



catherine hill bay progress association

(Established 1901)

NEWSLETTER – OCTOBER 2015

Next Meeting is 7:30pm Friday, 11th December 2015 –
CHB Community Hall and Bowling Club.

Former Bay School Centenary and Festival

We proudly held this event at the school on 26th September 2015. It had been raining all week and also rained on the following day so we were fortunate to have sunshine, and a truly memorable day for all.

A special thanks to Sandy and Grant Bourke for making their beautiful home available to the community enabling us to wander in their wonderful house and magnificent gardens.



Carol Diver, Dorrie Price and Christine Knowles

Talks by acclaimed gardeners Linnie Ross and Angus Stewart were brilliant.

Our thanks to everyone who helped organise and run this successful event, and to our sponsor Lake Macquarie City Council (LMCC).

The Association appreciates and thanks our Federal Member, Jill Hall MP, who cut the cake, State Member, Yasmin Catley MP, who officially opened the event, Cr Kay Fraser and the last Bay School Head Teacher, Tony Sedgman, all of whom came on the day and addressed the crowd. Their presence added another level of acknowledgement to the many Bay people who have moved away but returned to meet up with old friends and classmates. The reunion generated a wonderful atmosphere of a successful community honouring its past, and the men, women and children who have made it such a special place.



Many photos were taken on the day – see the Facebook pages, and do send us yours!

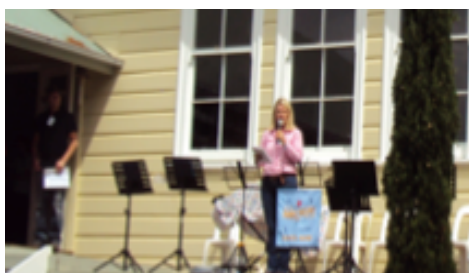
GREAT CHRISTMAS PRESENTS? There are lots of great Festival T shirts available for purchase, only \$15.00 and all sizes! Ring Sue Whyte 49762310 or 0409344253



Linnie Ross and Angus Stewart - Garden Talk



Tony Sedgman – Last School Principal



Yasmin Catley MP



Cr. Kay Fraser



Nords Wharf PS band



Traffic Management Plan

Peter McMurray, Transport & Asset Planning Co Coordinator from LMCC met with the community in September and spoke about design plans for the traffic calming measures to be implemented in town commencing 2015 / 2016.

A letter notifying residents of options for speed calming devices will be sent, requesting feedback. All responses should go directly to LMCC. Finalisation of the design will be by Christmas and installation of the first 2 to 3 devices (cost dependent) by June 2016.

Intersection treatments involve no raising of height, just a pattern and colour change.

A trial spray sealant will be applied in Clarke St in the coming summer months.

If you are annoyed by speeding cars and bikes, ring Charlestown Police Sat/Sun and public hols on 4942 9999 or Cardiff Police M-F on 4956 9875.

Visitor Information Board

This board is the result of a lengthy collaboration between the Progress Association and LMCC, and was funded from a Federal Government Grant.

The board has been attached to the northern wall of the Surf Living Saving Clubhouse – come and have a look at the history of the Bayvery impressive!



BBQ and Shelter

The new shelter has been erected by LMCC in the Pat Slaven Reserve. Now visitors will have shade as they enjoy the views. Thank you, LMCC, and for especially designing and building a Catho look.



Old



New

Development Updates

Rose group subdivision update

- Stages 1, 2 and 4 – earthworks plan to be completed 4th Quarter 2015.
- Montefiore St – closed September 2015 and planned to be shut to possibly April 2016.
- Sewerage treatment plant – no approval received as yet.
- A copy of the master plan for the 'Village Green' was tabled for discussion at the last Community Liaison Committee meeting. Concern was expressed over the proposed concrete footpaths in the northern section of the green. Subsequent to the meeting, Community representatives provided a formal letter to the Chair for forwarding to Coastal Hamlets with a view to revision of the landscape master plan. Comments also included concerns re; 14m tall trees proposed for planting along Hale St.

LakeCoal update

LakeCoal commenced early October 2015 on contamination remediation work, with approximately 3 months to complete. The civil works have different scopes, so will not necessarily follow the contamination remediation works immediately. Majority of works (excluding Jetty) are planned to be completed by the end of 2016. Areas covered are the washery, refuel compound, bin, Hale St, and Possum and Snake Gullies.

Re; Jetty - a new Environmental Impact Study is to be completed for the jetty; timeframe is 12 to 18 months.

Coal & Allied lands

These lands remain in the ownership of Coal & Allied. The Expressions of Interest process did not produce a suitable buyer.

Tennis Court

Watch this space for our next social gathering....ALL WELCOME! We're fundraising for fences.

If you wish to join and / or book our unique court, please contact Eleanor on 49762368

or email chbtennisclub@gmail.com.

Landcare

Our current focus is replacing blackberry, lantana and bitou bush between the Graveyard Beach car park and cemetery with Tuckeroo and banksia for shade, and acacias; the flowering climbers and groundcover plants along the arched walkway are coping!

Our regular Landcare, **first Saturdays of the month between 10.00am and noon**, needs new volunteers. Sat Nov 7 is next, but we won't meet in Dec or Jan (heat, ticks). Message Carmel on 0438 499636 for any info or to receive Landcare emails.

When walking the beach or bush tracks, take a bag with you for collecting rubbish, please! 'Take 3 for the sea!' Keep in mind picking up rubbish along Jetty Road and at Graveyard Beach car park, as well as on the beach. Thanks!

For more details and PA meeting minutes, check out our website

<http://catherinehillbay.org.au>

and the various Facebook pages for the latest news and great photos.

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