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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY ...

2018	March 8 Thursday The Cove Hall	ANNUAL GENERAL MEI 7.30 pm	ETING [Information inside]
2018	March 11 Sunday 86 Helmsman	Westpac Helicopter Fundra 11.00 am	siser & St Patricks Day Celebration [Information inside]
2018	March 24 Saturday Solstice Park	Sunset Sips 2018#2 5.00 pm	[See below]
2018	April 7 Saturday Daleys Kitchen	Island Dine-Out 2018#1 6.30 pm	[Information inside]
2018	May 5 Saturday 86 Helmsman	Island BIGGEST MORNI 9.30 - 11 am	NG TEA - The Big Cuppa [Advance Notice]

[If you have an activity or event for Island Residents, email the Editor.]

AWESOME (!) SUNSET SIPS





The second Sunset Sips of the year - 2018#2 ...and it's where all the Sunsets happen

Saturday 24 March 2018 at Solstice Park With the sun setting at 7:53 pm, get to Solstice at 5:00 pm so you have time to -

- Meet your new neighbours
- Renew old friendships
- Enjoy FREE bubbles! Ladies bring your champagne glass
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Notice

2018 ANNUAL GENERAL **MEETING**

7.30pm Thursday 8 March 2018 The Cove Hall, Empire Bay

As this is an Annual General Meeting, ALL positions on the Committee will be declared vacant, and a new Committee voted in by the attendees.

A Nomination Form can be found on Page 3 of this newsletter.

ALL RESIDENTS are invited to this meeting and open forum of all matters of interest to Island residents.

A small plate of food would be appreciated to complement the supplied refreshments after the meeting.

From the Secretary

It was so great to see so many of you at the first 2018 Sunset Sips, and meet lots of new residents as well.

Many of you mentioned to me that you had provided your email address but had not received any email notifications. This may be due to a few reasons. If this happened to you, please send me an email at

secretary@sthubertsisland.nsw.au so I can ensure you are added to our database.

Any new residents, please provide your email address so you can stay up to date with our activities and events... and we also encourage you to join our Association, if you haven't already.

Membership: 1 year \$5 or 4 years \$20 **Direct Debit**

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Also, don't forget to like our Facebook page - St Huberts Island Residents Association.

Annabel, secretary@sthubertsisland.nsw.au

A Word from the President!

wow!!!

What a start to this year's social gatherings!

We began with a bumper gathering for the Sunset Sips held at Attunga Reserve with around 120 on hand to enjoy the night. There were lots of first time attendees which was great to see, and gives them the opportunity to meet some of their neighbours. Sponsorship for the event was provided by the guys and girls from Raine & Horne for which we are very grateful. A very special thank you to Barbara and Michael Lyden for their help. Barbara cleaned up the gardens and picnic table, and Michael mowed the reserve. They also provided access to their home for some of those in need!! Great effort folks and I believe that you also hosted the after party!!

Our next Sips will be held at Solstice Reserve on March 24 - the week before Easter. Last year the sunset was spectacular and well worth the (zero) entrance fee! This year we will have a monster Easter raffle with a chance to win all your Easter Egg needs. Of course an Easter Egg hunt for the kids is a must with maybe some special events to keep them even busier. A BBQ will be provided for the adults with snags and steaks available, and hot dogs for the kids. If you have any special requirements bring along your food - the BBQ boyz will be glad to cook for you. Put this event into your diary NOW! Not to be missed!! Sponsored by Matt Reynolds at First National Real Estate, G L Jackson of Ettalong, Bring your chair. table, nibbles and drinks for a great night out.

We have had some extremely generous support from our Island residents. Virginia and Rod Wenzel offer cruises on "Doctors Orders" at an incredibly generous price. Lots of Island residents have taken advantage of these cruises to entertain overseas visitors, family, friends and groups of neighbours. Big Rod loves the chance to introduce people to our Island home and surrounds, and donates the majority of the asking price back to SHIRA. What can we say?? Order of St Huberts Medal (an OSH) due we think!!

