



## LOCALS SHINE AT COUNCIL AUSTRALIA DAY AWARDS

Shoalhaven City Council held their annual Australia Day Awards and Citizenship Ceremony on Wednesday, 25 January in the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre. The event which welcomed 34 new citizens and honoured community and sports people in the Shoalhaven, attracted over 330 guests.

The 2017 Shoalhaven Australia Day Awards saw 34 people be nominated for their outstanding achievements in the Categories of Citizen of the Year, Young Citizen of the Year and Sportsperson of the Year.

The winners for the Shoalhaven Australia Day Awards include:

- **Shoalhaven Citizen of the Year:** June Stevens (North Nowra) – Long standing contribution to community service aiding families in the Shoalhaven.
- **Shoalhaven Citizen of the Year - Highly Commended:** Richard Wayne Manwarring (Old Erowal Bay) – Dedication and recognition in raising money for local cancer facilities.
- **Shoalhaven Young Citizen of the Year:** Ava Del Tufo (Pointer Mountain) - Unwavering dedication and whole hearted enthusiasm to assist with social issues and community initiatives
- **Shoalhaven Sports Person of the Year:** Ashleigh Hewson (Vincencia) – Outstanding sports representative for the Shoalhaven promoting women's sports at all levels particularly rugby union.
- **Shoalhaven Junior Sports of the Year:** Tarje Whitford (Mollymook) - Contribution and consistent performance in rugby league.

Mayor Amanda Findley said, "We congratulate the winners and the nominees, thank our independent judging panel, and welcome with open arms our new citizens."

More details about our winners in the next issue. Congratulations all.



## Beach Wheelchairs Now Available in our City

Mayor Findley has launched Council's new Beach Wheelchair program. Following feedback from people living with disability, Council has purchased 10 new beach wheelchairs for beaches across the City.

Council's Shoalhaven Access Advisory Committee, applied for and was successful in obtaining funding through the NSW Department of Family and Community Services FundAbility Program for the beach wheelchairs.

The beach wheelchairs will be 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



during beach patrol season or at other times at the discretion of wheelchair site caretakers.

Each patrolled beach site will have both an adult and child size chair available for outdoor hire/use only. Other sites have an adult size chair available for hire/use.

[Read more](#)

## Roads and Works Update

### Naval College Road, Worworing Heights

Naval College Road will have road shoulder widening and spray sealing commencing in February. The traffic will not be hindered since an efficient traffic control will be provided at all times.

### Culburra Road, Woolumboola

Road rehabilitation works are scheduled to be undertaken from 6 February to 10 April 2017 (weather permitting).

The works consist of 1.2km of full width pavement reconstructions and the construction of adjacent shoulders from Coonamia Road to the previously completed rehabilitation works to the East.

The construction activities are planned to last 18 weeks (weather permitting).

Council apologises for any inconvenience caused.

Road and assets projects are regularly updated on the [website](#).

## Council's Shoalhaven Natural Resources and Floodplain Management Committee

Are you interested in the sustainable management of natural resources? Would you like to actively participate in decision making associated with the management of the Shoalhaven's estuaries, coastal zone, rivers, floodplains and bushland?

Currently there is a vacancy for the Shoalhaven Natural Resources and Floodplain Management Committee.

If you are a member of a Community Consultative Body, User Group, Conservation Group, Primary Production Industry Group, or



a member of the Community with an interest in Natural Resource Management, you are invited to submit an application to become a member of the Shoalhaven Natural Resources and Floodplain Management Committee.

Please visit Council's [Website](#) for more information and application forms or contact Tel: 4429 3501.

Applications close, 5.00pm Tuesday 28 February 2017.

## Paringa Park, Scenic Drive, Nowra – Non Motorised Water Sports Hub – Draft Master Plan

Shoalhaven City Council has endorsed public exhibition on a draft master plan to provide a non-motorised water sports hub in Paringa Park, Scenic Drive Nowra (located beside the rowing club house). Council is seeking your comments on the draft master plan for a period of 28 days commencing 1 February 2017. Submissions will close at 5pm on 28 February 2017.

The draft master plan is available for viewing on Council's website and at Council's Administration Building, Nowra Library and Nowra Aquatic Park. Comments on the draft master plan should reference file 51584e and be forwarded to The General Manager via email at [council@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au](mailto:council@shoalhaven.nsw.gov.au), [Council's website](#) or post to PO Box 42, Nowra, NSW, 2541.

For further information on the draft master plan please contact Susan Edwards, Senior Strategic Planner, on (02) 4429 3632.

Submissions made to Council in relation to this proposal will be considered as public documents.



## Host a Neighbourhood Day

Neighbour Day is celebrated on the last Sunday in March - 26 March, and aims to foster strong personal connections that last the whole year round.

Neighbour Day 2017 is: The Importance of Social Connection for the Elderly.

Council encourages you to get neighbourly and host an event in your neighbourhood. A suite of resources to help you plan your day is available on the [Neighbourhood Day website](#).

## Change of Time for Council Meetings

Council would like to remind the community that all Council meetings have changed time from 4pm to 5pm.

This decision was made in the Ordinary Meeting on 22 November 2016.

## Double Demerit Points this Week

Double demerits apply from Wednesday 25th to Sunday 29th January 2017 inclusive for speeding, mobile phone, seatbelt and helmet offences.

Be aware that School Zones are operational again from this Friday, 27th January.

Upcoming meetings at Council Chambers commence at 5pm

- 31 January - Ordinary Meeting
- 1 February - Extra Ordinary Meeting



If you forget and are caught driving at 60km/h in a 40km/h school zone, you risk incurring 10 demerit points.

Since the end of last year, mobile phone offences are also now included in double demerits, so if you are caught talking or texting illegally this long weekend you risk incurring 8 demerit points.

Please drive carefully and have a safe and enjoyable long weekend.

## Cinema in the Park

Enjoy movies under the stars for Cinema PopUp from 2-6 February at the Nowra Cinema Pop Up in Harry Sawkins Park. Gates open 7 pm for 8.30 pm movie start.

Movies featuring include:

- Big Hero 6 - 2 February
- The Karate Kid - 3 February
- Toy Story - 4 February
- Jerry Maguire - 5 February
- Step Brothers - 6 February



Various ticket, food and beverage options are available, see the [Cinema Pop Up website](#) for more details.

## JERRINJA EXPOSED

A Creative Photographic and Aboriginal Language Project

Launch: 28th Jan 12pm - 2pm

Exhibition: 28th Jan-18th Mar

Shoalhaven City Arts Centre, 12 Berry Street  
Nowra.

Ten young people aged 12-23 connected to Jerrinja, the Salt Water people of Jervis Bay on the South Coast of New South Wales recently embarked on a creative journey. That journey was into a new innovative and digital visual arts program designed specifically to learn – engage – connect and translate traditional Jerrinja



language through modern photography and graphic digital art works.

You may remember they were featured in the Nowra CBD in 2016 and The Shoalhaven Arts Centre will display the best 30 works in the main gallery.




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