



The Connector

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for the Bellvista & Bells Reach Community Association

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First BeCA Public Meeting for 2016

BeCA is getting back into the swing of things for 2016. Preparations are well underway for the first newsletter for 2016 and for the first Public Meeting of 2016 to be conducted at the **Bellvista Meeting Place at 6:45pm on Monday March 7th.**

All residents, landowners or persons who actually have their workplace in Bellvista or Bells Reach are welcome to attend the Public Meeting and may vote.

It's a Public Meeting so everyone is welcome to attend, public member attendees are not able to vote. At this stage we have 3 presenters (**as listed below**). There may be an addition to this as required.

For example Stockland may wish to make a quick update on any latest news. Of course BeCA welcomes any updates provided by Stockland or others.

1/ SCC Disaster Hub – weather permitting.

2/ Bill Gissane – Federal ALP Candidate for the seat of Fisher.

Bill Gissane wants to use his time with residents to get a 'feel' for the area and to determine the needs of residents. It will be a 'get to know you' session.

3/ Cr. Rick Baberowski.

Sunshine Coast Council Disaster Hub staff will present an informative presentation on being prepared for and informed during an emergency or disaster event.

The presentation will be a community education session on how to prepare your home or workplace in the case of an emergency such as a seasonal weather event.

The Disaster Hub link provided, which can be found on the Sunshine Coast Council website gives residents up to date information on road closures, emergency contacts, council's roles during an event, all of the necessary information on one page. The following link is provided for the information of residents.

<http://disaster.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/>

As this is the first Public Meeting for 2016 we are looking forward to a good attendance. The meeting is open to all members of the community and all are welcome to attend.

The Humble Street Tree.



Were you aware that the land between your letter box and the street kerb is most likely Council land and as such is under the control of Local Laws? Even though you may be expected to maintain the area by mowing the grass and main-

taining the edges, it still remains Council land.

Local Laws say that you should not park on this area of Council controlled land so theoretically many residents who park their family cars there owing to the narrow nature of many of the streets where we live, are in fact contravening Local Laws and could be subject to a fine. Usually common sense prevails.

The humble 'street tree' is also Council owned and is subject to Local Laws. You are legally unable to do anything to that tree, you can't prune it or remove it.

The general rule is that unless the case is quite severe, Council won't react until either a complaint has been lodged by a resident or a Council worker spots something out of the ordinary.

So if you have a problem with a street tree BeCA suggests you catch up with the Bellvista Gardening team who are in the area most week days and ask them to have a look at the problem. The team will then do their best to solve the problem for you as far as they can, or advise you on what action you can take.

Regretfully, as the estate was developed and trees were planted by the developer, the selection of what tree to plant where could have been decided by cost rather than what was in the best interest of the community.

Any concerns or questions you may have over the tree at the front of your home, make a "Service Request" via Council's website or catch up with a member of the Council's Bellvista Gardening Team.

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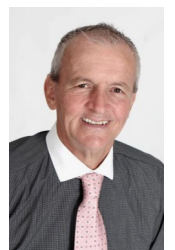
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Entry/Exit Road Construction, that should be ready Feb 2017



Work is well under-way by Stockland to construct the new entry/exit road for the Bellvista and Bells Reach estates. Upon completion of this road, Stockland will be permitted to go ahead with its Caloundra South project.

With weather permitting and no serious holdups, the road should be ready for usage around this time 2017. The photo above shows the bridge being built across the Lamerough Creek. The houses you can see in the background are in the Arbour Estate at the

at the southern most end of Bellvista Blvd. The photo (below) shows the enormous earthworks already underway for the Bells Reach Arterial Rd which will begin at The Kawana Link Rd and Caloundra Rd roundabout near Corbould Park Racecourse and it will eventually go through to the new Roys Rd interchange on the Bruce Highway Construction.

BeCA thanks Stockland for the photos.

Notes from the December Aerodrome Forum Meeting

A detailed 4 page report from the December Caloundra Aerodrome Forum meeting is available for residents on our BeCA Website.

Please note the UAV's mentioned in that report, refer to the new drones, which are now available in numerous stores.



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Concerns Over Dogs Off Leashes



BeCA has received a report from a resident regarding a recent attack they underwent from a stray dog which had escaped from its yard. The couple were walking their small pet dog on a leash at the time when it was attacked and killed by the stray dog.

The husband was attacked as well and forced to the ground. Local Laws officers eventually took the stray dog under their control where it will be assessed and its future determined.

Council's Local Laws say no dog should be in any public place unless it is on a leash. BeCA passes the following link on to dog owners at the request of the couple who have lost their pet for the information of all.

<https://www.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/Living-and-Community/Animals-and-Pets/Keeping-and-Exercising-Dogs>

With dog (or any pet), ownership comes with a responsibility for the owner to control the behaviour of that pet. Pets can be great company and joy for many in our community and BeCA fully supports responsible pet ownership.

Welcome To 2016

The BeCA Management Committee wishes to extend the very best wishes for 2016 to all residents of Bellvista and Bells Reach.

We begin 2016 with some good news, the promised pathway connection between Crater St in Bellvista and Ghostgum Close in Little Mountain is now complete. The new pathway will provide excellent foot access between the two estates but should be welcomed by Little Mountain students who attend Unity College.

