



Capital works THE FOCUS

Warringah residents will be seeing some tangible 'bricks and mortar' results from the introduction of the infrastructure levy during 2006-2007. That was the message from Administrator Dick Persson in announcing a priority list of additional capital works projects which will be fast-tracked during the coming year.

Examples of Infrastructure Projects

Resurfacing of roadways	\$780,000
Building Improvements	\$740,000
Replacing stormwater drainage	\$670,000
Rebuilding retaining walls	\$470,000
Replacement of footpaths	\$250,000
Resurfacing public car parks	\$155,000
Improving park facilities	\$120,000
Disabled access for Council Chambers	\$60,000

Mr. Persson said the projects directly funded by the infrastructure levy matched the amount to be generated by the levy in the current financial year - \$3.425 million. "Residents can expect to see income from the levy fully expended on capital works", he said.

The \$3.425 million will be spent each year on improvements to our public buildings, roads, footpaths, drainage and recreational facilities. Assets Manager Paris Zenonos said the replacement work on footpaths, roadways and stormwater drainage had been planned by the Council based on a number of factors. "These factors are mainly degrees of risk, which may be physical, environmental or legal," Mr. Zenonos said.

Other major improvements to Warringah's public spaces will also be seen in the next few months. The Dee Why beachfront area is being progressively redesigned to include new footpaths, a timber boardwalk, a viewing platform and better landscaping - all in time for the start of the summer season. The beachfront was the subject of a redesign last year by renowned landscape architect Bruce Mackenzie, intended to open up the view seen from the beachside area and improve access from the beachfront to nearby cafes and restaurants.

Another major project that will get underway following a final round of public consultation is improvements to the Harbord Shopping Village. Provided that local residents and business-owners agree, the shopping village is set to get widened footpaths on the southern side of Lawrence Street to encourage outdoor dining, traffic calming devices that reduce speed throughout the retail area and improved landscaping through a series of raised terraces. Work on the project is due to start in summer.

For more information about upcoming capital works projects and the infrastructure levy, contact 9942 2111 or view the Council's Management Plan at www.warringah.nsw.gov.au

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from the GENERAL MANAGER

Renewing our Roads, Footpaths, Drains and Buildings

In the recent issue of rates notices for the 2006/07 year Council Administrator, Dick Persson, outlined the reason for the increase in rates, and the benefits to be gained in the future from the increased investment in renewal of our infrastructure.

The additional funds will only ever be used for renewing recreation facilities, footpaths, roads, bridges, community centres and buildings. As required by the State Government, progress on projects funded by the infrastructure levy will be reported quarterly. In our front page story we look in more detail at what projects funded by the levy are planned for the coming financial year.

In the long term, the life of community assets will be extended far beyond what has been possible up to now. In the short term, residents will see visible improvements made to those assets much more quickly – a good result all round.

The Council consulted widely to ensure the community was made aware of the challenges ahead and the increased investment required. Community workshops were held in March and the Autumn edition of Warringah Matters contained a lead story on the proposal. After presentation of the results to the NSW Minister for Local Government the levy was approved in June. The additional 6.5% increase on top of the normal Consumer price Index increase of 3% for ratepayers provides an additional \$3.425 million each year to be spent solely on infrastructure improvements.

If you need more information about the infrastructure levy and what other projects are planned in the future please contact the Council on 9942 2111 or at council@warringah.nsw.gov.au

**Stephen Blackadder
General Manager, Warringah Council**

NEWS in brief

Bus shelters for city commuters

Temporary bus shelters have been put in place at the bus interchange on Pittwater Road opposite Warringah Mall, in preparation for the construction of brand new shelters soon. Construction of the new shelters had previously been on hold while an access problem with a private property adjoining Pittwater Road was resolved. However, General Manager Stephen Blackadder said the problem had now been solved and the new shelters would be installed soon. "In the meantime bus passengers will stay dry in wet weather, thanks to the temporary shelters now installed."

Time limit for development consents reduced

The Council has reduced the life of development consents from five years to three years. This means that developers and property-owners now have up to three years from the date their development applications are approved to act on their consents, or risk having to submit a new development application. The decision comes as a result of the Council's move to curtail developments that are not consistent with the 'desired future character' of Warringah's suburbs, according to the Council's overall planning document known as the Warringah Local Environment Plan. For more information contact the Council's Planning & Assessment Services team on 9942 2111.

Oval renamed to honour local community leader

The Council has given the green light to rename Terrey Hills Oval at Beltona Avenue as 'Karl Brown Oval', in a tribute to well-known volunteer and community member Karl Brown. Mr. Brown was the founder of the Terrey Hills Bush Fire Brigade and Progress Association and was also instrumental in establishing the Terrey Hills Primary School. He campaigned to have Crown land set aside to create Terrey Hills Oval and was a backbone of the local community library. Administrator Dick Persson said final approval for the new name would need to come from the Geographical Names Board but commented that "the Council is very happy to acknowledge the selfless work of Karl Brown, so his legacy is not forgotten."

