



Mayor's Christmas Message



A special thank you to the people who donated to the Mayor's Gift Appeal this year. The children at Cullunghutti Aboriginal Child and Family Centre and Salt Ministries were very excited about Santa visiting them early. Your generosity is appreciated.

Wow the summer holidays are just around the corner! I know that everyone I speak too believes this year has been one of the busiest yet. From my perspective, it sure is true. This time last year I was finding my feet as your Mayor, and since then so much has happened.

There are fantastic projects popping up all over the city from major road works to small maintenance jobs and 2018 promises to deliver more of the same. All of the Councillors have brought their own brand of passion to the chamber and I thank them all for their enthusiasm.

To all our residents, I wish you the very best for the Christmas season. It means so much to many and is a time for reflection and pause. So this season I ask you to spend some time reflecting on those less fortunate and how can we move towards a more equal society, and to spare some thoughts also for those with different beliefs and cultural backgrounds.

Most importantly, I wish you safety, happiness and a lavish dose of patience over the coming weeks as our quiet towns and villages become a mecca for tourists. See you in 2018 and as a wise man once said to me, "The best is yet to come."

Jump aboard the Summer Shuttle Bus this school holidays linking the Bay and Basin area.

From Monday, 18 December 2017 to Friday, 5 January 2018 the Summer Shuttle Bus provides residents and visitors transport around the Bay and Basin for a gold coin

Catch the Summer Bus Bay and Basin

donation.

The Bay and Basin Summer Shuttle Bus will be in operation from 9.45am to 2.15pm. The route includes Basin View Shops, St Georges Basin Shops, Sanctuary Point Shops, Old Erowal Bay, Vincentia Marketplace, Bay and Basin Leisure Centre, Vincentia Shops, Owen Street Bus Stop.

The Summer Bus is supported through Transport NSW Government grant funding and in partnership with Bay and Basin Community Resource Centre, Vincentia High School, Kennedy's Bus and Coach and Shoalhaven Swim and Fitness.

[Click here](#) for more information.



Roads and Works Update



Please note that all quoted completion dates are subject to change due to weather conditions, emergencies or other unforeseen interruptions.

To keep up to date with road works in our community, visit Council's Road Works [webpage](#).

Spray sealing preparations are on track to be completed this week in preparation for spray sealing late January 2018 in the following locations:

- Callala Bay - Barden Close, Bay Street, Chapman Street, Fleet Way, Illustrious Court, Marine Parade, Murray Street, Torrens Close, Wearne Street
- Callala Beach - Lewis Road, Quarry Road
- Currarong - Cambewarra Road, Crookhaven Parade, Currarong Parkway, Pacific Avenue, Piscator Avenue, Tomerong Street, Walton Way, Worrigee Road

Huskisson - *Huskisson Road* – Heavy patching road repairs have been carried out along Huskisson Road to make the road safe for the Christmas holiday period.

Ulladulla - *Deering Street* – Shared User Pathway Stage 1, the construction of approximately 340m of concrete pathway 2.5m wide. Works will commence at the Ulladulla Soccer Fields and continue towards the Lighthouse for approximately 340m.

St. Vincent and Church Streets – A roundabout is proposed at the intersection of St.

Heavy Patching will be completed this week in the following locations:

- Falls Creek and Woollamia - Woollamia Road
- Old Errowrol Bay - Prentice Ave and Hale Street and
- Comberton to Wolloombulla - Forest Road

Vincent and Church Streets. Construction is scheduled to commence after the Christmas Holidays and is expected to take up to eight weeks. During this time the intersection will be closed. This project is being funded under the Federal Blackspot Program for 2016/17.

Recycling Tips at Christmas

Did you know that our waste output in the Shoalhaven doubles over the festive season?

Here are some tips to help you recycle and be more environmentally friendly over Christmas.

- Shop to a list to save money and only buy what you are going to EAT!
- Swap Christmas cards for an e-card or a phone call.
- Make the gift wrapping part of the gift eg wrap in a tea towel, a scarf, or a funky reusable bag. Gift wrapping paper can be put in the recycling bin.
- Get creative, find pretty containers and vintage tins at the op shop to "wrap" your gifts.
- Buy good quality decorations or make your own.
- Sick of giving/receiving socks, hankies and other boring stuff you're never going to use? Give experiences! Tickets to a show or concert, or a weekend away. These are special, meaningful and lasting gifts that create NO waste!
- Remember to use reusable bags when you go Christmas shopping!

