wobbly), then that is all you need to do. HOWEVER, if your pet is showing any signs as above and that is why you searched and found a tick, then you must contact your Veterinary Surgeon promptly as these signs are a result of the first flow of tick toxin injected 5-6 hrs ago and to ensure your pets survival, it will need treatment. Just removing the tick in these latter cases will NOT save your pet. PLUS, you need to be sure that your pet does not have another tick on it whether the check is routine or not!
3. Use your products as directed and at the intervals advised. Do not wet your pets coat for 2 days after application and do not apply products within 2 days of washing your pet.
4. Fleas exist in the environment and they will jump on your pet. No product prevents this.
5. In Cats, the only safe product you can use for Ticks and Fleas is Frontline applied every 2 weeks. Cats have real physical problems with tick collars and can result in severe scratches and damage to the cats head and mouth because of the cat's frantic efforts to get it off. Advantage (NOT Advantix – toxic

to cats) is an excellent flea product, but does not help against ticks. Frontline is slow to kill fleas, so the best combination if your cat has a flea problem is to use both Advantage 1/mth and Frontline every 2 weeks. If fleas are not a bad problem –just use Frontline.

6. In Dogs there are options. I will only mention methods that are applicable to both Ticks and Fleas. The most common products used are Advantix (do not use if there is a Cat in the household as just contact can be toxic) and Frontline. These products must be used every 2weeks. They kill and sterilize fleas, larvae and eggs, but are slow in their affect. This why it is important to check your pet every day regardless of product usage. Item (3) applies. A good combination is to use either Advantix or Frontline with a Kiltix collar which also does Ticks and Fleas. Newer products now available are Comfortis and Scalibor . Comfortis is an effective flea killer in chewable tablet form given 1/mth and will kill fleas reasonably quickly. It only does Fleas. In combination, Scalibor is a new Tick collar which claims to be 100% effective for 3mths. The first 2wks it is 60% effective while it starts working, and then is 100% up to 3mths and your next collar will continue the 100% effectiveness.
7. In summary –for Cats –use Frontline for Ticks and Fleas or Advantage for Fleas. For Dogs – If you are happy with Frontline or Advantix, then stick with it, but consider either a Kiltix or Scalibor collar as well. The alternative is Comfortis and Scalibor
8. Keep these notes somewhere you can refer to them. All opinions and advice above are solely mine. You should consult your Vet for his opinion.

Joe Power B.V.Sc.



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DOWNSTREAM REALITIES OF COAL SEAM GAS

By Graham Taylor, Red Head

On September 2nd I attended a special meeting in Taree. It was about the impacts of Coal Seam Gas exploitation at Gloucester and the possible threats to the water supply of around 75,000 people in the Manning Valley and Great Lakes region. The speakers were Julie Lyford from Gloucester Groundswell, Bruce Robertson, a local Economist who successfully campaigned against Transgrid, and Steve Phillips from Hunter Region Lock the Gate.



Our water supply is made up of many tributaries including the Avon River and it is within the Avon River Valley the energy giant AGL is in the final stages of preparing to “frack” (fracture

underground geology) to release methane for commercial capture. This will happen a few weeks from today’s writing (15/09) and between now and that point a lot of water will have passed under the bridge including a large public meeting in Forster where locals there will learn more about AGL’s controversial project; there are also daily representations by concerned citizens at the drill site and outside AGL’s office.

The information I took in at the meeting left me quite shocked. I heard that even if someone makes a lot of money from Coal Seam Gas in the Gloucester Valley, there is a very high risk of gas wells leaking either in the short or long term. Toxic chemicals thus released after breaking the underground geology in interstate and overseas operations have resulted in contamination of surface and subsurface waterways.

I learned that the Gloucester Valley contains a variable geology that is already broken by naturally occurring fault lines and further destabilized by old drill holes. This increases the likelihood aquifers will join up and water and chemicals will flow where unwanted but we cannot predict when this will be discovered; we may not know about various aspects of contamination until perhaps well into the future when AGL’s accountability may be past its “use by date”. I have been told by our local state member Mr Bromhead that NSW now has an aquifer protection policy that will take care of environmental protection matters. The thing is, water flows ultimately according to a complex lot of forces difficult to predict in geology such as that at Gloucester. Once a toxic stream from underground is mobilised, I wonder how it would be stopped- I have heard AGL has insurance for \$5 million in the event of well collapse or multi well collapse or similar events but how much would it cost to fix such a problem, could it be fixed and who would pay the very large difference?

