

THE PEARL BEACH GEM NEWSLETTER

FROM THE PRESIDENT

As we head towards our 2018 Annual General Meeting, it is appropriate to reflect on the energy and enthusiasm of the Association members for the events and other projects that bring them together.

There is rarely a weekend where there is not some event occurring in the Hall, on the beachfront or the Arboretum. Possibly the event that created the most interest (and popular support) was the Australia Day celebration, held on the reserve and the beach itself on 26 January.

A major achievement for the Association in 2017-18 was the adoption of a new Constitution, based on the Model Constitution for community associations and a mandatory requirement of NSW Fair Trading. Members raised a number of issues during the year, and we have continued to pursue these with the relevant authorities. These issues include the condition of the old Pearl Beach-Umina coast track, the intersection of Pearl Beach Drive and Patonga Drive, the condition of the edges of Diamond Road, the installation of recycling bins on the beachfront and the condition of the lagoon.

With another long, dry summer ahead, we continue to be grateful for the wonderful work of the men and women the Rural Fire Brigade, and the Association supports the group through fund raising activities. The Pearl Beach Safety Advisory Group (PBSAG) has been actively working with the RFS to develop an effective Neighbour Alert system for alerting the community about the impending danger posed by bush fire. All residents are urged to make themselves aware of the system, and to prepare their own Bushfire Survival Plans.

The upcoming year 2019 is particularly significant, as it marks the 90th anniversary of the Association. We are planning some substantial works to upgrade our Hall, and some preliminary ideas for this have been developed. These can now be viewed at www.pearlbeachprogress.org.au and responses are invited..

-- Peter Romey

OPENING OF THE COTTAGE EXTENSION

On 19th August, the Crommelin Native Arboretum celebrated its 42nd Anniversary. About 60 volunteers and guests attended. We were pleased also to welcome Lucy Wicks our Federal member and Mayor Cr Jane Smith.

This past year has at last seen the completion of our cottage extension with the inclusion of a toilet. We now have a larger shed, an expanded kitchen with new cabinets, table and chairs, in which we can hold our monthly meetings, and a toilet which is available for male, female and disabled. All of this has been achieved by a huge effort from a lot of wonderful volunteers, especially from our committee, but also from the broader community. The build was also supported by grants from both State Government and Central Coast Council and Bunnings.

The Mayor, Cr Jane Smith opened the extension at our Anniversary celebrations on August 19th which was attended by over 60 local members and community. A great thank you to all the helpers and salad makers for the Anniversary BBQ. We all had a fabulous day.

-- Ann Parsons
Crommelin Native Arboretum Secretary



-- Opening of the cottage extension. (Left to right: Ros Sumner, President, and Mayor, Cr Jane Smith.)

A COMMUNITY OF VOLUNTEERS

Pearl Beach has always for been cared for a wide range of volunteers who give so generously of their time to maintain and preserve the natural environment and work to provide residents and visitors with wide range of interest groups, activities and entertainment.

On behalf of the Progress Association we say thank you to not only these volunteers, but to some of those whose quiet initiatives are no so well known

- To Ian Crawford, who just quietly appears and paints the Hall, inside and out, as needed.
- To Stephen Parsons and David George, who have been regularly collecting litter thrown out car windows both sides of the hill into Pearl Beach.

If you know of anyone who you thing deserves a special mention, please send a note to the GEM editors.

CELEBRATING 90 CONTINUOUS YEARS OF OUR PROGRESS ASSOCIATION – 1929 - 2019'



Premium Caps
Jute Tote Bag
Ritz Apron
Polo Shirt
Cotton T-Shirt



Next year will be the 90th anniversary of the Pearl Beach Progress Association.

A group of local members have started to plan for the celebrations. The purpose is to:

- showcase our 90 year history and past achievements,
- organise events for everyone to enjoy and have fun,
- preserve the memories and the archives of the Assoc.

A calendar of events for 2019 will be published towards the end of 2018. It will include the traditional events we all know and love as well as some extra fun occasions.

We will be organising a special Anniversary Exhibition over the 2019 October long weekend with photographs, stories and oral histories from families over the past 90 years.

In addition we have merchandise with our anniversary logos specially designed by Pim Sarti.

