

Fairy Bower Precinct

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2014

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NEXT PRECINCT MEETING:

Wednesday 5th November 2014, 7pm start, St. Patricks College.

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www.fairybowerprecinct.com.au

TO OUR FAIRY BOWER RESIDENTS

This morning's walk took me to Shelly Beach where I was able to admire the work that the Council's Parks and Gardens staff were doing to beautify the picnic areas at the back of the beach. This area has been one of our Precinct's Budget Bid areas for many years and despite the heavy traffic and the vagaries of wind and sand, the Council continues to work to improve the amenity of the area for locals and tourists alike. The renovation of the Boathouse at Shelly Beach is well underway with the roof having been removed and lots of action on site. By early 2015 we should have a great place to either picnic or dine!

The November meeting promises to be a very interesting one with Denise Keen bringing us an update on Manly Hospital and news on further uses for the site. In addition, Daniel Robertson, General Manager - Operations at the International College of Management, Sydney (ICMS), our hosts for our monthly meetings will be talking to us about the College. I've asked him to tell us about such things as University affiliation, countries of origin of the international

students, courses offered and other functions of the College. I'm certain Daniel will be happy to answer any questions we have.

Don't forget to fill in your rsvp for the Christmas Party and return it to one of the addresses listed. The Thomas Keneally Bear Cottage fundraiser looks like a 'must attend' event too. If your Christmas social calendar isn't full yet, there are a couple of dates for the first week of December. Despite his busy schedule, our local member and State Premier, Mike Baird, is hoping to attend our Christmas Party. You'll notice that this month we have an invitation to his annual fundraiser, this year supporting employment of people with disabilities through 'Bushlink' and 'Fighting Chance'.

You may have noticed the red painted bands on the road at the Bower St and College St and Cliff St intersections. After four years of dogged and determined effort, principally by Fairy Bower resident Roger Band, the 40km signs are due to be installed. Hooray and thank you Roger!

Penny Verdich - Chair

HOP SKIP AND JUMP BUS SERVICE – CUSTOMER/PRECINCT SURVEY

Council is currently undertaking an audit of the current usage of the hop, skip and bus service and has requested Precincts provide feedback and suggestions as to improvements.

For your information the Fairy Bower service stops at the corner of Bower St and Bower Lane on the hour from 8.40am-12.40pm and 1.10pm-4.10pm Monday to Friday and there are some concerns that poor patronage might see the service curtailed in our Precinct (use it or lose it ?!?).

Responses should be addressed to the:

GM, Manly Council, PO Box 82 Manly or
email.records@manly.nsw.gov.au.

www.manly.nsw.gov.au/attractions/transport/hop-skip-jump-bus

The issue will be discussed at our November meeting.

WELLNESS WALK – SUNDAY 16 NOVEMBER 2014 - SYDNEY



This easy 5km walk from Sydney's Circular Quay, over the Sydney Harbour Bridge via the pedestrian walkway to Milsons Point and back again aims to bring attention to mental illness and help support those affected by mental illness.

Register to walk as an individual, a family group, to set up a team or join a team. Simply create your log-in and then complete your registration. www.wellnesswalk.org.au

Entry fees:

Individual \$30 per person | Concession* \$20 per person
Family \$80 per family (2 adults & 2 children)

*concession card holders, students and children

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OCTOBER MEETING

Karen Norsa from Manly Mystery and History Tours provided a fascinating summary of the tours she operates from Manly wharf each Saturday at 11am and 2.30pm at the very reasonable cost of \$16 per person. They include History, Believe it or Not, Hidden and Intriguing Gems Tours and Manly Murders. Karen can be contacted on 0404338652 and info@karens.com.au

An update on our on-going projects with Council:

Restoration of the public vistas at the Redall St / Bower St steps.

The Precinct reaffirmed its support the proposed works on the cliff face in the vicinity of the Redall /Bower St steps to restore the iconic public views and importantly, to revegetate the ground cover to stabilise the area and provide habitat for the water dragons. This revegetation work should be programmed for the remainder of cliff face as well. It is understood the removal/trimming of some trees should commence late October 2014.

Marine Parade Upgrade.

Council is currently applying for grants for planning and proposed works and the Precinct again requests that Council involve the Precinct in this process.

Shelly Beach.

Four additional garden beds to stop the sand drift have been installed and turfing around the barbecue areas should be completed soon.

Bower St Littoral Rainforest .

The Precinct has asked that a Management Plan for the littoral rainforest area adjoining the Bower Street Steps be prepared in consultation with the Precinct and Andrew Goldsmith of the Boatshed team. We would also like Council to investigate the feasibility of setting up a local Bush Care Group/working bee to assist in maintaining the area and reducing weed infestation and litter.

Manly Cinema .

The meeting expressed a real concern as to the failure of the cinema to re-open. Whilst there were obviously commercial issues is there anything Council can do to encourage the cinema to re-open as it is a community resource we all miss.

Red Paint on College St and Cliff St.