The beach season starts with Manly Warringah Credit Union

Warringah's nine beaches will again be kept safer this summer - thanks to sponsorship from the Manly Warringah Credit Union. This is the third year the Credit Union has supported the Council's beach services staff by providing funds to purchase safety equipment such as rescue boards and jet skis. With over 2 million people visiting Warringah beaches every year, General Manager Stephen Blackadder said the Credit Union's support was invaluable in ensuring visitors and residents' safety during the summer swimming season.



Manly Warringah Credit Union's General Manager, Bill Gowenlock (centre) and Stephen Blackadder with Clinton Rose from the Council's beach services team in the background.

Grants gained by Council in 2006

An important - but not always obvious - source of funding for Council projects is government grants. Sometimes these grants fund new projects outright; in other cases, the Council receives partial funding for a project through a grant and funds the rest of the project's costs. Outlined below are the grants Warringah Council has been successful in gaining this year, plus details of the project funded:

Project	Total project value	Grant awarded	Source
Road resurfacing	\$2,172,000	\$1,114,170	RTA
Beach protection works at South Curl Curl beach	\$750,000	\$375,000	NSW Dept. of Natural Resources
Traffic calming (Dee Why)	\$160,000	\$160,000	RTA
Library project: Technology research and promotion	\$84,500	\$84,500	State Library of NSW
Glen Street Theatre New seating/carpets	\$300,000	\$75,000	Arts NSW
Warringah Aquatic Centre – water re-use	\$110,000	\$53,500	NSW Dept. of Energy
Cromer Community Centre – accessible toilet	\$45,000	\$34,000	NSW. Dept. of Aged, Disability & Home Care
Community awareness campaign on abuse of the elderly	\$47,000	\$31,000	NSW Attorney General's Dept.
Curl Curl Community Centre – change-rooms upgrade	\$30,000	\$10,000	NSW Dept. of Sport & Recreation
Cottage Point Wharf upgrad	\$13,280	\$6,640	NSW Maritime Authority
Road safety awareness campaign for primary schools	\$8,500	\$5,000	RTA and NRMA
Campaign against speeding in residential streets	\$3,500	\$2,500	RTA and NRMA
Road Safety Calendar for Seniors	\$3,500	\$2,500	RTA and NRMA
Northern Beaches Transport Information Guide	\$3,500	\$2,500	RTA and NRMA

“Have your SAY”

By the end of 2006 the State Government will require Warringah Council to have a Water Savings Action Plan in place. Part of the plan could see recycled water used to irrigate parks and sports fields. Warringah Matters asked residents how they felt about using recycled water in this way and whether they'd be willing to extend its use.

“That's all right, its good. For drinking water, treated would be all right.”

Amy Narrabeen

“I think it's good. I recycle my washing water for the garden. If it were purified I wouldn't have a problem with drinking it.”

Lola North Curl Curl

“They should have been doing it 20 or 30 years ago. All the new flats should have recycled water and solar panels on the roofs. As far as drinking it, they do in other parts of the world so why not here?”

Tibby Dee Why

“That's all right. Better than using a hose. There's no way I'd drink it though, even if I couldn't taste the difference. If it had been used before I wouldn't drink it.”

Andrew Beacon Hill

AMY



LOLA



TIBBY



ANDREW



Australian firsts in Warringah

In Warringah's Centenary year, we look back at a barely remembered but historic moments in Warringah's history

Narrabeen was placed on Australia's aviation map in December 1909, when George Augustine Taylor flew a bi-plane glider at Narrabeen that he had built out of coachwood.

More than 100 spectators including members of the press attended the event, which took place atop the dunes on the northern end of the beach. He carried out more than 20 flights that day, with one flight reaching the memorable milestone of 250 metres.

George's wife Florence also flew that day, becoming the first woman to fly in Australia.

On the same day Edward Hallstrom also flew. Later to become Sir Edward Hallstrom, he manufactured the famous "Silent Knight" refrigerator at his home in Dee Why.

Taylor's first flight over Narrabeen

1906 - 2006



Introducing the Council's COMPLIANCE TEAM

A sometimes maligned but very essential part of the Council's service to the community is the work performed by the Compliance Team. In this edition of Warringah Matters we shed some light on what the men and women of Warringah Council's Compliance Team actually do.

Compliance Officers perform a number of roles but as their name suggests, their main aim is to keep the community safe and happy by enforcing laws concerning building work, businesses and public spaces.

