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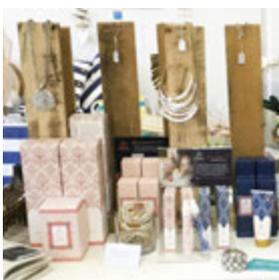
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor

Dogs should be kept on leads at all times. That's the law in the Shoalhaven, and the only area where a dog may run free is on certain areas of Callala Beach. If your dog is running without a lead outside those areas, a Shoalhaven City Council Ranger can fine you. If you get caught, that's your problem, but my problem is when a dog is wandering along the beach without a lead, even with an owner in sight. I have no idea if he is friendly and just wants to play or is out to mangle my dog. Many people have said to me that their dogs are friendly, but try telling that to my little dog who has been on the receiving end of three threatening attacks and now doesn't trust any black dog she sees. It makes walking very stressful.

Okay now that's off my list, what about cats? I strongly suggest that the Council Rangers start treating all cats the way they do for dogs off leash. At the moment, no one seems to care a fig about cats that seems to come and go wherever and whenever they want, decimating the bird life, mammals and fouling gardens. Not forgetting the nightly serenade of amorous felines. I say put a stop to ALL cats being outdoors. If you own a cat, keep it indoors for it's sake and ours.

A Callala Bay resident.

(name supplied but withheld upon request)

Note from the Editor:

If you have an issue or concern that needs to be raised, why not send it to the Editor. This should be brief, to the point and with the intention of having it published.

With each monthly newsletter, I hope to bring you events and items of interest to keep the community informed and entertained.

Ed.



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CALLALA BAY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (CBCA) REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2016

The August meeting was well attended. In addition to members we welcomed the following Ward Two Candidates for the upcoming Council Election, Michael Davis, Barry McCaffery, Tom Marshall, Alex Ross and Dennis Williams. Each candidate was invited to give a two-minute presentation. The elections will be held Saturday 10th of September. The Callala Community Centre is designated as a polling place. In addition, Fiona Phillips- who stood as the Labor Candidate in the last Federal election and Counsellor Patricia White and Tyrone Taylor, Advisor Indigenous Affairs Group /Nowra Regional Office/ Department of the Prime Minister and Cabinet were also in attendance. We welcomed two new members to the Association, Ms Sheila Casey and Ms Narelle Monaghan.

Counsellor White was invited to update the meeting on Council matters. She advised that the Shoalhaven had won the "Destination NSW- Unspoiled" Campaign from 70 countries and that tourist numbers had risen to 3.1 million. Whilst this is good news for our region including local business' and retailers, we need to explore ways of adding to and improving existing infrastructure without spoiling our natural attractions. She advised that some rubbish bins had mistakenly been temporarily removed from some tourist spots but would be replaced. Cnslr White spoke at length on the Coastal Management Plan. She said that Council had not accepted the plan because it was incomplete and had voted to apply for an exemption, without certification of the plan Council could not apply for funding. They have asked for a meeting with the Minister.

Tourism was the hot topic of the night. Cnslr White spoke of the possibility of promoting the Entertainment Centre for major conferences. Tyrone Baker updated the meeting on his endeavours to encourage tourism. The CBCA is working with SCC, Jerringa Land Council, and recognised indigenous artist Uncle Noel Wellington to develop and install traditional wood scarring's (carvings) on the headland, and provision

of media to explain the story. The CBCA is exploring other avenues to incorporate the history of indigenous use and white settlement of the headland and foreshore. This could be further tourist attractions. Tyrone, Jim Townsend and Howard Duncan met with Alfred Wellington, CEO of the Jerringa Land Council, to discuss this project and other tourist opportunities. There is a new tourist advertising campaign and can be seen on the Councils web site.

The CBCA and SCC Youth Development Team to develop a plan to paint the skate board park. The project will involve a community event planned for 29th September, involving skate park users in the design of art work for the park. Any members of the community who would like to be involved or have suggestions, please contact the CBCA. Call Howard 44466535 for information. As part of the project we have applied for a grant to construct a large roof over the picnic table set at the end of the skate park.

THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE SEPTEMBER 14TH 7.15PM FOR 7.30 PM START - AT THE CALLALA COMMUNITY CENTRE, EMMETT ST. JOIN US FOR A COFFEE AND A CHAT.

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- **Father's Day**

Sunday, September 4. Why not bring Dad to the Beachside Bistro for lunch, or Dinner. Happy Hour 5.30 pm – 6.30 pm.

- **Poker Tournament**

This great even will take place 'ALL DAY' on Saturday, September 10.

- **Mickey Bear 'ADULTS' Karaoke**

Saturday, September 17, 6 pm till late in the Main Bar Area. Strictly for an adult only fun night, get your friends together, have a drink and sing along to all your favourite hits !!

- **Major Gift Card Draw**

Friday, September 23, 8 pm. You must be present in the Club, to claim your prize. Purchase any Friday night raffle tickets and get your FREE bonus tickets to enter.

- **AFL Grand Final**

Saturday, October 1. Watch the AFL Grand Final LIVE on the big screen! Schooners \$4, Middies \$3.50 (tap Beer only), House Wine \$2.80 per glass. From 2 pm till the game ends.

Why not come early and have lunch first, at the new Beachside Bistro, then catch all the action and enjoy the refurbished Club Callala.

- **NRL Grand Final**

Sunday, October 2. LIVE on the big screen, the NRL

Grand Final. Come along and have a great time with Schooners \$4, Middies \$3.50 (tap Beer only), House Wine \$2.80 per glass. From 2 pm till the game ends. Be at the new look Club Callala for a great night's entertainment, then stay for dinner at the Beachside Bistro.

