

catherine hill bay progress association

(Established 1901)

NEWSLETTER – AUGUST 2016

Next meeting: 5pm Friday 17th September
CHB Tennis Clubhouse

(via lane beside 1 Flowers Dr; unfortunately the Bowling Club is unavailable)



*Recent walk to
plan scenic
walkway CB*

EXCELLENT TRAFFIC NEWS

Hopefully you will have received a letter from Lake Macquarie City Council explaining the further refinements of the traffic management devices. Essentially the devices installed will now be full width speed humps which means that motorbikes will not be able to just race up the middle of the road as was feared with the previous plan.

Also these devices will be installed more quickly.

Please look at the attachment to see where these will be installed in Flowers Drive, Lindsley Street and Clarke Street. It is really important to send in your submissions if this revised plan is to be implemented (there are those in the town who do not want any traffic slowing devices at all).

You are invited to provide comments on the proposal (attached). Written comments should be submitted to Council **prior to 5pm on 1 September 2016.**

There is more information available on the proposal at the following locations:

- ❖ View exhibition material online at www.lakemac.com.au
- ❖ Council's Customer Service Centre, 126 Main Road, Speers Point
- ❖ Swansea Library
- ❖ Catherine Hill Bay Community Hall and Bowling Club

For more information please contact Council's Transportation Planning Coordinator, Marc Desmond on 02 4921 0203 or email council@lakemac.nsw.gov.au and quote **PM15/0072** within the title.

MONTEFIORE ST

Although the road is finished and the traffic lights are installed, Rose Group will not be opening the road whilst they are responsible for public liability.

It will not become a Council road until the subdivision certificate has been issued which could be a number of months yet. A private certifier, as arranged by Rose Group, will issue this certificate.

MEETING WITH POLICE LOCAL AREA COMMAND (LAC)

Members of the PA Executive met with representatives of the Police Local Area Command (Belmont) on Thursday 10/08/16 to discuss the ongoing issue of dangerous driving in Catherine Hill Bay. We had the opportunity to provide information on the patterns and types of dangerous incidents observed, including unregistered trail bikes. The police committed to increase patrols of the Catherine Hill Bay village during the peak problem periods of Friday, Saturday and Sunday afternoons. There was general agreement that the problems should improve once Monterfiore Parkway is re-opened.

The police reinforced the message that members of the community should phone the LAC on 49228899 to report any dangerous driving incidents observed, and obtain number plates if possible.

A WALK TO MINE CAMP

There will be a walk to Mine Camp on the 17th September at 12:30 pm.

The walk takes about 2 hours and goes through the area of the former third village of CHB and then up to the Radar Huts of WW2, which are still standing.



Meeting Place is near Sawmill Camp (the few houses on the east/left before entering the village of Middle Camp, southbound). We will meet across the road where parking is possible in the clearing.

JETTY

Lake Macquarie City Council staff have indicated in-principle support for nomination of the Jetty as a State Heritage item.

Presently Lake Coal is preparing an Environmental Impact Study with the purpose of demolishing the jetty at Catherine Hill Bay. The Association understands their position however we believe the jetty deserves a full assessment. The ability to build a sea jetty at Catherine Hill Bay was the reason why the town came into existence.

North Sydney Council is nominating the Jetty at Balls Head, Waverton, for State Listing. This is the sister jetty to our jetty in so far as the coal that left Catherine Hill Bay went to the jetty at Balls Head where it was unloaded from the "60 Milers" and then used to power Sydney in its early days. The jetty at Catherine Hill Bay is in much better condition than the one at Balls Head as our jetty was rebuilt in the 1970s.

If the jetty is nominated this does not necessarily mean that it will not be demolished, as there are seven criteria that must be satisfied before it would be placed on the Heritage List. However, the nomination means that a more rigorous assessment process must be undertaken.

With the upcoming election, the earliest meeting of Council would be the 10th of October 2016.



*National Tree Day planting along new edge of the Landcare site after storm erosion
CB*

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

<http://catherinehillbay.org.au/>,

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

<https://www.facebook.com/CatherineHillBayTennisCourt?ref=hl>

<https://www.facebook.com/CathHillBay>

<https://www.facebook.com/CathHillBayLandcare?ref=hl>

<https://www.facebook.com/cathoboardriders?fref=ts>

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