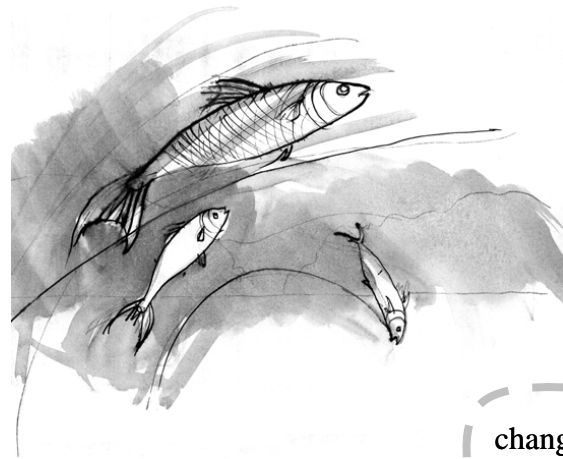


MULLET EXPRESS

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EXTRAORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING
SUNDAY 10 – 12AM
21ST OCTOBER 2007



DANGAR ISLAND LEAGUE INC Presidents Report

The League is holding an Extraordinary General Meeting on Sunday 21st October 2007 in the Community Hall. The purpose of this meeting is to elect new office bearers for the year 2007-2008.

At the Annual General Meeting held on 23rd September insufficient members nominated for the new committee. A number have been elected; Hans Pols (Treasurer), Jonathan Sykes and Anthony Strommer (Exec Committee Members).

The League is a resident's representative body that can argue for us, propose innovative and socially responsible policies to Council and other governments and work to realising a community that is fair, compassionate and ecologically responsible.

The community is facing what may be a testing period. For example:

- Proposed changes to development plans may mean that we have many more 'official' short-term accommodation locations around the Island. This will impact upon the community in a number of ways – positive and negative.
- The completion of the sewer attachments will place a number of challenges before us. It may encourage development, will increase household costs and will

change the geography of the Island as septic trench water goes off the Island.

- The increasing development and population growth in the Sydney Basin will mean that places like Dangar Island will become more popular as tourist sites.

We need community members to nominate for the League executive. The tasks are not onerous, a few hours here and there will do. We need people with administrative skills, people who can write, people who have ideas and energy and most of all people who are interested in their community.

Please come to the meeting. Please nominate for a position and help your community.

Sincerely,
Dr Peter Short
Interim President

NOW YOU CAN JOIN THE LEAGUE ONLINE

just shoot us an email to
join@dangarislandleague.net
with your name and contact
details

League memberships are due on 1st July, and renewal reminders will be going out soon. It's \$5 per adult per year, and it helps us pay for the Mullet Mail, and make donations to community projects like the Hall PA and gardens. Or why not drop into **The Island Shop** and pay cash – just ask for an envelope.

DEERUBBIN ISLAND FILM



SOCIETY PRESENTS...

HALLOWEEN FEATURE

Labyrinth (G)

@ Dangar Is. Hall

7PM SAT 27TH OCT 2007

David Bowie and Jennifer Connelly adventure in Jim Henson's masterpiece of puppetry and special effects. An absolutely gorgeous children's fantasy movie.

Preceded by short films; Brooklyn School J Rock and all the DIFS children's workshop 5 - 6pm.

Programmers and suggestions wanted for 2008.

More about DIFS, visit
www.difs.net

Screening to members, memberships
available on the night: \$10/\$5.
Children accompanied by adults.

HALLOWEEN 2007

Sadly this year Sue Baxter is stepping back from the face painting front line. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Sue on behalf of all the post-teens and their parents for creating this tradition on the island. It is with great community spirit and a passion for dressing up that she created and continued this event for our children. Now they are all grown up into superb young adults who have a special sense of place in this unique neighbourhood. Sue, Thankyou.
Cybele

DANGAR ISLAND RURAL FIRE BRIGADE

The Fire Season began on 1st October 2007 and will run until 1st April 2008. Between these dates residents must have a Fire Permit from Hornsby Rural Fire Service (ph 9485-5000) before they can burn-off any vegetation. Bill Lynn-Robinson, a member of the Dangar island Rural Fire Brigade, can issue these permits. It is a condition of these permits that the applicant must notify the local brigade and the RFS Hornsby prior to the proposed burn. As well, neighbours must be notified 24 hours prior to the burn beginning. In certain conditions permits are suspended, for example on days of very high to extreme fire danger rating.

The only fires that are exempt from requiring a permit are recreational or cooking fires. Both of these exempt fires must be less than a metre across and must be attended to by an adult at all times. Water from a hose must be available, the site must be free from any vegetation for two metres all around, within 20 metres of your house and the fire must be extinguished completely before leaving it.

If a resident has an unauthorised fire, the Brigade will be called and will extinguish the fire. The Council or the RFS will then decide whether to fine the resident. As well, if the fire causes damage to other resident's property, by for example, embers causing a second fire, the resident may face civil action for that damage. Criminal action may also be taken.

Of course, on a TOTAL FIRE BAN DAY, no fire is allowed in the open. The Fire Danger Meter near the shop indicates the current rating. Serious fines of up to \$5500

can be applied if a resident has A fire on these days.

We have already seen the beginning of a serious fire season. Hot dry winds, low humidity and high temperatures provide ideal conditions for a fire to spread quickly and threaten properties and lives.

We have already seen hot dry winds provide ideal conditions for fire to spread quickly and threaten properties and lives. To assist residents to prepare their homes for this season, we recently held a free community safety seminar in the Hall. We have plans to carry out some street meetings in the next months to provide more information to residents. Please attend these meeting so you will know WHAT YOU CAN DO to protect your home.

The Brigade has a number of resources available to assist you in preparing your homes. Come to the Fire Station on the first Sunday of the month at 0900 for information and advice.

BE FIREWISE -PREPARE NOW

Dr Peter Short
Captain, DIRFB.

COMMUNITY VEHICLE Correction

Last Mullet Mail the Danger Island Vehicle Management Committee thanked Miss Piggy Barges for their support and noted an absence of support from any other Barge company. This was wrong. Thankyou Geoff Gauslaa and the waste team for helping us get the Buggy to the Island for test driving, we appreciate your continuing contribution to our community life.

Contributions for next edition of
the Mullet Mail Send to
<designatopia@optusnet.com.au>

DANGAR ISLAND COMMUNITY CENTRE ASSOC. (THE HALL)

Welcome to new Chairperson Wendy McMurdo and new committee member Heather Dorrrough, and a fond farewell to longstanding chairperson Sue Baxter. Bookings 99858331.

BUSHCARE

2nd Saturday of every month. Next meet at Kipparra Reserve entrance track November 10th around 9am to collect tools.



Cybele Shorter

MISS NATIVE OCTOBER PANDORIA PANDORANA Wonga Wonga Vine



Vigorous woody climber with spectacular cascades of flowers in spring. Pinnate leaves growing in 3 – 7 leaflets that resemble jasmine vine. Flowers are white tubes with redish purple markings near the tips.