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- **Monday**

Indoor Bowls – names in by 11.45 am, for a 12 noon start.

Trivia Night – from 6.30 pm - FREE ENTRY, great prizes.

Golf – Visitors can play any time during the day.

- **Tuesday**

Women's Bowls – starts at 9.30 am.

FREE Meat Raffle – drawn 4 pm – 6.30 pm

Darts – Competition & Social from 6.30 pm.

Golf – Veteran's Golf Competition from 7.30 am.

Visitors can play from 12 noon onwards.

- **Wednesday**

NPL Poker – Rego from 6.30 pm for 7 pm start, Up to \$250 in cash prizes EVERY week.

Men's Social Bowls – names in by 12.30 pm for a 1 pm start.

Golf – Ladies' Golf Competition from 8.30 am.

Visitors can play from 1 pm onwards.

- **Thursday**

Bingo – Eyes down at 11 am – 2 pm! Special \$7.50 Lunch Offer for Bingo Players.

Bowlers Raffles – from 6 pm Up to 10 Prize Draws.

Member's Badge Draws – Win Cash - 6.50 pm, 7.20 pm & 7.50 pm. You must be present in the Club, to claim your prize.

Lady Bowlers Schooner Draw – 4 & 18 August, 7.45 pm, First Prize – 20 schooner vouchers, Second Prize – 10 schooner vouchers, Third Prize – 5 schooner vouchers.

Golf – Visitors can play any time during the day.

Friday

Seniors Exercise Class – from 10 am.

Major Meat Raffle – 40 Meat Trays and 10 Vouchers - tickets on sale 6 pm, raffle starts at 7 pm.

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- **Saturday**

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- **Sunday**

Meat & Seafood Raffle – tickets on sale at 4 pm, raffle starts at 5pm.

Golf – Visitors can play any time during the day.

Events, times and dates may change, due to unforeseen circumstances.

FRIENDS OF CALLALA

Friends' have been out and about this month. Members Ann & Wayne arranged for us to visit the Bomaderry Croquet Club where we had instruction on how to master the game. A great time was had by all but I didn't see too many world champions of the future. We all agreed that the hoops should be somewhat larger. Thank you to President Margaret for making us so welcome and for providing the delicious date scones for morning tea. For our regular lunch out we recently headed for the Postmans Tavern in Berry St. what a good menu and such large servings, we will return at a later date. For our September lunch we are heading to Bomaderry Bowling Club which is always good. Why now come and join us, make new friends or renew old friendships. New members male and female and new ideas are always welcome.

We regularly meet at Callala Community Centre Emmett St (opposite the shops) on Mondays at 12. Give me a ring on 4466535 for more details.

Margaret Duncan
Secretary



GARDENING CLUB

Hi everyone,

For my birthday in July, I received four beautiful cymbidium orchid spikes which have been in a vase since then and still look fabulous. No wonder florists fancy them as one of their favourite cut flowers. Cymbidiums are among the oldest horticultural orchids and the most popular genus. Which brings me to the reason why I am talking about orchids. The guest speaker for August was Lynne Phelan from the Orchid Society of Canberra and Shoalhaven. Lynne's passion for orchids started in Canberra after collecting some orchids from a friend's house. Living in the South coast, her passion has now become an obsession.

Orchids are epiphytes, growing on trees, some are lithophytes growing among rocks and others are terrestrial, growing in the ground. Lynne's orchids grow mainly in pots and baskets. Her cymbidiums grow on a verandah which gets the eastern morning sun. If orchids are not flowering, one of the main causes could be a lack of light. They prefer full sun in winter and in summer Lynne moves her pots away from the heat. Lynne repots in spring using orchid mix or bark mixed with perlite. Her rule is not to overpot and always stakes each plant. She removes any dubious roots and keeps only the healthy ones. She gives her orchids a weekly dose of fertiliser mixed with water.

Those of you who have cymbidiums which have never flowered- don't give up yet! A baby cymbidium takes 5-7 years to flower. Unfortunately orchids do have pests- aphids, scale, mealy bugslugs and snails so you need to be vigilant.

This month, the theme for our Display table was the Olympics. Members were asked to bring flowers and foliage in these colours in support of our Olympic team and any memorabilia from past Olympic games. On show we had Calendulas, Grevilleas, Daffodils, Freesias, Wattle, Banksia roses, yellow roses, nasturtiums and daisies.

We meet every 3rd Saturday of the month (except December and January) at the Banksia Senior Citizens Hall, IRT entrance, Culburra Beach at 1.30 pm starting time.

Happy gardening and hope to see you at our next meeting.

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All positions are declared vacant. The Committee consists of President, Secretary, Treasurer, Booking Officer and 3 Committee Members.

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CALLALA MEN'S & VET'S GOLF CLUB NEWS

Bill Downton

Tuesday 19th July Vets



Tony Pitt-Lancaster had a brilliant game on a damp Callala Course on Tuesday to comfortably win the July Monthly Mug with a handy Score of 62 Nett. Graham Lewington, Barry Faulkner & Colin Chessell.

Tony Pitt-Lancaster

Tuesday 26th July Vets



On a very damp Course at Callala on Tuesday, Geoff Blackshaw showed the way by winning the Single Stableford Event with 35 Points from the following players all on 34 Points. Jamie Reardon, Graeme Weston & Ken Black.

Graham Lewington with winner Geoff Blackshaw

Saturday Men's 30th July

A good field of keen players turned up today to join their respective playing partners in Two Person Ambrose event.

