



SHOALHAVEN HEADS TOURIST PARK FEBRUARY 2010 NEWSLETTER

Another Christmas has gone and a welcome start to the New Year, what a holiday season we have had. The Park has been virtually full to capacity for the majority of late December and January creating a fantastic atmosphere for all to enjoy. All of the activities we have had throughout the holiday period have been well attended and listening to all reports enjoyed by all. A big thank you to the team from SUFM for giving up their time to keep kids and adults amused from Boxing Day until the early New Year, and then Bruce for providing ongoing activities until after the long weekend. In between all of that we have had Junior Fishing comps, visits from the National Parks and Wildlife, Fun & Funky Tattoos, Kite making and Laser Skirmish. Throw in a couple of great beach days and is it any wonder that it seems like yesterday that we were preparing for a start for Christmas.

Congratulations to all of our junior anglers for their participation in both of our junior fishing comps. We had a total of 28 fish being measured. The winner for the bream comp was Toby Richards with a 28.5cm fish, runner up was Kurt Sorensen with a 26cm fish. The flathead comp in the second week saw some great catches with Kurt again measuring in 4 fish. The winner was Troy Brindle who registered 10 fish ranging from 37-57cm. His winning fish was 44cm. Well done to all of our anglers and don't forget to check the notice board to see photos of the fish caught.

On the fishing front all reports are still positive with a couple of good catches of whiting off the beach, throw in the odd salmon and it makes your trip worth it. As proven by our junior anglers there are good quantities of bream and flathead to be caught in the river with prawns being the preferred bait.

The new jumping pillow has been a smash hit with the kids and adults alike, at times when I would be walking around the Park it was amazing to see just how many kids could fit on the pillow and use the facility in a safe manner.

Our new swimming pool is still progressing. We have had a plan on display in the office over the past month with patrons showing a great deal of interest in our proposed new

facility. We have changed a couple of things from that original plan hence putting us back a bit on our February start date. The changes being made are to make this facility better for everyone, I will have up to date plans as soon as they are completed. I am sure everyone is like me and can't wait to see the hole dug in the ground to get us underway on this new project.

Something that has come back to the area over the last month is the return of the Bigfoot ride taking you to the top of Mt Coolangatta, 1000ft above sea level. Drive through The Estates vineyards and see the village built by convicts from 1822, the first European Settlement on The South Coast. The tour is now available on Saturday mornings at 11.00am. The ride is fantastic for people of all ages and operates from Coolangatta Estate. Prices are very reasonable at \$20 for adults \$10 for children. Visit their website www.coolangattasbigfoot.com.au for more information or to make a booking.

For entertainment look no further than the Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre in the upcoming months. February entertainment includes

- Elvis To The Max show on 13/02/10
- Menopause The Musical 19/02/10-20/02/10
- Elton John & Billy Joel Tribute Show 26/02/10

One date to keep in mind 24/7/10. Lee Kernigan will be performing his Planet Country Australian Tour. For more details or to book visit www.shoalhavenentertainment.com.au If you are attending any show at the Entertainment Centre and are staying with us in a cabin, present your tickets on arrival for a 10% discount on your accommodation costs.

Mountain Ridge Wines located on Coolangatta Rd have Alibi playing from 4.30pm on 20/02/10. This is free admission with a family friendly atmosphere. If needed local wood Fire Pizzas will be available to order for dinner. For more information contact Mountain Ridge Wines on 44485825, or email mountainridgewines@bigpond.com

Shoalhaven Heads Golf Course is looking a treat at the moment so get involved in some of their competition days or just enjoy a meal at the Hooks & Slices Bistro, bookings are advised for Friday and Saturday nights on 44488683.

The weather is still warm and the beach inviting, so head to The Park and enjoy some time with us.

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Park Managers