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View to Black Head Village

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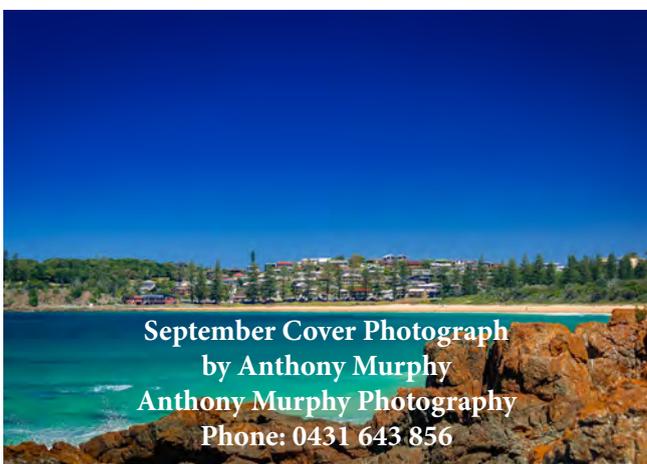
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# Diamond Beach Rural Fire Brigade

September means another fire season is just around the corner. **SO ARE YOU PREPARED?**



There are simple things you can do to protect yourself and your family this bush fire season:

- Discuss with your family what you will do if a fire happens near you
- Prepare your home and get it ready for the bush fire season.
- Know the bush fire alert levels.
- Keep information like websites and emergency details handy.
- Get the easy guide to making your bush fire survival plan from us.



Diamond Beach Rural Fire Brigade will have a stall at the Black Head Bazaar on the first Sunday of every month from September till May. Come and talk to us and we will help you in any way we can to prepare you and your property for the bush fire season.

Members from the Diamond Beach Brigade assisted in hazard reduction burns at Darawank recently.

The Lakes Way was closed for some time on the 31st July when a car rolled over after hitting a safety barrier.

*Leo Fransen phone 0428 222 065  
Diamond Beach Community Engagement Officer*

# Rainbow Flat Rural Fire Brigade

**Get Ready Day is Here**



Rainbow Flat Rural Fire Brigade will be conducting its Get Ready Day on Saturday September 22 at the Fire Station in Bonvale Close, Rainbow Flat from 10am to 2pm. Everyone is invited to come along to see what we get up to and learn how to better protect their families and homes.

When you come to the Get Ready Day you might notice that many of us now sport new firefighting clothes. This PPC (Personal Protective Clothing) reflects much research into firefighting efficiency and firefighter safety. The new uniforms, which include blue rather than yellow trousers, are much lighter to wear and are proving more comfortable when working in hot and difficult conditions.

Another recent change has been the way in which initial firefighting training is delivered. Many firefighters have done very little study since leaving school and can find it very intimidating to have to sit in a training room, taking notes and worrying about an exam and assessment. Theory modules are now offered online allowing trainees to set their own pace and revisit any material they are unsure about, followed by a weekend of face to face practical training and assessment of skills. Firefighters who have done this new style of course have found it an easier and more friendly approach to learning and becoming active firefighters.

For further information, please visit [www.rfs.nsw.gov.au](http://www.rfs.nsw.gov.au) or contact Robyn King, Brigade Community Engagement Officer, on 6559 2041.

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# Plan and Prepare for a Safe Bushfire Season



Essential Energy is advising customers to prepare their properties to minimise fire risk. Regional manager North Coast, Ross Berry, said, "Residents can help minimise the chance of items being blown into powerlines in severe winds and the risk of bushfire by cleaning up around the yard," Ross said.

"Simple steps such as mowing lawns regularly, clearing any leaves and debris from gutters and removing loose items from around the garden can help to protect your property. "Ensure trees are not growing too close to overhead powerlines and report any concerns regarding branches or vegetation to Essential Energy on 13 20 80."

Essential Energy encourages property owners to be aware of the fire danger rating each day and avoid using power tools or performing tasks that may generate a spark outdoors during days of severe, extreme or catastrophic ratings.

For more bushfire and electrical safety information, visit [essentialenergy.com.au/bushfire](http://essentialenergy.com.au/bushfire).

# Anzac Memorial Project on Hold

The Black Head Ocean Pool Anzac Day Memorial construction has been put on hold following an onsite meeting held 30th July 2018 with MidCoast Council's Paul De Szell, Director Community Spaces & Services and Daniel Aldridge, Community Spaces, and with representatives of the Lions Club and the Anzac Day Committee.

Council remain committed to the location and design concept of the new memorial but are not able to approve the construction phase of the project at present until the outcome of the Coroners hearing into the tragic collapse of the Club Black Head Memorial.

NSW Police have prepared a report to the State Coroner for the hearing to be held 15th to 18th October. The outcome is expected to have national implications in Australia with the creation of an Australian Standard for the design, approval and maintenance of current and future memorials.

We are grateful to Collins and Associates Engineers, Taree who have donated their services for the engineering of the memorial foundations.

Lions Club are currently holding all project funding made up of NSW Govt. Community Building Partnership Grant funding, Anzac Day Committee contribution and Public donations. MidCoast council have committed to expedite the construction phase in accord with outcome of the Coroner's report.

*David O'Hara, Anzac Day Committee*

# Kiddies Hut

## Have you heard of Street Libraries?



They are popping up all around Australia, and Colin and I were lucky to see a few during our Oz travels last year! They are a beautiful home for books, accessible from the street, and are an invitation to share the joys of reading. Kiddies Hut recently had one built and donated by the staff in memory of our great maintenance man, Norm.



On Wednesday the 25th July, Stephen Bromhead MP spent the morning with us reading to the children and helping to place the first books into our library ready for its use. Stephen spoke with the staff, children and families present about the joy of reading and its importance in all our lives, before enjoying morning tea with us.

The library is so gorgeous that we are keeping it 'protected from the elements' and off the street, within the entry to our centre, but would like to invite everyone within the community to come in and use it. Why not swap those books you've already read with ones you haven't read to keep the love of reading alive!? Don't have an old book to swap? - Just take a book to read to start yourself off.

Street Libraries work like this; books come and go; no-one needs to check them in or out. People can simply reach in and take what interests them; when they are done, they can return them to the Street Library network, or pass them on to friends.

We love that so many of our Kiddies Hut families are using it already and sharing the great joy of reading because as Dr Seuss said, "The more that you read the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."

*Natalie Wilson*



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**Outback/Ocean/Obsession Exhibition**

Ken Robb is an enthusiastic artist. Come and see his amazing artworks at the Library Gallery from 27 August – 28 September. We are sure you will be captivated by the very high quality works using this unusual art form.

**My Health Record**

A representative from Hunter New England Primary Health Network, will be conducting a Tea & Talk information session at HP Library, about the 'My Health Record' campaign that is being introduced at the end of the year. Tuesday 4 September 2pm–3pm. Bookings required.

**Borrow Box**

Lots of new eBooks and eAudiobooks titles have recently been added to our Borrow Box collection. Check them out or ask Library Staff about getting connected.

**Ancestry.com**

Want to do some family research? The library has a subscription to ancestry.com. Use the library internet computers (free) to access this fantastic resource.

**Do you have a child or grandchild 3-5 years old?**

Have you considered bringing him/her to Storytime? Great fun is had at our Storytime for 3-5yr olds every Friday morning at 10.30am. We enjoy stories, craft, movement and music.