It was with heavy heart this morning that members were advised on arrival of the very sad passing of Norm Leffler.

Norm was not only one of the original founding fathers of Callala Golf but was also known for

his friendly and cheerful nature. His regular visits on Saturdays and Tuesdays will be sadly missed.

Norm a Gentleman golfer who loved and supported the golf club right up to his untimely passing.

Thank you Norm for just being you. You will be fondly remembered by all who were fortunate enough to have known you. Callala Golf is the poorer for your passing.

Rest in Peace.



Winners today Graham Lewington & Col Chessell used their partnership and skills to great advantage to secure their number one spot. Well done to you both.

Runner up team of Captain Ilija Sesum & Treasurer Doug Ingle coming into the runner up spot.

Tuesday 2nd August Vets.



Graham Lewington

A small depleted field due to rain changed the day from medal day too Single Stableford.

Graham Lewington played a great game and after a count back with Harold Reynolds was declared the winner. Well Done Graham.

Saturday Men's 6th August – Monthly Medal



Winners Harry Dowling, Jamie Reardon, Bob Plunkett and Ilija Sesum

No Rain Yippy!!!!

Single Stroke and Monthly Medal saw a goof turn out of players pleased to be playing without rain gear on.

Overall winner Bob Plunkett and “C” grade winner, runner up Perry Cousins, 3rd after count back Jamie Reardon. “A” grade winner Ilija Sesum and “B” grade winner Harry Dowling.

Tuesday 9th August Vets.



Harold Reynolds, Graham Lewington & 3rd place winner Barrie Faulkner

Harold Reynolds has a great game to comfortably win the August Monthly Medal. Runner up Ken Higgs and 3rd Barrie Faulkner.

Saturday Men's 13th August –

Two-person Multiplier and individual stableford was the format for today's competition at Callala.



Bill Downton and Adam Ruperto

The team side of today's event was won with a combined 64 points by Bill Downton and Adam Ruperto.

Congratulation Bill and Adam complementing each other to end up winners by one point.

Tuesday Vet's 5th July. Monthly Medal -No report Saturday Men's 16th July 2016

Finally, mother nature decided to give Callala a break from the deluge of rain over the last few weeks. Single stableford winner today was Vice Captain Graham Lewington. Runner up today was another impressive player, Harry Dowling Third across the line was President, Harold Reynolds

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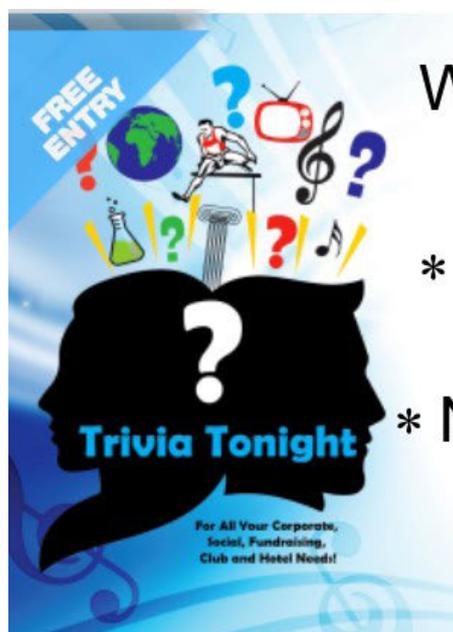
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A large print A4 size study book cost is \$8.50 for each term. Standard print study book cost is \$8.00 We will finish our current study, which is from the book of Ephesians, on the 19th September.

The fourth study term each year is only five weeks [*not nine*]. “Five lives: women who encountered God”, begins on Monday 17th October and will be completed on Monday 14th November.

KYB studies have been written by ladies for ladies in Australia, for over 50years. Some study groups are now available for men and mixed groups.

For further information, *contact Rae on 4446 5577*. Welcome, come around for a chat and look at some previous study books.

Nowra -"Wrap with Love"

Nowra "Wrap with Love" ladies meet on the first Tuesday each month, 10am – 12 noon from February to December in the downstairs Meeting Room at the Nowra Library.

Ladies are welcome to come along to meet new friends, or catch up with ‘old friends’ and chat as they sit, knit or crochet, chat, have a cuppa, etc. The morning is quite a ‘hive of activity’! Finished wraps are sorted and packed - 4 wraps into each large bag. The 10 inch – 25cm squares are sorted and packed into bags of 28, ready to be taken home by the ladies, to be sewn up, finished with a crochet edge and a “Wrap with Love” label sewn in one corner.

Donations of 8ply knitting ‘wool’ of any colour are always appreciated. Thank you to all the ladies who leave wool, knitted squares, finished

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wraps etc. at the Nowra Library or at our Callala Bay home. Thank you also to our local Chaplains, who are able to take a warm wrap/ knee rug to nursing and retirement home folk. Our grateful thanks must go to Murphy Family Funerals, who very kindly transport the finished wraps to the "Wrap with Love" Inc. Warehouse/ Head Office in Alexandria.

Happy knitting .

Contacts Rae Watson on 4446 5577 and Lyn Thaler on 4446 0120

LATE NEWS

MEET THE CANDIDATES

As many would know, the Shoalhaven City Council is to hold the elections for Mayor and Ward Councilors on Saturday 10th September 2016. As part of the election, the Callala Bay Community Association (CBCA) held a ‘get to know your candidates’ at the Callala Primary School on Sunday 28th August 2016. Twelve candidates for Ward 2 attended, together with the three Mayoral candidates. A small and animated audience held the presenters attention with many questions covering roads, sport fields, venues and the recently conducted Infrastructure Review being among the topics raised.

