

## LAKE CATHIE PROGRESS ASSOCIATION INC.

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### Lake Cathie Community Survey

Survey results - see page 4

The 2000 Lake Cathie Village Master Plan identified and sought residents' views on a wide range of needs for the village. Among those listed as high priority issues included:

- Footpaths & walkways
- Street lighting
- Zebra crossings or Refuges at shopping centres
- Additional sporting fields

Ten years later the same issues, still not addressed, received resident support of 75% to 93%. (See some of the survey data on page 4 of this newsletter).

The focus of the first three items above was COMMUNITY SAFETY and ten years later that has not changed.

#### OCEAN DR UPGRADE DEFERRED - IMPACTS

This planned work, which included footpaths, pedestrian crossings etc., has been deferred indefinitely due to Council's financial position. Many of the facilities included in the road upgrade now need to be addressed as separate issues. The Association will take the matter to Council in the near future.

#### DANGEROUS SLOPING FOOTPATH

Correcting the sloping pathway on Ocean Dr from Melaleuca Ave to the top of the hill received 80% support in our survey. The angle of this footpath exceeds the safety angle for motorised "Gophers" and injuries have been reported by pedestrians with walking disabilities.

The Association first reported this problem to Council in July 1997. The last response from Council in October 2005 stated, in part, "At the present time there are no plans to remove or replace the current footpath". This matter was raised by our executives at the meeting with the Council Administrator in April.

#### IRON MAN EVENT

The Community is split in its support for the event with 45% in favour and 40% against. When it comes to closing off Ocean Drive the majority are in opposition with 50% against and 35% in favour.

#### WELL DONE LAKE CATHIE RESIDENTS

The Survey was completed by 633 residents. The strong level of support will strengthen our approaches to Council & Government on the issues surveyed.

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### Meeting with Council Administrator and Senior Officers

President Rob Tate and Committee member Bob Jolly met with the Council Administrator and Senior Officers and in the 30 minute allocated time slot they discussed various matters affecting Lake Cathie. These issues included:

- The proposed rate increase to provide more resources for road maintenance and the need to reseal bitumen roads at least every 7 years.
- The issues with the proposed new LEP
- The results to date of the Lake Cathie community survey
- Coupled Estuary / Coast Management Plan

The Council did indicate that there had been a lack of funds for road maintenance for many years and they will be addressing this if their application to the State Government for a rate increase above the set limit is successful.

The proposed Local Environment Plan (LEP) is as required by the State Government and is basically zoning land as to what is currently in place. Other zonings are in hand with Council which are applicable to Lake Cathie and Bonny Hills, are currently being considered.

The LCPA stated the need for new LEP to include zonings for Schools, Ambulance, Emergency Services, Police, Sporting Fields and Light Industry.

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## Lake Cathie Tavern

1611 Ocean Drive LAKE CATHIE

Phone 6584 8811

**Chrissy Moran is back in the Bistro**  
**Bistro Meals from \$8.00**

**SUNDAY: KIDS EAT FREE**  
(With each paying adult – one child eats FREE)

**TAKE-AWAY AVAILABLE**

**OPEN WEDNESDAY TO SUNDAY**  
**Lunch 12.00 TO 2.00PM Dinner 5.00 TO 8.00PM**

# Grade 2 Bowls Pennants First District flag in 21 years



Lake Cathie Ladies Grade 2/2 Pennant team  
Left to right: N Scott, P Monaghan, L Wasson, M Rowsell,  
E Jones, R Hancox, P Begley, P O'Brien

The last No. 2 Pennant Flag won by the Lake Cathie Ladies Bowling Club was in 1989 so it is now congratulations to the ladies of the No. 2/2 team for this year's outstanding result.

The ladies went to Cabarita on the NSW north coast in early May to contest playoffs against other District winners. Both teams played well but unfortunately the competition was too hot for our girls and they were eliminated.

Well done ladies in representing Lake Cathie at this high level of Lawn Bowls.

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## Hydrodynamic Modelling

Council consultants have completed a review of existing data (from previous studies) The method of calibration for the new modeling is almost finalized and should be completed in the next 2-3 weeks.

Inclusion of depth surveys of Estuary Channels (as requested by LCPA) is yet to be confirmed.

# Our history



Where is this in Lake Cathie?  
(Answer bottom of page 3)

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## Houston Mitchell Road/ The Ghost Road

The road was unofficially known as Wauchope/Bonny Hills Rd, Link Rd and The Ghost Rd.

It was later named Houston Mitchell after a gent of that name who was the original grantee of a large parcel of land in the vicinity of the road.

## Why was it called "GHOST ROAD"?

Given this name by local/yokels because of the many ghost gums along the road edges before it was tared in 1964

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## ECONOMISTS

were only invented to make

## WEATHER FORECASTERS

look good

## Lake Cathie Medical Centre

1459 Ocean Drive Lake Cathie NSW 2445

Ph: 6584 8899

Dr Sam Nelapati Dr Lorraine Evans

Dr Antony Sherringham Dr Andrew Oliver

Dr Brett Newell

### Services available:

Skin Checks	Immunisations	Physiotherapy
Family Planning	Minor Procedures	Travel Medicines
Women's Health Checks	Exercise Physiology	Dietician
Wound Management	Home Visits	Pathology
Men's Health Checks	Pap Smears	ECG
Wound Management	Diabetic Educator	

## Executive Committee 2009/10

The following members were elected at the 2009 AGM.