**For the babies**

Come along to Wriggle, Giggle, Read on the first and third Wednesday mornings each month from 10.30am, for the babies and toddlers (0-2 yrs). Join in the fun of rhymes, songs, board books and dance. If you think libraries are a quiet spot, think again on Wednesday and Friday mornings! No bookings required.

**School Holiday Program Oct 2018**

Once again, we will be having a great line-up of activities for primary school aged children during the holidays. The program will be available in early September. Drop into the library or check our website [www.midcoastlibraries.com.au](http://www.midcoastlibraries.com.au) for further details.



Kimberley Moon



**See you soon in the Library!!**

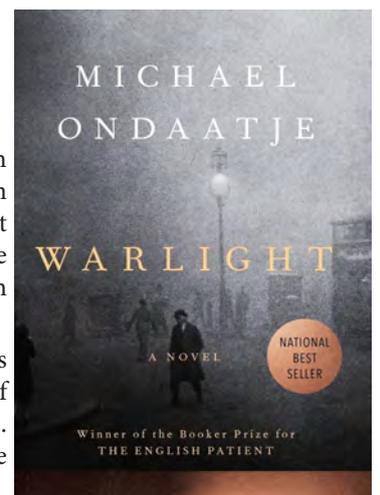
**Library Hours: Mon. – Fri. 10am – 5pm, Sat. 10am – 12 noon**

**Monthly Book Review**  
**Warlight by Michael Ondaatje**

Warlight, is the reflection of an unusual life, through reconstruction and examination of memories, some firm but most eventually revealed to be wrong, as I expect most children are. The book has everything: violence, love, intrigue and desire. The construction and language in this his eighth book are typical Ondaatje - brilliant.

Set in London in 1945 when Nathaniel, the narrator, and his sister Rachel, abandoned by their parents are left in the care of The Moth an eccentric criminal with shady criminal friends. I loved the greyhound smuggler. Their life is a mystery where only the adults know what is going on.

The second part of the book follows Nathaniel's desperate search to explain the inexplicable desertion by his parents that has scarred and still frames his life. As the moth warned them, as Mahler directed in certain passages in his musical scores, life is "schwer,"- difficult and heavy. It reminds me how many people go before us, unsung, unremarked and unremembered. It is this journey through reality, recollection, and imagination that makes this a remarkable novel.



Alana

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# Hallidays Point Senior Citizens



Our A.G.M. was brought forward to Monday 30 July 2018 and we thank the members who attended. As part of the meeting a new committee was appointed. The new committee members are:

- Peta Power – President
- Gloria White – Senior Vice President
- Carolyn Lynch – Junior Vice President
- Doreen Heaps – Treasurer
- Lesley Atkins – Committee Member
- Maureen Longmore – Committee Member
- Pauline Rashleigh – Committee Member

Congratulations to this year's Committee Members and welcome to our new President, Peta Power. A special thank you to our Immediate Past President Marilyn Lambden, for her tireless service over the past 5 years, often wearing several hats to keep everything rolling along.

Our scenic bus trip along the Lakes Way on 9 August was most enjoyable, the sun smiling on us again. We enjoyed morning tea at Boomerang Beach and then travelled on to Seal Rocks, what a glorious view! We then drove to the Grandis – Tallest Tree in NSW, then on to lunch at the Salty Dog at Coolongoolook.



Keep your eye on the notice board for details of our next trip in September. We are also returning to the Hunter Valley in October for a 4-day trip including a visit to the Rose Spectacular at the Hunter Valley Gardens. Details of the itinerary will be posted on the notice board when finalised.

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

*Gail Phair*

# In Memory of Betty Ashton

27th April 1928 - 31st July 2018



Betty Ashton née Standen was born in Gundagai in 1928. She was the 6th child of 9 children and spent most of her childhood years in the town of Lake Cargelligo. Her family moved to Lithgow in 1945 for 2 years, where she started her hairdressing apprenticeship. From there she moved to live with her aunt at Kingsford and continued hairdressing at a salon in Chatswood.

Betty met Joe Ashton in 1950 at a dance hall, which began a great love for the next 68 years. However, when she first met Joe, he gave her a picture of himself and she thought "he's a bit up himself". But soon after, she fell in love with him and they were married on the 3rd February 1951, at St Joseph's Church, Enfield.

Then the babies started to arrive, eight in total, five girls and three boys over a period of twelve years.

Her children gave her 21 grandchildren and 15 great grandchildren with another on the way.

The Ashton family moved into their first permanent home at Yagoona in 1956 and Betty worked tirelessly nurturing her children, making some of their clothes and keeping the house spotless. Even though there was never a lot of money she always made sure her children were well dressed and well cared for.

Betty's family was like a mini army and she was the 5-star general. She was also the quartermaster, the drill sergeant and the cook, whilst the children were her little lieutenants.

The 3 loves of Betty's life were her husband Joe, her family and her home. Having 8 children didn't leave any time for herself, but she didn't care, she always put her husband and her children first. In the only spare time she got, she worked a part time job in retail.

In 1971 Joe and Betty bought land at Diamond Beach and built a holiday home (or so Betty thought). It didn't take long for Joe to work his charms on Betty to convince her to sell up and move permanently to Diamond Beach. Reluctantly Betty agreed. That was the beginning of their GOLDEN YEARS. They settled in to retired life and Betty kicked up her heels with joy, because she only had to cook for two, instead of ten!

Betty's garden was a great passion of hers and into her 80's she took up painting as a hobby. Her home at Diamond Beach is a gallery of her work.

Betty was a very active member of the Hallidays Point Senior Citizens Association and enjoyed every aspect of the local community. She will be sadly missed.

*Words by Betty's son, Phil Ashton*

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# Hallidays Point Garden Club



The Annual General Meeting was held at the Senior Citizens' Clubhouse in July and thanks is extended to the Senior Citizens Club for its use. It has all the amenities needed to cater for the annual morning tea and lunch provided by Garden Club members. Close to 50 of the club's 89 members were in attendance. Outgoing President, Jenny Greentree, and outgoing Publicity Officer, Wendy Mertz, were thanked for their services to the club.

The new Committee is as follows:

- **President:** Graham Saunders
- **Vice President:** Bill Lyndon
- **Treasurer/Newsletter Editor:** Anne Visser
- **Secretary:** Annie Mayne
- **Social Secretary and Publicity Officer:** Tamara Whitney
- **Trading Table Convener:** Ian Campbell
- **Committee Member Catering:** Julie O'Halloran
- **Committee Members:** Bob Ricketts, Raillie Douglas

The Ann Williams Clark Medallion, an important GCA Award, was presented by Jenny Greentree to Anne Visser who has been a long standing member of the Garden Club. Anne has contributed to the life of the club in so many valuable ways in her roles as Treasurer, Newsletter Editor and Membership Officer. Congratulations, Anne.



Graham Saunders, the Club's new President, gave an enjoyable photographic presentation of the Saunders' recent visit to the Buchart Gardens on Vancouver Island and to many beautiful gardens in Japan.

With both the Annual General Meeting and the monthly General Meeting out of the way, members settled in to enjoy the great lunch provided by members and organised by the merry band of the catering team.