(Many thanks to all the candidates for generously, giving their time).

Ed.

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FISHING FROM AFAR

Hi Fellow Fishos, Just a quickie from the top. I'll combine two little fishing outings with my son Darren. Both to the same spot and using the same methods, fishing for barra with live mullet and herring.

First you have to reach "The Spot"! We had to go around a big sand bar on a run out tide to get there. Unfortunately the bar had moved a little away from the marker pole. The boat only needs 300mm of water at speed. Unfortunately we didn't have that and run aground, remember the falling tide? Well - it was falling and fast. Get stuck and you are there for the next 5 to 6 hours. Not on Jon!! Well we tried throwing the anchor out, moving people around etc. nothing worked. On the way on a run out tide you see crocs big and small sunbaking everywhere.

Three days previous about 2 kgs from there we hooked and lost a bull shark about 125/150 kgs. Well we had it to do, over the side, onto the mud and both DJ and I push like hell. Although the mud is hard enough to walk on, as soon as you push the boat you sink to above your knees. Gain one inch, sink 2! Soon we were on our way. The idea is to use a cast net at the entrance to the Drains from the mangroves for about the last hour and a half of the run out tide. Catch about 50 live baits, keeping them alive in your live bait tank, then find another larger drain to anchor up and fish the run in tide. Unfortunately cast nets aren't selective. We caught mullet to 35 cms, small garfish, catfish and even a small flounder. The real activity really gets hot about 1 to 2 hours into the run in tide with small bait fish in a continuous stream entering the drain seeking safety in the mangroves, these are closely followed by the predators, barra, sharks, salmon and other good fish to eat.

Well, we did it pretty tough and did not catch a lot of fish, water too cool at this time of year, only 27 deg C. September into October are the better months. However it was exciting fishing, every time you saw a "boil" near your bait and there were many, you expected a bite. The idea was also to give them plenty of line, so fish with your bail open. Although we did not catch many legal size fish, one large barra yields plenty of lovely fillets.

I have included a photo of Judy with a just legal barra 66cms and DJ with a beaut 86cm model.



Till next month good health and good fishing.
Would be fishing.

Jon Lee

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CALLALA BAY'S BEGINNINGS – AN EARLY RESIDENT'S PERSPECTIVE

EPISODE 2

Continuation of Callala Bay's History

The back verandah of the Mitchell home at 56 Boorawine Terracce was enclosed and here began the humble beginnings of the first shop in Callala Bay, that was not much bigger than two metres square. Some years later the enclosed area was further extended right across the back of the house, plus a bit more - in order to provide a larger shop. The old shop area still exists and is now the front room of the house.

When the first permanent residents of Callala Bay began to settle into their new houses, the children were often home schooled, reading by kerosene lamps or candles and using lessons from Black Friars Correspondence School.

It wasn't until some years later, in the early fifties that a driver with a bus was engaged to pick up children of the area to be bussed to school and returned in the afternoon. The school was located at Pyree - near the red barn on the corner of Greenwell Point Road and Pyree Lane. Currarong resident, Albert Worboys collected the children at the Coonamia/Callala/ Currarong corner intersection on his way to work at the Shoalhaven Council and then dropped them off again on his way home in the afternoon. Nan Mitchell walked with the children to the corner each morning and went back there in the afternoon to meet and walk them home. It was a bit of an arduous trip, especially if there had been a lot of rain and the track was muddy. There were no sealed roads in Callala, if the driver was late, had other chores to do, or it was winter, Nan Carried a hurricane lamp so she and the children could see the track

home. Mr. Henderson taught classes Years 1 to 6 altogether in the one school room, and the girls were taught needlecraft by his wife on the front verandah of their home which was located beside the school. It wasn't all reading, writing and arithmetic because there were always those long awaited weekends and finally breaks between terms which over the summer could last up to six wonderful weeks. It was time to make slides down the cliff face, hunt through the local bush and build forts in the woodlands which surrounded the growing village.

Also time to spend racing up and down the beach and rocks, fishing for stingrays to cook over an open fire (the wings were considered delicious), cooking up periwinkles and easing them out of their shells with a bent safety pin or gathering a load of oysters. This was the childrens' version of McDonalds, and how healthy they must have been.

