

What's on - Summer in Warringah

Celebrate summer and join in the fun at all our events. Visit www.warringah.com.au for more information.



Christmas by the Beach

Sunday 19 December, 10am-8.30pm
Ted Jackson Reserve, Dee Why Beach

- All day Christmas markets
- Kids' Christmas show 3pm
- Carols by the Sea 5pm – presented by the combined churches of Dee Why



New Year's Eve Family Fireworks

Friday 31 December, 6-9pm
Collaroy Beach Reserve

- Bring a picnic and enjoy roving entertainment



Australia Day Big Breakfasts

Wednesday 26 January
Dee Why Beach, Berry Reserve
Narrabeen, Forestville War Memorial Playing Fields, Governor Phillip Lookout
Beacon Hill

Friday 19

Literary Lunch with Serge Dansereau. Discover the secrets of delicious French cooking first hand from the multi-award winning and internationally renowned chef Serge Dansereau, 12.30pm. Tickets \$46 – includes two-course meal (plus booking fee). Glen Street Theatre.
Bookings: www.glenstreet.com.au or call 9975 1455.

Friday 3

Literary Lunch with Richard Glover, 12.30pm. *Why Men Are Necessary and More News From Nowhere* is a hilarious and optimistic book about Australian family life. Tickets \$46 – includes two-course meal (plus booking fee). Glen Street Theatre. Bookings: www.glenstreet.com.au or call 9975 1455.

Friday 3 and Friday 17

All ages band night fundraiser, YOYOs Youth Centre, Frenchs Forest.

Thursday 25

Narrabeen Lagoon Plan of Management Community Workshop, 6.30-8.30pm. Cromer Golf Course. Warringah Council is working with NSW Land and Property Management Authority to prepare a Plan of Management for Narrabeen Lagoon. Find out more or share your views at yoursaywarringah.com.au/narrabeenlagoonpom. RSVP: 0427 270 622.

Tuesday 14

Christmas in a Wonderful World, 11am. Glen Street Theatre. Bookings: www.glenstreet.com.au or call 9975 1455.

Monday-Thursday, 20-23

Deck the Halls workshop for school-aged children – make traditional Christmas tree decorations. Warringah Libraries. Cost: \$5. Bookings: www.wls.nsw.gov.au or 9942 2449.

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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.

WARRINGAH matters



Warringah Council Newsletter Spring 2010

A message from The Mayor



When running for Mayor in 2008, one of my major platforms was to improve the way Council engages with the community and now two years later, I believe some great progress has been made.

In this edition of Warringah Matters you can read about Council's national recognition for 'robust community engagement' for our Talk of the Town summit. We are also consulting extensively on two important environmental areas – Manly Dam and Narrabeen Lagoon in the development of their Plans of Management as well as developing actions for Council, landowners and the SES for emergency coastal erosion events. Works have also begun on a new playground for Brookvale with Brookvale Public School and local residents widely involved in its design. While talking about Brookvale, the Draft Employment Lands Issues paper is on public exhibition and we look forward to receiving your comments about the future development of Brookvale which along with Dee Why, has been set a target of

4,000 extra jobs by the State Government. Findings from the innovative consultation undertaken for the future of Brookvale Park and Oval are due to be presented to Council at its November meeting and we look forward to hearing from the community about preferences for the Oval including how they want it used, upgraded, funded and managed in the future.

Finally in celebrating our community, Council is organising Summer in Warringah featuring three family friendly events – Christmas by the Beach at Dee Why; New Year's Eve Family Fireworks at Collaroy and the ever popular Australia Day Big Breakfasts. Come along, enjoy the festivities and celebrate what is great about living in Warringah.

Michael Regan
Mayor



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PROTECTING OUR ENVIRONMENT

Warringah gets a Second Surfing Reserve

Manly and Freshwater Beaches were formally declared a National Surfing Reserve in a dedication ceremony in September. Freshwater is the second Warringah beach to be declared a surfing reserve, with North Narrabeen receiving the title last year. Sites declared surfing reserves are recognised for their environmental, cultural and historic significance in Australian surf culture. Freshwater Beach famously played host to Duke Kahanamoku's board surfing demonstration in the summer of 1914/15.

Community Input for Plans of Management

A Plan of Management (POM) provides framework for the management of a land resource. A POM's objectives and actions are guided by values identified through community consultation and Council is currently seeking community input for two important environmental areas.