For Garden Club enquiries, please contact Secretary Annie Mayne on 6559 2570 or [annietheaussie@bigpond.com](mailto:annietheaussie@bigpond.com)  
Carmel Bartlett

# Art in the Area Ken Robb

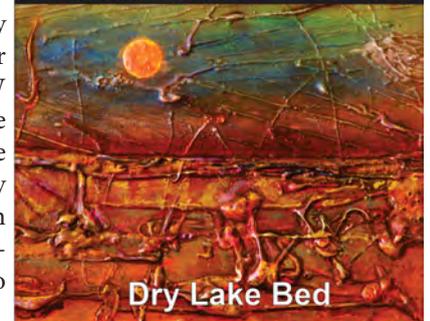
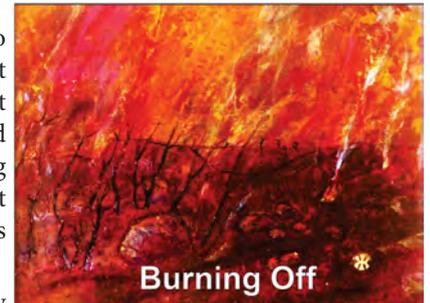


Ken Robb tells me he was born in Taree and spent his early years holidaying with his Grandmother on Dumaresq Island where he paddled all over the Manning River in a canoe made of corrugated iron and waterproofed with tar scavenged from the local road.

During WW2 his parents moved to Windsor as his father was based at RAAF Richmond. Ken said at that time he usually had his head buried in a book or was found carving sticks with a pen knife, his most treasured possession. It had been his Grandfather's and he still has it.

Clay which was exposed in new housing developments was used by Ken for modelling objects which he fired in a pile of bricks in the back yard. This early play culminated many years later in a university degree in sculpture. He did all his drawing on brown kitchen paper and painted on Masonite and other such materials. His paintings are often regarded as sculptural because his work is between the heaven of painting and the earth of sculpture.

Ken finished his schooling in Sydney and moved to Melbourne for teacher training. He stayed away from NSW for forty years, spending that time as a rural teacher, district and state art advisor and finally as a deputy principal of a large school. He then had to retire mid-career due to ill-health. Ken and his wife Alison also brought up four daughters.



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Having recuperated to a degree Ken, and Alison, accidentally found the movie industry. Ken gave me the short version of the long story. "It gave us the opportunity to travel throughout Australia for a few years, falling in love, as so many people do, with this wonderful country". Which goes some way to explaining the dominant colours in Ken's paintings.

Ken also volunteered from time to time with an NGO group based in Canberra, spending time in the South Pacific, e.g. Fiji, teaching blacksmithing; Samoa, setting up a pottery; and assisting Islanders manage craft centres for themselves.

The nineties saw Ken and Alison with yet more variety in their lives. They sold their home and became totally free, undertaking various positions, including maintaining a human presence at lighthouses in Victoria and NSW at the time when governments were making major changes to maritime safety. This job gave Ken uninterrupted time to paint which is why lighthouses are often inserted into his work.

They were then fortunate to spend "a year of many experiences" in Italy, caretaking a friend's rural property. Different European colours were now incorporated into a different style of painting. Ken said, "I had already been developing an improved type of a technique called encaustic painting for some time and that's when I discovered that Cleopatra's Egyptians had beaten me to it by a few years".

Returning to Australia Ken realised that a home was necessary again, so back to the beautiful Manning Valley after all those years away. Nearly twenty years on Oxley Island and still making art. My visit to his studio was an eye-opener. Not only is his studio large, it has specific areas set aside for each part of his unique process. The storeroom of unusual materials, the cut and prime paint timber section, the painting studio, the frame making area; all set up to his specific requirements. It's no wonder his work is so special and sought after by collectors world-wide.

Ken describes himself as a 'blowfly'. Alighting on something, leaving a mark and moving on; and like a wobbly boomerang he keeps returning to themes and places.

Don't miss his exhibition at the library. You won't see anything like it anywhere else!

*Story by Fred Bullen*

## Our Natural World with Geraldine

### Social Climbers

This time of year, just as winter is thinking about coming to a close I start to see the native climbers making an appearance. I love these delicate understated plants that just quietly appear at your feet in the leaf litter or hooked along the fence line.

#### False Sarsaparilla

Now some of you will take a look at this photo and say, "oh that's the happy wanderer – hardenbergia, I have one of those in my garden". No, this is the native plant not the cultivar, nursery bred version.



This Native plant is sparse and does not have the great bunch of flowers. It grows in a variety of habitats, it twines through shrubs, around the bases of trees, or over fallen timber or rocks. Extremely drought tolerant; prefers well drained sites and is often found on poor gravelly soils. Flowers are purple with a yellowish spot on each upright petal.

The roots were used by early bushmen to make a tonic drink regarded as a substitute for sarsaparilla: 'we have tried boiling the leaves and find that the drink produced is slightly sweet and reasonably pleasant'. A new age blogger suggested it was like green tea with a sweet aftertaste.

#### Running Postman

This stunning wildflower forms tangled mats on open sandy areas or at our place around a fence post. The bright scarlet-red pea flowers scattered along the stem give rise to seed pods that are red-brown when ripe.



Running Postman colonises in disturbed areas and after fire. It tolerates salt winds and is drought-tolerant when established. The technical name for the plant is Kennedia Prostrata.

#### Guinea Flower

The large golden yellow flowers, 5-7cm across that appear in spring and summer, complement the glossy green leaves very well to make an attractive climber. The individual flowers usually last only a day or two but new flowers are produced over a long period



After the flowers finish they are followed by attractive red fruits. The fruits consist of segments of bright orange flesh, each surrounding a black seed. While the flesh looks attractive enough to eat, it is best not to. A minute or so after eating, the flesh produces an unpleasant burning sensation in the mouth and lips.

Apparently, the name Guinea Flower refers to the resemblance of the flower shape and colour to the ancient Golden Guinea coin.

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# Our Bloomin' Lot

What do you really know about our backyard feathered friends CHOOKS

We currently have 13 chooks in residence at the garden. They have plenty of room and it's amazing how hungry they can look whenever anyone passes by. Fortunately, they like chickweed and dandelion best. After that it's fennel tops and spinach. They also demolish every leaf off the rocket leaving the stems, and seeded bread makes for a special treat.



Female chicks hatch with a lifetime supply of eggs. At sexual maturity, about 15 weeks, a yolk matures in the ovary and is released into the oviduct, where glands secrete Albumen into twisted strands hold the egg in place in the centre of the egg.

Calcium then produces shell membrane. When the egg hardens colour is added using by-products in the blood. Eggs are darker the longer they stay in the uterus.

All this takes between 24-26 hours, which explains why a hen doesn't lay at the same time every day. Even over winter when egg production slows we have been getting 10 eggs a day. Thanks chooks.

Very sadly our wonderful volunteer mower, Steve, died in late July. Thanks Steve, we all enjoyed knowing you and will miss you.

Alana

# Hallidays Point Probus



Another crisp winter's morning, the temperature (almost) befitting the subject of our 10-minute speaker Sheila Capperauld: "Say It Isn't Snow!". Sheila hails from Canada (Ontario) and spent most of her life there, so snow is nothing out of the ordinary for about 6 months of the year. She illustrated her talk with slides and short videos. The latter made us laugh out loud, seeing the havoc snow and ice wreaks on the roads. We saw all sorts of vehicles sliding in slow motion towards and into other vehicles, with helpless drivers at the wheel (nobody in the videos got hurt!). Particularly funny was the man who went to great lengths to clear his car from snow and ice, only to discover that he had cleared the wrong car. Sheila concluded her talk with a heartfelt "and that is why I migrated to Australia!"