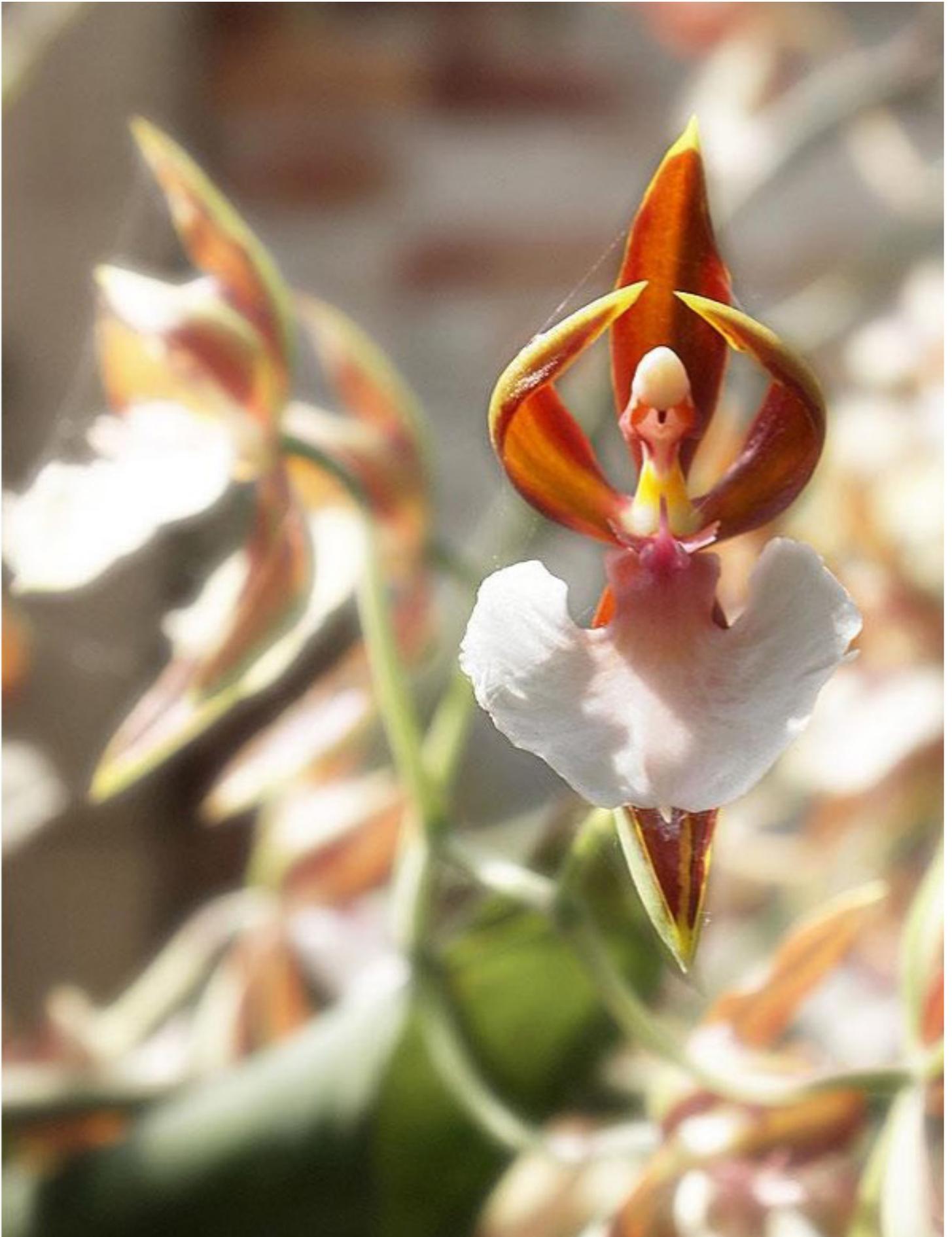
Playtime also included swimming in the 'gutter' which is near Back Creek, but stingrays used to lurk on the bottom, but when the king tides hit in summer, - Back Creek was the place to go. Sadly this has changed dramatically due to the bridge construction.

.....(*To be continued next month*)

(With grateful thanks to the Mitchell Family for historical material loaned to us)

(But wait - there's more! A missing piece of information will be shown on page 21)

Ab well! - I'm new to this business.s)



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All this changed as people began to realise that Callala Bay was a paradise on earth and by 1965 the Callala Bay Progress Association was two years old. In his annual report, Publicity Officer, Mr. W. Read, recorded what the Association had achieved, and stated that many important things were needed, mainly roads and water. He said they had no swimming enclosure, no wharf, no boat access, no hall, and no cleared areas on the reserve for picnic parties.

The Association hoped to remedy this situation by making numerous requests to Council during the year to have some really bad spots in the roads attended to, and a program of improvements implemented. Three appointments with the Council Engineer had been broken which resulted in a stiff letter being forwarded to Mr. Batt informing him that the Association intended to send letters to the local papers complaining about the lack of interest in Callala Bay by Council.

While the Association intended to be untiring in their efforts to influence Council, it was noted that interest has been sparked off in Huskisson with a view to connecting Callala Bay by road to that locality.

Regarding the much needed hall, ideas on how this could be achieved were discussed over the year. The land on Boorawine Terrace was purchased for Four Hundred and Sixty Pounds, and Council gave the Association 10 years to pay it off, interest free. It was felt at least One Thousand Pounds would be required if Callala Bay was to have a hall.

Since there were so few permanent residents, the Callala Bay Progress Association held its own, with special thanks given to the Mitchell family who ran the store (currently a private white wooden residence at the top of the stairs up from the Sailing Club).

Notices, phone messages (*when the phone lines were finally installed*), use of the store grounds, efforts made to increase the variety of goods, collection of bottles with the result of cheques for same, and the goodwill always extended to residents and visitors.

Subscription rates for the Callala Bay Progress Association were Ten Shillings per year, and everyone was encouraged to submit ideas or suggestions for community betterment and fund raising for the hall.



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Growing Old

First day of university the professor introduced himself and challenged us to get to know someone we didn't already know. I stood up to look around when a gentle hand touched my shoulder. I turned around to find, little old lady beaming up at me with a smile that lit up her entire being. She said, "Hi my name is Rose. I'm eighty-seven years old. Can I give you a hug?" I laughed and enthusiastically responded, "Of course you may!" and she gave me a giant squeeze. "Why are you in college at such age?" I asked. She jokingly replied, "I'm here to meet a rich husband, get married, and have a couple of kids..." "No seriously," I asked. I was curious what may have motivated her to be taking on this challenge at her age. "I always dreamed of having a college education and now I'm getting one!" she told me. After class we walked to the refectory and shared lunch together. We became instant friends. Every day for the next three months we would leave class together and talk nonstop. I was always mesmerized listening to this "time machine" as she shared her wisdom and experience with me. Over the course of the year, Rose made friends wherever she went. She loved to dress up and she revealed in the attention

she got from the other students. She was living it up. At the end of the three years we invited Rose to speak at our leavers reception.