Council has confirmed that the red patches installed on College Street and Cliff Street are part of the proposed 40km/h zone to be installed on Bower Street. These areas are to highlight to drivers that they are entering a changed speed limit. Council is not permitted to install the speed limit signs and is awaiting time frame for erection of the 40km/h signs from the Roads and Maritime Service. Thanks to Roger Band who has campaigned long and hard on behalf of the Precinct to slow the traffic in Bower Street.

On behalf of Member for Manly and NSW Premier, Mike Baird, we extend a warm invitation for you to attend

Mike Baird's Community Fundraiser

This year's beneficiaries are 'Bushlink' and 'Fighting Chance' – two incredible organisations that are dedicated to providing employment solutions for people with disabilities.

DATE: Friday 14th November 2014

TIME: 6.30pm – 11.30pm

VENUE: Manly Golf Club, Balgowlah Road, Balgowlah

COST: \$105 per person

Tickets are strictly limited and available at
<http://www.trybooking.com/102940>

This glamorous cocktail event is a highlight on the Manly social calendar and includes dinner, drinks, live band and fabulous auction prizes.



For more information please contact Mike Baird's electorate office on 9976 2773 or email manly@parliament.nsw.gov.au

THE DARLEY DAYS DIGEST BY SARAH REID

The Hubby & I are back in Man-town after September saw us mostly overseas for both work and play. One of the things that I love when returning to our beloved seaside village, is checking out what's changed and what is new, as without fail there always seems to be something new popping up in Manly!

From our initial wonderings, October has delivered THREE new eateries to the scene. **Daniel-San** has opened where the Charli Bar use to be in the Novotel Building. **Miami Cuba** has sprung up on the beach front next to Hemingways and **The Hot Dog Man** is providing Manly with gourmet dogs and burgers to go on the wharf side of the Corso. Have you been to any of these new hot spots yet?

The Hubby & I were lured in by the simply yet bold 'HOTDOG' in lights signage out the front of the new eatery and it also helped that we were looking for a quick, tasty lunch for our Saturday arvo. The Hot Dog Man's sausages are handcrafted by top local charcutiers using traditional recipes and techniques according to their rhetoric. Plus the sausages are gluten free and without artificial flavours, preservatives or colours and all condiments are made under their own roof. This is not your typical hotdog stall...this is a legitimate option for a quick lunch, dinner or late night snack, needless to say...The Hubby & I were impressed by our order and will be regulars!



We also had our first dinner experience at **Bluewater Café** this month. I've known about Bluewater for years, it seems to have been along the surf beach front as long as I can recall. I remember a former colleague once mentioning that she loves their 'food on a stick', which initially peaked my interest and has stuck with me still. I've also heard that locals do frequent the cafe, but yet none of my friends seem to dine here or have mentioned it for a possible dinner outing... perhaps it is more of brekky and lunch spot than dinner? Although, we did general enjoy our dinner, we decided it was more geared to the tourist dollar and didn't offer anything overly unique to attract us back again.

The Hubby & I also jumped on our bikes this month and headed toward the other end of town to tick off **Ironbark Manly** from our list. Ironbark has been in the same location on Pittwater Road since I have lived in Manly but even though we have been to numerous eateries all around it, we still had never ventured inside, until now. The Hubby & I love pizza, so we were very much looking forward to trying a 'new-to us' pizza place. One of the highlights for me was the unique and intriguing pizza menu options... 'Tequila' pizza anyone?? However, although we enjoyed our pizzas, it didn't bump any of our go-to pizza places from their top spots but did give us another pizza option if we want something a little different and inventive from our normal pizza orders.

To read the full review of these eateries, follow The Hubby & I on our journey by subscribing to the blog at darleydays.com or [@darleydays](https://www.instagram.com/darleydays) if you are on instagram. Plus, we have complied The Eatery List on the blog, which catalogs all the eateries in Manly and links you to their websites too.

Check it out!



THE BOATHOUSE AT SHELLY

There has been lots of action at Boathouse at Shelly with the strip out underway and excavation beginning soon, the temporary walkway is in place and the Coffee Cart back in operation albeit in a different form.

The Boatshed Team has donated a couple of prizes for our Christmas Raffle in aid of Bear Cottage and Pioneer House and they hope to be operating by the end of February.



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SMELL SOMETHING OFFENSIVE? REPORT IT!

EPA (Environment Protection Authority): **131 555**

Sydney Water Complaints Dept.: **132 090**

North Head Sewage Treatment Plant - Control Room: **9934 4432**

(Keep reference number and date of call under phone number)

SOMEBODY TAKING SOMETHING THEY SHOULDN'T?

Rangers: **9976 1633**

Fisheries: **8437 4903**

Manly Police: **9976 8099**

'Eco-Divers' Dave: **0421 334 529**

24/7 Fisher's Watch: **1800 043 536**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

04 NOVEMBER

Melbourne Cup.

Enjoy your Melbourne Cup Luncheon.

11 NOVEMBER

Remembrance Day.

Remember those Australians who fought.

www.manly.nsw.gov.au/whatson/remembrance-day-2014

16 NOVEMBER

Wellness Walk.

Easy 5km walk, Register now

www.wellnesswalk.org.au

30 NOVEMBER

Walk4BrainCancer.

10.00am at Shelly Beach. Register to walk at www.walk4braincancer.com.au



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