Before Sheila's talk President Peter inducted Norm Tranter, who was warmly welcomed, and who introduced himself after the induction.



Our Welfare Officer, Frances Atkinson, took the microphone to draw attention to White Ribbon Day (against domestic violence) and announce the knitting of the longest white ribbon in an attempt to break the world record. Afterwards the ribbon will be divided into blankets for the homeless. Knitting finishes in November. For more info on participation contact Fran on 0421 598 868 or email [fran.atkinson@bigpond.com](mailto:fran.atkinson@bigpond.com)



Our guest speaker this month was Annie Mayne. Annie is a well-known maker and collector of dolls and doll's houses. She previously operated her own tourist business at Fragrant Farm in Mudjee, complete with a 60-seat restaurant, 14 house guests, and her own craft outlet. She is also the author of The Annie Series of Craft Books and has published a best-selling cook book. Annie now lives in Tallwoods.

She had set up a table with some of her (more than 30) doll's houses, and it was absolutely amazing to see the detail that went into every one of them. Annie makes almost everything herself, using all kinds of materials she can lay her hands on, like cardboard - and speaker boxes for the houses, lids from bottles and jars for furniture and she made a delightful gazebo out of an outdoor lantern. One of her houses has 13 rooms! The smallest was made on a scale 1/24, the biggest on 1/6. She showed us slides of nearly all of her creations, including a music room, a nursery, a bathroom, kitchen, and bedrooms, but also a fully equipped bakery, florist shop and pub. There was even a Santa house, where he had his shop downstairs and his living quarters upstairs,



After her talk many of us, men included, came to the display table to admire Annie's miniature creations. It was such a pleasure to have her as our guest speaker.

Interested in joining? Our club meets every 1st Tuesday of the month (except in January) at the Surf Club, 9.30 for a 10 am start. For more info please contact President Peter Hester on 0425 206 969, email: [peterhester1@hotmail.com](mailto:peterhester1@hotmail.com), or Vice President and Acting Secretary Ian Campbell on 0417 928 791, email: [cutloose08@hotmail.com](mailto:cutloose08@hotmail.com).

Anna Hamers, Publicity Officer

# Fishing News

I continue to be amazed and entertained by so many of the creatures great and small that make up our natural population and we are blessed in our utopian district. A few days ago I was fishing off the break wall in Forster estuary when a pod of about twenty dolphins, together with several calves less than a metre long, swam upstream and within half an hour, returned. They stopped at the entrance to the marina and patrolled like sentries, waiting for the schools of blackfish to emerge through the entrance or along the wall. Suddenly they would change gear and accelerate in a large circle, corralling the fish and tightening the circle. At this point one or two cross the circle to catch their hapless prey. What an efficient killing machine all working cooperatively to gorge on the blackfish for several hours and entertaining a large appreciative crowd of onlookers.

I love catching blackfish (luderick) using a weighted float with green weed or cabbage for bait and although late in the season this year, there are plenty to be bagged in the estuaries and off the rocks. Fishing mates, Warren and Gerry and I managed to boat a very good feed of creditable size alongside the oyster leases.

**HINT:** To make it easy to keep your weed on your hook particularly if short, make a noose of 2 to 3 cm diameter and thread the weed through it before winding around the hook.

Except for tailor and a few small whiting most catches have been meagre. It has been the worst year on Tuncurry Beach I can remember for bream in 50 years. Having said that, beaches south of Forster all the way to Seal Rocks, have produced well.

My Son, Adam, always dives off Black Head for a couple of lobsters for us and was amazed at the scarcity of fish with very few of the usual species – bream, luderick, drummer and groper. Chopper tailor were in abundance however. So, if you intend rock fishing, try elsewhere.



The offshore fishermen have been blessed with perfect conditions lately with good catches quite common. Local crews of Cameron Crisp and Daniel Aldridge had good catches of snapper to 5kg, pearl perch and flathead north of Black Head. Leatherjackets are in pest proportions in places, biting off the fishing lines with the loss of much gear.

*Good Fishing, TrevorV*



# Vale Peter Stuart

29th January 1932 - 16th August 2018

Peter was born in St Thomas' Hospital Westminster, London on the 29th of January 1932 and named Peter Douglas Sheringham.

After primary school he gained a scholarship to Westminster College becoming a member of the Westminster Abbey Choir and was awarded the red collar which made him a lead singer. He passed his London University Matriculation at 15 years of age.

Along with his music career Peter became a Graphic Designer which became his main source of income.

At 17 Peter joined the army and a few years later became the youngest Colour Sergeant in the British Army. He served in Korea where he was wounded and also served in Malaysia and Hong Kong. He then joined the S.A.S. as a Lieutenant and a little later he transferred to the Australian Army where he rose to the rank of Colonel and Acting Brigadier. He was an Instructor at Duntroon Military College for 4 years.

After leaving the army Peter went back to his career as a graphic designer and also resumed his music career.

In 1976 he bought a small promotion company in Canberra and eventually became a conference consultant for Ansett Airlines. Later, Peter took on a catering company and became a caterer to Old Parliament House along with other venues, the start of his cooking career.

In 1978 Peter was asked to join the Sitmar Lines as cruise director on the Fairstar. This lasted for 6 years after which time he opened his restaurant 'The Stuart' in Sussex Inlet where he gained two Michelin Stars.

Peter is probably best known locally for his service as a volunteer. He had been a member of several Lions Clubs during his moves around the ACT and NSW over a period of 40 years. His Lions service included being a Charter Member of the Lions Club of Canberra Belconnen. He joined the Lions Club of Hallidays Point in 2004 and during that time, held the positions of President, Secretary, Tailtwister and Bulletin Editor. Together with his close friend Don Clough, they were responsible for starting the Lions Car Boot Sale and involvement in most Club Projects. Peter was also the Founding Editor of the Hallidays Point News of Our World.

His many other local activities included being a scripture teacher at Hallidays Point Primary School over ten years. He was a congregation member of the Community Church and shared the responsibility with his amigo Don of running the Bar at Halliday Shores Retirement Village where he resided.

Peter was an amazing man, and this is just a snapshot of his life. Don says, "I'm sure Peter is now in Heaven, continuing to play music and telling jokes!"



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Yesterday we met some amazing people from the Halliday's point Lions Club who were in town delivering care packages to our local farmers. They came to lovely little supermarket and bought enough product to supply 40 farmers with some essentials.



