CATHIE NEWS

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Lake Cathie Progress Association Annual General Meeting Sunday 10th April at 10.00AM at Lake Cathie Bowling Club

Agenda

President to open meeting
Apologies
Confirmation of previous minutes
Correspondence
Business arising from correspondence
Treasurer's Report
Presidents Report

Election of Officers and Committee

- President (1)
- Vice President (1)
- Secretary (1)
- Treasurer (1)
- Committee (5)

Report on current projects

(Due to health reasons people holding the following positions will not be standing for re-election)

Vice President

Secretary

Treasurer

Committee (1)

The current officers will provide the necessary information to incoming Officers in their duties.

Nominations have been received for the positions of Secretary as well as Treasurer, however further nominations will be welcomed.

Copy of Agenda is available from the Secretary.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The AGM for 2016 will be held at the Lake Cathie Bowling Club commencing at 10.00am

(The community hall is now permanently booked for other activities on Sunday mornings)

Update on Lake Cathie Fishing Platform



Port Macquarie-Hastings Council received a grant from the Department of Primary Industries for the design and construction of a wheelchair accessible fishing platform at the Lake.

Representatives from the Progress Association, Lake Cathie Fishing Club and Council met on site to discuss the best location options on 24th September 2015. Currently quotes for Design and Price are being sought by the council and once a draft design has been developed further engagement with relevant parties will be undertaken to have input into the design.

The Port Macquarie- Hastings Council Access Sub-Committee is also reviewing the existing old toilet block (which has a step in front of the Ladies and Gents) and are investigating options for it to be removed and upgraded with a new disability friendly toilet module block which will be on a smaller footprint.

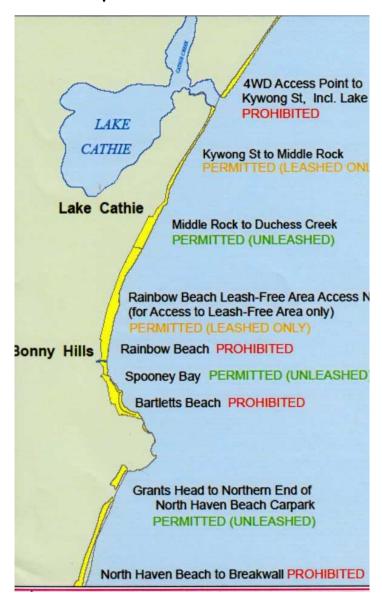
****** Lock the burglars out

Police have advised residents to lock all doors and windows when they are away from the premises. In addition leave wallets & purses out of view and in secure areas.



PC Pitstop now at 10 Bellbowrie Street

Council's dogs in open spaces policy Map from PMHC Website



Lake Cathie Progress Association Inc. PO Box 247 Lake Cathie NSW 2445 APPLICATION FOR NEW MEMBERSHIP

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Lake Cathie Historical information

This area was first referred to in the journal of Annabelle Boswell niece of Major Archibald C Innes a prominent wealthy early settler who owned land in Northern NSW. She lived in the Innes mansion on the shores of Lake Innes from 1843 to 1848 and she records riding across the bar at **Cati Creek** on more than one occasion.

She also mentions meetings with local Aborigines and there are many Aboriginal sites still to be seen along the coastline.

There was no settlement here until the 1930's, although hunters and fishermen were active in the area and there were one or two fishermen's huts.

Market gardening was begun on the south side of the creek in the 1920's but the owners did not live here. The first dwelling was built by Bob Plead on the land he owned on the south side. Built high on the hill it commanded a fine ocean view and later became the Post Office.

Early in the 1950's a telephone service was installed followed by electricity in 1957 and mains power shortly after.

The first bridge, a timber structure, was built by the Community in 1957 and the Post Office opened in 1958.

Why CATHIE is pronounced CATI

The change in spelling of the name "Cati" to "Cathie" was required by the Postmaster General to avoid mail mix ups with other CATTIAS in the State. The pronunciation however remained as "Cati".

This was prior to introduction of Postcodes.

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Further improvements for Lake Cathie Medical Centre

Work on upgrading our Medical Centre will soon be completed. The new work will provide:

- An additional six (6) consulting rooms
- Additional space for nursing quarters
- A dedicated operating room with Surgical lighting mounted for skin biopsies performed by GP's

An additional carpark of similar size to the existing facility will be provided in the next month or two.

The centre currently has 10 GP's practising plus all the other medical services now in place. Funding for the work was assisted with a Federal Government Grant of \$300,000.

Remember in 2007 when there was not one doctor in Lake Cathie or Bonny Hills?



Pic (at front) Member for Port Macquarie, Rob Oakeshott and local resident Craig Dixon with members of both Lake Cathie and Bonny Hills Progress Associations at the recent launch of a petition to attract a doctor to the area.

In May 2007 a petition was conducted in a joint effort by Lake Cathie & Bonny Hills Progress Associations. The image above is the launch of the petition at the entrance to Woolworths, Lake Cathie

About 2500 signatures were collected within three (3) days demonstrating the community need for Doctors to be located in the area. Extensive press coverage resulted.

Copies of the signed document were sent to all levels of Government & the Division of General Practice.

Interest shown by Dr Sam Nelapati, a resident of Lake Cathie led to the construction & official opening of the Lake Cathie Medical Centre in 2008 with two (2) doctors practicing.

THANKS DR SAM NELAPATI!

Outstanding projects - report

Footpath Miala to Medical Centre

This work is included in Council's operational plans however no firm date is available for construction at this stage.

Southern turn from Houston Mitchell Drive to Pacific Highway:

We await information from Leslie Williams office for detail of discussions with relevant NSW Government Departments.

Area 14 - Entry Roads to New Estates

Information from Council is that the initial access to Seawide Estate and other northern estates will initially be via a road opposite Abel Tasman Drive. Give way signs will apply at this intersection with long term upgrade to traffic lights.

Entry to southern section of Area 14 is the exit included in the new Roundabout at Houston Mitchell Drive.

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Jonathon Dickson Reserve Barbeque is back

In April 2014 we reported Council had removed the BBQ from this reserve – this was done with no notice to the community.

When asked why it was removed Council said the facility had very limited community use. Nearby residents disagreed with the Council explanation and reported the BBQ was severely eroded from many years beside the ocean.

Good News

Recently a new BBQ (image below) was installed by Council and residents are extremely grateful.



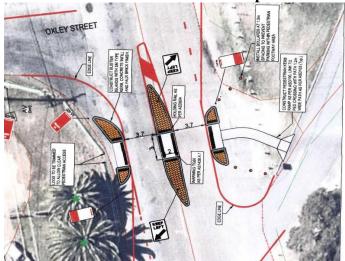


Pedestrian Refuge at Foreshore Reserve

This was one of the Progress Association's highest priority projects and has taken ten years to achieve. Thousands of residents and visitors will now be able to cross the widest section of Ocean Drive, to and from the shops, with added safety.

Council has advised this crossing and others from Tallong Drive to the Aqua Reserve opposite and on Ocean Drive near the Bowling Club will be installed in the near future.

Foreshore Reserve to Shops





Grateful assistance in printing Cathie News

The Association wishes to sincerely thank Clayton Miller, owner of Cartridge World, Port Macquarie for his professional assistance in upgrading our printer on which our newsletter is produced.



New Dog Regulation Sign at Jonathon Dickson Reserve



This is the new sign recently installed near the viewing platform.

It clearly states "Leashed dogs are permitted on Lake Cathie Beach between Kywong Street and Middle Rock" where arrow shows.

The map on page 2 of this newsletter is from Council's website should clarify the "dogs on beaches rules".

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