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The Association is in dire need!!

We need Committee Members!!

We need the Association!!



Your Association has represented you in so many ways since its inception in 1976, and in many directions:

- Minor housekeeping items such as road/pothole/tree maintenance, mowing, round-a-bout issues, and too many more to list...
- Major items such as bicentenary celebration, rotunda at Long Arm (Council reneged), Cleanup Australia, fund raising for Westpac helicopter and Cancer Council, the Entry Statement, Tidy Town competition, pontoons in the canals, and a lot more...
- BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY... what's coming on the horizon: Council "playing" with our Pontoon fee fund, canal and sea-wall maintenance, dealing with the newly elected Council, St Huberts as a heat-sink and it's greening, the impact on the Island of Council's Climate Change policies and decisions, and a lot more...

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 12 March this year. The old Committee stands aside, and a new Committee is elected by those who attend the Meeting.

This year we have three significant Committee positions not standing for re-election:



- **PRESIDENT**
- **SECRETARY**
- TREASURER
- as well as possibly two other Committee members.

Once the Island bridge was opened in 1971, St Huberts was open for business. In 1976 a bunch of residents began criticising a variety of decisions being made that were affecting them and decided to form an Association to take on these issues. As part of its creation, the Association needed to create it's OBJECTS (as stated in our constitution):

- 1. To watch over and protect the interests of the residents of St Huberts Island.
- 2. To co-operate, if necessary, with other public bodies in carrying out general services for the benefit of the residents of St Huberts Island.
- 3. To invite and deal with the moneys of the Association in such a manner as may be determined from time to time.
- To engage professional assistance of any kind and to remunerate any person for service rendered or to be rendered in or about the formation or promotion of the Association or the conduct of its affairs.
- 5. To raise money from subscription and to grant any rights and privileges to subscribers.
- To do all such things as may be conducive to the well being of the residents of St Huberts Island.

All of these objects are significant, but it is points 1,2 and 6 that we work at all year long, and many times behind the scenes...

Please...

- Become a Member (Membership form Page 3) 1.
- Come to the Annual General Meeting at the Cove Hall Notification Page 2 (across the road from the Daleys Kitchen traffic lights near the top of the bridge)
- Maybe nominate for the Committee so we have enough people to carry out our six objectives, for the benefit of ALL ISLANDERS (Nomination form Page 3)





A (Final) Word from the President

president@sthubertsisland.nsw.au

Well, we've certainly seen a tumultuous last three months with lots of wind, surrounding bushfires and smoke followed up by some unbelievable rain and lightning storms. We've had it all on the Island, but it certainly looks fantastic now. Everything's green and growing like crazy.

One of the changes we've got coming for this year is that we have Council elections coming up in September.

I ask you all to make sure that you are aware of which parties and which candidates are going to be of any value to us as residents of the Central Coast Council.

It's also time for our own elections. And come Thursday 12 March I invite you all up to the Cove Hall where we will hold our 2020 Annual General Meeting.

We will be looking for quite a few new members to join the committee. It's time for a new President, a new Secretary, a new Treasurer and some Committee members.

And I feel we're looking for a bit of new blood and ideas to keep the Island at the forefront of activities in the area.

It's been an absolute pleasure to serve the people on the Island. Kim and I will be moving on to do some other activities, and we wish you well in the future. We're not going anywhere so we'll be very interested to see how we all go.

Cheers folks,

Bve.

Kim and Rod.

Notice

2020 ANNUAL GENERAL **MEETING**

7.30pm Thursday 12 March 2020 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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

2020	March 8 Sunday	St Patricks Day/Westpac Helicopter Fundraiser		
	Andersons Boatshed	11 am till late	(see inside page 7)	
2020 March 12 Thursday ANNUAL GENERAL MEETI		AL MEETING		
	The Cove Hall	7:30 pm	(see notice this page)	
2020 March 14 Saturday CA		ANCE SunsetSips 2020	CunsetSips 2020#2 @ BEACHFRONT PARK	
	Beachfront Park	MOELLED		
2020	April 5 Sunday	DAYLIGHT SAVIN	IG ENDS	
		3 am	Fall BACK to 2 am	
2020	April 11 Saturday	SunsetSips 2020	Be Determined UNT @ SOLSTICE	
	Solstice Park	To	Be Determ	

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

From the Secretary

Direct Debits

This Secretary has continual problems matching payments with membership and advertisers (and make life easier for the Treasurer).

Advertising: the reference number as per the invoice. Membership is:

Kind Regards, Annabel

secretary@sthubertsisland.nsw.au

surname#streetname.

From the Secretary - again

After 5 years, I will be hanging up my Secretary hat and passing on the responsibilities to a new and willing resident. Unfortunately my "real" job is taking too much of my time and I am not able to give the role and you, the residents, the time it deserves.

The main reason I joined the Committee was not only because I feel very privileged to live on this wonderful Island but also have the opportunity to meet other residents.

