



# The Island News

ST HUBERTS ISLAND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION INC

*'The Central Coast's Island In the Sun'*

PO BOX 247, ET TALONG BEACH 2257

JUNE 2010

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## ***June Quarterly General Meeting***

All residents are invited to attend the meeting in The Cove Hall, Empire Bay Drive, Empire Bay on Thursday June 10, 2010 at 7.30pm. This is an open forum where all matters of interest to island residents can be discussed.

If you would require a lift to the meeting please call Bob 4342 1061

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## ***Presidents message to the residents***

Congratulations to the one hundred and sixty (160) residents who made a submission to Gosford City Council in respect to the recently exhibited Draft Gosford Local Environmental Plan 2009 (DLEP). It is all up to council staff and councillors to finalise the Gosford Local Environmental Plan but I can assure you that your committee will be ever vigilant to ensure the best outcome for St Huberts Island. I don't envisage any finalisation of the plan in this year 2010.

Also it is with a great deal of pleasure that I welcome to the committee the new members; Steve Steele and Grahame Wilson they bring to the committee some new and fresh ideas together with renewed enthusiasm.

At the General Meeting in March 2010 the idea of an email alert system be investigated, this is well in hand and it is anticipated the scheme will be up and running in the next month or two.

Ron Spratt OAM  
President

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## **NEWSLETTER EDITORIAL & ADVERTISING**

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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Guest Speaker Matthew Macfarlane

Matt Macfarlane is a resident of St Huberts Island and has an expertise and experience in relation to Indigenous Sting Rays and would like to share his knowledge with members of St Huberts Island.

The presentation will include. How to avoid Sting Ray injuries, Types of Sting Rays found around St Huberts Island, Treatment of Sting Ray injuries.

Matt is happy to answer questions members may have in respect of this topic.



## St Patricks Day

St Patricks Day was again held this year under the Marquee at Neville and Marilyn Smith's front lawn in March 2010.

The home made Guinness flowed freely, along with a wide variety of other home brewed drinks. It was a GREAT day with heaps of Raffle Prizes.

Over \$800 was raised on the day for the Westpac Careflight Helicopter Service.

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# **Island Watch - the St Huberts Island email alert system**

At the General Meeting of the Association held on March 11, 2010, it was resolved that a new committee consider the initiation of a web site warning and an email service for interested residents.

This committee has now met several times. The system has been set up and is undergoing testing by committee members. It is hoped the final system will be "released" to members of the Residents Association by the end of June at the latest.

The "Island Watch email alert system" will have the following features:-

- \* A web page on the St Huberts Island website ([Http://sthubertsisland.nsw.au/](http://sthubertsisland.nsw.au/)) will contain information on the nature and use of the system, instructions, and an email link to register for ISLANDALERT emails.
- \* The Email Alert system will only be available to members of the Association who wish to receive the Alert emails.
- \* Registered residents will be able to email notify the committee of any "events" on the Island which warrant an ISLANDALERT being emailed to all registered residents.
- \* Island Alert emailed events will be "de-identified" such that any names, specific locations and other information that may compromise anyone's privacy will occur before emailing to registered users.

As the system may begin after the June General Meeting, Island Association residents will probably be notified by letterbox of the Island Watch "launch".

**WARNING**

**THE SPEED LIMIT ON THE ISLAND IS**



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By popular request a dinner Dine-Out has been arranged at the Everglades Country Club, and a Special Invitation to all new Islanders, come along and meet some new friends. Wednesday evening 14th July 2010, Dinner served 6.30 pm.

#### 3 Courses

Entree	Soup & Dinner Roll
Mains	Eye Fillet Steak or Breast of Chicken with fresh vegetables
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## Norman Walsh

Norman was a long term member of the Residents Assoc. Assisted the committee with legal matters and was responsible for a lowering by 15% of the excess valuations in 1995.

He was passionate about the Island Environment and was a morning Sculler circling the Island most mornings.

Our condolences and love go to Molly and the family

**Corrie Cruise** of Discovery Street, 27 years on the Island,

Passed away 30-5-2010 Aged 94 years

**Don Baird** of Helmsman Boulevarde 26 years on the Island

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# **Clean up Australia Day**

Approximately 20 Island residents donned gloves on 7th March at the bottom of the bridge and gave the Island a bit of a spruce up.

Heaps of rubbish was collected, mainly washed up onto the foreshores and reserves.

*Thanks to all the volunteers who took part in the exercise*

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## **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

A spate of Break and Enter incidents in Mainsail Avenue in recent times has heightened the need to ensure premises, cars, caravans and vessels are securely locked to at least make it a little more difficult for such incidents to occur.

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## **BIGGEST MORNING TEA 2010**

The Biggest Morning Tea this year was held in conjunction with the Bendigo Community Bank Ettalong at their shop front on Friday 21st May.

The Bendigo Bank "Piggy" rounded up the Ettalong locals for a cuppa and of course the St Huberts Island locals were out in force.

Over \$400.00 was raised on the day for the support of Cancer Research.

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### Association Membership

Association membership renewals are due . You will receive your notice of renewal requesting your \$5.00 membership fee. We would be most grateful if you would attend to this as soon as possible after you receive your notice

## **Future Projects for St Huberts Island**

Your Association is always on the look out for projects to improve the quality of life on the island, so if members have some proposals please bring them to the attention of your committee.

Projects currently being considered are table and chair units for our parks including Long Arm Reserve, environmental observation decks in waterfront reserve areas.

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