



# The Island News

ST HUBERTS ISLAND RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION INC

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

PO BOX 247, ETTALONG BEACH 2257

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## "Speeding Motorists Caught in the Act!"

In response to complaints received about speeding on the Island, a speed enforcement was conducted recently on Helmsman Boulevard. Using a hand held "LIDAR" (light, detection and ranging) state of the art laser speed checking device, a Gosford Highway Patrol - Brisbane Water Local Area Command officer recorded four speeding infringements in just half an hour and issued on the spot fines to the offending motorists.

**Please watch your speed!**

### General Meeting

We invite all residents to attend our next general meeting in Peridon Village Hall, Empire Bay Drive on **Thursday, 11th September at 7.30pm**. Our guest speaker will be Gail Steele, President of the NSW Ceramic Art Association and ceramic winner of the 2003 Royal Easter Show. We shall also be discussing the findings from the recent Island Survey. There will be a small supper around 9pm. If you would like a lift to the meeting please contact Bob on 4342 1061.

### Governor Phillip Monument

Take a walk or drive down Barracouta Avenue to Long Arm Reserve and have a look at the newly restored memorial. Many thanks to Terry Bownds and his company Hydro Blast for the restoration works. The sandstone has been treated for long term preservation. Thanks also to Doug Swinburn for the restoration of the timber posts.

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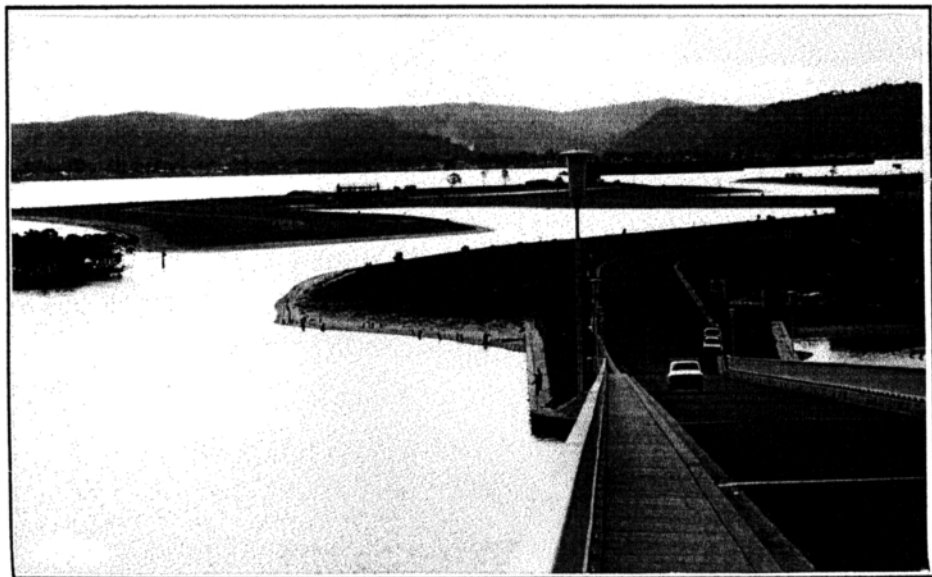
Welcome to all those new members of the Association and many thanks to existing members who paid their 2003/2004 fees so promptly. Anyone who may have mislaid their renewal notice will soon be sent a membership fee reminder.

## **Springtime Islanders Dine-Out**

Our next dine-out will be at "The Boathouse", Koolewong from 6pm on Wednesday, 29th October. The price will be \$39 for three courses plus tea or coffee. These evenings are terrific get-togethers and are particularly great for new residents to make friends. Please book early via Ken Lummis on 4342 3156, Bob Fahey on 4342 1061 or Joe Ednie on 4342 0427. If you require transport, just ask.

## **"How things have changed"**

With only two undeveloped blocks remaining on the island and next month seeing the 32nd anniversary of the opening of the bridge, it's interesting to see from this photo provided by Rae Bentley just what the island looked like years ago. More fascinating photos and anecdotes can be found in the Island History now selling at \$10. Books and wine glasses will be available at the September general meeting.



## **VALE George Maddox 86 years**

Sadly George passed away on 3rd August. George was secretary, president and a life member of the Residents' Association. He worked tirelessly in pursuing issues in the best interests of the St Huberts community and had long friendships with many islanders. George bravely served as squadron leader in WW II. He will be sadly missed. Our sincere condolences to Mary and the family.

## President's Message

### "Overwhelming Support for the Proposed Entry Statement"

Thanks to all of the residents who took the time to complete the recent questionnaire, the response rate of nearly 60% was a great achievement. The information received will take a long time for it all to be taken account of, but the initial response is overwhelmingly in support of the proposed entry statement.

The information received will be of invaluable assistance to this and future committees to gauge what the residents of St Huberts Island want to happen with their island. The information gathered will be the subject of discussion at the September General Meeting - the matters canvassed in the questionnaire should be of interest to all residents be they waterfront or non-waterfront property dwellers.

The positive results from the questionnaire would not have been as comprehensive had it not been for the dedication of those residents who took the time to deliver and recover the papers. My thanks go to all those who took part in this most worthwhile effort.

Ron Spratt  
President.

*• Our thanks to you too Ron for devoting much personal time and effort first in setting up the survey and now in collating the findings. Ed.*

## Island Ceramics

Gail Steele, well known Sydney Ceramist, is offering a specially priced beginner's course in her Helmsman Boulevard teaching studio to allow residents and their friends to learn the art of ceramics before Christmas. If you want to make some personalised pieces to suit your home and garden or perhaps you would prefer to buy some individual pieces, then contact Gail on 4342 0122 for more details.

## Newsletter Editor Wanted



We are looking for a resident who would like to take over the voluntary preparation of our quarterly newsletters. If you would like to put your computer skills to good use, please contact Ron Spratt on 4343 1540.

## Heart Foundation Appeal

A door knock will take place between 20th and 28th September. A badged volunteer will call for your much appreciated donation to heart research.

## Thought for the Quarter

*"One of these days is usually none of these days." - I speak from experience! Ed.*

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