

# Fairy Bower Precinct

NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2015



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## NEXT PRECINCT MEETING:

Wednesday 5th November 2015, 7pm start, St. Patricks College.

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## THE FAIRY BOWER PRECINCT CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year our Christmas Party on Wednesday December 2nd will be held at **The Boathouse**. We have been fortunate to have had our annual party hosted by the 'College' (International College of Management) in recent years but this year we've 'let them off the hook' and accepted the invitation of Andrew Goldsmith at The Boathouse, to host our annual party. It's 'first in, best dressed', so watch for the email if you're on the email list or the flyer in your letterbox. It will be a great night! In this newsletter, Andrew has thanked the Precinct for its support of their venture and explained the reason for not operating in the evenings. We welcome The Boathouse's commitment to working with local residents to ensure that their commercial enterprise benefits everyone, residents and visitors alike!



### Christmas Cards

We are delighted that **Bear Cottage** is again providing us with Christmas cards to sell at both the November meeting and the Christmas Party. Christmas cards taken care of!

### November Guest Speaker

November's guest speaker is **Daniel Sealey**, Planning Manager from the Harbour Trust. We've been trying to secure a guest speaker from the Harbour Trust for some time and look forward to hearing plans for North Head.

### Precinct Budget Bids

Our Precinct Budget bids for 2015-2016 have all been successful.

1. Regeneration of the cliff face between Reddall and Bower Street...  
This has been an ongoing project and we continue to work closely with Council
2. Masterplan to Marine Parade ....Funding has been received for this project and Fairy Bower Precinct will be invited to contribute to the project.
3. Replacement of Braille information strips on the sculptures along Marine Parade....a positive outcome for our vision impaired residents and visitors.

**Penny Verdich | Chair**



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## MAIN COUNCIL RESPONSES

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### Shelly Beach

Re-turfing, seating installation and sand drift project have been completed for summer season. Showers at beach should have been in early October.

### Stairs from carpark to Shelly Beach

The entry stairs have been replaced. The secondary set of stairs from top end car park to lower entry road will be considered for work in next financial year.

### Spikes on lamp posts at Fairy Bower Pool

Council had decided not to re-install bird-repelling spikes. The Precinct questioned this decision as spikes have worked well in the past. The council has now agreed to consider installing them.

### 3-11 Cliff St - Grass Verge

The council is investigating putting a path and grass verge at that end of Cliff St.

### Designated Swim Zone at Cabbage Tree Bay

The swim zone is now in place. It is a rectangle stretching 60m out from the Shelly Beach shoreline. It's there for a 12 months' trial, which started on Oct 1. Power boats are banned from this area. The exclusive swim zone will be advertised on signs on land as well as signs on buoys which will be moored along the zone border. Although the swim zone area is very small, hopefully this is the start of something bigger.

### Royal Far West (Elsie Hill) Update

The project to build a new Centre for Child Health and Learning on the site of the existing Elsie Hill Building in Wentworth St is in the detailed design stage. Documents will be available for tendering soon.

### Manly Cinema Update

The cinema on East Esplanade, which has been closed for months, is likely to be stripped out and the site sold as vacant space, as that is how it would be most valuable. Sad as this is, the council has no influence on the matter.

### Fairy Bower Pool

The precinct is frustrated that even though the pool surface, both underwater and around the edges, is rough, broken up and jagged, Manly Council keeps insisting it's "fit for purpose". It should be resurfaced which would make it safer for people using it and easier to clean.

The precinct will ask for an inspection to be undertaken with council staff when the pool is emptied for cleaning.

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## FAIRY BOWER POOL SCULPTURES

You all probably noticed that the beautiful sculptures have been restored after a few months of turning white, patched up then a vibrant blue undercoat and now the final bronze finish. Council engaged the original sculptor Helen Leete to complete the restoration. A great result all round.

