

The Island News

ST HUBERTS ISLAND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION INC 'The Central Coast's Island in the Sun'

PO BOX 247, ETTALONG BEACH 2257

DECEMBER 2012

ST HUBERTS Web Site: http://sthubertsisland.nsw.au

December Quarterly General Meeting

All residents are invited to attend the meeting in The Cove Hall, Empire Bay Drive, Empire Bay on Thursday December 6th, 2012 at 7.30 pm. This is an open forum where all matters of interest to Island residents can be discussed.

A small plate of food would be appreciated to contribute to the supper held after the meeting.

If you require a lift to the meeting please call Ron 4343 1540.

Presidents message to the residents

Its that time of year again - On behalf of myself and your committee:



I wish all of our residents
A Merry Christmas
Happy and Prosperous New Year



There has been an extraordinary number of new members to the association this year and this meeting being our Christmas meeting gives all residents, old and new, the chance to get together with fellow St Huberts Islanders in the spirit of Christmas - Come along and join in at this meeting Thursday December 6th 2012.

Ron Spratt OAM President - December 2012

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Chris Ireland **Art Prize**



Chris Ireland an Island Resident and member of the friendly staff at Raine & Horne St Huberts Island has achieved great success in the Rotary Portrait and Art Exhibition by winning first prize from some 94 paintings in the 2 sections with her portrait entitled Levi, the Little Dutch Boy.

It is always great to see island residents achieving, from my understanding Chris has also attended art classes on the island.

Congratulations on your efforts Chris and keep up the good work.

St Patricks Day Fundraiser will be held this year on Saturday March 16th Keep this day FREE and come along. Westpac Rescue Helicopter Service

Can You Help?

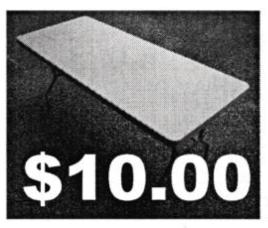
No one has ever paid to be transported by the Westpac Helicopter Service.



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Any information can be forwarded to Neville Smith (Editor) 86 Helmsman Blvde for inclusion in the Island Newsletter which is produced every 3 Months. Each issue has deadlines so make sure any information is submitted early.

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3 AVAILABLE FOR ISLAND RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION MEMBERS ONLY

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Some Pics of St Huberts Island Family BBQ

Left: President Ron with the Winner of the Plaque this year Maureen Eldridge, well done. Below: Some of the crowd we had this year, the weather was excellent and a good day was had by all. Make sure you attend in 2013.



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Sometimes a little helping hand is needed for those of us in the community who are elderly, or living alone, or caring for someone who may suffer from dementia, or for those who are temporarily disabled. The following services are available to give that little extra lift when needed.

COMMUNITY TRANSPORT BUS

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This is a door to door shopping service every Thursday from St Huberts Island to Deepwater Plaza, Woy Woy. Cost is \$10.00

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Home Security

UNFORTUNATELY, THERE WILL ALWAYS BE THIEVES ON THE LOOKOUT FOR PROPERTIES TO ROB. BUT THERE ARE SIMPLE MEASURES YOU CAN TAKE TO GREATLY REDUCE THE LIKELIHOOD YOUR PROPERTY WILL BE TARGETED. THIS FACT SHEET HAS ADVICE ON HOW TO PROTECT YOUR PERSONAL PROPERTY FROM BURGLARY.

PROFILE OF A THIEF

Most thieves enter through a door or window at the side or rear of the house. They are usually after jewellery, cash or other portable items that can be easily sold eg. televisions, video recorders and personal computers.

Good home security involves more than fitting deadlocks or an alarm. You must ensure you use them every time you leave your home. All too frequently thieves enter homes through unlocked or open doors and windows.

HOW TO MAKE YOUR HOME MORE SECURE

The following simple steps will help safe guard your home.

KEYS

- · Never leave spare keys outside your home. Thieves know all the usual hiding places, especially under mats or pot plants.
- · Don't have personal details such as your name, address and telephone number on your keys.
- · Give a duplicate set of keys to a trusted friend, relative or neighbour.
- . If you lose your keys or move into a new home, make sure you change all your locks.

DOORS

- · Install quality deadlock devices on all external doors.
- Check your doors are correctly fitted and working properly. Check door frames are secure and sound.
- Security grilles can be a useful barrier to outsiders. They should only be used, however, as a last resort in high risk situations/locations.
- . Don't leave notes on the door stating that you are away or when you'll return.
- · Keep the front door locked when you are at the back of the house or in the garden.
- . Install a peephole in your front door and always check the Identification of strangers before opening the door.
- · Secure garage doors with deadlocks or strong padlocks. Always lock the garage door.

YARDS

- Thieves like their privacy too, so ensure you keep trees and shrubs trimmed, especially trees close to your home that could used to climb to gain access to your property, or to hide thieves' activities.
- Owning a pet may deter would-be thieves from targeting your home.
- . Ensure gates are secured, as thieves often target the read and sides of homes.
- · Always lock away tools, ladders and gardening equipment. These items can be used by thieves to enter your home.
- Infra red (or movement activated) security lights covering front and rear access to your home may help deter thieves.
- · If your street lights are not working, contact your local council.