The ongoing discussions with CCC re the new Licences for the pontoons and walkways is grinding to finalisation! New licence agreements are being sent out to those residents that joined the fight to change the agreements, but boy the process is slow!! There is also going to be some pain for residents that had an agreement completed on the old terms as it appears that mooring fee renewals may not have been sent out last year due to the turmoil of amalgamation etc. This will result in you getting an invoice with 2 years of fees to pay. Council have advised me that if this is the case you can contact the Accounts Department and discuss payment arrangements. I am awaiting a confirmation from CCC that this will be the case but at time of publication this has not been forthcoming. In all likelihood you will be extended 3 months to pay the fees. Please contact me if you have any concerns or problem with Council.

To stay in touch with all our activities you can "Like" our Facebook page or refer to our website at sthubertsisland.nsw.au

This March is also an important month for us as we hold the AGM on March 8th. The meeting is held at The Cove Retirement Village, Empire Bay Drive commencing at 7:30pm. Best parking spot is in the carpark at Daleys Kitchen off Peridon Ave. At that time the current committee will retire and a new committee will be elected. If you are interested in joining the committee you need to be a paid up member of SHIRA and come along on the night. We are always keen to have new faces who wish to contribute to our growth and social activities. If you have any questions feel free to give me a call.

If you can't get to the meeting, there is a Nomination for the Committee form to the right to be completed and returned to the Secretary before the AGM.

Cheers Rod Blake 0411 474 468 president@sthubertsisland.nsw.au



Neighbourhood Watch

The following crimes for November 2017 to January 2018 were reported to Police:-

2 Stealing November 2017 Mercator Parade Marina View Parade December 2017 1 Assault

January 2018 No crimes reported



Ring 000 for crimes in progress

Or... report all crimes to the Police Assistance Line 131 444, or Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000 if you wish to remain anonymous. If you prefer internet to phone, you can access www.police.nsw.gov.au, click on to the NSW Police Force Community Portal and complete a nonemergency Online Police Reports form. The report will be passed on to police in the same way as phone reports to the Police Assistance Line.

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Since Andrew Tregent was born he has been a resident of St Huberts Island. Firstly his parent's home was in Nautilus Cres, then Mercator Parade and now Helmsman Boulevard.

Following in his father Tom's footsteps he studied at UTS and in 2003 became the youngest franchisee in Raine & Horne's 122 year history and was officially recognised by Max Raine at the National Awards ceremony in 2004. During the same year, Andrew's outstanding sales achievements gained him membership to the prestigious Multi-Million Dollar Club. Since his early recognitions, Andrew has been acknowledged for many other accolades including just recently Salesperson Marketing Excellence award at the 2016 NSW/ACT State Awards. To his credit, Andrew has been consistently recognised as a high achiever within the industry.

With his in-depth knowledge of St Huberts Island and his passion for its enviable lifestyle, Andrew has earnt his position as one of the most successful and personally driven agents within the St Huberts Island Real Estate market.

Just recently Andrew has proudly put together some outstanding sales results for his owners on the Island. This year only Andrew & his St Huberts Island staff have produced a whopping \$11,163,000 worth of real estate sales.

He is a member of the Executive Board of the Peninsula Chamber of Commerce, served as a board member of the Bendigo Bank Ettalong Beach, is a Justice of the Peace and an involved contributor to local events and causes.

Outside of his work life, Andrew loves nothing more than playing in the sand on the waterfront of the Island with his beautiful wife Monique and 18 month old son Henry.

NOTIFICATION



Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service Fundraiser AND St Patricks Day ... all in one day

St Dating Day This fundraiser is to be held on Sunday 11th March 2018 @ 86 Helmsman Bvd St Huberts Island...

In conjunction with the St Huberts Island Residents Association.

... FROM 11am TILL LATE



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- Ettalong Bowling Fishing Club

All Funds raised on the day go to the Westpac Rescue **Helicopter Service**

No-one has ever paid to be transported by the Westpac **Rescue Helicopter Service**

Just a reminder - the St Huberts Island Residents Association Inc is not in possession of any 3rd party liability insurance. Whilst the Association takes all care, there is no responsibility accepted for anyone attending this activity. Persons attending do so at their own risk.