Narrabeen Lagoon

Narrabeen Lagoon is the largest of Warringah's four coastal lagoons and showcases a diverse aquatic and terrestrial ecosystem. Council is working with the NSW Land and Property Management Authority to prepare a POM for the lagoon to outline its sustainable management and conservation.

Manly Dam

Council is also preparing a new POM for one of its most popular natural and recreational areas, the Manly Warringah War Memorial Park (Manly Dam). Many of the actions and initiatives from the 1998 Management Plan have been completed and a fresh look is needed to set a future direction for the Park.

Stage one community consultation is complete for both areas which included focus groups and workshops to identify community values and issues. Council is now seeking further input on future management options for the lagoon and park via our online forum yoursaywarringah.com.au and community workshops being held later in the year – visit the web for details.

Coastal Erosion Emergency Action Plan

Warringah Council is currently preparing a Coastal Erosion Emergency Action Plan (CEEAP) for Warringah's beaches. In August we hosted a Forum to inform the community about the CEEAP and seek input into its development. The Action Plan will identify risks associated with coastal erosion and outline emergency action measures that should be taken by Council, landowners and the SES during emergency coastal erosion events. To listen to the podcast of the forum visit our website. A second forum will be held in February.

LEADING OUR COMMUNITY



Warringah's Housing Future
Let's solve the puzzle.



Talk of the Town Awards

Warringah has won three awards for Talk of the Town (TOTT) and this highlights Council's commitment and professionalism in engaging and communicating with our community. TOTT has received accolades from the International Association for Public Participation for 'robust public participation process', Local Government Managers Australia 2010 Management Excellence Awards for 'excellence in engaging and serving communities' and the Planning Institute Australia for 'achievement in reporting and promoting planning issues in the public arena'.

Manly Vale Community Garden and Playground

Warringah's first official community garden has opened. The Manly Vale Community Garden and Playground is located at 4-8 Innes Road and is an exciting community space aimed at bringing children, families and neighbours together to live more sustainably. The park includes a playground, community garden and central shelter called 'The Hub' where community workshops take place on composting, mulching, worm farms, permaculture and plant propagation.

Extended Beach Season

Summer may not have officially begun but the beach season is well and truly underway in Warringah. Council Lifeguards have been patrolling Warringah beaches since September. To ensure the safety of beach goers, patrols at Dee Why and Freshwater – our busiest beaches – started a month earlier and will end a month later this season – Sunday 29 May 2011. Warringah's other beaches will be patrolled until Anzac Day, Monday 25 April, 2011. Visit our website for details.

Ted Jackson Reserve

In recognition of the outstanding service to the Warringah community by the late Edward (Ted) Walter Jackson BEM OAM, Dee Why Beach Reserve has been renamed Ted Jackson Reserve. A dedication ceremony took place in October where new signage and a memorial was unveiled. Ted worked for Warringah Council for 31 years and was first elected as a Councillor in 1983. He was Shire President in 1985 and again from 1986 to 1989. Born in 1921 and raised in Dee Why, Ted worked tirelessly for the people of Warringah and it is fitting the place where he spent so much of his life, is renamed in his honour.

CREATING OUR FUTURE



Brookvale Playground

Construction has begun on a community playground at the corner of Old Pittwater Road and Green Street, Brookvale. Warringah Council acquired the four properties for the new park with S94A developer contributions and consulted extensively with the community on the design. The new park and playground will provide much needed open space and recreation facilities to the area. Brookvale Public School was involved in the initial design process and will continue its participation by developing artwork for the playground and surrounds.

Streetscape Improvements for The Strand

To avoid the busy summer months, streetscape improvements earmarked for The Strand Dee Why will commence in late April 2011. As part of the works, 48 new parking spaces have been created within the existing car park in James Meehan Reserve and are now available for public use. Council will maintain pedestrian access and people are encouraged to continue to support the businesses along The Strand.

Brookvale Employment Lands Study

The Brookvale Employment Land Issues Paper is currently on public exhibition. The issues paper will guide the future development of Brookvale's employment lands in order to meet the NSW Government's draft North-East Subregional Strategy's employment target of 4,000 more jobs for Dee Why/Brookvale by 2031. The issues paper identifies development opportunities and constraints in areas such as traffic, parking, employment, environment and transport. The study can be viewed at the Civic Centre, Warringah libraries and online at www.warringah.nsw.gov.au.

Housing Strategy

Following the success of May's Talk of the Town that started the conversation about housing in Warringah, staff have been working on the draft Housing Strategy. Council resolved not to exhibit the Strategy until the State election in 2011 when we will be able to further engage with the community who can make submissions and take part in the discussion.