Police, Fire, Ambulance

000

In an emergency

Crime Stoppers

1800 333 000

Report crime anonymously

Police Assistance Line

131 444

For non emergencies







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WINDOWS

- Install key operated locks on all windows. Have your window locks keyed alike so you only need one key to open or lock all your windows.
- · Use laminated glass or shatter resistant window film to help prevent entry.

ALARMS

- · Visible alarm equipment can be very effective deterrent to thieves.
- · Your alarm system should cover all external entry doors and windows.

STRANGE PHONE CALLS

- . Don't give personal information to a caller you don't know.
- . Don't let the caller know that you are home alone.
- Program your phone with emergency numbers such as 000 and your local police station. Also program the Police Assistance Line –
 131 444 for all non-emergencies.

GOOD NEIGHBOURS - YOUR BEST WATCH DOG

Good neighbours are one of the best security devices you can have. Get to know your neighbours, stay in touch and together keep an eye out for any suspicious behaviour. It's a good idea to exchange work and holiday telephone numbers. Report any unusual noises or suspicious behaviour to your local police. Your quick action may prevent a burglary.

KEEP ACCURATE RECORDS

- Thieves don't like stealing property that is clearly identified. Marked property is very hard to dispose of and recent legislation
 regarding their operation for pawnbrokers has made it even more difficult. Accurate records of all your property will not only deter
 thieves but will give the police a better chance of locating your property.
- Engrave your electrical equipment and other property (including your CDs) with your driver's license number and prefixed by NSW.
- · Keep photographic records of all your property that can't be engraved, especially jewellery and works or art.
- · Obtain valuation certificates with detailed descriptions of all items. Store the certificates in a safe place.

IF YOU ARE ROBBED

If you arrive home and suspect that you've been robbed, call the Police Assistance Line on 131 444 or your local police immediately.

If you are alone, ask a neighbour to come in with you or wait until the police arrive. If you suspect the thieves may still be inside, don't enter the premises.

While you are waiting for the police to arrive compile a list of what you think is missing. Include brand names, model numbers, serial numbers, accurate descriptions and any engraving details in your list. Remember not to touch anything. It is important the police see your home exactly as the thief left it. What you think is a mess could be valuable evidence.

LIKELIHOOD OF THIEF RETURNING

Thieves often like to return to a house they have robbed because they know how to get in and they are familiar with the layout of the house. They also know that items they took last time will have been replaced, or they may tell another thief the best way to break in to your property. Upgrading your security may prevent a repeat break-in.

BUYING STOLEN GOODS

Buying stolen goods is not a bargain, it's a crime. If you are offered something that your suspect has been stolen, notify the police.

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DAY CARE CENTRES FOR THOSE WITH MEMORY LOSS

These centres provide care to give carers a break and usually provide a hot meal, activities and transport. They are located as follows:

KINCUMBER	4336 7848
WOYWOY	4324 4244
UMINA	4344 9199

If you should need two or three of these services above it may be time to access government funded packaged care. This allows for a case manager to help you make choices to best suit your available hours and to monitor your needs. Contact the Aged Care Assessment Team on 4304 0700 for elegibility.

Once the assessment has been approved you can access the services as follows:

LOW CARE -

Access 4-5 hours per week where carers come to your home and help you with your choice of transport, shopping, showering, house work and prompting medications.

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Current costs for this service is \$60 per week

HIGH CARE

Access 5-14 hours per week where carers can assist with wound care, meal preparation, shopping, transport, respite, socialisation, house work and medication prompts

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A message from our furry friends -

"Not our fault, blame our irresponsible owners"

VALE NOTICE

With sadness we report the passing on 14th October of Max Meliska late of 22 Long Arm Parade.

Max and his wife Diane moved to the island in 2004 from Sydney and a length of time on the Far North Coast and came back to where his childhood memories were spent on the Brisbane Waters. After first moving to Nautilus Crescent, enjoying retirement and embracing the Island lifestyle he completed his project of building in Long Arm Parade.

Max leaves behind his wife of 47yrs, one son and 3 grandchildren.

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The only crime on St Huberts Island during August, September and October 2012 was a stealing incident on Helmsman Boulevarde in September. Either there was only one crime, or residents failed to report crimes to the police. Police target areas where they know crimes are prevalent.

Ring 000 to report crimes in progress. Ring Police Assistance Line 131 444 to report other crimes, or Crime Stoppers 1800 333 000 if you wish to remain anonymous.

HOME SECURITY

Criminal activity increases during the Xmas holiday period. Read the attached police "Home Security Advice" to protect your home from burglary.

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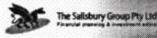
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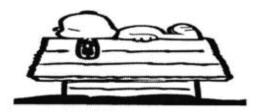
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