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Annual General Meeting 2018

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Deliver or scan/email to the Secretary before the day of the AGM at -

* 1/29 Marina View Parade, St Huberts Island OR * secretary@sthubertsisland.nsw.au

NOTE: Nominees and Nominators MUST be paid-up members of the Association.

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION

Short-term Rental Accommodation

With the rise in popularity of websites and apps such as Airbnb and Stayz and the higher rental returns that such sites offer, many investment properties on the Island are increasingly being used as Short-term accommodation.

SHIRA have been contacted by residents regarding behavioural issues with some tenants at these properties. Issues such as foul language, noise problems, car parking congestion and excessive speed in canals and on our roads are some of the concerns that affect the amenity of nearby residents.

Listed below is the Gosford City (read Central Coast) Council guidelines that short-term rentals must comply with:

- ❖ Short-term rental accommodation is defined in the <u>Gosford Local Environmental Plan 2014</u> as a dwelling that is commercially available for rent as short-term accommodation on a temporary basis, but does not include bed and breakfast accommodation.
- ♦ Short-term rental accommodation is allowable under the Gosford Local Environmental Plan 2014 Schedule 2 as Exempt Development, if the following five items are able to be complied with:
 - 1. The subject dwelling must be located in a zone where dwellings are permitted with consent. (All Island homes comply with this.)



3. The dwelling must be serviced by a general waste garbage bin of at least 240L capacity.

(Most residential dwellings are only serviced by a 120L bin. To comply with the LEP owners must pay additional rates for a larger bin - see article "GARBAGE - Episode 4: Your Garbage Bins" on page 8 of this newsletter.)

4.If the dwelling is located in a bush fire prone area, a bush fire evacuation plan must be attached to the dwelling in a prominent location. (This does not apply to Island residences.)

5. There must not have been more than two written complaints to the Council concerning the activities taking place on the property from the occupiers of separate dwellings located within 40 metres of the subject dwelling within the preceding 12 months.

(If Council receives 2 written complaints, in the timeframe noted, then the property is subjected to a DA application that will have more stringent conditions applied to the property.)

Where the dwelling falls outside the criteria listed above, the owner should contact Central Coast Council's planning team (phone number below) to discuss the options that may be available with respect to their property.

For further assistance in this or any other property use questions, please contact Central Coast Council by phoning 4325 8222 or by emailing assk@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au.

There is also a **Holiday Rental Code of Conduct Central Coast NSW** available for you to read on the web at <u>centralcoastholidays.com.au/holiday/Code-of-Conduct</u>.





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The agent is not purchasing your home. The market will only pay what it will pay. So make sure you get a realistic expectation based on the current market and don't be tricked into thinking the dishonest agent will get you more.





REPORT

SANTA ON THE WATER

Christmas 2017

Santa and his music makers returned to the water again this Christmas.

Saturday December 23 saw Santa on board "Doctors Orders", skippered by Rod Wenzel and "propelled by the wind" of the Brisbane Water Brass Band.



Report

FISHOS Corner

Outside the water is cold and at times the current strong which makes outside catches difficult. A few bonito and kingfish are being taken in the Broken Bay area looking for baitfish.

Brisbane Water is producing flathead and bream at the usual hotspots such as The Rip Bridge area and Half Tide Rocks.

The odd nice snapper is being taken off Box Head.

Some nice bream are also coming from Paddys Channel with similar catches at Empire Bay.



Just a reminder, the Ettalong
Hotel Fishing Club and the
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FISHOS BRAG

The Case of the Unfortunate Mud Crab

(The reason for the Island Chef recipe there ——)

Not sure if this should be in the Fishos Brag section of the newsletter, BUT... there's not much bragging going on at the moment from the fishing fraternity - which may surprise most/all of us as they are renown for the "one that got away" and are quick to tell us of the beauty they caught!



Anyway, so...