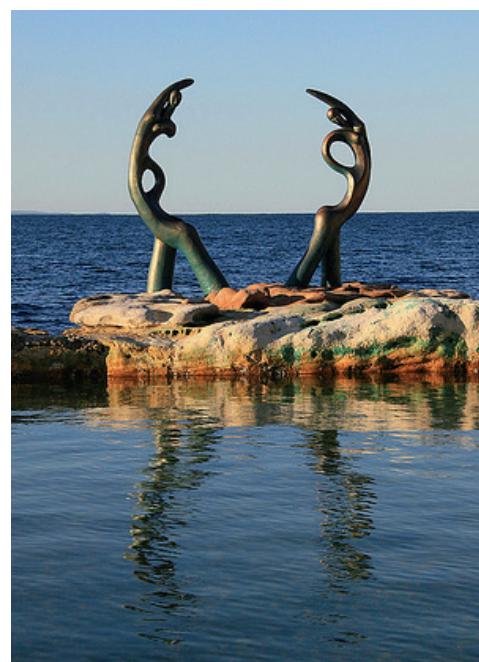
To refresh your memories here is a little bit of history.

### Oceanides by Helen Leete, 1997

Sited on the edge of the ocean rock pool at Fairy Bower is the popular sculpture by Helen Leete, called **Oceanides**.

Oceanides refers to the sea nymphs of Greek mythology which were often part human and part sea-creature. They reflect the exuberant energy and playfulness that the Greek philosophers called 'the laughter of the gods'. The two figures represent joyful bathers in the sun and sea, luxuriating in the beauty of Manly and the relationship between humankind and other creatures. Donated to Manly Council by Rosemary Eather, 2004. Helen Leete also has sculptures in The Royal Botanic Gardens, Sydney, Macquarie University Sculpture Park, Kuringai Art Centre and Gallery 460 Sculpture Park, Gosford.

This sculpture is one of around 20 public artworks and monuments in Manly. The 'Public Sculpture in Manly Project' was established in 1997 and reflects the continued commitment of Manly Council to the cultural development of this area and our community.



## A NOTE FROM ANDREW GOLDSMITH – THE BOATHOUSE

We have been overwhelmed by the support we have received during the first few months of being at Shelly Beach. It is always a challenge to get a cafe to run smoothly in its early days. We have some layout modifications still to make. Since the long weekend we have swapped our evening offer for a longer afternoon service and a larger Breakfast + Lunch menu.

We are aiming to have a fresh evening offer in the new year.

We would like to thank everyone for their support and we are looking forward to hosting the Precinct Christmas event.

**Thank you and Kind Regards,**  
Andrew

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**MOBY DICKS**  
WHALE BEACH

## WHALE WATCHING

Whale Watching Season runs from mid May through to mid November. Just because you're not a tourist does not mean you can't get out there and enjoy these spectacular creatures.

Manly is the ideal venue to join a whale watching tour, as over 3000 whales migrate past, and even into, Sydney Harbour every year. This allows for a very high whale spotting percentage every trip.

Right here in Manly there are tour operators that offer tours out past the stunning 300ft vertical cliffs of Sydney Heads into the Pacific Ocean in search of magnificent Humpback and Southern Right whales.

Late morning and early afternoon are reasonably good times of the day to whale watch as the glare off the water doesn't make sighting the tell-tale 'blow' too tricky. Early morning can also be a good time as the 'blow' is often highlighted by the back light of the morning sun.

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## HOUSESITTERS AVAILABLE

**HOUSESITTERS AVAILABLE - NZ couple**, friends of Larry and Christine Smith, are looking for a two- bedroom furnished apartment or home to rent or would be able to house sit.

Availability from the beginning of November for three months.

Call: Chris or Larry at 9977-3615.



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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**

### 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**

Water Police: **9320 7499**

Maritime: **9563 8555**

### FUTURE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**31 OCTOBER**

► Manly Harbour Village Halloween Street Party. Dress up and join us at this free, family friendly community event with entertainment and activities from 11am to 9pm. [www.manlyharbourvillage.com/event/halloween-street-party-2015](http://www.manlyharbourvillage.com/event/halloween-street-party-2015)

**11 NOVEMBER**

► Remembrance Day. This year 11 November marks the 97th anniversary of the Armistice which ended the First World War (1914–18).

**01-30 NOVEMBER**

► Manly Sea Life Centre. Take The Plunge With Shark Dive Xtreme, Bookings are essential. Multiple dates. [www.manlysealifesanctuary.com.au](http://www.manlysealifesanctuary.com.au)



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**AUCTION**

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