Dear Hallidays Point Lions Secretary,  
 I was overwhelmed yesterday to see a strange car drive up our driveway to find that the occupants had driven from Hallidays Point to deliver drought aid to farmers in our district.  
 It is not the gifts that are important, but to think that people are thinking of people on the land and will go to those efforts to show people they care is unbelievable. The sheer logistics of putting all the hampers together and driving the distance in their own vehicles and distributing them to the farms here. The time away from families, and cost involved with the travel is a huge commitment on your members part.  
 From the Farmers in the Dunedoo District, I thank you most sincerely and hope that we will be able to do something to help someone else in need to repay the favour in the future (we do hope it would not be to you as that would mean you are suffering in some way).  
 Our best wishes to your organisation.  
 Kindest Regards, Anne Knight

# Lions Club of Hallidays Point Roofing to Dunedoo, Uarbry and Coolah.



Recently a semi-trailer load of roofing iron (estimated 22 tonnes), which was hail damaged in our local storm in October 2017, was sent to the farmers in the Dunedoo area. The Dunedoo /Uarbry/ Coolah area was affected by a fire earlier in 2017 and many properties have not recovered. Some lost houses, some lost sheds and most lost livestock. Some farmers have not recovered sufficiently because of the drought conditions they are now experiencing. Most farmers who experienced the fire are still rebuilding but obviously this takes time, money, labour and resources. They are on their journey thanks to the generosity of so many people and organisations such as BlazeAid and now the Hallidays Point community.

Hallidays Point Lions have been collecting and storing the hail damaged roofing from the local area for several months. The Club has appreciated the efforts of local landowners, some roofing contractors and builders in providing the roofing. Petries Trade and Hardware (formerly Campbell and Jones) have been a tremendous contributor to the cause by picking up most of the roofing from the houses and delivering it to our storage yard. They have pledged their continued support and we thank them for their generosity. Another massive and heartfelt thank you goes to Dean Byrnes from Byrnes Transport Taree for providing a special vehicle (huge telescopic forklift), along with the very experienced driver, to load the huge load of roofing from the storage yard onto the semi-trailer.



Another smaller load (about 4 tonnes) consisting of roofing iron, gables, flashings, barge covers was sent to the Dunedoo, Coolah area recently. On the same day, many Lions members travelled to the fire affected area and saw first hand the remains of the devastating fire. One place that



stood out in my mind was near Uarbry where the family lost everything. All that remained of their property was a stone fire place and damaged water tanks. They now live in a transportable home and have 2 shipping containers on site. Besides that, they had just received a load of some the roofing iron sent by our Club. It was pleasing to see the efforts of the local Hallidays Lions, the community, the roofers and other businesses help these

struggling farmers. You can read more about this family in another report in the magazine but I still cannot imagine what it would be like to lose everything – family treasures, favourite items, clothes, possessions, photos, computers. Jim Frewin and I were quite stunned by our experience especially as we pulled into the property seeing the lady carrying a heavy bucket down to a trough to feed her sheep. What also struck me was that I didn't see the normal possessions of the kids spread around the yard – possessions such as bikes, toys, footballs (perhaps they were in one of the storage containers – I hope so but I don't think so). Along with the large food parcel we delivered, we gave her the chance to pick out some DVDs and books for her kids which she really appreciated. They also appreciated our roofing iron. Experiences like this make you think - ask your kids what it would be like for them to lose every material possession. Ask yourself. Hard to imagine. Makes you appreciate life, your family and friends.

As you travel from Uarbry to Coolah (and along the side roads) you can still see how the fire effected the landscape (see photo). Some farms were a long way in on dirt roads. Jim can no longer drive but I think my driving took him back to his rally driving days when he was much younger. Looking back, I should have got Subaru sponsorship for the trip especially as I assured him he was safe in my All Wheel Drive Subaru Forester. Not sure he believed me!



One farm we visited had featured in an ABC story as they lost nearly all their animals but luckily their house and most of the sheds adjacent to the house remained. But they did lose some sheds. Again they were appreciative of the support from the Hallidays Point community.

In doing this trip, I sometimes wish I possessed the skills of a photo journalist. For there were so many fascinating images that I didn't capture – you know the ones that show true emotions, that show human tragedy and triumph. Then again, it's pretty hard to ask those effected to let us take a photo of their continued suffering.

To say that we were from the coast (specifically from Hallidays Point) and that we were there to show the community's support for them was really appreciated by all we met. Our damaged roofing iron is being put to good use. Like one farmer said: "Look mate, most farmers around here don't care if there a few dents in the iron. We lost all our sheds so we appreciate getting anything ..... thanks for your efforts".  
 Noel McManus, Lions Club of Hallidays Point

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# Hallidays Point Community and Lions Club helping the farmers in the Dunedoo and surrounding area

**Tuesday 7 August 2018** a truck loaded with roofing iron, SUV and a horse float, long base van and several cars loaded with packed care packages travelled from Hallidays Point to Dunedoo via Newcastle, Singleton, Denman and Merriwa.



After a long day travelling the group met at the Rise Cottage B&B, our overnight accommodation organised through the Dunedoo Lions club. Great accommodation warm with comfortable beds for 2 nights. Dinner at the Dunedoo hotel then an early night ready for the next full day ahead.

**Wednesday 8 August 2018**

We all met first thing at the Dunedoo Lions shed to unload and sort all the packages brought from Hallidays Point and to decide on the delivery procedures for the day. To allow for the best coverage of the area and those farms nominated as requiring relief, the group split all resources into five vehicles travelling in different directions out of Dunedoo.

Noel and I travelled to Leadville, Coolah and then back to Cobbara. During the day we experienced a wide variety of farm experiences with the fire ravaged areas around Coolah being by far the worst affected. It was emotionally draining to see the plight of these farmers suffering the effects of both fire and drought. It was also extremely gratifying to see the positive effects that the receipt of help, in whatever form, had on farmers. Just for them to think that others, unknown to them, were offering help seemed to provide a great deal of comfort.

After a full day's driving and delivering parcels to outlying properties the Hallidays Point group attended the Dunedoo Sports Club for the local Lions club dinner meeting. We were provided with a great meal, a presentation by their District Governor and plenty of local hospitality where we were able to share ideas on what we were doing in the area and the ways in which we might further assist drought affected farmers in their area.

**Thursday 9 August 2018**

With still more packages to deliver, Noel and I travelled almost to Coolah again then to Uarbry and Cassilis. Again there were images of devastation which we would normally find hard to imagine. The fact that people are

still managing to survive in these conditions is simply amazing. As we approached one particular farm a woman was hand feeding from a bucket their few remaining sheep. Living in temporary accommodation erected on the property were two adults and three teenage children. They had had some of our roofing iron delivered and it was to be used between two shipping containers to form a shed. Their home and all their possessions had been completely destroyed in the fires. On top of all this they now had no feed to keep stock alive. Her appreciation of the small packages we were delivering seemed to make the whole trip worthwhile.

Finally, on that day we delivered some packages to the Cassilis school where we met the principal who assured us that she would be able to distribute the remaining parcels to those of need in her area.

The experience of travelling to Dunedoo certainly made me aware of how much more needs to be done. I personally felt saddened that we were unable to provide more than we did to some individuals that we met.

Also, to all those who travelled, you did a great job!

Thank you, Bruce & Elaine Tyler, Helen & Steve Bauert, Glenice & Bruce Honeysett, Nicole & Sue Jones, Noel McManus, Jim Frewin, Paul Eshman and Barry Gazzard.

**Comments by those involved:**

"I found it an incredibly humbling experience, filled with tears and hugs from recipients of the care packages and ourselves. The fact that we cared made the word of difference to them."

"THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU. You don't realise how much your parcel means to us...."

"My parents are struggling on their farm (as are most people during this drought) my Dad is 75, they don't receive any assistance other than what they make from the farm, which is not much at the moment. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated as they struggle to keep food on the table and the stock fed. They are also looking after their young grandson. I have spoken to them regarding assistance, however I feel that they are not making the necessary calls as they are a little too proud".