The 'other day', one of JoAnn Edwards' sons walks out the back to their boat ramp, and lo-and-behold, there is a huge, healthy mud crab just sitting on the ramp!



Island Chef Recipe

Our very own Island [Master] Chefs

Recipes from Island contributors.



If a Mud Crab happens to visit... ANOTHER (?) recipe from JoAnn Edwards - borrowed from an unknown recipe book.

Linguine with mud crab

- 500 g fresh linguine
- 125 mL (/1/2 cup) olive oil
- 12 garlic cloves, finely chopped
- 2 banana chillies, finely chopped
- 4 tablespoons chopped flat-leaf (Italian) parsley
- 3 anchovies and a bit of the anchovy oil
- 320 g cooked mud crab meat
- 2 teaspoons grated lemon zest
- Cook your pasta in boiling salted water until al dente.
- Meanwhile, heat the oil in a large frying pan with the garlic and chilli until they start to turn golden.
- Throw in the parsley and cook for 10 seconds to release the flavour.
- Add the anchovies and their oil and cook for a further. minute, breaking up the anchovies as they cook.
- Drain the hot pasta, add to the pan and toss.
- Add the crab meat, toss well and sprinkle with the grated lemon zest just before serving.

Email your special IslandChef recipe to islandnews@sthubertsisland.nsw.au for possible inclusion in the next issue.

If enough excellent recipes pour in we might even knock-up our very own St Huberts Island Recipe Book!

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INFORMATION

"Seaweed" on Your Beach!! What to do with your WRACK.

<u>Posidonia australis</u> is the largest of the eight species of seagrass that occur in NSW waters (the ninth only found in the Mediterranean Sea) and has strap-like leaves that can reach up to 60 cm in length. (NB: Seagrasses are not related to Seaweeds.) New leaves are bright green, and mature leaves are often more brown in colour and commonly covered in epiphytes (which are smaller algae species that attach themselves to the leaf surface). Leaves are typically between 10–20 mm wide, but can be as little as 6 mm in very young plants.

Each shoot along the rhizome (the horizontal stem that runs between plants and helps to anchor the plant) carries 2-4 leaves. The rhizomes are usually buried and are 1-2 cm thick.

The leaves of this species are produced constantly throughout the year, but growth is slower during the winter months. Old leaves are shed regularly and accumulate in the shallows and on shore.

This is called WRACK.

Seagrass wrack also plays a vital role as a microhabitat both in the water and along the shoreline. Accumulation of decaying seagrass (or wrack) on the shoreline provides food and habitat, and is a source of nutrient cycling for inshore estuarine ecosystems.

When seagrass dies and begins to breakdown, microbes such as bacteria create fragments of decaying seagrass. This is then consumed by other microbes, prawns and other invertebrates. Other animals, including shore birds and fish, will then eat these invertebrates, and so the cycle continues. Decaying wrack plays an important role in maintaining inshore marine ecosystems.

In Australia, semi-decomposed *Posidonia australis* is collected from windrows along beaches, sieved to remove stalk material and processed at moderate temperature and alkalinity to produce a liquid plant



Wrack is seagrass that is placed on the shore by the waves or wind action.

nutrient. When applied to crop plants, this fertiliser consistently produces higher yields.

There is a NSW Fisheries PDF document with much more interesting information on this endangered seagrass, including maps of it's locations around Brisbane Water. It can be found at data/assets/pdf file/0007/635857/Endandgered-populations-of-Posidonia-australis.pdf.

WHAT TO DO WITH THE wrack ON YOUR BEACH?

- DON'T...... just rake/push the wrack back into the water to become your neighbour's problem!!!!
- **RAKE & BAG IT!** Then call Central Coast Council Customer Service on 4325 8222 (or if you cannot get through easily, John on 4325 8120 may be able to help).
 - They will then arrange to have the bags you placed on your nature strip collected and disposed of FOC!
- **COMPOST IT!** It can be used in a mixture of 20 parts compost to 1 part wrack. For best results it is recommended to wash it first.
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INFORMATION



GARBAGE - Episode 4 : Your Garbage Bins

Repairs, Replacements, Additional, Larger size

Most of this article has been sourced from the <u>1coast.com.au</u> website run by Central Coast Council and our new garbage collectors, Cleanaway.