These items will be available for you to buy before Christmas – they will make terrific presents.

Please watch future editions of the GEM and the website for 90th Anniversary updates.

pearbeachprogress.org.au

-- Jane Clarke 0433 774 991

HOW TO MAXIMISE TIME IN YOUR OWN HOME

'Are you starting to find some things around the home a bit hard? If you want to continue staying in your own home, how do you make it happen?'

Ring:
MY AGED CARE 1800 200 422
Monday – Friday 8am -8pm
Saturday 10am-12pm

You can register with them for an assessment to access Australian Government funded services.

- They may arrange for a trained assessor to come to your home to discuss your needs and types of services possible e.g cleaning, gardening, transport, meals etc
- They can help you find an aged care provider in your area who will provide these services.

BUNGAREE COMMEMORATIVE WEEKEND 23RD AND 24TH NOV

FRIDAY 23RD AT 7PM - PEARL BEACH HALL

- Interactive Presentation by historian and author Keith Vincent Smith.
- Launch of Edition 2 of *'The Garigal Clan Of Pearl Beach and Patonga'*
 - Join us for canapes and wine

SATURDAY 24TH NOV 9AM - PEARL BEACH HALL

- Weaving workshop with the Mingaletta Sisters at 9.30-12
 - Indigenous Book Stall at 9-4
 - Exhibition of Indigenous artifacts at 9-4
- A Bush Tucker Walk n' Talk around Pearl Beach at 4-5pm
- Welcome To Country & Smoking Ceremony at 6.30pm

pbaboriginalhistorygroup@gmail.com

VALE

Robyne Palmer 17/9/1940 - 2/7/2018 After a significant career as an artist - her outback studies are included in many collections, private and corporate - Robyne turned her talent to birds and animals. Many of the pets of Pearl Beach were honoured with a portrait and she created the character of Pearl the koala to convey safety messages to residents and visitors.

Pam Power 26/3/1929 - 5/8/2018. Pam was a member of the craft group and played mah-jong. Both she and her husband Tony were valued members of the Progress Association, even as they bravely battled age and infirmity. Indeed the ramp at the Hall is dedicated to Tony who spent the last years of his life wheelchair bound. Pam contributed to the cost of the ramp.



THE PEARL BEACH SINGERS PRESENTED "AROUND THE WORLD IN 80 MINUTES."

A fabulous Variety Concert was the result of many months of rehearsals by our Pearl Beach Singers. Held at the end of August our Hall was filled with song, admiration and laughter.

The Pearl Beach Singers would like to thank all those residents, family and friends who came along and joined in the fun and contributed to the success of the event. The Glee Club is always looking for new members, rehearsals are held each Friday afternoon from 2 pm

Enquiries: Bev 0439623818 or Malcolm 0407100120

'KIDS CLUB' IN JANUARY NEEDS A NEW CO-ORDINATOR'

In previous years we have held an activity on each Wednesday morning during January, these have included, Reptile Show, Magic, Art Class with Marijke, Insects in the Arboretum, rambling along the beach and story telling.

Please contact Lynne Lillico at 43442319 if interested.

FOR SALE

A Black and Decker 10 cup coffee maker – drip through style size 30x18x24cm – minimum price To give away- a TEAC set top box (HD digital receiver)

*With thanks Meryl Duke
16a Diamond Rd 0421816361*

*Ladies Golf Clubs (x10 Right Hand)
Golf Bag & Trolley
\$300 ono
Jane Clarke 0433 774 991*



'HOT DOGS ON PARADE'

On Sunday 26th August the rain did not deter a turnout of 50 Dogs and 13 Toys/Ornaments proudly parading to raise over \$3,600 net (plus takings of about \$500 from Guide Dog stall) for Guide Dogs NSW/ACT.

A big thank you to the following people:

- Organizer Greg McPhee, who introduced this wonderful idea, MC Russell "Hound dog" Groves, Judges: Leisl Tesch (MLA for Gosford), Tom Bodger (Acting CEO from Guide Dogs NSW/ACT), Adrian Thurlow (Pearl Beach local) and Peter Romey (PBPA President)

- To Colin and Jo Jo who ran a highly successful Paw Traits stall; Heather and her helpers on the Hot Dog Stand, Dodgy David Denton and the girls running the Dodgy Awards Co and Elaine and helpers for the raffle.