Follow up- Nicole and I visited and delivered 3 care packages and dog food. The farm was bare dirt, their only bull had died and they were trying to sell the property. Tears were shed and many hugs of gratitude. Hallidays Point you made a real difference to this family.

The Hallidays Point Lions Club are already planning our next car package drive and will continue to help our farmers.

*Story by Jim Frewin & Suzanne Newton. Lions Club of Hallidays Point.*



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Bottle No.4 for Children's Cancer Research is filling up with 5 cents, thank you everyone for your on going support of this worthy cause. Total raised so far \$431.20.

As part of the Lions Clubs "Need For Feed" Project to help support our farmers, The Lions Club of Hallidays Point donated 16 jumbo bags of winter clothing from the Op Shop. These were delivered along with food hampers and gift packs when club members did a run out to the Dunedoo area on the 7, 8 & 9th August. There is a scrapbook folder, with photos from Dunedoo on the counter in the shop so please have a look. This was all possible because of our local community's generous donations of clothes, food and other items.

*Lion Helen Bauert*



Kerrie, Need For Feed Food Trolley outside the shop

**Another Drought Relief Initiative**

Local Xstyles Salon owner, Francina Mills, staff member Tori and Lions Club Past President Deb Schmitzer are travelling to Dunedoo with the intention of pampering some of those suffering from drought stress. On the weekend of the 25th & 26th of August for 2 days they will be working out of Sue's salon, SERGIO'S Dunedoo. The story is told by reading the flyer to the left of this article. This flyer will be distributed throughout the Dunedoo area and is sure to be welcome received.

**The Lakeside Festival**

The Lakeside Festival will be held in Tuncurry on the first weekend of November.

The Lakeside Festival is a brilliant one-day not for profit event showcasing the MidCoast Region and Hinterlands, embracing the local communities of The Great Lakes, Hastings, Gloucester and the Manning Valley.

With the finest combination of our local culture, artisans, harvests, community, eclectic mix of musicians, street food, beverages and other attractions, we have the best of the MidCoast celebrated on the shores of Wallis Lake, the gateway to our region, Cape Hawke Harbour.

During the Festival, the committee work with the community and eager volunteers to transform Lone Pine Memorial Park, John Wright Park, and Tuncurry Memorial Hall into a festival of life. With an outdoor music venue, art exhibition and unique market stalls this event is presented with the intention of attracting audience members of all ages - especially families to the area during "off-peak" tourist time.

**MUSIC FESTIVAL**

**Saturday 3 November 12.00 noon to 8.00pm.**

Lakeside is now in its sixth year and gaining incredible momentum. The musical program is all about diversity as we include a combination of seasoned and up-and-coming performers, both local artists and higher-profile acts from outside the immediate area.

The 2018 line-up features 8 hours of live music, from midday to 8 pm.

We bring to our audience an Aussie music legend Russell Morris, the iconic Bondi Cigars and The Mason Rack Band. Also showcasing our local acts: Galleri, Cranky Duck, The Black Nor-Easters & Belle Badi,

**Create and Grow Market**

**Saturday 3 November 8.00 am to 1.00pm**

The Create & Grow Market has a condition of entry that all products sold or displayed must be locally grown or produced, handmade or upcycled. No commercial or mass-produced products are to be sold at this market.

Concepts on offer at the Market for 2018:

- Environmental & educational stalls
- Community information, local artists, crafters, farmers, lifestyle groups/providers to have information or sales sites
- Workshops in health, art and craft provided by local businesses
- Fundraising BBQ for local charity or community group
- Live acoustic local performer
- Amateur Oyster Shucking Competition
- Kids entertainment - Face painters, craft "make & take" workshops
- Lawn games and playground

**Lakeside Art Exhibition Prize**  
**Saturday 3 November 9.00am to 2.00pm**  
**Sunday 4 November 9.00 am to 12.00pm**

This will be our third year hosting the Art Prize Exhibition.

Entries have increased each year and the junior section has now become a large exhibition of its own with over 70 works entered by students from local high schools.

This year we plan to implement some changes to the exhibition based on feedback from artists and visitors:

We plan to invite more participation from local Disability and Ageing support networks, Aged Care facilities, Networking Social Groups from the MidCoast and beyond to not only exhibit, but to have day trips & excursions to attend Exhibition and the Market which will only be across the road from each other.

We have introduced the theme "Local Life" which will help identify this exhibition and allow artists to plan their works. The theme is related to the local area and its rich culture and personality. We hope this will result in an amazing snapshot of what it is to live in our diverse area.

The Lakeside Festival is a Not for Profit Festival run entirely by a Committee of Volunteers.



We have plenty of room and tasks for many more volunteers on the days of the Festival, and the Friday before and the Sunday.

Should you have an interest in helping us present this Event, please email Lakeside Festival on [lakesidefestivalnsw@gmail.com](mailto:lakesidefestivalnsw@gmail.com)

# Michael's Computer Trouble Shooting



I get asked a lot, "Which Antivirus program should I be using?" That's a tough question. Different people have different needs, different fears, different budgets. Different AV software packages have different price levels and offer different features. Not all programs offer the same features and some packages have a heavier footprint on your computers performance.

On doing a Google search for the 10 best AV packages I found that different sites had different recommendations. Some sites line the various programs up side by side and go through the main features. All the free programs do cover the basic antivirus features needed and as you move up the price scale more specific features are added. For example, I believe Avast Free to be an excellent choice; basic but affective. Avast's next level at about \$80, adds in a Ransomware Shield, a Firewall and Anti-spam. Their Premier version at about \$90 adds in Web Shield, Webcam Shield, Auto Software Updater and Data Shredder. You can then go all out and get Avast Ultimate at around \$140 a year which comes with a VPN, Password Protection and a System Cleanup Tool.

I have long been a fan of the free antivirus programs, but lately, I have been concerned about Ransomware and the free programs don't cover these.

Other brands that are worth considering are Total, Bitdefender, Malwarebytes, Avira, Kaspersky, Bullguard and Trend Micro. There are others.

It is also a good idea to check how many devices you can install the program on. Most companies now understand that we have multiple devices we need to protect; your home PC, your work PC, your laptop, phone and tablet. Buying individual licences for each device could be very expensive so check to see if you can get multiple licences.

If you weren't confused before, you most probably are now. Look, pay for which ever level of protection you feel comfortable with. If you choose the free packages (and if you don't), make sure you backup regularly and make sure that your backup drive is disconnected from your computer except during backups. You would be silly to not have any antivirus protection, but it can be over the top too. Pick the spot you feel comfortable with and leave it at that.

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Thanks Everyone!!

## Tank's Corner

Hi to all my "forever" friends, I'M BACK!

I had a good time staying at Jess (Vet Nurse) and Rae's house for 2 weeks and I have been thoroughly spoilt. I got to ride around in Rae's ute in the front seat, chase the chooks and still visit the Clinic. After that I was able to return home where I also got spoilt by the nice young couple looking after Dad and Mums (and my) house. We had lots of games, went to the beach and had some walks, not to mention that I had them wrapped around my dewclaw!



However, our family is complete once more with Dad and Mum home and at the Clinic. I found myself back in the thick of things by supervising Dad through some cases which involved major surgery, and the patients and Dad came through them with good results. He is lucky to have me there for any advice!