CHECK IT OUT - there isn't much there that you don't need to know!

Bin Repairs and Replacements

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A damaged bin can be repaired very quickly AND at no cost.

If it has been damaged, missing a wheel or perhaps your lid is broken or missing, you can arrange to have it repaired.

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Lid replacement

Body replacement Wheel replacement

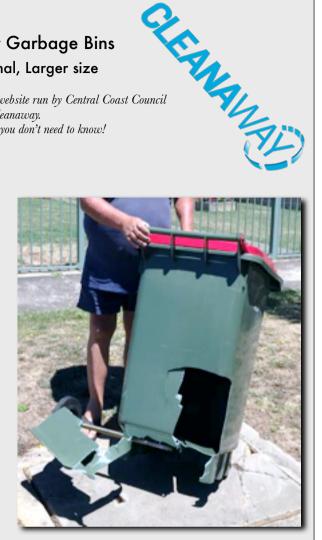
Bin repairs to the body and wheels generally occur within 2 working days after they receive your request.

Bin repairs to the lid will occur on the next bin service day by the driver emptying your bin.

Bins that have been damaged beyond repair will only be exchanged with a replacement bin if the old bin is placed out on the kerbside for removal.

To request a bin repair go to the online booking website at lcoast.net where you will need to register or login, or contact the Customer Service Centre on 1300 1coast (1300 126 278).

If your bin has been stolen, contact the Customer Service Centre on 1300 126 278. You may be required to provide a statutory declaration when reporting a stolen bin.



Additional Bins

Extra 120L Red bin = \$252 per year

Extra 240L Red bin = \$380 per year

Extra 240L Green bin = \$103 per year

Extra 240L Yellow bin = \$96 per year







If you are finding that your bins are constantly overflowing, for an amount added to your Council Rates, additional recycling, garden vegetation or general waste bins can be obtained.

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Change a 120L Red bin to a 240L Red bin = \$127 per year Change a 240L Red bin to a 120L Red bin = \$0 (which doesn't seem right to the Editor)

The southern end of the Central Coast Council offers residents the choice of a 120 litre or 240 litre red lid general waste bin as part of your residential waste service. The 120 litre is the default bin provided to all residents.

If you are finding that your waste bin is constantly overflowing, you can upgrade to a larger red bin for general waste.

As for additional bins, and if you are renting, only property owners can request a change to the size of a bin.

240 litre bin 120 litre bin

How to make all this happen

Bin Repairs and Replacements

To request a bin repair go to the online booking website at <u>lcoast.net</u> where you will need to register or login, or contact our Customer Service Centre on 1300 1coast (1300 126 278).

Additional Bins AND Resize your Red Lid Bin

To order additional bins, or change your Red bin size (bigger or smaller) you need to use an "old fashion" paper form faxed, posted or scanned and emailed to Cleanaway at Somersby.

The form can be found at the bottom of the <u>lcoast.com.au/Additional-Bins</u> webpage (or this link takes you straight to the document).

♦ Note on page 4 of this newsletter that any airbnb, stayz etc, etc, etc, Short-term rental properties on the Island **MUST HAVE a 240L Red bin**, not the smaller Red bin.

INFORMATION

Island Dine-Out 2018#1 Notification

Daleys Kitchen Saturday 7th April 2018 6.30pm \$40.00 per person

PLEASE NOTE:

Daleys Kitchen is no longer BYO. It is now a Licensed Venue with no BYO.

> RSVP to Kim Blake @ twh300@yahoo.com.au 0412 924 247

Daleys Kitchen St Hubert's Dine Out - Saturday 7th April 2018 \$40 per person Appetizers Children's menu (age 3 - 10 years) - Chicken nuggets a am and choculate sauce - \$15.00 per head on additional charge. Due to our location we have a strict 10pm closing time Liquer license (pending) NO 8YO



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INFORMATION

Street Library Coming to the Island We have a Little Street Library on its way!