I'll never forget what she taught us. She was introduced and stepped up to the platform and as she began to deliver her prepared speech, she dropped her, bullet points, on the floor. Frustrated and a little embarrassed she leaned into the microphone and simply said, "I'm sorry I'm so jittery. I gave up beer for Lent and this whiskey is killing me! I'll never get my speech back in order so let me just tell you what I know."

As we laughed she cleared her throat and began, "We do not stop playing because we are old; we grow old because we stop playing. There are only four secrets to staying young, being happy, and achieving success you have, to laugh and to find humor every day. You've got to have a dream. When you lose your dreams, you die. There is a huge difference between growing older and growing up. If you are nineteen years old and lie in bed for one full year and don't do one productive thing, you will turn twenty years old. If I am eighty-seven years old and stay in bed for a year and never do anything I will turn eighty-eight. Anybody can grow older. That doesn't take any talent or ability. The idea is to grow up by always finding opportunity in change. Have no regrets. *(continued on page 24)*

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The elderly usually don't have regrets for what they did, but rather for things they did not do. She concluded her speech by courageously singing "The Rose" She challenged each of us to study the lyrics and live them out in our daily lives. One week after Rose received her graduation degree she died peacefully in her sleep. Over 60 students attended her funeral in tribute to the wonderful woman who taught by example that it's never too late to be all you can possibly be. REMEMBER, GROWING OLDER IS MANDATORY. GROWING UP IS OPTIONAL. We make a living by what we get; we make a life by what we give, God promises a safe landing not a calm passage.

*Rev Sue Fisher
Assistant Minister*

Callala Christian Church

Spring time is upon us; the freshness of new growth and a dazzling display of colour, it is a season of new life after the drabness of winter. For some it may be a time for a spring clean; the sound of mowers and edge trimmers become more prevalent as we tidy our lawns and freshen up our gardens. Perhaps, inside the house we do some spring cleaning too; a clean and tidy, maybe a fresh coat of paint or sort out that cupboard full of stuff we have been meaning to sort out for years.

Springtime, a new season, is this also a time for a fresh look at our lives? Just as Spring brings a freshness to the natural world we live in, and, is a time that we think about some tidying up around our houses; is it an appropriate time to open our eyes and our minds to see new hope and possibilities for our lives?

Are we feeling alone and isolated? Is it time to invite a neighbor over for afternoon tea, or maybe join a group, or become parts of some service club, perhaps even attend the local church? Are we feeling overwhelmed with busyness and stretched so far that we feel crushed by a myriad of tasks and responsibilities?

Is our lifestyle and commitments so demanding that it is impacting on our relationships with those we love?

Again might I suggest some new approaches might be worth thinking about?

Can we stop long enough to consider the possibility of just slowing down a little; deciding what things are really important and what might be able to wait for some other time?

As I contemplated what to write for this news sheet, I realized that I needed to do some Spring cleaning in my life, learn to slow down a little, appreciate my family more, and spend some time with friends. It is true we all have responsibilities and numerous tasks that have to be completed. It is in my experience that most of my best memories are those in which I spent quality time with others; like the time my wife and I climbed Feathertop Mountain in Victoria or the motorcycle group rides and the chatter around the table with an excellent coffee. But for me the greatest moments are those I spent in quiet conversation with my Lord. May each of you find new hope this spring; realize your dreams and find true contentment in your lives.

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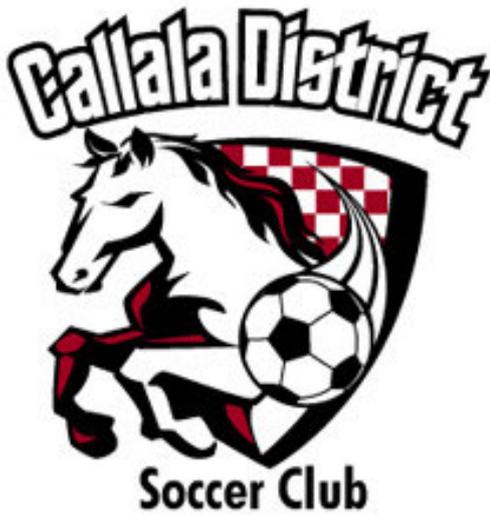
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BRUMBIES ROUNDUP

As the days get longer and warmer and the winter season draws to a close we can start to look forward to balmy summer nights and the start of the Social Summer Soccer run at the Emmett Street oval on Friday evenings. For those that are interested in entering a team in this fun social football competition keep an eye on the Brumbies Facebook page for contact and competition details. Congratulations to the Callala Brumbies Ladies team who have finished the regular competition in the top position as the Minor Premiers. They now prepare to enter the final series with the first semi-final starting on Tuesday 30th August at the South Nowra football fields. Come along and join the spectators as we hopefully cheer them on to further sporting glory.

The Men's teams unfortunately were decimated by season ending injuries to numerous players. The results of these injuries meant that most players had to back up and play two games each week during the second half of the regular season. This produced some very tired players each Saturday afternoon but even with the restricted numbers they still managed to string together a few wins, shake up some of the more established teams and remained highly competitive in all their games. Hopefully next season if the players can stay fit, healthy and remain on the park, they will put pressure on the front running teams and emulate our successful Ladies team.