Jess has just had her birthday on the 6th August and I was looking forward to getting some cake, but she had the Flu (whatever that is) and I missed out, but I still love her, and she deserves all the congratulations possible. Thank you to all my fans for missing me in the newsletter, but we all need a break sometimes.

Be aware that a form of Kennel Cough, not covered in the yearly vaccination has again occurred. It results in a severe cough and you may need to have your pets checked and a possibility of a short course of Antibiotics to make it better. It does not extend to pneumonia. The affected animals are bright and well and eating OK despite the cough. If there are any doubts, consult your Vet.

*Lots of Licks! Tank,*

*Diamond Beach Veterinary Clinic, Ph: 6559 2277*

## Cans for Clay Update

Hi!

My name is Clay Williams and I am a local Hallidays Point boy. As some of you may be aware, I was selected to play in the Australian U10's Futsal team which will be touring New Zealand in October.

Lately I've been training lots for my trip as well as playing with my Hallidays Point School team in a local competition. Recently we played at the Northern NSW Champions of Champions competition at Port Macquarie and we were lucky enough to finish Runners Up in our age group!

I have also been super busy fundraising with my mum by collecting cans and bottles! In fact, I have collected over 30,000 cans and bottles!

And that means I've raised \$3030.00!!!!

I would like to say a big THANK YOU to everyone who has donated cans and bottles so far, or donated money towards my trip. I can't believe how much support I have received. We really do live in a fantastic community!

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## How starting with “I” can help you find a solution

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### It’s important you’re able to start a sentence with “I”.

Most of the time, people think that if you do this, you’re being pushy or self-centered. That’s true if you’re saying, “I’m right and you’re wrong” or “I don’t care what you think or feel”.

They’re not the kind of “I” statements I’m talking about.

The “I” statements I’m keen to share with you are those that you put forward to help someone understand where you are coming from. Followed by asking them to share with you where they are coming from.

### Using “me” to increase understanding

For the purpose of this article, let’s assume you and I work together and we have a difference of opinion about how a job needs to be completed. You think it needs to follow sequence 1, 2 and 3 – and I think it needs to follow sequence 3, 2 and 1.

You (or I) could easily say the other person is wrong because we each have our own way of doing it. “I do it this way – you don’t. I’m right – you’re wrong.”

In this approach, we’re being judge and jury. We’re looking at the evidence (only from our perspective) and making the judgement.

Let’s say we actually want to be able to get along at work - how could we go about increasing our shared understanding of this situation?

I could share with you: “I do this job this way because <insert my reason why e.g. that’s the way I was shown to do it> – can you tell me about how you’ve been told to do this job?”

You could then share with me: “I do this job this way because <you share with me your reason>”.

### Why does considering “I” help?

When we stop and accept that we each can see the same situation differently – we acknowledge and respect our personal differences. As Piglet is quoted as saying to Winnie the Pooh: “The things that make me different are the things that make me.”

The magic can happen when we realise that the other person is open to hearing our perspective - we are then more inclined to stop and listen to their perspective as well. It’s the classic “treat others as you would have them treat you.”

In the work scenario above, when we both share from our own perspectives we now have the information in front of us to explore together – we can see either why we do it differently or what aspects of the process we have in common or need to change so we can get on the same page.

Make sense after all? Why not give this a try the next time you’re getting tangled in a bit of an argument?

As always, you can get in touch with me at [help@resolutionnetwork.com.au](mailto:help@resolutionnetwork.com.au) or 1300 392 312 if you need a hand on how to work through differences in your workplace, family life or community.



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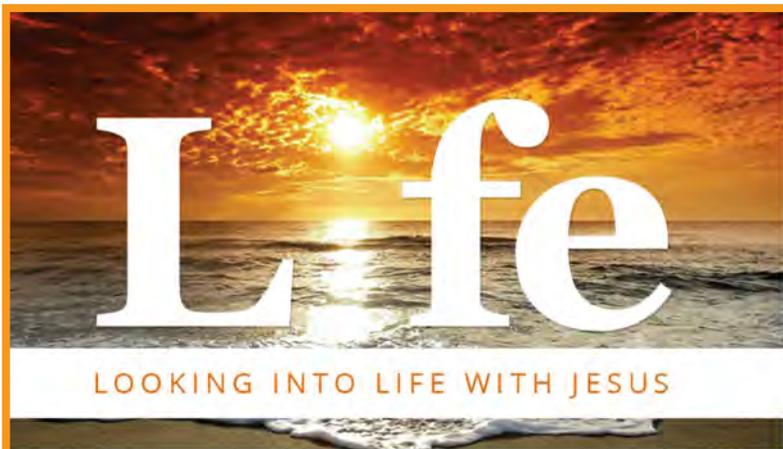
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# Black Head Women's Bowling Club



## Black Head Fours Club Champions 2018.

Early August the Final of Club Championship Fours was played.

Sue Langridge, Jill Hodgson, Gae Re & Ruth Higham were defeated by Mary McManus, Cindy Hudson, Pat Bayley & Gwenda Jackson. Social bowlers watching the game were getting very hungry because of a late start getting on the green. Both teams started even, and scores were close. Then Gwenda's team started to draw away. Like the social bowlers Gwenda's team were also hungry not so much to eat but to win. And win they did. Final score 20-9. A great game played. The team was so elated to win. Congratulations Mary, Cindy, Pat & Gwenda for a good game and great result.



A lovely Morning Tea was had at Nabiac for Doreen & Pat along with 17 Black Head Women Bowlers, to show their appreciation. A well-deserved Thank you for the wonderful efforts and hard dedicated work these ladies have given whilst holding Committee positions. Doreen has stepped down from being a very long-standing Treasurer and has been replaced by

Helen Bush. Helen wants to hold Doreen's hand for a while yet to get the bookwork up and familiar, she feels she has big shoes to fill. Pat has stepped down from President and replaced by Ruth Higham. Pat will have a lot of adjusting as she has been holding multiple roles for some time. Both ladies can have that well deserved relaxed mode to enjoy their bowls now. We all say thank you and wish you well.



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# Black Head Men's Bowlers

## Zone Pairs

Brett & Jason played against Daniel Jessup & Paul Davies from Sporties.

Black Head boys snuck off to an early lead and kept that margin up to finish with a comfortable win.

Then playing the Final was completely different. Jason & Brett played young Nathan Butler & Warren Cockshedge from Taree Leagues. Nathan & Warren played great early and Black Head was down 8-1. The boys fought back to get a 14-8 lead and kept this lead up to Finish winning by 9 shots. Congratulations Jason & Brett. A wonderful achievement winning Zone pairs. Good Luck for the next venture playing State at Ettalong in September.



## Black Head Runners Up Presidents Reserve Pairs

Ray Rogers and Steve Taylor started off as a team in Presidents Reserve pairs.



They did well and won three games at Forster.

Steve was unavailable to continue play. Ray teamed up with Tony Lee to play in Semi Finals They won 1st game at Manning Point to get into Finals. They had a great game against Lansdowne and just missed getting up by 2 shots in a very tight game. Well done as

Runner Ups, Ray, Steve & Tony. Great Effort.