Building Surveyors are responsible for making sure any new building or renovation that needs development approval is built according to the approval given. As Team Leader Andre Samson explains, it's a leading concern of the Council and the community. "In the case of a new building, we will visit the site at what we call "critical stages" of the construction. These include when the excavation begins for the footings, when the slab's poured and when the roof and walls are framed."

"For a building to be safe it's essential that all these stages are completed so they meet the Building Code of Australia and approved building plans."

A building surveyor's will also visit your home if you add something to it such as a garage or a swimming pool. "In the case of a pool, we make sure the pool has proper safety fencing and signage," said Mr. Samson. "Any homeowner who installs a pool must have these safety measures in place before they can use it."

Another important part of a building inspector's job is making sure what is being built is what has been approved. Past examples of people doing the wrong thing are where rooms, decks and even an extra level have been added without Council approval. According to Andre Samson, "the controls we have in place now are much tighter and we follow up complaints from the public very carefully."

Environmental Health Officers are out and about in Warringah on an almost daily basis. The role is a very diverse one, inspecting food premises such as restaurants and bakeries to make sure food is being stored and prepared safely. "One of the leading causes of food poisoning is food that's been stored at the wrong temperature or prepared in unhygienic conditions," said Environmental Health Team Leader Ricky Bridge. Environmental health officers also visit hairdressers and the quaintly named 'skin penetration premises' – better known as tattoo shops. "In the case of hairdressers and tattooists, the officers inspect the equipment used to make sure it's properly sterilised. Infectious diseases such as hepatitis can be spread by unsterilised needles or scissors."

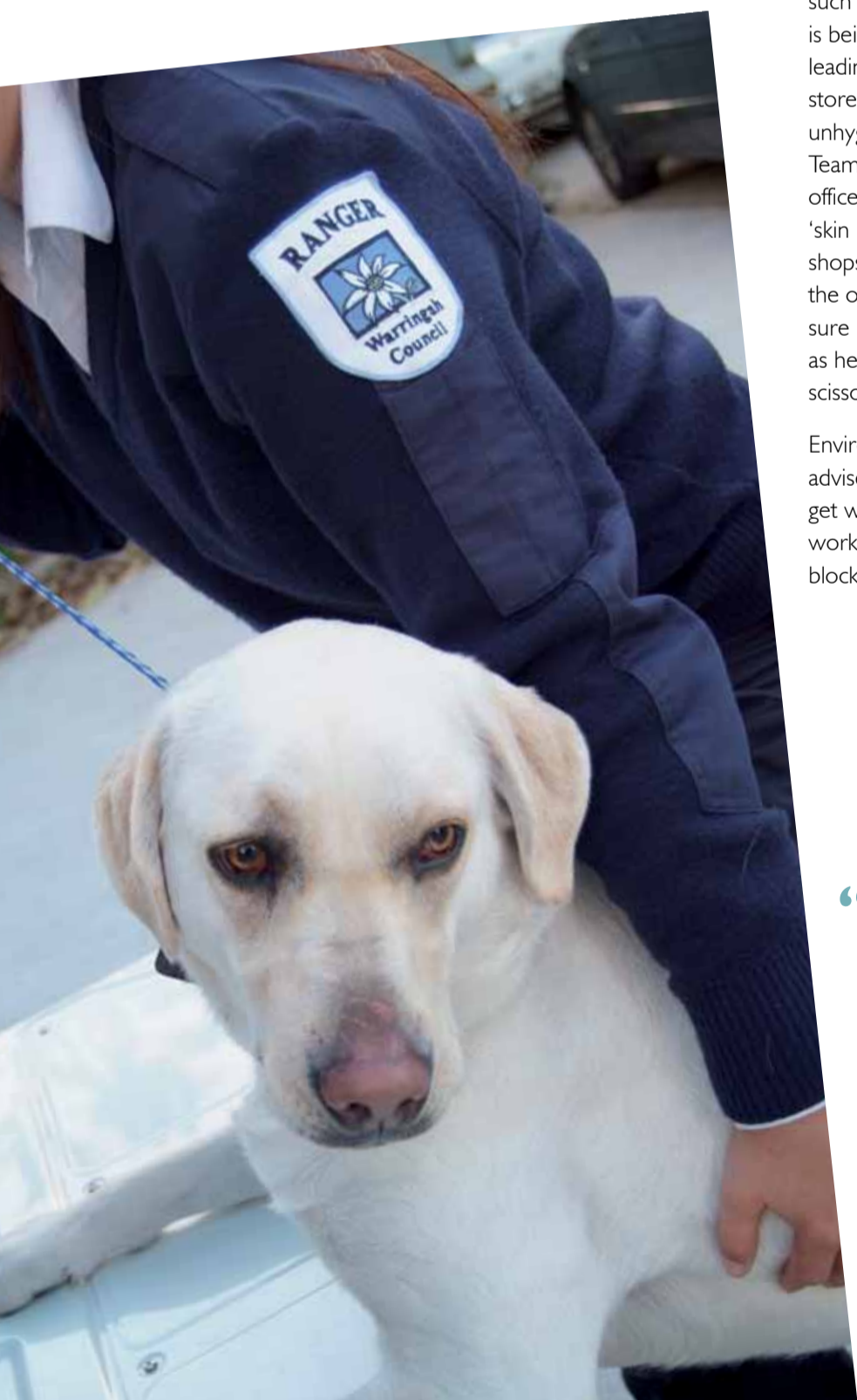
Environmental health officers inspect building sites to advise builders how to control sediment so it doesn't get washed down the drain and ensure building work is not causing problems for the public, such as blocking roads or footpaths.

