



Local Fire Brigade Saves Santa Again

It was like a mini Edinburgh Tattoo when Santa arrived at Greenwell Point on Christmas Eve. The pipes the pipes were definitely calling as the lone piper heralded Santa's arrival at various locations around the village.

Despite the somewhat inclement weather Santa completed his deliveries without incident—almost. There was the one irate local who complained that Santa was about as efficient as the NSW rail system and that her kiddies were growing restless.

She was obviously unaware that Donner und Blitzen had been spooked by the thunder, lightning and pouring rain and that Santa had had to make

some last minute arrangements to get the local Fire Brigade to convey him to his various points of call.

As usual the Firies stepped up to the mark and all was well. The rain soaked a couple of Santa's sacks so he was especially grateful for the large donation of lollies and other goodies from Phil and Sheila at the Black Marlin.

"With people showing that sort of community spirit I'm definitely coming back next year" he told our ex-Fire Captain John Milnes as he re-hitched the reindeers and sped off after the storm had passed.

Be good 'til next year

Chamber of Commerce Considering Closing Completely

The local Chamber of Commerce and Tourism is considering shutting up shop.

In 2002 the efforts of the Chamber resulted in a government grant to help us establish the Get to the Point Program. Since then the office bearers of the Chamber have doubled up as leaders of the Get to the Point Program.

We now have two organisations with two sets of administration and not

a lot of participants. Rationalisation appears the best option for the future to allow the limited resources to be focussed on the Get to the Point Program.

A special general meeting of the Chamber will be held on 22 March to vote on a resolution to wind up. If you are not a member of the Chamber but would like to have some input in this decision call Alan—4447 0097.

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Have you noticed this sign as you enter Greenwell Point?



Some people seem to think it means "please consider slowing down to 50kph sometime before you reach the main wharf"!

Thoughtless, speeding drivers are placing lives at risk. The folks at the western end of Greenwell Point Road have to contend with vehicles hurtling over a blind rise at excessive speeds. Just getting out of their driveways can be a challenge and crossing the road is plain dangerous.

Council has been asked to consider building in speed bumps, rumble strips or a chicane along with the new entrance sign to encourage speed reduction—but this shouldn't be necessary.

It's probably too much to expect people to just abide by the law. But we should all, as residents or locally-employed people, show some consideration and try set the right example to the lead-footed ones.

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With around 100 students, the school is one of the foundation stones of our community .

In a school of this size all the students know each other and age groups and grades blend together. The result is that children grow up knowing a high proportion of families in our village.

Parents and other villagers are encouraged to promote this trend by participating in the school's activities.

Children benefit hugely from having an older person to listen to them reading. An older person can benefit from seeing a familiar young face in the street.

Participation in craft, art, music and sports activities can be similarly enriching.

The school grounds are always in need of maintenance. The P&C would be delighted to hear from any residents who would be willing to spare a couple of hours a few times a year to assist with trimming, tipping, painting etc.

Children are thrilled when their families get involved in school activities and learn, as a result, to participate themselves.

For more information, or if you would like to volunteer, contact the school on 4447 1379 or a member of the P&C Committee:

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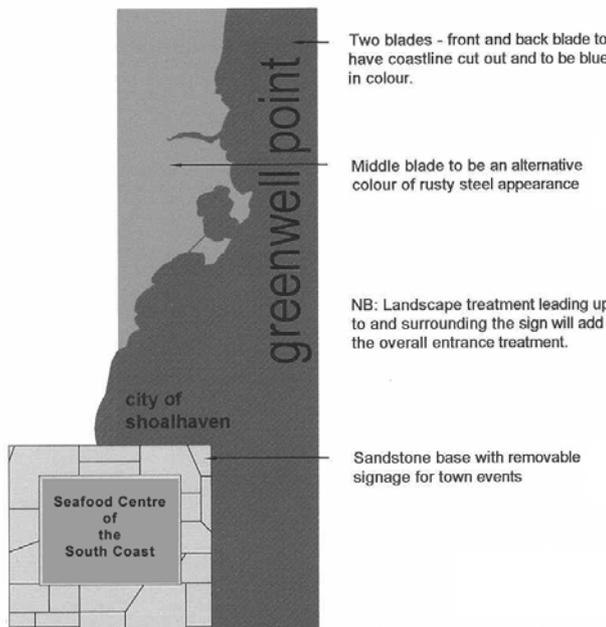
Fishing Expert Required

In the next month or two, the Greenwell Point website greenwellpoint.info will get a complete makeover.

