

Bonny Hills Progress Association News

January 2019

NOTE: Meetings are now on **3rd Tuesday** of each month at 7pm

Save the date for **AGM to be held on Tuesday 19th March** at the Bonny Hills Community Hall. **Bonny Hills Community Plan** will feature large.

Below is a summary of the response from Council regarding:

- **Water quality in Saltwater and Duchess Creeks and Operation of the Exfiltration Trench at the Sewerage Treatment Plant (given the presence of adjacent dead trees).**

- Visual and Camera inspections were performed and some valves in the trench were found to be closed or partially so. **These have been opened.**

- In the new year **Council will attempt to clear partially blocked sections of the trench using high pressure water hoses.**

- **Sand dune erosion, dying and dead trees.**

Time lapse photography from 2010 –2018 showed the width of vegetation from the trench to the edge of the beach has not changed over this period. Similarly aerial photographs showed the health/ill-health of vegetation has not altered greatly over the 8 years.

So from this we conclude that the 'observed impacts' occurred prior to 2010.

*Council aims to supply effluent from this plant to Port Macquarie after completion of the necessary infrastructure. Construction is expected to commence in early 2019 with completion mid year. **Once this is in place most effluent should be diverted away from the trench.***

Recent successes:

- Young and old **celebrated the Back to Bonny's** event in September 2018. Large numbers shared the markets, entertainment, games, photographic memories and displays, with over 50 volunteers involved.
- **Historical photos:** Selections will be displayed at the Surf Club in the New Year. They will be compiled and available for public viewing at various venues throughout Bonny's. Keep an eye on our **facebook** page for details.
- **Cutting the ribbon at opening of the Netball Court** on 24th November by Leslie Williams.



A grant of \$33000 from **CBPP**, hundreds of volunteer hours, and materials and services donated by local businesses made it all possible. Lets Play Ball!

Thanks to the skateboard riders for respecting this area for ball games.

Works in progress:

- ◇ The recently formed **Community-Council Action Team** will identify priority actions from the lists put together by our community for the BH Community Plan.
- ◇ Options for **graffiti prevention** on our public amenities are being considered, with quality 'communal' artwork looming large.

Annual membership is only \$10 per household payable at any meeting or c/- the Bonny Hills PO. Renewals can be paid via Direct Deposit: Holiday coast Credit Union BSB 721-000, Acc. No. 000034194. Please use your surname as the reference.

Normal monthly committee meetings of BHPA on the **Third** Tuesday of each month are open to all residents and minutes and important notices are emailed to members. If you are not on email, minutes are on display at the BH Post Office.

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