

Greenwell Point

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Pirates take out Grand Final 18-8

On Sunday 12 September at the Berry Showground your very own Greenwell Point Pirates played an outstanding game against the Albion Park Outlaws to win their first ever premiership in the Regan Cup in only their third season.

The Outlaws were surprised by the Pirates strong defence and shaken by some big hits. Our forwards gave it their all against much bigger opponents. Time and again they drove them back and opened up windows for the backline to break through.

Record crowds turned out at the event and the many cheering Greenwell Point supporters encouraged the Pirates to play hard and fast.

The Pirates were established in 2002 and in their first year in the competition made it to the finals. In 2003 they were just beaten to the premiership

after losing to the Outlaws. In 2004 they are the premiers!

What a fantastic effort for such a young club and what a great reward for an outstanding team effort and tireless commitment from the players, officials, committee members and the coach Rob Evans. And of course the supporters and sponsors played a big part as well.

The Pirates thank you all for backing them and look forward to another successful season next year.



Victorious captain, Steven Walker celebrates with son Tyler and team mates Wayne (Dingo) Longborough and Steven Evans

Oh Poo!

Did you know that Greenwell Point has 14.4 kilometres of sewerage pipes?

This is just the sort of interesting little snippet that should come in handy next time the conversation lags around the dinner table.

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What happened to the August Gazette?

No, you didn't get missed by the free, volunteer delivery service—there just wasn't one. Maybe it was due to the general winter slow down or perhaps it's reflective of a looming crisis.

In the past month we've lost both the president and secretary from the Get to the Point Program and the Chamber of Commerce. There's a caretaker looking after the paperwork but so far there just doesn't seem to be anyone leaping forward to pick up the reins.

Find out more and check out the job ads on the back page.

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Charity Bingo on Thursdays

Did you know that over the past six years Lola Stevens and her group of local bingo players have raised more than \$50,000 for charity? Every Thursday for the past umpteen years, Lola and Roy have been running bingo sessions. This very dedicated community-spirited pair have been doing this to help raise money for the *Yarana Cancer Kids Holiday Homes* at Ulladulla which provides kids with cancer and their families the opportunity to have a free holiday on the South Coast.

The venue is the Greenwell Point Hotel. *Eyes down and looking* starts at 9:30 am and runs through till midday. Unfortunately numbers are dwindling which in turn means the contribution to the kids with cancer cause is no longer what it could be. It's always a fun morning with raffles, laughs, and good friends getting together. Raffle prizes include homemade cakes, an amazing choko pickle and vouchers from Jack the Butcher, AJA's Café in Stockland Mall and Baker's Delight.

Lola, Roy and their volunteers do their bit. Why don't you join in? It

Tidy Towns Entry

The Keep Australia Beautiful Tidy Towns Assessor came to give us the once over on 31 August and was impressed. It's doubtful that we'll get a gong this time round but at least we now know what the process involves and have picked up plenty of pointers. The key to success appears to be demonstrated community participation and lots of it!!!

only costs \$2.00 for 20 games times 6 and \$2.00 for the raffles. If you're new to The Point, it's a great way of getting to know people.

And if you're into the gee gees there's the ...

Next best thing to Flemington

This year the bingo group are organizing a Melbourne Cup Day special. Bingo and the famous hat parade. There will be prizes in three categories - prettiest hat, funniest hat and the most original hat. So put on your thinking caps and create a masterpiece.

There'll be mystery bags(?) and pick of the table prizes not to mention the traditional Melbourne Cup sweep and regular raffles. And if that's not enough lunch is FREE and so is the punch!

Every cent raised goes to *Yarana Cancer Kids Holiday Homes* - a most worthy cause. Give it your support and help the kids! Tuesday 2nd November from 9.30am at the Pub.

For more info call Lola or Ray on 4447 1850.


Folk Art Lessons

Now everyone needs a hobby and according to everyone who attends Fae's folk art classes this is the way to go. Classes are every Tuesday from 9:00am till midday. Cost is \$10 per lesson. If you don't show you don't pay. Why not give it a try and join the girls for morning tea and have your first lesson free. For your introductory session Fae will supply the paint and pattern and help you discover the artist within.

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The technology to solve this problem already exists. But despite all the ads you see for "broadband" access this is a service that is not currently available to Greenwell Point residents. Our telephone exchange just won't cut the mustard and needs to be upgraded.

A recent petition to get our local telephone exchange upgraded gathered over 135 signatures.