One of the new features we are hoping to include is a regular update on the local fishing spots—a sort of "What's been biting and where" fishing report like you get on the ABC radio on Saturday mornings.

We are looking for a local expert who would be willing to provide the information to produce this report on a regular basis.

If you are a budding Rex Hunt call Graham on 4447 1554 for your big break in on-line media.



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Entrance Sign

As reported in the last issue, Council were supposed to be building a mock-up of the proposed sign for public viewing.

Well that didn't happen but instead the sign at left is in the workshops being manufactured as we go to press. You should see this new sign installed sometime in February.

This design will become the standard for all villages in the Shoalhaven.

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Doggle Doos

Council will shortly issue a draft policy on *Access Areas For Dogs*. For Greenwell Point the current policy states that dogs are prohibited in all of Anzac Park, the village pool fenced area, the (gradually shrinking) offshore walkway east of the pool, and the public recreation children's play area, bounded by the access road to the Fisherman's Wharf, the public boat ramp and Wilkins Road.

The proposed policy will remove this prohibition and allow dogs on-leash in those areas except in parts where Shoalhaven-wide rules prohibit dogs. These include the vicinity of children's playing apparatus, food preparation areas and public swimming pools. Woof woof woof!

Island goes to Mystery Buyers

Lynn and Arie's Goodnight Island was sold to mystery buyers in late November last year.

Rumours abound as to the future of the island. Will we see a high-rise holiday complex funded by an oil-rich emirate or perhaps a koala eco-lodge for city-bound Japanese tourists?

Best wishes L&A—we'll miss you!

Suggestion Box Chockers!

"Have you got any bright ideas for improving things in our village? Why not jot them down and drop them into the newly installed suggestion box at the Black Marlin."

Since posting this item in the previous edition we have had to hire a small truck to collect all the suggestions—NOT!

Nothing—not a peep! In the words of a well known tennis player C'MON!!!

Farewell Inaugural Editor

Local media tycoon and wordsmith Mike Smith has resigned his post as Editor of the Gazette owing to additional work pressures (he needed to get a bigger wheelbarrow to take the proceeds from his other publications to the bank). A big thanks to Mike for his efforts in launching our Gazette and nurturing it through its first year.

Nuts to You

Never short of a yarn, venerable local Sam McKinnon recalls the times when he used to drive the bus from Nowra to Eden. As a young fella he was driving a bunch of seniors down the Princes Highway, when a little old lady tapped him on the shoulder.

"Would you like these roasted peanuts" she said offering Sam a handful. Being a bit of a fang, Sam gratefully accepted and wolfed them down.

15 minutes later she tapped him on the shoulder again and handed him another handful of peanuts.

This gesture was repeated every 15 minutes or so for the next hour whereupon Sam was driven to ask why the oldies didn't eat the nuts themselves. "Oh, we can't do that" said his aged passenger. "Our teeth are too old and fragile to chew those things".

"Why do you buy them then?" asked Sam, puzzled.

Whereupon the little old lady answered, 'We just love the chocolate around them'.



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Landscape Master Plan

It's all still progressing but the main sticking point remains the location of the boat ramp.

The idea of moving the boat ramp to the northern end of the reserve was first floated at the community workshop in the middle of last year. Initial studies indicated this would not be feasible due to high current flows and the exposed nature of the northern end of the reserve.

A further assessment is being carried out but in the meantime council have drawn up the concept layout below. It shows the boat ramp re-located about half way between its present location and the northern end of the reserve. Whilst this has the advantage

of extending the recreation area it does not solve the problem of access to deep water. This is only a DRAFT which is subject to change and will in any event be subject to comprehensive community consultation prior to finalisation.

Annual General Meeting

The first Annual General Meeting of the Get to the Point Program (Inc) will be held at 7.00 pm 17 March at the local Community Memorial Hall.

The main purpose of the meeting will be to formally elect office bearers for the coming year. Drop your nominations into PO Box 68.

Be there to have your say and VOTE

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