The officers are also responsible for inspecting cooling towers in Warringah which are generally found where there are large air conditioning units in shopping malls or clubs. This is to prevent any outbreak of Legionnaires Disease, which can result from unclean water used in cooling systems.

Finally, environmental health officers visit those Warringah residents in isolated areas who have on-site sewage systems such as septic tanks. The officers give them advice on how to keep them working safely without risking their family's health or the environment.

Warringah has a **Fire Safety Specialist** responsible for inspecting buildings after a fire in cooperation with the NSW Fire Brigade. The officer also gives advice on fire escapes, exits and equipment for all public buildings in Warringah and carries out inspections of all new buildings to make sure they have the proper fire safety measures in place.

Probably the most visible reminder to the community of the Compliance Team's work is the **Ranger**. Rangers are on duty seven days a week and work varying shifts. In their distinctive blue and white uniforms, they are responsible for enforcing the law in a number of areas, ranging from dog ownership through to rubbish dumping. Compliance Manager Gareth Curtis said the rangers had a difficult but essential job to do. "For example, rangers are the first on the scene, in the case of dog attacks and have to restrain the dog and take it away to the pound. They also collect lost dogs and try and reunite them with their owners."



"...rangers are the first on the scene along with the police in the case of dog attacks and have to restrain the dog and take it away to the pound"

Environmental Health Officer Damian Zammit checks the cleanliness of a restaurant kitchen.





Building Inspector Darryn Lang measuring a balcony in a new unit to make sure it meets safety standards.

Apart from enforcing laws concerning cats and dogs, rangers also respond to complaints and investigate pollution incidents, noise complaints, rubbish dumping and abandoned vehicles. "Often these occur outside business hours, which is why the rangers work shifts."

Parking is the biggest source of contention in the community that rangers and parking patrol officers are required to enforce. According to Gareth Curtis, rangers bear the brunt of criticism that they don't deserve. "Rangers don't make the laws, they enforce them and in many cases they're responding to complaints about illegally parked vehicles from business-owners or members of the public." He cites vehicles parked in clearways during peak hours, over-stayers in shopping centre car parks and vehicles parked illegally in disabled car spaces as some of the leading causes of complaint.

The Council has a minimal tolerance policy toward non-compliance and enforcement matters. This means enforcement by issuing fines, notices or legal action is standard practice where breaches are identified.

If you have a query for the Compliance Team, contact the Council's Customer Service Centre on 9942 2111 or at council@warringah.nsw.gov.au



FEATURE

Know the Road Rules Outside our School



The horrific crash involving young burns victim Sophie Delezio who was knocked over by a car on a pedestrian crossing close to her primary school has shocked the Sydney community. For the Council's Road Safety Officer Shannon Lanser, the accident has highlighted how important the Council's 'Outside Schools, Know the Rules' program is.

The program has been in place in eight Warringah primary schools since 2003. 'Outside Schools, Know the Rules' educates parents, teachers, children and the community about pedestrian and passenger safety, parking legally around schools and the speed limits that apply in school zones.

According to Shannon, the five-week program sees each class in the school have lessons on road safety themes. "Children learn about holding an adult's hand near the road, wearing their helmet when they ride or skate and remembering to Stop! Look! Listen! and Think! before crossing the road."

"Children also receive a map of their school, highlighting safe entrances and legal parking zones and explanations of the road signs around the school. Parents and their children each sign a 'road safety pledge', in which they both promise to behave safely on the roads," Shannon said.

The program also gets positive reinforcement from the Council rangers, who carry out courtesy speed checks around the schools and ensure parking restrictions are followed. Safety signage for school fences is also provided as part of the program.

The Council recently won grant funding of \$2500 from the RTA and \$5000 from NRMA to expand the program, making it accessible to all Warringah primary schools by next year. Each school will receive a 'Know the Rules Outside Your School' road safety education kit with information specific to the school. This will allow the program to be implemented by each school when it suits their school calendar.

