



# The Island News

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

PO BOX 247, ET TALONG BEACH 2257

DECEMBER 2009

## DECEMBER / CHRISTMAS MEETING

**Thursday December 3rd 2009**

**The Cove Hall Empire Bay 7.30 pm**

Come along and share goodwill with fellow islanders,  
A small plate of supper would be appreciated

All residents are invited to attend the meeting in The Cove Hall, Empire Bay Drive, Empire Bay on Thursday December 3, 2009 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



### *Presidents Message*

On behalf of the committee I would like to wish  
all our residents and their families a

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Ron Spratt OAM  
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## Presidents Report

I would also like to convey my thanks to your hard working committee for their efforts during 2009; the achievements of the committee have been outstanding.

The objectives of the St Huberts Island Residents Association are wide and varied and include - *To do all things as may be conducive to the well being of the residents of St Huberts Island.*

Your committee members have done that and more over this and previous years, not single out one committee member above another, but some of our longstanding committee members such as Bob Fahey in more than a decade and a half as honorary secretary; Ken Lummis contributed enormously to the island in more than two decades as honorary treasurer; Gary Dibley as vice president; Neville Smith as honorary editor of the newsletter. And last but not least I must say Thanks to Fay, my wife, for allowing me the time to act as president for your association.

The committee positions are honorary, there are no financial gains, but it is gratifying and satisfying to see that St Huberts Island is progressing and that residents can enjoy the beautiful environment that is St Huberts Island.

In March 2010 there will be an election of officers at the Annual General Meeting **the committee needs some new members** as those that have been here for the length of time they have cannot go on for ever.

Ron Spratt  
Ron Spratt OAM  
President

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## Probus Club of Ettalong

The Probus Club of Ettalong is seeking new members.

The aims and objectives of the Club are "to advance intellectual and cultural interests among adult persons who have retired or are semi retired from their former occupations and to hold regular meetings and arrange activities to provide opportunities for fellowship, the development of acquaintance and social interaction."

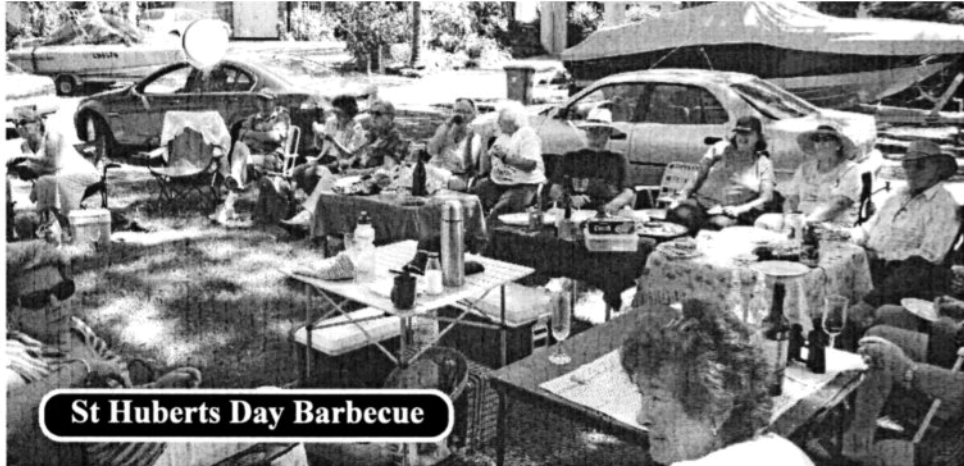
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## St Huberts Day Barbecue

The annual St Huberts Day barbecue again this year was an outstanding success. It was particularly gratifying to see so many new residents of the Island attending the event.

The raffle again attracted some great prizes, winners on the day were:- Andreas ZOLLMAN a newer resident of St Huberts Island won the hamper; Other winners included Stuart IRELAND; Lorraine MURRAS; Joan SMITH; Val RUSSELL; Astrid LUMMIS and Mrs SCHULTZ.

The real winners on the day were the almost one hundred residents who turned out on the beautiful St Huberts Island weather to enjoy good company and the fellowship of other Islanders.

