



NOTICE OF MEETING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that of a meeting of **Community Environment Committee** will be held:

DATE: 13 July, 2011

TIME: 6.30pm – 8.30pm

PLACE: Councillors' Room 1st Floor, Town Hall, 1 Belgrave Street, Manly

COMMITTEE MEMBERS:

Councillors

Cllr Jean Hay AM, Mayor (ex officio)	Manly Council
Cllr Cathy Griffin	Manly Council (Chair)

Other Representatives

Angelika Treichler	Penguin Warden Representative
Rosie Lempriere	Community Representative
Jacqueline French	Community Representative
Keelah Lam	Community Representative
Richard Hewitt	Community Representative
Susan Buchan	Community Representative
Diana Deeley	Community Representative
David Thomas	Community Representative
Julie Taylor-Mills or Mark Mills	Community Representative
Neil Ohlbach	Community Representative
Lee DeGail	National Parks & Wildlife Representative
Eira Battaglia	Community Representative
Lloyd Keen	Community Representative

Council Staff

Judy Reizes	Manager, Manly Environment Centre
Michael Galloway	Water Cycle Management Team Leader

All other Councillors are free to attend as observers and are invited to do so and to engage in discussions, but not in voting, on any matter before the Committee.

Ted Williams
Senior Manager – Land Use & Sustainability

Date: 30/6/11



TO: Manly Community Environment Committee
MEETING DATE: 13 July, 2011
AUTHOR: Judy Reizes, Community Environment Committee Co-ordinator
SUBJECT: MEC and Current Local Environmental Issues Report

Manly Environment Centre Report

The MEC has worked on the following initiatives:-

CONFERENCE UPDATE:

20 Speakers have confirmed their attendance at the first two days of the plenary sessions.

Colin Bevan (No Impact Man) has pulled out with no real reason, which was very frustrating for us as we had already done the first round of media – big impact man!

A draft program has been put together for the weekend to promote community activists' groups as well as promoting local environmental artists and the Short & Green Film Festival which are included in the Manly Arts Festival promotion.

It has been agreed that the weekend program will go up on the website towards the end of July.

This is so that it does not take away from people booking in for the first two days.

The Wilderness Society is looking at having the Sydney launch of 'Save The Kimberley's' over the weekend conference which would bring significant numbers to the site. This will be confirmed in the next week or so.

Whilst registrations are slow experienced conference organizers have agreed that it is still very early days and people do not actually book into these type of events until the last minute. Numbers will be reviewed on 1st August.

Publicity

We have a volunteer working on our media database. The first part of this database which is website, e-newsletters and print media is complete. The next stage is identifying radio and TV media who would be interested in our conference, especially our guest speakers in particular Polly Higgins – 'lawyer for the planet'.

Our website continues to grow and the program to date is up. We have volunteers working on uploading conference details to as many sites as possible. Community groups involved have been asked to list the conference on their sites and include the details in their newsletters.

Manly Council have sent out a press release, unfortunately we are unable to have a list of who it goes to.

The Manly Daily gave it a mention in the 'quicknews' on Wed 29 June.

INTERNSHIPS AND VOLUNTEERS

1 new Intern Katharina Panten from Germany has joined us for 1 month.

3 of our Bronze Level Duke of Edinburgh students have completed their volunteering.

We have gained 4 more Duke of Edinburgh students and have had a number of people interested in volunteering especially for the Conference.

MEETINGS

Meetings/discussions with the following:

3 June Paul Sheather, Principal of Balgowlah Boys High School.

5 June Joy Ingram from Uni of South Florida, Global Sustainability of Water Masters Student.

16 June Thinktank at Total Environment Centre.

22 June Bandicoot Recovery team meeting.

Talks:

1 June Kimbriki Launch by Dick Smith.

9 June Talk on Climate Change by Prof. Tim Flannery, Climate Change Commissioner and Prof. Bruce Thom, head of Coasts and Climate Change.

11 June Guringai Festival in Manly– D'harawal talk by Frances Bodkin at Manly Art Gallery enjoyed by 60 people. The Natural Resource Management and Practices from an indigenous perspective was fascinating.

21 June Judy gave presentation to 100 students at Balgowlah Boys High School on aboriginal education opportunities in Manly.

Visits:

15 June – 16 Students from the Brookvale TAFE Marine Studies Course and their teacher visited the MEC as part of their course and Judy gave a talk on marine issues in Manly and local waterways

Events/Launches:

4 & 5 June - Manly Food & Wine Festival & Sustainability Fair:

MEC stall featured the Boomerang Alliance's Cash for Containers Campaign, Plastics in the Sea and the Plastic Princess, MEC Conference as well as World Environment Day.

24 June - Drain Stencilling & Catchment Education Project

MEC working with Burnt Bridge Creek Educator gave comprehensive presentation to 100 senior geography students at Mackellar Girls High School as a preliminary to drain stencilling. Our MEC Intern gave a short talk to the students.

28 June - Project Penguin Expo at Taronga Zoo on Manly's Penguins exhibition of works from 750 primary & secondary school students all day. Presentation of awards to students by Manly Mayor, representatives from Northern Beaches College, Landcare and Zoo.

30 June – Project Penguin Presentation in the Children's Section of Manly Library Six schools presented their projects between 4 and 5pm to parents and children.

RECOMMENDATION:

Report be received and noted.

Judy Reizes
Manly Community Environment Committee Co-ordinator
30th June, 2011



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Manly Environment Centre Annual Eco- Award 2011

Nominate your 'Unsung Hero'

Ordinary people doing extraordinary things for the conservation of Manly's environment.

Nomination Form

Applications close Friday 19th August 2011

Nominations are now being sought for the 2011 Manly Environment Centre Eco Award. This award is given in recognition for the contribution to the conservation of Manly's environment. The recipient of the award will receive a painting from acclaimed landscape artist Nick Hollo.

Do you know someone who needs to be recognised ?

Conditions of Entry

Nominees must be over 18 years of age. Nominees do not need to be residents of the Manly Local Government Area (LGA) but their contribution to the conservation must be relevant to the Manly LGA.

Name of Nominee: _____

Contact Details: Mobile: _____ Home: _____

Email: _____

Postal Address: _____

Is the nominee aware that he/she is being nominated by you? **Yes/No**

Your Name: _____

Your Contact: Mobile: _____ Home: _____

Email: _____

Description of nominee's contribution to the conservation of the Manly LGA environment. Please supply as much information as possible including the environmental issue, the geographical location, description of any related events and or outcomes. Additional documentation can be submitted ie: photos. This page can be photocopied for additional information. (Max. 1000 words)

This form can be dropped into Manly Environment Centre at 41 Belgrave St, Manly or email to mec@manly.nsw.gov.au

