



The Island News

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

PO BOX 247, ETTALONG BEACH 2257

DECEMBER 2011

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 8, 2011 at 7.30pm. This is an open forum where all matters of interest to island residents can be discussed.

If you require a lift to the meeting please call Bob 4342 1061, Ron 4343 1540

Presidents Message to the residents

It's 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 being our Christmas meeting gives all residents, old and new, that chance to get together with fellow St Huberts Islanders in the **spirit of Christmas - come along and join in.**

Ron Spratt OAM

President - December 2011

Power Upgrade for St Huberts Island

As residents are aware the power upgrade for the Island is progressing and in respect to the many questions how does it affect my property? Please refer to the website "sthubertsisland.nsw.com" where the plans are displayed. The upgrade works are expected to be completed by the end of 2012



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Sea Level Rise is an important topic of concern to the many residents, including Island residents, who own property on the waterfront. The encoding of section 149 certificates issued in respect to properties by Gosford City Council is one area of concern.

A public protest rally was organised by the organisation Coastal Residents Incorporated outside the NSW State Electoral Office Woy Woy (Member for Gosford Chris Holstein) on Monday November 28, 2011. Several island residents together with members of your association were amongst the 80 or so protestors from surrounding communities attending this protest rally. It must be recognised though that St Huberts Island, together with a reasonably large proportion of Brisbane Water Foreshaw is within the electorate of Terrigal and the member is Chris Hartcher.

Your association is ever mindful of the needs of the residents, particularly in this vital argument of sea level rise, and you will be kept informed via The Island News, General Meetings or the Website as information becomes available.

It is to this end that a watchful eye is kept on Gosford City Council committees to keep up to date with the changing scenario of the arguments that are put before Gosford City Council from the various state and federal agencies responsible for the distribution of the scientific data that drives the argument on sea level rise and gives directions to local authorities.

Ron Spratt OAM
President

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.

Email: neville@herculesindustries.com.au



Boating safety Guest Speaker

Darryl Lennox Senior Boating Safety Officer Hawkesbury River / Broken Bay will be Guest Speaker to talk about boating safety for the coming boating season. Darryl is a long standing member of the NSW Maritime organisation and is most experienced in all aspects of boating in the areas of Brisbane Water and surrounding waterways. His presentation will be on boating safety and he will be able to answer questions on boating related matters.

New Committee 2012 / 2013

At the Annual General Meeting in March there will be the opportunity for all residents to nominate for the committee - go ahead put your hand up or encourage some of our residents, old and new to nominate for the committee - we need new blood.

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The Ducks do not fully digest the bread which will ferment in the gut causing diarrhea and duck sickness which causes the spread of infected of infected faeces droppings on paths, lawns and patios. It can then be picked up on shoes or feet and carried into other areas or into pools. In some cases ducks go into swimming pools and deposit faeces infection. This can lead to ear nose and throat complaints.

The Myna birds are known to carry Lice. These birds pick up scraps or pet food left out and transfer lice to another place.



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SAFE BOATING

Attention Boat & Jet Ski Owners

Recent deaths and injuries that are caused by water craft accidents are preventable.

The registered owner of a craft has a lawful responsibility to abide by and observe the speed and other rules set down by the Maritime Services. The owner is responsible for the behaviour of any person allowed to be in control of the craft. Firstly any person in charge must be licenced.

Towing of children on tubes or boards at speed is very dangerous and has resulted in death.

Craft 5.5 mtr or more in length must be registered. Craft with a motor over 6hp should be registered and the number displayed.

"No Wash" signs are clearly displayed. All St Huberts canals are no wash restricted to prevent erosion and damage to the seawalls, Maximum speed is 4 Knots, no towing of water skiers.

Be aware of the safety rules, life jackets etc. Check your craft for fuel, anchors, bucket and lanyard for bailing and oars and rowlocks.

Before going to sea or a few hours cruise let your neighbours know, contact Coastal Patrol on 4325 7929 Report dangerous boating behaviour to Maritime Services.

Unlicenced persons particularly children in charge of a vessel is a serious offence, is irresponsible and dangerous. Alcohol and boating is not a good mix.

Have a safe and enjoyable summer

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In August, September and October police attended incidents on St Huberts Island, but there were no serious crimes reported in the categories for which we are normally advised. This may be due to victims not reporting crimes because there is little chance of apprehending the offender.

Police numbers are limited and they will inevitably target areas where crimes have been reported. Hence ring 000 for crimes in progress but report ALL other crimes to Police Assistance Line 131 444 or, if you wish to remain anonymous, ring Crime Stoppers on 1800 333 000



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