

# Fairy Bower Precinct

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## NEXT PRECINCT MEETING:

Wednesday 4th February 2015, 7pm start, St. Patricks College.

## VISIT OUR WEBSITE:

[www.fairybowerprecinct.com.au](http://www.fairybowerprecinct.com.au)

## WELCOME TO 2015 IN OUR BEAUTIFUL PART OF THE WORLD.

I hope that you have all had the opportunity to enjoy the summer weather and to relax either in or on the water. The summer break certainly enabled me to see at first hand, the challenges that Manly Council has in maintaining and improving walkways, picnic areas and other public spaces so that locals and tourists alike can enjoy our beautiful environment. It reminded me of the importance our contribution can make as local residents. Many of us volunteer in a variety of ways but the feedback and direction that we bring as a Precinct to the process of local government is very important. Each year we have the opportunity to nominate particular projects that we consider important. Over the years, clearing of weeds and revegetation to the rockface above Marine Parade and beautification of the Shelly Beach picnic area have been two of the projects we have nominated. We understand that Council funds to these projects are not always as generously apportioned as we would like. That's why it's important to 'take stock' each year and look at what has been achieved and either 're-nominate' existing projects or nominate new projects. At our February meeting we will

be looking at the projects that have been nominated over the past few years and the progress that has been made by Council. We will then be deciding the best way we can direct our energies in 2015. Come along and contribute to the discussion. One of the most pleasing aspects of 2014 was the attendance of people who hadn't come along before. We're a friendly crowd that looks forward to meeting you.

As Christine Smith's article about the Christmas Party said, we had the usual very happy evening. I think our party 'kicks off' the Christmas season and what a way to do it. We always manage to invoke a 'son et lumiere', otherwise known as a Sydney thunderstorm. However, that didn't dampen our spirits. It wouldn't have been such a success without the hard work of Christine and Larry Smith and the hospitality of the ICMS and our other sponsors. We were delighted that our local member and State Premier, Mike Baird, was able to attend, in the midst of a challenging schedule.

**Penny Verdich - Chair**

## PRECINCT CHRISTMAS PARTY

The 2014 Precinct Christmas party was a delightful success despite the massive storm that arrived just before the party began. Over 70 people enjoyed the hospitality of ICMS where cocktails and hors d'oeuvres were served. Penny Verdich, Chairman, gave an overview of accomplishments of last year and goals for 2015.

The raffle brought in over \$600 and both Bear Cottage and Pioneer Clubhouse will be receiving a donation from the Precinct.

Our generous sponsors for the raffle were:

Rob and Ruth Peters

ICMS

Bower Restaurant

Q Station

Boatshed Restaurant

Sabbia Gifts

Ann and Stuart Cameron

Kindly support these generous neighbours over the new year and thank you to all who joined us this year.

Last but not least, we were fortunate to have Premier Mike Baird attend the festivities for a short time despite his extremely busy and challenging schedule on that day.



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## TOM KENEALLY/BEAR COTTAGE FUNDRAISING EVENT

4th December 2014 at ICMS

A very big thank you to all the Fairy Bower residents, their families and friends who supported the Tom Keneally/Bear Cottage event in early December 2014.

Tom gave a very interesting talk on the 3rd book in his trilogy on Australian History – “Flappers to Vietnam”.

Over 160 people attended the event and just under \$9500 was raised for Bear Cottage.

The 6 ICMS event management students who helped in organizing the event did an excellent job – especially in terms of sourcing items for the silent auction.

My daughter gave her time and technical knowledge to set up the Eventbrite site which made booking and paying for the event online so easy for all involved.

Tom very generously donated the royalties of his books sold on the night to Bear Cottage and I would like to thank him for not only giving so generously his time, but also for the donation.

Bear Cottage provides much needed support to children with life limiting illnesses and also to their families during very difficult times. They are extremely grateful to the community for their ongoing support. **They will be holding an open day on 22nd February 2015 from 1 – 4 pm. See advertisement for more details.**

Thank you all once again for your generosity and support. **Ann Jooste-Jacobs**



w: [www.bearcottage.chw.edu.au](http://www.bearcottage.chw.edu.au)

2 Fairy Bower Road Manly /  
PO Box 2500 Manly NSW 1655

**Bear Cottage is an initiative of The Children's Hospital at Westmead**



## Bear Cottage Community Open Day

**Sunday 22nd February 2015  
When: 1pm-4pm**

**Bear Cottage is the only children's hospice in NSW, and one of only two in Australia.**

For the special kids that stay at Bear Cottage, there is no happy ending, no miracle cure but Bear Cottage is actually one of the most uplifting and inspiring places you could ever visit.

Please join us for a tour of Bear Cottage, so you can see first-hand what a difference your support can make to this very special place.

