

# Bonny Hills Progress Association News

## **Bands on the Deck beats the wet weather.**

Congratulations to all organisers and participants staging this event on June 23rd, in particular Master of Ceremonies Trevor Hart, who generously supplied the sound gear and performed as well! This event is planned and organised by the Community Strength Group, with the aim of encouraging youth in our community to perform and mix with local singers and musicians.

## **Final Reserves Master Plan**

This project has provided the Community and Council with an agreed Plan and priorities to guide future management and improvements to the existing infrastructure in our three Reserves. This aims to cater for projected increases in population, residents and visitors, alike. The final plan can be found on [www.bonnyhills.org.au](http://www.bonnyhills.org.au).

The challenge now will be to source funding for the highest priorities – like toilet facilities at the Hall Reserve. In this regard we have had a small win already: a grant of \$2600 has been approved by the *Small Grants for Small Rural Communities* after the BHPA applied for funding to install secure bicycle racks at Rainbow Beach Reserve.

An even bigger win is that Council has set aside funding to repair and improve the driveway and access to the grassed parking area on the western side of the Surf Club. BHPA and community representatives met recently with Council staff to discuss possible solutions. Issues raised included: managing water run-off, the number and frequency of heavy service vehicle versus light vehicle traffic, the stability of parking areas, entry and exist options, and the need for a flat area and 'turning circle' for elderly patrons arriving by small buses or cars to alight close to the restaurant.

Council will now work up greater detail of the options and costs.

## **Proposed Quarry Expansion**

A proposal by Hy-Tec to expand the rate of output from their Grant's Head quarry in response to increased demand for Pacific Highway upgrades was placed on public display in May 2012. A number of concerns were expressed in regard to this proposal by community members at a public meeting held earlier. The majority of concerns related to the unfair burden being born by Bonny Hills' residents particularly in relation to the large number of truck movements through the village. These concerns formed the basis of BHPA's submission to Council. Both documents can be found at [www.bonnyhills.org.au](http://www.bonnyhills.org.au).

Monthly committee meetings of BHPA are open to all residents and minutes and important notices are emailed to all on our database. If you are not on email, minutes are on display at the BH Post Office. Annual membership is only \$10 per household and can be paid at any meeting or c/- the PO. Fees for 2012 are now due.

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