It is very hard to predict which heavy metals, radioactive material or other contaminants will end up where we do not want it. In



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Santos's wells in the Pillaga Forest, it was reported in the Sydney Morning Herald that Uranium levels up to twenty times the "safe" level were unexpectedly discovered by the EPA. I must admit, this sort of information makes me very worried because on the one hand I have heard constant reassurances by the state government and AGL; yet the realities of Coal Seam Gas have revealed that the rush to get gas may leave us without a healthy water supply.

The process of approval for this project is also cause for concern. The Petroleum Act allows for minerals companies to get approval before impact studies are done. In this process our water supplier Midcoast Water was initially left out of discussion and community groups' concerns have repeatedly been put aside. Scientific findings from the Chief Scientist are still being processed yet the state government recently waived any Environmental impact Statement requirement retrospectively so AGL can go ahead legally and frack; yet they are still not clear on water disposal methods. It seems they will spray "produced water" on pasture and after excess rain, put it in the Avon River- yes, our water supply! I have been told the water is to be treated but who will monitor quality?

Of further concern is that this approvals process has been presided over by a government in damage control over wrong doing with developer donations and by a previous government that took an eleventh hour decision to approve the project and was similarly affected by issues of integrity with development approvals. There have been suggestions made of donations made to both sides of politics by AGL and we are awaiting further detail on that matter.

If you are concerned about protection of your water supply and want to find out more about what you can do, you can call :-

Chris Sheed, President of Manning Clean Water Action Group
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Or go onto the Facebook page: facebook.com/ProtectGloucester

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Contact Helen Bush 6559 2732

Services each Sunday at 8.30am

4th Sunday of each month - prayer and worship 5.30pm 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

BLOKES SHED: Wed and Thurs 10am -3pm

Gathering for fellas who want to do some building and carpentry work and help and chat with other blokes. BYO lunch. Cost \$1

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP: Friday 8.15am

Prayer group for men.

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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

Tuesday - Tai Chi - 8.00 am - 9.30 am

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

Thursday - Heartmoves Fun Exercise 8.30 am

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 Cynthia Morand (Secretary)

6559 3692

BOWLS

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Lions meet each month: 2nd Thursday at 6.00 p.m.

at the Senior Citizens Centre then if you choose

7.30 p.m. to the Tavern for dinner

4th Thursday at the Black Head Surf Life Saving Club

(contact secretary to check on venue)

6.30 p.m. for 7.00 p.m. dinner

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Enquiries: Sue Newton. Secretary on 0418 607 292

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Black Head Longboarders "B&S Longboard Challenge"

The B&S Longboard Challenge contested between Black Head Longboarders and Saltwater Malibu Club was heralded as a great success with over \$700 raised on the day for the Curtis Landers Foundation.



Black Head Longboarders were narrowly defeated by Saltwater in clean 3 to 4ft waves, with over 23 surfers taking part. The day started in cool & overcast conditions with a small 2ft swell moving through the south end of Diamond Beach. However as the day progressed the sun appeared & the waves began to improve. By mid-morning solid 3-4ft waves were pushing in, the sun was shining & the bacon & egg rolls were simmering on the BBQ.

After Round 1 Saltwater had slipped away to a narrow lead of 32 to 28 however Black Head fought back in the early heats of Round 2 with Black Head surfers Todd Choma & James Duval the standouts.

Unfortunately for Black Head, Saltwater dominated the final heats to secure a 64-56 victory.



Saltwater were aided by the inclusion of Kiwi import Tim Stafford (pictured above) which proved to be a master stroke in recruitment by Saltwater, particularly since Tim is the brother in law of Black Head club secretary Terry Aldridge. Tim went on to win both of his heats & was a decisive factor in the Saltwater win.

Congratulations to Saltwater on their victory, with all at Black Head looking forward to next year's challenge to be held at Saltwater's home break. The Black Head boys are already in full training & are determined to bring the trophy home next year.

Also a reminder that Black Head Longboarders regular monthly comp is held the second Sunday of each month. Next month's comp is scheduled for Sunday the 12th October – meet at the Diamond Beach car park at 7am. New members always welcome.

For all Black Head Longboard inquiries please contact John Ford on 0427 5222 77 or Terry Aldridge on 0412 268 932



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