



Shoalhaven Heads Tourist Park December 2009

NEWSLETTER

December is here already and a visit from Santa just around the corner, where has this year gone! We have been experiencing some very warm weather so all indications are looking to a very hot holiday period. The water temperature is about 19 degrees so it is quite pleasant for a swim at the beach as long as you can get there before the North East breeze picks up.

On the fishing front the river has been quite productive with reports of a number of good catches of bream and flathead, and for the ones in the know the odd Jewfish. Some spots to try are the wharf down near the boat moorings, the boatramp outside the Park at high tide and the boatramp at the end of Hay Avenue. Prawns or squid as bait is the tip I have been given. On the next dark it will be worth a try for some prawns in the eastern parts of the river, probably not the biggest ones you have seen but very tasty. Salmon are still being caught off the beach and I was told of whiting being taken as well, fingers crossed a few more are to follow. Reports on outside fishing are a bit thin although one of our guests last week reported an abundance of flathead out off the surf club.

Our Jumping Pillow has been installed and is operational, it is already proving to be a winner with the kids. The sand around the base of the pillow is

still settling down and will be tidied up when that occurs. As yet we have not had the exterior fence installed this should happen within the next 2 weeks. Hours of use etc will be displayed in the near future so as to make sure everyone can enjoy this wonderful new piece of equipment for many years to come. I am yet to see plans for the swimming pool but be assured when I do there will be a copy in the office for all to see. All reports are still as planned with a start date of 1/02/10.

Activity planning for Christmas is well under way. SUFM are here from 28/12/09 until 5/01/10. Bruce Hallam will then take over until the end of January with his excitement packed program. Ali from Fun' N ' Funky Tattoos has a couple of visits planned. The popular junior fishing competition will be on again with great prizes to be won. For something a little bit different this year we have organised a couple of sessions of Laser Skirmish within the Park. We will also have the kids colouring in competitions again so there will be an abundance of activities to keep everyone occupied. Full itineraries of all activities will be available over the next 2 weeks on our website www.holidayhaven.com.au go to Shoalhaven Heads Tourist Park and then to Summer Activities, or from the office on your arrival.

The Heads Hotel has just appointed a new chef, Rolf Hille. Rolf is the ex kitchen manager of one of Sydneys best restaurants, Astral Fine Dining (Star City), and also Tutto's Italian Restaurant in Leichardt. To quote Rolf " I have travelled and cooked around the world, my wife and I are delighted to have settled on the South Coast. I look forward to match the fine local produce, the great views, summer breeze and hospitality at the Shoalhaven Heads Hotel with our new, exciting and best value menu".

Entertainment at the Hotel For this month

- Saturday 5th dec Woody from 8pm
- Sunday 13th Rod Mitchell from 1.30pm
- Saturday 19th The Jacky Howellers from 8pm

Breakfast at the Surf Club on a Saturday and Sunday mornings is something to be tried. It all starts at 8.30am and is great value for money.

The Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre has some great events over the coming months with Damien Leith on Friday 4th December from 8.00pm and Friday 29th January is Ross Wilson and his "Hell Of a Time Tour". Other dates to note down are Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th of January for the Shoalhaven Regional Food & Wine Show. For more information and other attractions log

on to www.shoalhavenentertainment.com.au. This is a great venue and the quality of entertainment is very good.

Finally, as everyone knows, the coming Christmas season is our busiest time of the year with a very large volume of guests staying in the Park. Kids and cars don't mix when both are in large numbers in relatively small areas so I urge everyone to adhere to the 8kph speed limit and to be mindfull of pushbikes etc darting out from between caravans and tents.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone again over the festive season.

Regards

Julie & Gregg