I have certainly achieved my purpose, have met many wonderful people and have thoroughly enjoyed my time as Secretary. And I look forward to attending many of the great social activities we now have available (if I'm not travelling 😊).

Thank you to my fellow Committee members for all of your love and support and a big thank you to the residents for supporting us. See you all at (hopefully) our April SunsetSips and I look forward to enjoying a champagne with you all.

And my last two rants ever...

Direct Debits... this a great invention, BUT it falls apart if you don't REFERENCE the deposit properly as described above Membership... we need more members for the Association to work, and your email addresses - see a Membership form to the right

Kind Regards, Annabel

secretary@sthubertsisland.nsw.au

Neighbourhood Watch: NO INCREASE IN CRIME

Police cannot act when they are not informed of criminal activity. If not an emergency, and to ensure meaningful reporting, use the Police Assistance Line or Crime Stoppers phone numbers below, not local police stations who do not record phone conversations.

Although no increase in crime on the Island, the Peninsula is spiking in the past few months for "steal from motor vehicles" and there is an increase for "malicious damage" in both Kariong and the Peninsula. LOCK YOUR CARS

Ring 000 for crimes in progress

Neighbourhood

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.

Notifications...

SunsetSips 2020#2 **Beachfront Reserve**

CANCELLED 5 pm Saturday 14 March (2 days after the Island's Annual General Meeting)

the slow decrease in Islanders attending our Social Activities. With the SunsetSips@Attunga also resulting in decreased attendance, it has been decided to cancel SunsetSips@Beachfront, and pass future decisions to the new Committee, including

SunsetSips@Solstice.

The current Committee has seen

SunsetSips 2020#3 and MONSTER EASTER EGGHUNT

Solstice Park

4 pm Saturday 11 April (Easter Saturday)

To Be Determined

Membership: 1 year \$5

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NEW & RENEW

2020

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	Date: Signature:				
	Pay now, Deliver or Scan/email to the Secretary at - * 1/29 Marina View Parade, St Huberts Island OR * <u>secretary@sthubertsisland.nsw.au</u>				
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Annual General Meeting Thursday 12 March 2020

Nomination of Committee Members to the new Committee

Nominations for the election of: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and Committee members

Person Proposed: For Position:

Nomination by (two members of the Association):

(nominator name) (nominator signature)

(nominator name) (nominator signature)

Consent of the candidate: (candidate signature)

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.

Fishing Brags...

They Are Out There!!

(... sounds like E.T.)

If you are one of many disillusioned fishers, don't give up just yet.

Advice from our Fishos column (page 7) steers you where they might still be (!), and the following brags might spur you on and rebuild your determination.

Serial braggers **Martin Wellington** and his neighbour **Bruce Halliday** were in amongst the crabs on January 22 when they went to Woy Woy Bay and bagged some mud-crabs and blue swimmers.





And keeping it in the family, Bruce's son **Scott Halliday** was out in the Hawkesbury on 12 January using a live yellowtail when he hooked a huge jewfish/mulloway. Father Bruce had to land the fish by gaffe.

Island Chef Recipe

This recipe courtesy of Pam Flynn.



Pam's Coconut Poached Fish

Ingredients:

- ♦ 400mL can coconut milk
- ♦ 4 kaffir lime leaves finely sliced
- ♦ 1 lime zest and juice
- → 1 tblsp fish sauce
- 2 red chillies (small) sliced finely
- ♦ 1 garlic clove crushed.
- ◆ 4 pieces of salmon
- ♦ 250g snow peas
- steamed rice
- shredded spring onions
- coriander to serve

Method:

- Combine milk, kaffir lime leaves, lime zest and juice, fish sauce, chillies and garlic in a frypan and bring to the boil.
- Add the fish and reduce to low and simmer for 8 - 10 minutes.
- 3. Add snow peas to the liquid and simmer for 2 minutes.

Serve with rice, shredded spring onions and coriander.

Enjoy!

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!

Report...

SunsetSips 2020#1 @ Attunga Saturday 15 February

With the weather forecast threatening afternoon/evening rain and thunderstorms, this SunsetSips was held in beautifully balmy conditions until about 8pm when the gentle then steady rain came with a bit of bashing and crashing from the heavens above.

Maybe the forecast scared-off Islanders as the turnout for this Island activity was again down on expected numbers.

Still, about 60 Islanders turned up for a relaxing afternoon and early evening, with quite a few littlies making use of the Attunga playground equipment.





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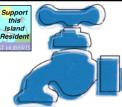
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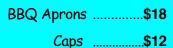
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Welcome New Neighbours

... 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.

- ★ 3 Beachfront
- ★ 21 Longarm
- ★ 30 Long Arm
- ★ 26 Mainsail
- ★ 11 Nautilus
- ★ 21 Weatherly

House sales and transfers 31 November 2019 to 22 February 2020 (contract date ignored).