Visit Council's [website](#) for more ideas.



Play and Fun at Mollymook

Council joined the community on Friday, 8 December 2017 for the official opening of Livvi's Place Mollymook Reserve, the first fully inclusive playground in the region



that caters for all people, including children living with disability, families and carers.

The Council project includes new seating, sand and water play area, king size game board, new swing set, a pirate ship, trampoline feature, slides, cubby spaces and the changing places amenities facility.

Much of the previously existing infrastructure has been refurbished including the liberty swing and much-loved exercise equipment.

Read more about the playground [here](#).

Ulladulla Boat Ramp Opens

Mayor Amanda Findley joined Member for South Coast Shelley Hancock to officially open the newly upgraded working jetty at Ulladulla Harbour funded under the Department of Industry – Crown Lands and Water Coastal Infrastructure Program last Friday, 8 December 2017.

The NSW Government provided \$345,000 of the \$790,000 towards improvements of the Northern Boat Ramp under the successful Boating Now program. The major upgrade involved widening the existing northern boat ramp and building a low level jetty. It means the boat ramp is safer, more user friendly and will cater for all tidal conditions, especially during times of extreme weather events.



The jetty was originally built in 1977 and needed significant repairs made to the system that prevents metal corrosion, which can weaken the structure.

New sign for Jervis Bay

Mayor Amanda Findley joined the Huskisson Chamber of Commerce this week at the official opening of the Jervis Bay gateway sign.

The project was funded jointly by the Huskisson Chamber of Commerce and Council and was completed earlier this year with enhancements to the main intersection completed by Council.



Beach Wheelchairs for Hire



Did you know that there are a number of lift and change facilities available in the Shoalhaven?

Council is conducting a survey on lift and change facilities. If you are a person living with a disability, carer or not for profit agency, we would love to hear your thoughts.

Fill out the survey [here](#).

Council has 10 beach wheelchairs available for hire across the City. The beach wheelchairs provide and improve access to the beach for children and young people living with disability. The child and adult size all terrain beach wheelchairs, will ensure children in particular aged 9-15 years will have access to and are included in mainstream activities such as visiting the beach.

The beach wheelchairs are available free of charge through Shoalhaven Heads Beach Surf Club, Culburra Beach Surf Club, Sussex Inlet Beach Surf Club, Mollymook Beach Surf Club, Huskisson Beach / Moona - Moona Creek/ Lake Tabourie Holiday Haven Parks and Palm Beach Greville's Corner Store during beach patrol season or at other times at the discretion of wheelchair site caretakers.

Each patrolled beach site has both an adult and child size chair available for outdoor use only. Other sites have an adult size chair available for use. [Click here](#) for more information.

Professional Beach Patrol Services will commence this weekend. Daily services will be available from 9am to 5pm on the following beaches:

- Shoalhaven Heads - 16 December 2017 until 29 January 2018
- Crookhaven Heads Beach - 16 December 2017 until 29 January 2018
- Tilbury Cove (Ocean Street, Culburra Beach) - 16 December 2017 until 29 January 2018
- Warrain Beach (Farrant Avenue,

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Culburra Beach) - 16 December 2017
until 29 January 2018

- Cudmirrah/Berrara Beach)Sussex Inlet) - 16 December 2017 until 29 January 2018
- Narrawallee Beach (Surfers Ave) 16 December 2017 until 29 January 2018
- North Mollymook Beach (Beach Road - 16 December 2017 until 29 January 2018
- South Mollymook Beach (Golf Avenue) - 4 December 2017 until 2 March 2018

Read more [here](#)



The Council team wishes all the community all the best for the festive season.

Council will be closed from 5pm Friday, 22 December reopening Tuesday, 2 January 2018. Emergency after hours contact details are available on our [website](#).

This is the last edition of our enewsletter for the year with the 2018 edition commencing on 18 January 2018.

Thank you for your readership in 2017.




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