And on a brighter note for young Sophie, Council staff recently raised \$2700 for the Day of Difference Foundation, which was presented to Sophie's father Ron Delezio in a special ceremony at the Council.

Lessons for littlies ON DOGS

Recent dog attacks on young children have heightened the need for community education on dog-handling, with statistics* showing that around 70% of children admitted to NSW hospitals have been bitten by a dog known to them.

Warringah Council's "How to be Safe Around Dogs" program has been running for two years and is aimed at preschoolers, who are often most at risk of being bitten. The program involves a short video followed by role-playing in a 30-minute lesson.

Terry-Ann Pert, the Council's Animal Advisory Officer who runs the program, explains more. "I go out to preschools in the Warringah area and teach children basic safety rules about dogs in public places, including standing still or stopping on bikes when dogs approach and how to curl up on the ground if knocked down by a dog. I also teach them about things like staying away from their own dog's food, toys, bones and bedding."

"Through the program children gain confidence around dogs and we believe it's helping prevent dog attacks on very young children," said Terry-Ann.

Pre-school teachers in Warringah are getting behind the program and so far Terry-Ann has visited 16 pre-schools in Warringah. To reinforce the message children take home a leaflet for their parents to learn more about safe interaction with dogs.

To find out more about the program contact Terry-Ann Pert on 9942 2715 or email council@warringah.nsw.gov.au

*Source – NSW Child Protection Agency





Warringah's Environment and Stormwater Special Rate (ESSR)

The ESSR is a portion of the rates set aside specifically to fund environmental programs in Warringah. It equates to 6.9% of the total rate paid by each ratepayer every year, or approximately \$40-\$55 per year for the average residential ratepayer.

The ESSR has been in place for ten years. It was introduced by the Council to fund environmental projects that could not otherwise be budgeted for.

A community committee oversees ESSR spending and meets every three months. The community committee advises the Council on priorities for projects and receives regular reports from Council staff on their progress.

In 2005-2006 the ESSR funded a range of projects to protect and improve Warringah's natural environment. These focussed on bushland management, catchment management and environmental education.



Bushland Management

- > Warringah has approximately 1100 hectares of bushland. Projects to protect bushland funded by the ESSR in 2005-2006 included:
- > Rabbit control throughout Warringah including new control sites at North Curl Curl and Dee Why Headland
- > Eradicating noxious weeds such as Water Primrose, Ludwigia peruviana in the Middle Creek, Middle Harbour and Manly Dam catchments
- > Regenerating bushland in high-profile reserves such as Allenby Park, Allambie Heights and Jamieson Park, Narabeen
- > Restoring the Mermaid Pool at Manly Dam. This project saw community volunteers work alongside low security detainees from Silverwater Correctional Centre. Upgrading walking tracks in Allenby Park
- > Help from community volunteers to propagate native plants at Stony Range Reserve, Dee Why. The plants are then used at Bushcare sites around Warringah
- > Preparing Fire Management Plans for all Warringah's bushland areas.

Catchment Management

- > With four lagoons, nine beaches and countless creeks, the Council spends a large portion of the ESSR on looking after Warringah's waterways. Catchment projects funded in 2005-2006 included:
- > Stabilising the rock face at Dee Why Headland to help prevent further erosion
- > Flood management plans for low-lying areas including Dee Why and Curl Curl Lagoons, Bangaroo Street (insert suburb), Ryan Place, Frenchs Creek at Frenchs Forest and Dee Why CBD
- > Investigations of water run-off at local nurseries to help them improve water quality
- > Environmental audits and Environmental Management Plans for local golf courses
- > Detailed surveys of seagrasses and salt marshes in Warringah's lagoons
- > Introduction of a new water quality monitoring program for Warringah's waterways
- > Dredging Manly Lagoon to help ease flooding and improve water quality.

Environmental Education

- > Raising awareness in the local community of how to look after the natural environment is an important part of the ESSR funding. Projects and programs funded in 2005-2006 included:
- > \$52,000 in grants to 23 local schools through the Council's Eco Schools Grants scheme. Projects funded included rainwater tanks, native gardens, frog ponds and water quality monitoring
- > The free environmental lecture series Hilltop to Headland which celebrated its tenth anniversary. Topics in 2005-2006 included living with reptiles, whale strandings and discovering Warringah's plants and animals
- > 2006 Warringah Kids Care environmental calendar distributed to Warringah's 14,000 primary school students
- > World Environment Day Youth Expo held for the fourth year in June 2006, attracting nearly 2500 students
- > World Environment Day Community Expo held for the first time in June 2006. The Expo included nearly 80 environmental businesses, attracting over 10,000 people. The businesses promoted sustainable building design, water conservation, energy efficiency, chemical free cleaning products, native gardening, organic produce and recycling.



