

*The Greenwell Point*  
**GAZETTE**  
*Get to The Point - Greenwell Point*

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**BIG WELCOME TO NEW NEWSAGENTS**

As most folks will know by now, the newsagency has changed hands and our new news vendors and coffee shoppe operators are Leanne and Ken Clark.

Your raving reporter has been told this charming couple, along with their 10 children, (no cats or dogs) have chosen to join our laid-back lifestyle at Greenwell Point after leaving their tumultuous careers in Ardlethan.

We hope Leanne and Ken and family enjoy being our newsagents and proprietors of the Coffee Spot.

We look forward to seeing them at Chamber of Commerce meetings and, perhaps, getting involved with our town beautification programs.

Welcome to Greenwell Point, Ken and Leanne.

**PIRATES COCKTAIL PARTY SUCCESS**

The parade of weird hats was something to behold, we are told. The music was great and the old 'team spirit' was freely flowing on Saturday 19th July at the RSL Hall when the Point Pirates Football Club held its cocktail party to raise funds.

Frankly, I wasn't there. Had to attend the AGM of Shoalhaven Mars Bars Innovative Cooking Club and have to rely on our undercover snoop for the goss.

Well, here it is;

About 126 persons - give or take some - attended. All good,

solid party hounds so a night of non-stop activity was assured.

Gavin didn't stay long unfortunately since the drip-trays at the pub had to be drained and polished however I am reliably told that the old aviator Jim and his lovely wife Lois Laine got a bit boisterous and had to be escorted off the premises at about 10pm. Some people!

However, that aside, the raffle was drawn and the St George Illawarra footy jersey was won by a lady called Angie from God-knows-where.

More mad music and drinking ensued and the judging of the best hat of the night went to our own lovely Cindy Ferguson of Black Marlin fame.

Frankly, there are some who suggest that Phil and Sam had bribed the judges. But, who knows.

The funds raised, a bit short of \$1 million, will be used wisely by those rugged footy fellows we're sure.

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## BIO-DEGRADABLE BAGS.

We are all, by now, aware of the pollution potential of your normal plastic shopping bag. An innocent enough looking article. A bit like Mike Smith first thing.

However, it has the potential to fly on the wind, clog drains, choke waterways, smother oysters and other seafood and, worst of all, lie around looking untidy.

A bit like Mike Smith last thing at night.

However, help is now at hand in the form of a bio-degradable shopping bag which is available – on request – from Phil and Sam at the Black Marlin.

Other businesses are already ordering supplies to ensure that our waterways, parks and streets are kept free of the non-destructibles.

This is good news for the environment of course. The new bags break down in ultra violet light within six months, turn to powder and return to the soil.

Bad luck for folks who dawdle on the way home – OOPS, the bloody milk just went through the bag and... oh, bugger, it turned to yoghurt anyway.

## DINNER FOR JULIA GUY.

What a splendid night it turned out to be for those hardy souls who rolled up at the lovely Mill Thai

Restaurant on Friday 25th July at the "Thank You" dinner for our mate, Julia Guy.

The food was as good as we always remembered, Jayson and Suc kept on rolling out the steaming dishes and rice, the conversations kept rising in volume as more people became involved in solving the problems of the world.

Everything was discussed from local politics (including ethanol) to bra-sizes for fresian heifers.

The bill was most modest considering the amount of food we put away and the numbers of toasts that were drunk.

(I hate that word 'drunk'. It's so... judgemental. But then who hasn't met a judge who was a bit mental?)

Aah, yes, the crisp, cold air was certainly in great demand as we left that esteemed establishment.

A lovely evening all round. Such a pity Julia couldn't have been there.

## WEED ERADICATION.


How's it going with pulling those pesky fireweed?

We note that the Council guy has kindly mowed the paddock (park?) in West Street which will preclude the spread and regeneration of seed.

Bindii we did warn you about

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in the last issue and now we are told by ABC Radio that its too bloody late to combat since they've already set seed so, bad luck.

Get 'em next season, pal.

## WINNER OF BLACK MARLIN SKATEBOARD.

We are always pleased to announce winners – who, we are reminded almost daily – are grinners and on this auspicious occasion we announce the Winner of the Slush Puppie Skateboard from Black Marlin was the lovely and talented Lisa Brennan.