LIKE TO LEARN HOW TO SOLVE CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS?

Female needed to join friendly foursome, Thursdays 2-4 pm.
Please contact Alicia Rachow on 4342 2906

"PARTY HOUSE" NEXT DOOR?

*Do you dread the Friday afternoon arrival of 5, 6+ cars?
Loud celebrations all weekend?*

Gosford City Council will investigate on receipt of more than two written complaints concerning the activities taking place on a property. Complaints must be made from the occupiers of a separate dwellings located within 40 metres of the subject dwelling within 12 months of the event.

Contact Gosford City Council: (02) 43258222
or email ask@centralcoast.nsw.gov.au

AFTER-HOURS MEDICAL SERVICE

Available at Woy Woy hospital – go to the front of the hospital.

Weeknights	Weekends	
7.00pm-10.00pm	Saturdays	1.00pm-5.5m
	Sundays	1.00pm-6.00pm

CLOSED PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

There is no emergency department at Woy Woy hospital.
In an emergency phone - "000"

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

All members are invited to attend the Pearl Beach Progress Associatio's AGM on 6TH October 2018 at 5pm in the Pearl Beach Community Hall at 9 Diamond Road, Pearl Beach.

www.pearlbeachprogress.org.au

PEARL BEACH COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER

Saturday 8th December at 6.30 pm

*This year we are supporting Homeless Support Inc.
founded by a Pearl Beach Resident*

Each table will be provided with a backpack to pre-fill from a list provided. These will then be bought to the dinner for collection.

Enquiries re bookings:
Bev Lapacek 0439623818
Lynne Lillico 43442319

90TH ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION CONTRIBUTIONS

Seeking stories, memories, photographs and memorabilia of past years at Pearl Beach.

Please bring these to the Pearl Beach Community Hall

*9 Diamond Road Pearl Beach
THURSDAY 8TH November 2018 2pm-4pm*

If you cannot make this date please contact:

Jane Clarke (0433774991) or Di Swalwell (0439 454 189)

COMMUNITY GROUP CONTACTS

ARBORETUM: Ros Sumner - 0418 896 939
BUSHCARE: Stephen Parsons - 0448 751 595
DUNE CARE: Faye Austin - 4341 7669
ART/CRAFT GROUP: Bev Lapacek - 0439 623 818
MAHJONG: Shirley Green - 0490 831 523
PLODDERS GROUP: Bev Lapacek - 0439 623 818
PLAYGROUP: Dawn Baker - 0408 786 878
TENNIS CLUB BOOKINGS: Judy Mcfarlane - 0418 436 225
TENNIS CLUB COACHING: Kerrie (0438 358 225) or Mitch (0434 838 496).

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2018 PEARL BEACH COMMUNITY EVENTS

OCTOBER

'THE DAPTO CHASER'

Grant Dodwell Production
Saturday 27 October at 5.30PM
Entry: \$40 BYO Drinks
Includes Curry Dinner

Memorial Hall
Bookings: Two Turkeys

NOVEMBER

'MELBOURNE CUP LUNCH'

Tuesday November 6 at 12.30pm
Champagne on arrival, Live TV, Entry: \$35
Best dressed, Sweeps BYO other drinks
Gourmet Picnic Fare Venue: Memorial Hall
Hat Parade Bookings essential: Entry: \$35
twoturkeys catering@gmail.com

'LOCAL ARTISANS ART & CRAFT SHOW'

Friday 9 November Opening at 6pm
Saturday 10 November 9.00am-5.30pm
Come, see and buy
Back Deck Bistro Entry: free

'LITERARY LUNCH WITH MIKE CARLTON'

Saturday November 17 at 12.30pm
Book earlydon't miss out
Entry: \$65 includes a book
Venue: Memorial Hall BYO drinks

DECEMBER

'COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS DINNER'

Saturday 8 December at 6.30pm
\$40 per head catered by Two Turkeys
Memorial Hall

'COMMUNITY CAROLS'

Sunday 23 at 6.00pm
Santa in residence
Memorial Hall

HOLIDAY READING BOOK SALE

Saturday 29th December at the Hall
9.00am-12.00pm