Coming up in 2006-2007

- > Litter removal from the fringes and reed lands of Dee Why, Curl Curl and Manly Lagoons
- > Water quality monitoring for all creeks in Warringah
- > Developing a Rehabilitation Masterplan for one of Warringah's largest creeks, South Creek
- > Work on Long Reef Headland to control noxious weeds and protect endangered native wildlife and plants
- > Conducting an Indian Mynah bird control program in problem areas such as Dee Why CBD
- > Implementing actions from the new Fire Management Plans, such as asset protection zones and hazard reduction burns
- > Hosting World Environment Day Youth Expo in 2007 for all Warringah primary students in Years 5 and 6
- > Continuation and improvement of the Eco Schools Grant Program.

For all enquiries about the ESSR please contact the Council on 9942 2351 or visit the environment section on Council's website at www.warringah.nsw.gov.au



Coming up at GLEN STREET THEATRE

Two exciting productions of dramatic classics are coming up this spring at Glen Street.

The Merchant of Venice, 6-16 September

Following an unforgettable season of The Two Gentlemen of Verona in 2005, the Bell Shakespeare Company returns in 2006 with the premiere of The Merchant of Venice.

The Merchant of Venice combines fairytale romance with justice and mercy, racism and tolerance - problems still relevant to this day. The characters compete for the audience's attention, each more eccentric than the last; a handsome impecunious young man in search of a wealthy wife; a melancholy rich merchant in love with a young man; three women who dress themselves as men; a mischievous clown, an exotic Moroccan, an absurd Spaniard, and the arch-villain, Shylock.

Directed by Anna Volska, it's an assembly of a talented, entertaining and energetic cast with timeless production values.

Moby Dick, October 24 - November 4

The Bell Shakespeare Company continues to surprise with John Bell's theatrical adaptation of Herman Melville's classic novel Moby Dick.

This unique, intimate and masterful solo performance brings to the stage the wonderful tale of the mad Captain Ahab in his vengeful quest for the White Whale.

One of Australia's leading actors and directors, John Bell has distilled the mighty novel into an enthralling solo performance that takes audiences on Melville's adventure.

Adults from \$38; child and concession prices also available.

For full details on these and all the productions at Glen Street Theatre this year contact the box office on 9975 1455 or visit www.glenstreet.com.au. Check out also details of our Tuesday Morning Melodies, SWOOP Youth Theatre drama classes for kids after school and our regular Literary Lunches.



John Bell's virtuoso solo performance in Moby Dick

Become an Australian citizen at Council

You've got the forms, filled in the paperwork, sent off the cheque and have now received a letter from the Department of Immigration to say you're eligible to become an Australian citizen. So how do you take that final step and pledge your allegiance to Australia?

All Councils are responsible for conducting an official Citizenship Ceremony that warmly welcomes new citizens into the Australian community. Warringah Council coordinates monthly ceremonies where citizenship candidates recite an oath of allegiance to Australia and see performances reflecting Australia's traditional and multicultural heritage.

Each ceremony includes a message from the Federal Minister for Immigration and Multicultural Affairs which is given to the new citizens by one of Warringah's Federal Members of Parliament. A guest speaker - usually a prominent person from the local community - plus local choirs, performers from different cultural backgrounds and indigenous musicians also make the new citizens feel welcome. Between July 2005 and June 2006, 942 new citizens from 83 countries took part in Warringah's citizenship ceremonies.

For more information about citizenship ceremonies please contact the Department of Immigration on 131 880.



Ngawang Janchen from Tibet receiving his citizenship and being given traditional Tibetan khata scarves as a celebratory gesture. Also pictured is Administrator Dick Persson and Robyn Young, representing local Federal Member Bronwyn Bishop MP