We would like to wish Lisa and the skateboard a long and fruitful relationship together and not too many skinned knees or elbows, please.

## GET TO KNOW YOUR LOCAL BUSINESS.

We are told that this was a very popular read in Gazette IV so, not to disappoint readers, we present segment No. 2.

This time it's time to delve into the back shelves of the workshop of your mechanic and mine – Mr Alan Mayze.

In a recent interview with this raving reporter, Mr Mayze admitted to being over 21 years

and also having sump oil flowing thru his veins.

That doesn't surprise anyone. Have you seen the colour of his fingernails?

That aside, Alan grew up in Victoria. Not his fault. We can't hold that against him however, he did show a modicum of sense when he moved to Nowra and took up a position as Service Manager with the local Ford dealer.

His excuse – He couldn't spell HOLDEN and V W was just out of the question.

Howsomever, he maintained this position for a number of years until the opportunity arose for him to purchase his present property and put up a workshop since the land was suitably zoned.

Lucky old Al, I say.

But seriously, folks, Alan is the sort of bloke who is so conscientious that he will go to almost any length to get the parts required for a repair and work all night to install.

Just ask his long-suffering wife, Lauren.

Nowadays, Alan will work on Holdens as well as Fords, Mazdas, Hyundais, Subaru, Cadillacs and even V W's.

But no Rollers!

## HELP !!!

A cry from the heart of Lyn Kooyman who has bravely taken on the task of co-ordinator of our Physical Design Team – people

## A REMINDER FOR PETS

Tick season commences in August. Get some protection for your pussy or dog from your vet now !



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# T H E B A C K P A G E

with an earnest desire to see improvements to our streets, parks and gardens.

God knows there's not much to improve however, Lyn needs more people with good ideas and would dearly love to hear from any or all those people who put up their hands at the original meeting in the Fire Shed.

Get in touch with Lyn on 4447 1333.

## Update, Physical Design Team.

Things are happening. A stroll along Greenwell Point Road with Declan McDonald from Shoalhaven Council highlighted various problems. One being the brushbox trees at the first rise which impede garbage collection and impact on the power lines.

These are due to be removed and replaced by installments over 5 years with a more suitable species of arboretum.

The general condition of footpaths was also discussed and certain commitments were made to improve and maintain them.

The piece de resistance was the agreement in principle to design and build the Town Gateway.

It will happen; just not overnight. More later.

Motorists will notice that "cats eyes" have been installed along the road centre-line from Pyree Lane corner in an attempt to curb the

risk of collision on Greenwell Point Road.

Nice try, guys. What we need will cost 100 times more than cats eyes !

## NEW BMX TRACK OPEN.

For those who don't ride scary hotrod pushbikes or wish to rapture something important leaping over dirt mounds on 2 wheels - don't read this!

The new BMX track is now open. Anyone using the track is warned to observe the signs. One way traffic is important here unless you want to go so fast you meet yourself coming back the other way when you've just left the ground. HMMMMM.

Council says it will maintain the condition of the track and Insurance cover is in place.

Go for it, Toothless !

## CHARITY ALERT !

A timely word from the firies regarding a new (old) scam going round lately. Male and female voices on the phone asking for donations to Volunteer Services by credit card.

### DON'T BE FOOLED.

None of the Shoalhaven Volunteer Services raise funds this way. **HANG UP - POLITELY.**

Once you have declared your credit details to a stranger, you could be in **TROUBLE.** If in doubt call Fire Brigade Captain John Milnes on 4447 1837.

## FEES DUE FOR 2003/04.

Chamber of Commerce fees are now due from all members. \$110 full year or \$242 which includes 12 months advertising in the GAZETTE. These dues may be paid in part. **Contact Peter Crossman - 4447 1239.**

## CONTACTS

We thought it would be helpful to publish the names and contact phone numbers. of those involved in pulling all this community stuff together, so here they are:

### BUSINESS & TOURISM

Mike Smith 4447 0400

Leave any info for the Gazette at the Post Office.

### PHYSICAL DESIGN TEAM

Lyn Kooyman 4447 1333. Anything

to do with general appearance of streets, parks, shores.

### SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT

Joe Franklin 4447 1111 (Club) Matters dealing with community assistance, access to medical and dental services or travel to and from Nowra.

### EVENTS TEAM

Vera Farnham 4447 1358

Kerrie Barnett 4447 0500

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