Our junior competition teams U12, U14 Youth and U16 Premiers have all shown their competitive

spirit with both the Youth and Premier Teams just missing out on a top four position. A special mention to our U12s team who despite having a difficult season have, under the guidance of their coach, shown the true spirit and character of how the game of football should be played.

Our junior non-competition sides, U6 through to U11 have also had a good season with plenty of developing football skills on show through the year. Congratulations to all the players, coaches and parents for helping our juniors reach such a good standard of play and for also showing what good sportsmanship is all about.

This year we have had to reschedule numerous home games not only due to the amount of rain we have had, but also because the poor drainage of the Emmett street oval has left the playing surface in a dangerous condition. This was a contributing factor to the high number of injuries suffered by all ages of players. Hopefully next season we will have less rain or possibly if the council takes on interest, we may see an improvement of the drainage or the development of the alternative training oval between the School and the football field on Emmett Street.

The Callala Brumbies would like to thank the Callala RSL Club for their support shown during this season and hope that in the following years we can develop an ongoing partnership that will provide benefits for both organisations. The Brumbies would also like to thank Callala IGA for the ongoing support through the Men's Man of the Match award and competitive pricing for our canteen stocks. Thanks also to the folks at Callala Butchery who have supported the club and managed to keep both the spectators and players fed and happy during the season.

Presentation Day/Night for both our Junior and Senior teams will be held at the Callala RSL Club on the 17th of September, with the Juniors starting at 1pm to 4pm, followed by the Callala District Soccer Club AGM and then the Senior's Presentation kicking off that evening.

Hope to see you all down there for a refreshing beverage and some tall tales of the season past.

COUNCIL HAPPENINGS.

Pedestrian Safety Campaign.

In the summer holidays of 2015/2016 Council undertook a pedestrian road safety campaign developed by the Little Blue Dinosaur Foundation (LBD). The LBD Foundation was initiated after a traffic incident, in which a four year old boy was killed.

After a successful summer campaign in the Huskisson/Vincentia area, LBD has provided a number of signs free of charge to SCC for use in other areas. The signs, "Hold my Hand" and "slow Down its Holiday Time" are available for distribution to all interested Community Consultative Bodies (CCB's) in the Shoalhaven. The CBCA has applied for a number of the boards given our influx of tourists and heavy road use during the holiday seasons. The signs can be seen on our face book page.

Maintenance Requests.

In response to CBCA requests Council advise:

1. Overgrown Vegetation Callala Bay.

SCC confirm that a work order has been issued to prune overhanging vegetation and remove loose detritus material from the walkway between Bicentennial Park and Sheaffe St.

2. The current service levels for all walkways in the Shoalhaven is four visits per year. The next scheduled visit for the walkway from Gowlland Crescent to Emmett St is September 2016. The service is set on peak growing times being January, March, September and November.

Any community member with footpath issues with overhanging vegetation, or other issues please contact CBCA.

Workshops to reduce energy costs.

SCC in conjunction with Kiama Municipal Council, NSW Office of Environment and Heritage are hosting series of home Energy Basics Workshops. The workshops will provide tips and hints to minimise energy consumption and reduce costs. Including how better to understand

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Monday 10th October 9.30 to 11.30 am
Bomaderry

Monday 10th October 1.30 to 3.30 pm Kiama

Thursday 1st December 10.00-12.00 noon
Kiama

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CALLALA MEN'S BOWLS

Despite extremely cold, gale force winds on Saturday afternoon, 23 July, the final of the Men's Minor Singles final went ahead. A small gathering of hardy supporters rugged up to watch Dion Gadd and Glenn Brindle play for the coveted Championship. Dion started well, leading 20 – 9 on the 14th end. Glenn came back with a vengeance, winning 21 shots to Dion's 10, the score on the 32nd end, 30 – 29 in Glenn's favour. He won the end and the Minor Singles Championship, 31 – 29. The spectator group increased, despite the freezing weather. Congratulations to both players for an outstanding game and sportsmanship and thank you to Dennis Beazley who marked the game.



Glenn Brindle and Dion Gadd after the final of the Minor Singles

A busy weekend, 6th and 7th August, for the men with the first round of the Major/Minor Pairs being played in sunny, cool conditions. Tiger Mason and Mark Bowerman defeated Patrick Ford and Stephen Bowerman. Terry Castle and Glenn Brindle defeated Col Neighbour and Phill Bowerman. Greg MacMillan and Wayne Beach defeated Chris Harbrow and Dion Gadd. Steve Foley and Tony Dunston defeated Marty Gehrke and Stephen Blackley. Craig Taylor and Bryan Green defeated Ron Wilkinson and Howard Duncan. The last game was played Sunday afternoon with Tiger Mason and Mark Bowerman defeating Pat Ford and Stephen

Bowerman , 34 – 8, the score not reflecting the game.



Patrick Ford, Stephen Bowerman, Mark Bowerman & Tiger Mason

Near perfect sunny winter conditions greeted the players for the 2nd round of the men's Major/Minor Pairs on Saturday, 13th August. Three close games were played with one being decided on the last end. Tiger Mason and Mark Bowerman scored 4 shots on the 21st end to defeat Craig Taylor and Bryan Green, 22 – 18. Terry Castle and Glenn Brindle defeated Steve Foley and Tony Dunstan in the other close game, 21 – 15. The last game saw Greg MacMillan and Wayne Beach battle it out against Anthony Fisher and Pauli Kennedy. Anthony and Pauli emerged the victors 27 – 18. Thanks again to all the spectators who took the time to support the players.