President:	Rob Tate
Vice- President	Kevin Tye
Secretary	Jack Jones
Treasurer	Elaine Jones
Committee	Shirley Drewett
	Gary Dowling
	John Hunt
	Joan McKain
Committee/Membership	Bob Jolly

## Ironman Cycle Leg

A recent press article stated that the preferred cycle leg for the Ironman event from 2011 onwards had not yet been determined by organisers.

LCPA has written to Council asking that it be involved in negotiations due to the impact on local businesses and residents.

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## Coupled Estuary/Coast Mgt Plan No Council response to LCPA

On October 28 2009 LCPA wrote to Council recommending a coupled management strategy for the Estuary & Coast. The proposal was supported by data in the many studies done from 1983 to 2003.

The proposal was also supported by 100% of residents responding to LCPA's questionnaire on the Coastal Study & Plan.

Over six (6) months later, Council has not responded to the Association.

Our representatives raised the matter at the April meeting with the Administrator and Directors of Council.

On May 18 Council sent us a copy of their response to Residents Action Network (RAN) who had written to the Administrator in November 13 2009 supporting the LCPA proposal. Council reply to RAN states, in part:

**"In New South Wales, two separate and distinct frameworks exist for the management planning of coasts and estuaries. By virtue of Local Government and Environmental Planning legalisation, Council's are obliged to prepare Coastal Zone Management Plans and Estuary Management Plans under these frameworks. Notwithstanding, it is recognised that coastal and estuarine processes are inherently linked. While Council is identifying coastal management issues through the coastal management process, it is Council's intention to assess potential management options in the context of their relationship with Lake Cathie."**

It would have been nice to have a direct response from Council to our October 09 letter instead of copy of a third party letter six months later. **There seems little doubt that the separate management frameworks have resulted in 27 years of inaction since the completion of the first Study in 1983!**

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**Where is this in Lake Cathie?**

Answer

**Illaroo Road in the 1960's**

## Ocean Drive Speed Limit & Bus Stops

No decision was reached at the Traffic Committee Meeting this month.

The issue originally revolved around the need to reduce the speed limit from 80 kmh to 50 kmh because of the school bus stop at Abel Tasman Drive. This has been expanded to include the Medical Centre with clients arriving & departing by bus.

The need for bus stops at the Medical Centre received 83% support in the recent community survey.

A meeting with stakeholders is now arranged to form an updated proposal to go to the next Traffic Committee meeting early in June.

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## Residents Action Network (RAN) Public Forum Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June

**RAN will conduct its next Forum at Port City Bowling Club starting at 5.30 PM. Council speakers include Andrew Roach (GM), Matt Rogers (Director), Neil Porter (Governance) and Terry Sara (PR).**

**Questions from the floor will be taken depending on time constraints.**

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## Mobile Phone Reception

Following the address to our AGM by Mr Michael Sharpe, Telstra Area General Manager, we have had a number of calls from other Telstra management advising the erection of the new tower required was now being evaluated with a business plan for the area.

We will continue to press Telstra to provide the necessary signal required for Mobile and Wireless operation.

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### **LAKE CATHIE BUTCHERY**

ABN: 922 51 62 14 41

VILLAGE CENTRE, OCEAN DRIVE

**LAKE CATHIE**

**Ph: 65 85 54 18**

**Jordan & Jolene**

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**LAKE CATHIE COMMUNITY SURVEY  
PART OF DATA COLLATED TO 12/05/2010**

QUESTION	Agree	Disagree	Neutral
<b>ESSENTIAL SERVICES</b>			
More regular Police patrols are required	500 79%	22	111
An Ambulance Station should be established to service Lake Cathie & Bonny Hills	471 74%	87	75
<b>PEDESTRIAN SAFETY, PATHWAYS, BUS SERVICES</b>			
Street lighting is required in pedestrian areas	512 81%	21	100
A pedestrian path is required from the bridge to the Bowling Club & to sports oval	531 84%	27	75
A pedestrian path from Miala St to Medical Centre	544 86%	18	40
A zebra crossing or Refuge Island should be provided on Ocean Dr at the Northern Shop precinct	485 77%	51	97
A formal Bus Stop & Shelter is required on the Eastern side of Ocean Dr opposite the Medical Centre	527 83%	15	91
A formal Bus Stop is required on the Western side of Ocean Drive at the Medical Centre	528 83%	11	94
<b>BEACH &amp; ESTUARY</b>			
Professional fishing should be excluded from the Estuaries with only recreational fishing allowed	509 80%	27	97
4WD drive vehicles should be prohibited from Rainbow Beach	344 54%	146	143
4WD drive vehicles should be prohibited from Lighthouse Beach	288 45%	181	164
The existing Opening Policy is successful in preventing sediment build up in the estuary system	122 19%	428	88
The existing Lake Opening Policy should be reviewed	567 90%	15	51
The existing faulty Storm Water Outlets to the beach should be immediately repaired	590 93%	10	33
Storm Water entering the Lake should enter via pollutant traps	549 87%	11	63
<b>SPORTS - Council should support the expansion of the existing Sports Field</b>			
	476 75%	50	107
Fluoride should be added to our water supply	336 53%	165	132
<b>IRON MAN EVENT</b>			
Do you support the Iron Man Event	286 45%	254 40%	93 15%
Do you support the closing of Ocean Drive to enable running this event	221 35%	318 50%	84 15%