Keep an eye out for our new Street Library arriving soon, kindly donated by Raine & Horne.



What is a Street Library?

Street Libraries are a beautiful home for books, planted in your front yard. They are accessible from the street, and are an invitation to share the joys of reading with your neighbours.

Ours will be planted in Raine & Horne's front yard, and will look like a big letterbox with two shelves inside and a perspex door on the front.

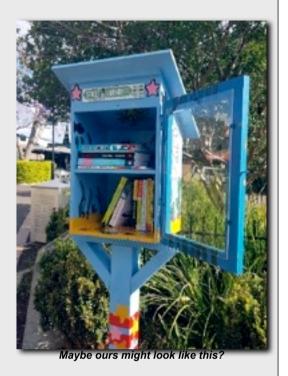
This is a lovely way to share books you have finished with, or discover a new book to read.

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, or pass them on to friends.

If anyone has a book or two that they think others would enjoy, they can just pop it into the Street Library as they happen to be walking past.

"They are a symbol of trust and hope – a tiny vestibule of literary happiness."



REPORT

Annual St Huberts Island Paddle Regatta

Sunday 10 December 2017



About 20 kayaks paddled on this beautiful "Island in the Sun" day. It was a good roll up with the throng stopping for watermelon at one location, then the "icing on the cake" at President Rod and Kim's beach in Marina Cove where sausage sandwiches were served up. And then to finish the day with a touch of class, champagne and nibbles at Long Arm Park.

The weather was perfect, sunny and with no wind. Tide was low, however paddlers managed to navigate through the weed beds without losing anyone.

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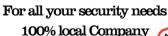
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Sunset Sips 2018#1 Report - Attunga Attunga Park 10 February 2018

Well... our Sunset Sips at Solstice last year was our major 2017 success - stacks of residents and the most impressive sunset.

But... our first Sunset Sips for 2018 at Attunga Park was IMMENSE!!

This Editor tried (as in a very half-hearted attempt) to do a quick head-count of the turn-up. It was all too hard for me so I outsourced to various "mathematically reliable" people who reported back a range of numbers - 120 to 150 residents and friends.



I knew it would be an impressive day/night when people began turning up 30 minutes before the official start time. We were still setting up the BBQ, citronella flares, garbage bags, tables, condiments etc, and sponsored beer and champagne courtesy of Raine & Horne. They obviously knew of the attendance magnitude and needed to stake their area, which coincidently was very near the food and beverage - not really, we were all searching for shade under the huge Morton Bay Figs.

As for all our Sunset Sips, the night proceeded through to the midnight hours, but it was rumoured Barbara and Michael (next to the Park) hosted the afterparty.

So, another major success from the Residents Association, bringing senior, old and new residents together in one of our many beautiful meeting places.

A special thank you to Michael and Barbara Lyden for mowing and tidying the Park, and cleaning picnic furniture before we all arrived.

Welcome New Neighbours

... and farewell to departing friends

The Association welcomes all new residents to our relaxing and peaceful Island.

We encourage all Islanders to make our new neighbours welcome.

- ★9 Barracouta
- ★41 Beachfront
- ★11 Heron
- ★13 Heron
- ★24 Long Arm
- ★5 Mainsail
- **★13 Mainsail**
- **★19 Marina View**
- ★2/29 Marina View
- ★36 Mercator
- ★31 Salacia

House sales and transfers 2 December 2017 to 18 February 2018. (... plus some that slipped past the Editor in 2017.)

Sourced from NSW Valuer General/Land & Property Information website and allhomes.com.au.





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 - Rae Keelan our Hospitality Manager is an Island resident with extensive industry experience. Please contact her for an increase in holiday occupancy.

TidBits...

Council Planning Alerts

An Island resident recently discovered that anyone can have alerts sent to their email address for planning or development applications near you.



or locate me automatically

The website at planningalerts.org.au allows you to search for any submitted planning and development applications within 2 km of the address you enter.

By logging in and entering your email address you receive emails after applications are posted on CCC's website.