Glenn Brindle and Terry Castle after their win over Steve Foley and Tony Dunstan

CALLALA WOMEN'S BOWLS NEWS

Gale force, gusting winds and freezing but sunny conditions were the order of the day for the semi-final of the Club Pairs between Debbie Allen, Kaitlin Shaw and Dianne Dawes, Beverley Young. Debbie and Kaitlin were the early leaders leading 7 – 3 on the 7th end. Dianne and Bev went on to equal the score on the 9th, 11th, 13th and 16th ends, going on to win on the 18th end, 16 - 13. Congratulations to both teams for an outstanding game of bowls in such atrocious weather conditions. .

On Tuesday, 26 July, the final of the Pairs Championship was played in sunny, cold windy conditions. A great game to watch as both teams were neck and neck all the way. The more experienced team of Petra and Tracey were the victors, finally winning their first Pairs badge, 24 – 10, the score not reflecting the game. Dianne and Bev put up a good fight, making Petra and Tracey work for the title. Congratulations to all the ladies for a great game.



Petra Ford and Tracey Semevente winners of the Major Pairs with runners up Beverley Young and Dianne Dawes

We also had a close social game of fours. Jan Wright (swinger), Terry MacMillan and Debbie Allen defeated Jan Wright (swinger), Colleen Tracy and Lyn Byrne by one shot on the last end. Welcome to new player Colleen, who had a great first game of bowls.

Tuesday bowls on the 2nd August, was washed out with heavy rain falling most of the day.

Saturday morning, 6th August, a spirited game of triples was played. Debbie Allen, Dianne Dawes and Terry MacMillan led 10 – 2 on the 8th end against Rocky Richetti, Beverley Young and Lyn Byrne. Lyn's team finally got their act together winning 13 shots to 3 over the next 6 ends, to win the game 15 – 11.



Debbie Allen, Beverley Young, Joy Green, Lyn Byrne and Dianne Dawes

What is Council doing about erosion...in particular rock falls?

This is a big question with many components.

1. Emergency response

Following storms, Council implements emergency actions for public safety. On the coast, these actions will typically include closing access ways and installing warning signage. Decisions will then be made about either repairing accesses or perhaps closing them permanently. If permanent closure is an option, then discussions will be held with the community.

2. Signage

As a component of Council's usual risk management strategies, relevant hazard icons are displayed on beach access signs. In areas where pedestrians are accessing rock platforms at the base of potentially hazardous cliffs, such as Callala Point, an 'unstable cliff' icon is used. If rock falls occur in natural areas where houses or major public assets aren't threatened, then Council doesn't generally take any action.

3. Expert advice – cliffs and bluffs

Where houses or major public assets are at risk at the top of cliffs and slopes, Council refers to the 2008 the Coastal Slope Instability Hazard Study (SMEC) which is included as a component of the draft Coastal Zone Management Plan (2012). 015 following a significant rainfall event.

4. Expert advice – beaches

Some beaches in Shoalhaven are identified as being especially vulnerable to coastal erosion i.e. Mollymook, Collingwood and Callala. These beaches have had concept designs prepared by Royal Haskoning to examine erosion protection options. Royal Haskoning also prepared the Callala Bay Design Review (2012)

for the management of shoreline recession. And Currarong Beach has an Erosion Design Study prepared by SMEC in 2011.

Up until recently, not many of the identified protection options in these documents have needed to be implemented but, of course, times are changing. With the impacts of climate change, including increased storminess, the risks associated with coastal erosion are escalating; a scenario highlighted by the June East Coast Low.

So Council has a sound collection of documents as a reference for managing coastal erosion at specific, high risk locations. Following the implementation of the Our Coast Our Lifestyle community engagement program, we also have clear community views about preferences for managing coastal erosion.

Putting all this together, Council and the community have a sound foundation of knowledge derived from expert advice and community opinion which will assist in the management of coastal erosion, now and into the future.

5. What can you do?

Be aware of potential rock falls on cliffs and headlands, more so after heavy rainfall events and coastal storms. Use dedicated access points to the beach and rock platforms. Report damage to coastal areas. (*see below*)



COMMUNITY CONTACTS

Emergency Police Fire Ambulance – **000**
Nowra Police Local Area Command – **4421 9699**
Crime Stoppers – **1800 333 000** (anonymous reporting)
Police Assistance line – **131 444** (non-emergencies)

State Emergency Service – **132 500**
Jervis Bay Marine Park – **4441 7752**

Callala Doctor's Surgery – **4446 5350**

Shoalhaven City Council
General enquiries, business hours – **4429 3111**
Emergencies and after hours – **4421 3100**

Justices of the Peace
Daniels, Nancy – **4446 6817**
Duncan, Howard – **4446 6535**
Garry, Rexeen(Rikki) – **4446 6649**
Hannan, Robyn – **4446 4428**
Lower, Jill & Graham – **4446 6281**
McMaugh, Dallas – **0400 189 875**
Taylor, Lorraine – **4446 5117**
Ward, Noel – **4446 6800**

Culburra & District Garden Club
Every 3rd Saturday of the month at 1.30pm at the Banksia Hall Community Hall,
Fred Evans Lane, Culburra Beach (IRT entry) For more details contact Doris
Carpenter - **4446 5631**

Culburra & Districts Community Health Service
Visit the Op Shop and pick up a bargain! Proceeds help maintain the Medical Bus
that transfers people to Nowra for medical appointments from Greenwell Point,
Culburra Beach, Callala Bay & Beach, Currarong and Myola. Please contact
Culburra Pharmacy on **4447 2382** to arrange transport.

If you have good saleable furniture to donate, contact Jim on **4446 6733**

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