Improvements to Library services

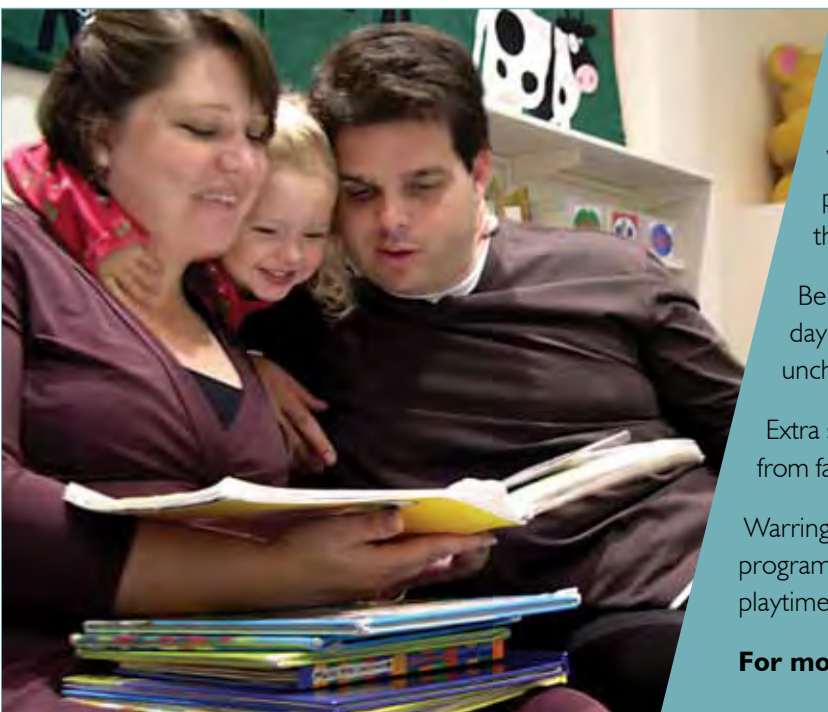
Warringah Council's Libraries have changed some services to better suit community needs, following surveys of usage patterns and visitor numbers. The changes include adjusted opening hours for Belrose and Forestville libraries and more of the popular 'story times' for preschoolers.

Belrose Library's hours on Monday and Tuesday have changed to 10am-7pm and on Saturdays to 10am-1pm. Hours on other days are unchanged. Forestville Library will stay open until 6pm between Monday and Thursday, with hours on other days unchanged. The other libraries' opening and closing times remain unchanged.

Extra story time sessions for preschool children - which include stories, rhymes and crafts - have been added to meet the demand from families for more of these fun sessions. For details of your nearest library story time call 9942 2449.

Warringah Mall Library has also added a new session to introduce reading to very young children. The 'Babies Into Books' BIBs program is for children aged between 6 and 18 months. Each BIBs session includes story reading, singing, rhymes, music and playtime specifically designed for babies.

For more details about the BIBs program contact Warringah Mall Library on 9942 7999.



What's on

www.warringah.nsw.gov.au

September 2006

- 1 Diabetes Australia 'Buzz Day'. Collecting donations and providing community awareness. Enquires: 9913 7285
- 2 Farm Day – children and family day with farm animals. Frenchs Forest Baptist Church, 617 – 619 Warringah Road, Forestville, 9am - 3pm. Enquiries: 9452 3400 or 9451 7104
- 3 Coastal Walkway Walk – coastal walk to raise money for Amnesty International starting at 10am. Enquiries: 9452 2872
- 10 & 28 No Dig Gardening – learn how to use mulches and garden more effectively. Kimbriki Eco Garden, off Mona Vale Road between Terrey Hills and Ingleside. For details and bookings 9486 3512
- 12 & 26 Forestville Uniting Church Seniors Lunches. Forestville Uniting Church, Darley Street Forestville, 10am – 1.30pm. Enquiries: 9939 1600 or 9451 7267
- 14 Intro to Eco Gardening –workshop on composting, worm farming and mulching. Kimbriki Eco Garden, off Mona Vale Road between Terrey Hills and Ingleside. Enquiries and bookings 9486 3512
- 14 Warringah Council Centenary Golf Day – including Warringah Golf Club's 70th Anniversary celebrations. Enquiries and bookings: 9905 4709 or 0418 441 014
- 16 & 17 Eurofest – annual cultural festival. Ararat Reserve, Grattan Crescent, Frenchs Forest, 9am - 5pm. Enquiries: 9975 2559
- 16 & 17 Terrey Hills Historical Exhibition - Gala day (16 September) and Art show. Terrey Hills Community Centre. Enquiries: 9450 1714 or 9486 3586
- 16 & 17 Creation Exhibition – depicting artists impressions of creation. Frenchs Forest Baptist Church, 617 – 619 Warringah Road, Forestville, 9am - 5pm. Enquires: 9452 2300 or 9451 7104
- 17 Forest Hills Horsemanship Championship – for all round general horsemanship. Forest Hill Pony Club, 10am - 3pm. Enquiries: 9979 5033 or 0417 215 100
- 20 Hilltop to Headland free environmental lecture - The Mystery of Whale Strandings. Presented by whale expert Bob Loader. Warringah Council Chambers, Dee Why. For enquiries and bookings 9942 2542 or annie.walker@warringah.nsw.gov.au
- 24 Warringah Council Centenary Tennis Day – open day of graded matches. Bob Giltinan Tennis & Squash Centre, Kentwell Street, North Manly 10am - 5pm. Enquiries: 9938 6319 or 9918 1406