Concerned About Bridge Jumpers?

With the end of the school holidays and summer fading, many Islanders are breathing a sigh of relief.

Bridge jumpers have been a concern to these

One resident finally gave up after a particularly hot, sunny, bridgejumper crammed day - they rang the Woy Woy police

directly on 4379 7399, and before they knew it, a patrol car arrived and quickly and effectively cleared away the jumpers.

Island streets dressed for Australia Day

Many Islanders noticed that little elves (?) had been very busy overnight/early morning on Australia Day.

Many of the major roads on the Island had been "en-flagged" in front of each property with small Australian flags

On closer inspection we discovered a needed to thank Trina and Steve Gribble of Domain Real Estate.

The flags were placed along Helmsman from the bridge to Marina View, then circling around Marina View into Nautilus then back



to Helmsman. They started again at Mainsail, continued in to Solstice with a branch along the way to Heron.

Many photos were taken to document this day on the Island, and they can be found on the Island's website at sthubertsisland.nsw.au/ events-reports/event-2018-australia-day/

Real Housewives Of St Huberts Island (RHOSHI) wine glasses are (almost) here



Attention all you RHOSHI... the design, manufacturers and cost are finally set in concrete.

Cost will be \$20 each or \$70 for four glasses. Only three colours will be available -

black, silver and pink.

Contact Julie Piper for pre-orders. Text 0416 044 231 or email her at

julieann au@yahoo.com.au.

First in best dressed, although there are still some orders to fill from the very popular initial test run of glasses.

Canal Plan of Management

The Association continues to determine the next stage of the Council's POM for our canals.

This has proved to be difficult following staff changes due to amalgamation, and the speed at which the POM is approaching the approval

Kayakers and Paddlers - Laws vou need to know

A visit to the relevant Government website FAO section at

 $\underline{maritime management.transport.nsw.gov.au}$ provides us with our legal requirements for kayaking around the Island and in our canals.

◆ Lifeiackets must be worn when paddling at most times on all waters.



The operator of the canoe or kayak is responsible to ensure that everyone on board complies with lifejacket requirements. Other safety equipment is not required, with the exception of a torch between sunset and sunrise.

- You must wear a *lifejacket level 50S* or greater on a canoe or kayak when on open waters, alpine waters, or crossing a coastal bar. A lifejacket level 50S or greater must also be worn at between sunset and sunrise, or when you are not accompanied on the vessel by another person 12 years of age or more. Children under 12 years of age must wear a lifejacket level 50S or more at all times.
- Level 50S lifejackets are intended for use by those who are able swimmers and who are near to a bank or shore, or who have help and a means of rescue close at hand. Level 50S lifejackets are not designed to assist in turning the wearer into a face-up position. Level 50S lifejackets require active participation by the wearer and can be of any colour.
- ♦ Open waters means navigable waters that are not enclosed waters.
- ◆ Enclosed waters means navigable waters within the land mass of New South Wales such as inland and coastal rivers, inland and coastal lakes and similar waters, and enclosed coastal bays and harbours.

Council Licensing of Pontoons

Island canal residents currently have either the previous 5 year licence from Council for their pontoons/walkway to occupy Council land OR the newly Association negotiated 15 year licence for occupation.

Most/all residents who signed the latest 5 year licence should have received their final

15 year licence holders have not received their final documentation yet (except one resident), but this should be happening "soon". Again, Council staff changes and understaffing due to amalgamation have led to these delays. ALSO all pontoon owners will receive a double invoice from Council for the "uninvoiced" annual pontoon licence fees for 2016/17 and 2017/18.

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From the Editor...

Well... it's happened... the newsletter has gone to 6 sheets. More advertisers have shown their support for the Island and our newsletter, and have taken up more "real estate". It was always my intention that there is more news and reading than ads, thus the extra 2 pages to maintain my personal requirement.

And, as a pontoon owner, I have hidden my frustrations with the Pontoon Licensing mess here! Enough said.

Any comments regarding the newsletter, email me at islandnews@sthubertsisland.nsw.au.

Steve