Sourced from NSW Valuer General, Raine&Horne and allhomes.com.au.



Report

FISHOS Corner

With the recent heavy rains it was thought that the Brisbane Water system would be flushed and we should experience good bream catches.

However, as at time of this report, we are still waiting for the inky water to dissipate and the floating hazards to disappear.

There are reports of mulloway being caught at Pittwater and at of course the usual hot spot, the Rip Bridge area.

Flathead are plentiful offshore as well as around the Half Tide Rocks area.

The odd big leather jacket is hanging around the wharves in Brisbane Waters and the odd bream is being caught on - of all things - marinated chicken!

Brag photo!

Todays photo is from Ken, your fisho columnist with a 'moby dick' fantail leather jacket weighing in at 650 grams and caught under the St Huberts Island Bridge.



Ettalong Hotel Fishing Club and Ettalong Diggers Fishing Club are always looking for active fishos to join their clubs. For further details contact Ken, Nev or Richard via the Island website.

If you have caught a fish or two lately and want to share it with our readers, simply email your pics as well as details where, when caught etc to the Editor Island News.

Tight lines! Ken

Ken Lummis

St Huberts Island Residents Association 1988 - 2019



The Island "lost" arguably, our most valuable representative in March 2019 when Ken Lummis ended his 30+ year contribution to St Huberts Island residents and our Association.

Ken joined the Committee in 1988 as a "humble" Committee member after 1200 people attended the mighty St Huberts Island Bicentenary Celebrations at Long Arm reserve.

After four years on the Committee and then Vice President, Ken started his 25 year tenure as Treasurer. It was an accidental move. In 1992 many of the Committee did not re-nominate and the current Treasurer - Bruce Exton - had to stand down due to occupation pressures. Ken, stressing the temporary nature of his decision, took on this role. Then Ken put his hand up for the role for the next 24 years! It was no wonder that for the final 15 years as Treasurer he would make this statement at each Annual General Meeting - "In the absence of any other nominations for Treasurer, I am happy to stand again for the position of Treasurer of the Association. However, should anyone else nominate for the position, I will withdraw my nomination and nominate for a Committee person". It was his belief in, and the value of the Association to all Islanders, that led to Ken continuing as Treasurer.

Before Ken joined, the Committee was embroiled in many "meaty" and ever-present issues: organisation of the Bicentennial celebration at Long Arm Reserve; Public Liability Insurance for Committee members; petrol prices on the Central Coast; the Water & Sewerage Loan Levy from Gosford City Council; flood liable land; 40km speed limit on the Island; traffic problems at the top of bridge (before the round-a-bout); vandalism; tree roots and kerb & guttering; Luderick boat-ramp considered useless; and much much more.

With Ken on the Committee the issues he was an integral part of included: fund-raising from spoons then the Island history book; incorporating the Association to avoid Committee liability; increased membership from \$2 to eventually \$5; the round-a-bout; more kerb and guttering; street lighting; pontoons; canal management; bus service; Island entry statement; managing the fighting fund for the recent CCC "draconian" change to pontoon licences; bus shelters... and the list goes on!

Other than his "grip" on the Association funds, Ken took over the unofficial role of "Island Social Secretary" which had been languishing for some years when he joined. Ken is more of a behind-the-scenes type of guy yet he took St Huberts to the Tidy Towns competition with some successes and restarted/started/organised many social functions such as Carols-by-Candlelight, Island picnics and BBQs, Christmas in July, and the St Huberts Island BBQ. Together with his wife Astrid, they hosted more than 90 Committee meetings at their home.

And today... you will still see "the behind-the-scenes" Ken supporting the Association by managing, storing and hiring out SHIRA equipment.

... And he still contributes significantly to Island events including SunsetSips, fundraisers and the Island BBQ by organising tools, gas cylinders, disposables, spreads, breads and rolls, condiments etc etc etc...

The Association on behalf of all Islanders, gives sincere thanks to Ken for his more than 30 years of service to the entire Island.

Thanks Ken.

KEN'S TIMELINE

1988	.Joined - Committee member
1989-90	.Vice President
1992	.Temporary Treasurer
1993 - 2017	. Treasurer
2002 - 2017	. "Tried" (half-heartedly) to hand the Treasurer role to another - but
	without success
2003	.Awarded Life Membership together with wife Astrid
2018	.Committee member
2019	.Resigned from St Huberts Island Residents Association after more than
	30 years of service to the Island
2020 onwards	.STILL helping behind the scenes!



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From the Editor ...

So you've already seen above the long overdue farewell to retired 30 year+ Committee member Ken Lummis.

Being the March edition, there is lots here about the Association, Committee and the Annual General meeting.

In my crystal ball I can see an "interesting" ĂGM where we will attempt to replace retiring President, Secretary and Treasurer positions and more Committee members. Membership is down, demographics are

changing, interest waining? **YOU** need SHIRA. Support **YOUR** SHIRA.

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