The day couldn't happen without the support of our generous sponsors and the hard work of the committee and the cooks of the day. The sponsors included:-

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***Congratulations to all and to the committee for another great island event !!!***

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## St Huberts Island Scholarship

Surely there is a resident who would be in a position to make an application to the committee for the Inaugural St Huberts Island Scholarship.

**The committee is waiting for your application.**

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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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## LOCAL ASSIGNMENT

Island resident and year 9 student at Gosford Selective High, Amanda Gaston recently completed an assignment titled "Changes in Australian Communities"

Amanda's study was on the changes to the St Huberts Island community. The refurbishment to older homes, demolition and rebuilding new homes, the sea walls problems and other aspects.

Her study received top marks as an outstanding presentation of slides and written work.

Congratulations to Amanda.

## Ducks and Other Wild Life

Don't feed the ducks - Wild Life officers have again advised that we should not feed bread, etc., to the ducks as this is not a natural food for them and causes the duck distress. Feeding of ducks around the home only encourages them to frequent the home environment including swimming pools in yours and your neighbour's home.

Waste bread is also an encouragement for Myna birds which are becoming a bigger pest on the island.

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## **JUMPING FROM THE BRIDGE IS DANGEROUS**

It is appreciated that youngsters get a buzz out of jumping from the bridge  
into the water.

### **BRIDGE JUMPING IS A PROHIBITED ACTIVITY.**

Parents are reminded of the dangers inherent in this practise from floating  
objects such as oyster stakes, lumps of wood and the likelihood of landing on a  
concrete bridge support, an unsuspecting boat or kayak.

In recent times those jumping are coming from areas other than St Huberts  
Island applying pier pressure on each other to do daring jumps. With these groups  
comes litter and vandalism.

In more recent times several young residents on scooters and small bikes  
seem to think it is fair to intimidate car drivers by riding in the middle of the road;  
one scooter accident has resulted in facial and head injuries. Several near misses  
have been reported, one youngster almost run over whilst skylarking with mates on  
the footway of the bridge.

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## St Huberts Island Web Site

In recent weeks your committee has developed a new web site for St Huberts Island under the Domain Names ([www.sthubertsisland.nsw.au](http://www.sthubertsisland.nsw.au)) and the committee is on the lookout for material and possible links for the website. So any residents with some material please contact Ron Spratt by telephone on 4343 1540



## PALMS FOR THE ENTRY STATEMENT

At last the Palms have been delivered and planted with landscaping and lawn laying all been completed, the Entry Statement has finally reached its full potential, It is most gratifying for the committee to have worked long and hard with Gosford City Council to reach this conclusion.

Many thanks must go to The Mayor Councillor Chris Holstein and our own resident councillor Jeff Strickson for their efforts in this project.

Thanks must also go to council staff so heavily involved in this project - Kim Radford Coordinator Parks, Playgrounds & Foreshores - Open Space & Leisure Services who managed to find the palms which have now been installed to beautify our island.

The contractors involved in the installation of the palms and gardens Scape Constructions via the Director Andrew Smith.

## THANKS TO ALL INVOLVED.

We hope all residents including the younger generation appreciate the entry statement and landscaping.

### APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP St Huberts Island Residents Association

Name.....

Address.....

Phone.....(H).....(W) Email.....

I hereby apply to become a member of the "St Huberts Island Residents Association.

Signed..... Dated.....

Return to: The Secretary 30 Helmsman Blvde, St Huberts Island



## Attention Dog Owners



Dog owners have a responsibility to clean up after their pets and not leave others to walk in it. It takes little effort to carry a suitable receptacle and take the mess home with you. Heavy fines apply for failure to remove dog faeces, dogs not on a leash in a public place and other offences.

A message from our furry friends -

***"Not our fault, blame our irresponsible owners"***

## Louise Williams

Congratulations to the Islands resident and high profile building and interior designer Louise Williams (LAW Building Design) for lifting of the profile of St Huberts Island in the brilliant article in the Sunday Telegraph, October 25 2009.

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