Those people signing have expressed interest in using broadband (high speed) internet access when it becomes available in Greenwell Point. Telstra need to know that there is strong community demand before they will consider undertaking the necessary upgrades.

So if you didn't get to sign the petition you can still lend your support by filling out the form below and dropping it in to the Black Marlin.

Alternatively you can just send an email to eoi@countrywide.telstra.com with a subject line stating "Greenwell Point (your street) (nearest cross street) (your name) (your phone number)".

This is not a commitment to order any service but if contacted by Telstra you need to confirm your interest in using the service.

Help bring our village into the 21st century. Do it for your community—you know it makes sense!

Get to the Point Meetings

Regular monthly meetings are held commencing 6.00pm on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at the Bowling Club. But please note the meetings are in recess for September and should resume in October. All local residents are encouraged to attend the Monthly Meetings. If you want some input but can't attend then contact a Team Leader of your choice. See back page for contacts.

Development Applications


Recent DAs submitted to council:
44 Haiser Road—Garage
108 Greenwell Point Rd—Relocation of existing dwelling on-site and additions and proposed jetty
29 Adelaide Street—Two lot residential subdivision

Flood Plain Management and Natural Resources Committee

Two Get to the Point people, Dave McCorkell and Graham Bannister, have nominated for membership of this new Council committee. Dave has been a long-standing member on the Shoalhaven River Estuary Task Force which will be absorbed into the new committee. We will ensure that relevant proceedings of the new committee are reported in the Gazette.

Landscape Master Plan

Council promised a public consultation meeting in September but that won't happen. Things have been delayed pending a consultants assessment of relocating the boat ramp to the northern end of the reserve. This is now complete so stay tuned.


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Please show us a sign!

Our long awaited entry sign is a step closer. This was one of the first issues that we took up with Council following the strategic planning sessions in late 2002.

The whole process has been delayed awaiting the formulation of a Council policy for local community entrance and information signs.

At the Council meeting on 31 August it was recommended that some options be presented to the Get to the Point Program for consideration.

The picture to the right is a example of what our sign might look like (with a few topical additions). There can be some variation within the policy on this concept but the basic structure will be a sandstone base and a vertical steel blade.

Shoalhaven sandstone will be used for the base consistent with other major signage at the entrance to the city and to major centres. A changeable sign on the base will enable the provision of tourist information and advertising of events and the like.

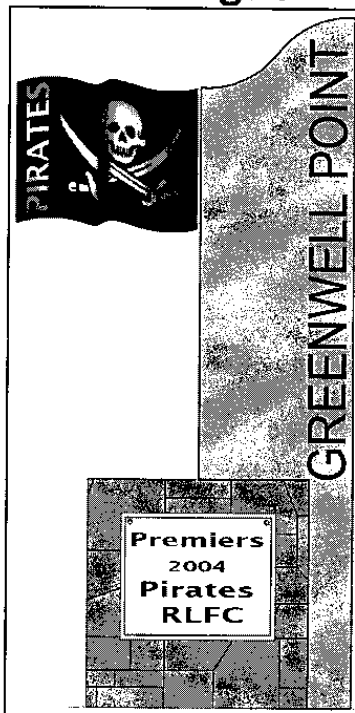
If you have any views on the proposed design please pass them on to a Get to the Point Program Committee member.

Executive Level Changes

There's been a bit of movement at the station in both the local Chamber of Commerce and the Get to the Point Program. President Alan Mayze and Secretary Lyn Kooyman have both resigned.

Alan has done a great job as President of the Chamber over the past three years and could quite rightly lay claim to the title "father of the Get to the Point Program". Alan's drive and persistence will be sorely missed.

Lyn took up the reins of Secretary and Team Leader of the Physical Design Team last year. She's been a real stalwart of the Chamber and has done a great job of stirring up the Council on the Landscape Master Plan. Lyn and husband Ari are leaving town and heading north. We wish them well in their new ventures.



Concept design for Greenwell Point entrance sign

Positions Vacant

Do you have untapped leadership qualities? Would you like to rub shoulders with local polities and be looked up to by the community?

The Get to the Point Program (Inc) has vacancies for the following:

- President
- Secretary
- Team Leaders

No previous experience or qualifications are necessary—just a bit of vision, a few leadership skills and a willingness to work towards making Greenwell Point a better place to be.

The pay is pretty lousy (well nonexistent in fact) but think of the satisfaction you'll get from those challenging volunteer positions.

Maybe YOU can make a difference?

Drop off your nomination to PO Box 69 Greenwell Point or email admin@greenwellpoint.info

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