It is now a short walk for some Little Mountain residents to access Bellvista Market Place and the Bellvista Tavern as well.

For morning walkers, joggers and bike riders, another all weather circuit has been added to the available courses or exercise.

Funding for the pathway came from Councillor Rick Baberowski's 'Discretionary Funds' and followed up on a request from BeCA.



BeCA is also keen to see an all weather pathway be constructed between Crater St in Bellvista and the newly completed Bells Reach pathway built by Stockland. Stockland have built a pathway until it reaches Council owned land. It is now up to Council to complete the pathway. This will be one of several priorities BeCA has planned for 2016.

Around the BeCA Estates

Building continues at a busy rate with the new Bells Reach and Arbour offerings due to hit the market shortly.

An area on the north eastern corner of Bells Reach is open for sales and building right now in the Amber Drive and Scarlet Drive area.

Stockland are feverishly finishing off pathways and final infra structure work ready for the houses to be completed and new residents to move in.

Even more pathways are beginning to open up, a boom for walkers, runners, dog exercisers and cyclists. Meanwhile down Arbour way the finishing touches are being put on to new home sites in Olive Crescent.

This area is close to the new bridge works for the Bellvista Blvd extension where it crosses Lamerough Creek. Council lawn mowing sub-contractors LGM have again descended upon Bellvista and given all parks a mow and a tidy up of edges. Sunshine Coast Council now maintains all parks and gardens in Bellvista while Stockland still have responsibility for all parks and gardens in Bells Reach/Arbour.

Eventually Bells Reach and Arbour parks' maintenance will be handed over to the responsibility of Council. LGM have a program in place with predetermined dates for cutting the grass in all the Bellvista parks. The frequency of cuts depends on the time of year and to some extent the current weather conditions. Crew holiday time has an impact as well.

So we can expect more frequent cuts during the wetter times of the year when the grass just seems to grow as you look at it. The grass along the roadside on the Bellvista side of Bellvista Blvd is maintained by a different Council mowing contractor. The large open area in Bellvista just to the north of the Dumbarton Drive/Bellvista Blvd roundabout is still owned and maintained by Stockland. It has its own contractor to do that piece of park.

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Recent Helicopter Aerial Spraying for Mosquitoes

Be advised due to the recent rain events and tidal inundation over the past week few weeks or so the Sunshine Coast Council has tentatively scheduled its aerial mosquito treatment for the remainder of the season.

The helicopters are booked for late January/early February from Caloundra Airport. Mosquito breeding sites at these locations will be targeted:

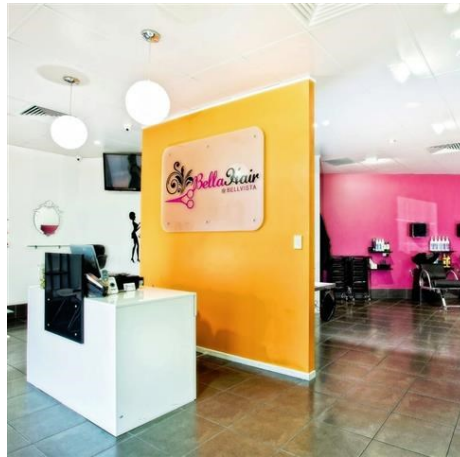
Caloundra Zone:

- Bribie Island
- Long Island
- Halls Bay
- Goat Island
- Coochin Creek
- Bells Creek
- Hussey Creek
- Glasshouse Mountain Creek



The Bellvista & Bells Reach Community Association Management Committee now has its own Facebook page. And you can easily access the BeCA Facebook page, by simply clicking the Facebook logo (above) on the BeCA website. Follow the BeCA Facebook page and keep up to date with what is happening in our estate.

Bella Hair Salon invites loyal customers to celebrate!



The "Bella Hair" salon is soon to be celebrating its 2nd birthday at Bellvista Market Place. After reopening and rebranding in March 2014, owner/operator Narelle Ayres is overjoyed with her success.

Having been in the Hairdressing Industry now for 15 years, Narelle has great goals and ambition for the future of Bella Hair. Narelle has worked backstage at Sydney Fashion Week and has won many awards for her excellence in Hairdressing.

So to share her passion and the salon's birthday, Narelle invites all her loyal clients to a great afternoon of Fashion, Food and Fun on Saturday the 5th March. Call the salon on 5499 6666 to Book!

Bellvista Dance Fitness with Low Impact for Seniors

Are you looking for something fun to increase your fitness and health? Something social that will inspire you again? Here is your chance! I have just started a new Zumba Gold® Dance Fitness Class at the Bellvista Meeting Place on Tuesdays 10am (note: we resume 2nd February).

*Classes are well suited to beginners, seniors, men, women of all levels.

*No dance experience and no partner is needed. Our focus is on FUN and FITNESS! I am an experienced fitness instructor and dance teacher, I modify classes to suit you and am a licensed, qualified Zumba Fitness instructor, among other programs.

Classes every Tuesday at 10am (approx. 50 minutes) at the Bellvista Meeting Place Price \$50 for 5 Classes or \$15 casual per



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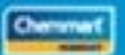
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