*Donna Hampson, Publicity Officer*

# Hallidays Point Netball Club



So now we come to the pointy end of the Netball season and I am proud to say that all Hallidays' Teams should be happy that they have done the club proud for this year. They have played with great sportsmanship and respect, towards umpires and their fellow players. Most of the competitive teams will have done so well they have a chance of making the Semis, and a couple of teams look like they have a chance of taking out the Grand Final for 2018. At this point the club would like to acknowledge the Coaches, those who have given up their time to guide these teams, to advise and encourage the players to be great and to strive for glory, not just for their teams but for themselves. Without the commitment of these skilled, selfless people the club would not be in the position it is, so many thanks to you all!!

The GLNA Representative Presentation was held on the 4th of August and it was lovely to see so many Hallidays Players receive some very special awards! Out of 18 awards handed out our girls received 9, so HPNC has some gifted

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players. Tarli Black, Hevon Cain-Ashford, Lilli May Geer, Briana Panos, Jade Clarke, Sarah Higgins, Charli Cain-Ashford, Emily Cougle and Jillian Black were those singled out by their various coaches and teams for the effort they had put in throughout the Rep season. The committee would like to congratulate all players. Expressions of interest for trialling for next year's rep season is available now at GLNA Clubhouse so all players considering trialling for the Rep Teams for 2019 are encouraged to fill out a Rep form this Saturday.

I would just like to personally acknowledge how fortunate we are to have one of our Committee Members, Mrs Kirsten Clarke, be appointed Regional Development Officer with Netball N.S.W., a position that covers the Mid to North Coast of N.S.W, from Byron to Newcastle. The advantage to the area with Kirsten in this position is awesome as she is involved in the development of young beginning netballers through the schools, as well as advising local netballers of potential opportunities to advance their netball careers through courses and competitions throughout the area. We feel very lucky to have her as one of ours and wish her all the best in her new position!! Best of luck to all the Hallidays Teams for the End of Season games and I will fill you in on their successes next month.



Kirsten (at rear) & Narene at HPNC netball central!!

Tracy Batton



## Knight Time

### Home Is Where The Heart Is Or Was

In 1955 living in S. Rhodesia my late wife and I married and set about looking to build our first home. Chance took an immediate interest in this project when we ran into one of my wife's friends.

He was an architect who in a past acquaintance had promised to design her house should the time arrive. Well it had so we took up his offer.

With a limit of £5,000. we selected the land, about an acre for £1100 Our dream home shaped up and we asked five prospective builders to tender.

Four of those came back wildly above our limit ranging upward from £9,000. This of course concerned us, but we waited on the last tender to arrive.

I was in the office on a Saturday morning a week or two later when a man arrived and handed me a brown foolscap envelope.

After thanking him, I opened it up. Unbelievably the tender from builders Potgieter & Strung of happy memory, was a few hundred under our figure so we gave instructions for the build to go ahead without further thought.

With the drawings which he had prepared, our friend gave us a book with the title 'The Honeywood File'.

It still rests on my bookshelf. It is a series of humorous and fictitious correspondence touching on Sir Leslie and Lady Brash's new country mansion.

The correspondence was between their architect Jas Spinlove, the client Sir Leslie Brash a minor baronet and his wife lady Maude.

Other participants in the project were their builders and a neighbouring farmer, solicitors and various passers-by. Well having smiled our way through the book, we were ready to start our own build.

We decided Honeywood would be a nice enough name for our home on completion and so it was. We watched the first sods turned, and footings dug, at which the whole work came to a grinding halt.

It turned out that Mr. Strung had a repetitive practice of drinking and driving and had gone inside for three months after damaging a police car as he stopped to enquire what it was they wanted!

Potgieter struggled on until his mate turned up again a month or two later with time off for good behaviour! The brickwork rose and a new type of aluminium frame for the sliding doors to the front verandah was delivered.

It would have been more suitable as support for a bouncy castle and had to go back for re-design. This was becoming all too much for the two-man partnership which promptly went into liquidation!

A short while later sadly, we learned that Potgieter was killed while laying tiles in someone else's kitchen using a blow torch which ignited the sealing compound he was using.

As a result, we were forced to employ surveyors to engage sub-contractors to complete the works. That went well and our home Honeywood was happily completed.

In the book however, things were on a somewhat grander scale. Lady Maude naturally, took an active interest in her country home under construction and on frequent visits to the site would give her amended instructions to the builders.

On one occasion she insisted that a staircase be moved to an alternative position of her choice.

This prompted a letter from the builders to the architect asking for new instructions pointing out that if they complied with her ladyship's instructions, the said staircase would come to a stop against the right wall of the guest lavatory.

Meanwhile a neighbouring farmer had allowed his cattle to gain entry to Sir Leslie's land where two of them fell into open trial pits resulting in a lot of mooing and a disagreement on injury and liability leading to the exchange of several letters between the solicitors on each side.

As if that was not trouble enough, the author inserted the following when the Brash's daughter a right little miss, prevailed on daddy, Sir Leslie, to ask for a rearrangement of the drawing room so that she would be able with her friends to play table tennis there.

One senses the exasperation as Spinlove the architect, explains to Sir Leslie why it would be impossible or objectionable to do that, and goes on to say to him "perhaps your daughter may not care so much for ping-pong by the time the house is finished."

And so, the matter crept to its end but not before the builders on completion having received a complimentary letter from Sir Leslie, with whom they still had outstanding matters, replied that they want compensation not compliments!!

At the time all this was so real that I almost wanted to search out the fictional principals to autograph the book but not so. It still rests on my shelves an endearing memory of 60 years ago.

*Laughter the best medicine!! Tony*







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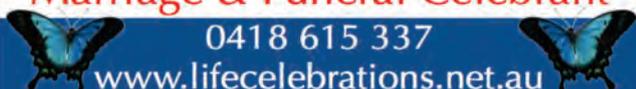


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Activities are as follows:

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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

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Hallidays Point Community Church, Diamond Beach Rd  
Tuesdays 9.30am to 11.30am

Playgroup is a place for you and your children aged 0-6 to  
have fun, make new friends and develop skills through play.

Playgroups offer a safe, relaxed environment where you  
can find friendship and support. At Playgroup, children are  
offered a variety of social, play and sensory experiences  
that encourage learning and development.

You are welcome to experience two Playgroup sessions  
before joining Playgroup NSW

Membership to Playgroup NSW covers your entire family  
offering parents, grandparents and family members  
the opportunity to attend Playgroup.

**Find us on Facebook - Search Hallidays Point Playgroup.**

## BOWLS

**Men's Social Bowls - Every Monday 1pm Mufti**

**Women's Social Bowls - Every Thursday 9am**

**Uniform Weekend Chicken Run Mixed Mufti - 1pm  
Sat or Sun (contact club)**



## LIONS CLUB OF

## HALLIDAYS POINT

Lions are an active part of this community and  
have been responsible for providing many  
facilities in our area. They are people just like YOU!  
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.

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Club Blackhead Presents "60's Rock n Roll Night"



Dance & 3 Course Dinner  
 Saturday 22nd September  
 Music from 6.00pm  
 Dinner from 6.30pm  
 Tickets \$30 per person



Relive the Swinging 60's  
 with the great songs  
 you grew up with .....



Glen Mead



Monday-Friday  
 4pm-5pm

Live Entertainment

**Glen Mead**  
 Saturday 15th Sept  
 7pm – 11pm

**Darren Jack**  
 Friday 28th Sept  
 6pm – 10pm