October 2006

- 6 & 7 Art & Craft Show including Devonshire teas. Belrose Country Club, 10am - 4pm. Enquiries: 9975 1237
- 10 & 24 Forestville Uniting Church Seniors Lunches. Forestville Uniting Church, Darley Street Forestville, 10am – 1.30pm. Enquiries: 9939 1600 or 9451 7267
- 13 – 15 60th Annual North Shore Art Society Exhibition. Collaroy Masonic Hall, Pittwater Road, Collaroy. Enquiries: 9905 4998
- 18 Hilltop to Headland Free Environmental Lecture. Life under Long Reef – a marine paradise. Presented by underwater documentary maker George Everett. Warringah Council Chambers, Dee Why. For details and bookings 9942 2542
- 27 Zonta Club Award Presentation Dinner – presentation of study grants to Northern Beaches women. Enquiries: 9979 6905
- 28 Gospel Choir Concert, Dee Why Beach Reserve, 7pm – 9pm. Enquiries: 0402 007 258

November 2006

- 1 Forest Band Society 30th Anniversary Celebrations. Frenchs Forest Primary School. Enquiries: 9478 3918 or 0416 101 184
- 4 Warringah Council Centenary Fancy Dress Cabaret. Collaroy Masonic Hall, Pittwater Road, Collaroy, 8pm – 11.30pm. Enquiries: 9981 1673
- 14 & 28 Forestville Uniting Church Seniors Lunches. Forestville Uniting Church, Darley Street Forestville, 10am – 1.30pm. Enquiries: 9939 1600 or 9451 7267
- 15 Hilltop to Headland Free Environmental Lecture. Australia in Focus – 40 years of Australian wildlife and wilderness photos by renowned photographer Steve Parish. Warringah Council Chambers, Dee Why. For Enquiries and bookings 9942 2542 or annie.walker@warringah.nsw.gov.au
- 26 Assistance Dogs Australia 'Dogs Breakfast' – dog walk and free dogs breakfast. Hinkler Park, Queenscliff, 9am – 12pm. Details www.assistancedogs.org.au

If you have a community event you'd like to advertise in our What's On calendar contact Warringah Matters at council@warringah.nsw.gov.au Our next calendar runs between December and February; our content deadline is 1 November 2006.

Australia Day Awards & Outstanding Community Service Awards

Do you know a Warringah resident who deserves recognition for their service to the community? Nominations are now open for the 2006 Outstanding Community Service Awards and 2007 Australia Day Awards. Winners will be announced on Australia Day – January 26, 2007

The Outstanding Community Service Awards are an annual recognition and appreciation of voluntary service to the community, such as sporting, environmental, social or other contribution to the local community.

The Australia Day Awards reflect values such as the pursuit of excellence, commitment to a tolerant and diverse society, a fair go and public service. There are three categories of Award: Citizen of the Year; Young Citizen of the Year and Community Event of the Year.

Nominations close at 5pm on Friday 3 November 2006. Nominations forms and guidelines are available online at www.warringah.nsw.gov.au or at the Warringah Council Customer Service Centre, Libraries and the Warringah Aquatic Centre. Or contact 9942 2577 if you need more information.

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Council meetings

2nd and 4th Tuesday monthly from 7pm
9942 2444

To report flooding

9942 2383

To report storm damage

132 500

Patrolled beaches in Warringah (late Sept 2006 to end April 2007)

General enquiries: 9942 2120

Emergencies only: 9982 5929

To become a bushland volunteer

9942 2439

WIRES (Wildlife Information & Rescue Service)

8977 3333

To hire a community centre

communitycentrebookings@warringah.nsw.gov.au

Rock Pools

General enquiries: 9942 2545

Rock pool cleaning schedule:

www.warringah.nsw.gov.au

Advice on installing a swimming pool

9942 2111 or www.warringah.nsw.gov.au

Meals-on-Wheels

Service for the elderly/housebound: 9970 8399

Community transport

For seniors/residents with a disability: 9971 5110

Other services for residents with a disability: 9942 2449

Library home delivery

Service for the elderly/housebound: 9942 2449

Libraries in Warringah

Dee Why 9942 2449

Belrose 9452 3211

Forestville 9452 5706

Warringah Mall 9942 7999

Booklovers Club Narrabeen 9913 8030

Terrey Hills Community Library 9450 2216

Harbord Community Library 9905 4824

Council's Business Hours

For information and assistance between 8.30am and 5pm Monday to Friday contact Warringah Council's Customer Service Centre on 9942 2111.

Outside Business Hours

For assistance contact the Council's paging service on 9942 2111.

Or visit the Council's website any time at www.warringah.nsw.gov.au for full details of all Council services and activities.