**To RSVP, please contact Emily Sheridan on [emily.sheridan@health.nsw.gov.au](mailto:emily.sheridan@health.nsw.gov.au) or phone 9976 8300.**

## THE HURLEY AUSTRALIAN OPEN OF SURFING

7th - 15th February 2015

The Hurley Australian Open of Surfing is a free event featuring the world's best surfers & skaters, music, fashion & art.

The world's top action-sports athletes are set to converge at the birthplace of professional surfing, Manly Beach, Sydney, Australia for the country's biggest-ever surf, skate and music event.

The nine-day event will see the world's best surfers competing in the men's and women's ASP-sanctioned surf contests, two men's and women's world junior star-events, world-class skateboarding and two days of live music.

The Hurley Australian Open of Surfing at Manly Beach is pretty much everything awesome about summer in one event, with surfing, skating and live music all on show for free. Don't miss it.

*\*\*All concerts are free and open to the public\*\**

[www.australianopenofsurfing.com](http://www.australianopenofsurfing.com)

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**AUSTRALIAN OPEN OF SURFING**  
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## MANLY WORLD FOOD MARKETS

**9th January - 27th February 2015**

Enjoy your warm summer Friday nights with international food and great live music in a relaxed atmosphere!

Manly Council's popular World Food Markets returns this summer to the grassed forecourt outside Manly Council Chambers (opposite Manly Wharf), Friday nights from 5pm.

Sit back and relax with friends and family, enjoy excellent food and great music in a beautiful location just across from historic Manly Wharf.

Each week the World Food Markets will present live music for your enjoyment while you taste cuisine from around the world.

The World Food Markets is located in the Alcohol Free Zone and is an alcohol and smoke free event.

Bring your picnic rug - limited tables and chairs are provided.

[www.manly.nsw.gov.au/whatson/world-food-markets](http://www.manly.nsw.gov.au/whatson/world-food-markets)

## CELEBRATE FITNESS, FUN AND COMMUNITY WITH THE SUN RUN AND COLE CLASSIC SWIM

**Saturday 31st January 2015**

The Sydney Morning Herald Sun Run weaves its way along the Northern beaches and is the perfect way to challenge yourself in the New Year! Starting at 6.30am, the Sun Run will begin at The Strand in Dee Why and finish on The Steyne at Manly Beach with all finishers receiving a commemorative medal.

Run alone or with a group and join in raising funds for over 800 charities, including Dee Why Surf Life Saving Club.

Runners, joggers, wheelchairs, pushers and walkers are all encouraged to take up the Sun Run challenge!

[www.sunrun.com.au](http://www.sunrun.com.au)

**Sunday 1st February 2015**

Dive into Australia's largest ocean swim and secure your spot.

Take up the challenge at Manly to compete in the 32nd annual Sydney Morning Herald Cole Classic.

Both the one kilometre and two kilometre swims will start from Shelley and finish at Manly Beach (subject to conditions) with all finishers receiving a commemorative medal and category winners and place getters awarded the famous Cole plates.

The event also aims to raise much needed funds for more than 800 charities, including the Manly Life Saving Club.

[www.coleclassic.com.au](http://www.coleclassic.com.au)

## BOWER STREET REDUCED TO 40KM

It was fitting that Roger and Viv Band won the raffle prize of a sailing day on Poet's Day, Rob and Ruth Peter's yacht. Roger has worked tirelessly on our project of reducing the speed limit in Bower St to 40km. With dogged determination Roger has represented our interests to Council and to Roads and Maritime. Finally the end is in sight with signs to be installed any day, we hope! On behalf of the Fairy Bower Precinct.

**Thank you Roger!**



## EVERY LITTLE BIT HELPS

Every Little Bit Helps is a registered Australian not-for-profit charity. For more information visit [www.elbh.co](http://www.elbh.co)





## THE BOATHOUSE AT SHELLY

The Boathouse is now expecting to open in late April as the project (and the cost) is somewhat larger than originally anticipated !!!

**We will keep you posted...**

*"We see half the business as a simple, casual cafe much like the Boathouse at Palm Beach but then we want the other side to be more of a grown-up version- somewhere where you can make a reservation," Mr Goldsmith said.*

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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

**31**  
JANUARY

**Sydney Morning  
Herald Sun Run.**

Races will start on The  
Strand in Dee Why & finish at Manly Beach.

**01**  
FEBRUARY

**Cole Classic Swim.**

Iconic ocean swim,  
three distances available  
including a 1km, 2km and 9km race.

**07-15**  
FEBRUARY

**Hurley Australian  
Open of Surfing.**

Featuring the world's  
best surfers & skaters, music,  
fashion & art.

**14**  
FEBRUARY

**Valentines Day.**

Choose from a great  
range of dining options  
over Valentines weekend.



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**SOLD**

14/42 East Esp, Manly



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