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Local Christmas Events

December 11th @ Active Park - 6:00-7:00PM CAROLS/BBQ

BELLS and Caloundra Rotary will warm up the BBQ plate and their vocal cords in the new Active Park at Bells Reach on Thursday evening, 11th December. Bring your picnic blanket and voice to sing along with a few carols between six and seven p.m. If you would like more information, contact Phil Smith 0414 823 125.

December 13th @ Active Park - 5:30PM FREE MOVIE

Stockland is celebrating Christmas with a free, outdoor screening of Elf on 13 December. The festive event also features a visit from Santa, a sausage sizzle, hot coffee and a spectacular fireworks finale.

December 20th @ Bellvista Tavern - 3:00PM SANTA!

Santa is coming to the Bellvista Tavern, Saturday December 20th @ 3PM. There will also be colouring competitions, lollies and prizes.

Christmas Eve Service @ Unity College - 6:00PM

BELLS first community Christmas service will be good fun, beginning with a barbecue at Unity College, followed by Christmas Eve celebrations in the new lecture theatre. Bring a plate to share from 6:00 pm. Service begins at 6.30. For more info call Phil Smith 0414 823 125.

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2015 BeCA CALENDAR

BeCA Management Committee Meetings:

Feb 2nd, April 7th, May 4th, 2015.

Public Meetings:

March 2nd, June 1st, Sept 7th, 2015.

Newsletter Delivery Dates:

Feb 13th, March 13th, 2015

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Have a Merry Christmas and a Safe and
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PRESIDENTS REPORT

And so we come to the end of 2014. For your Community Association it has been a busy but successful year. We believe we have responded to the needs of all Bells Reach and Bellvista residents and in most cases have arrived at a satisfactory solution.

The campaign early in 2014 to remove the vast number of repetitive circuits by helicopters from above our homes appears to have been successful with a long term solution promised by the State Government and due for delivery at any time now.

Through the hard work of our Councillor, Stockland and Sunshine Coast Council the Bellvista Meeting Place now exists. The next task is to see the facility in full use providing a range of opportunities for all members of this community.

The job isn't over yet as BeCA will continue to strive to meet the needs of our rapidly expanding community.

Many thanks must go out to numerous members of the community who donate their time and energy to support BeCA. Without your assistance we could not be as successful as we are right now.

As President, may I take this opportunity to express the warmest of Christmas Greetings to all and wish everyone a safe and Happy New Year on behalf of BeCA.



Warm Wishes,

Les Thomas, BeCA President

BELLVISTA TAVERN UPDATE:

Did you know the Tavern now has Live Music on Sundays! Kick back in the refurbished Beer Garden Sundays from 1-4PM and enjoy the entertainment.

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FINAL 2014 PUBLIC MEETING:

Between 40 and 50 residents were in attendance at the Bellvista Meeting Place for the final Public Meeting for 2014 in November. We had a good crowd along, excellent presenters and lots of new faces. People ended the night having enjoyed some of the highest profile people on the Sunshine Coast, had an opportunity to share local concerns and seek answers to their questions.



After complimenting the community on its great new Meeting Place, the mayor Mark Jamieson spoke on a range of issues which were “whole Council Area issues”. He spoke of increased employment for the coast, expanding residential areas and some of the huge advantages and challenges this development brought. The massive impact of the new Sunshine Coast University Hospital in bringing a range of services to everyone’s doorstep, to the huge employment opportunities it added, the specialized skills which came with the hospital and the creation of a wide range of development and investigative industries which could prosper as well.

There were avenues for the growth of industry on the Coast. Mayor Jamieson mentioned Aviation, Tourism, the development of “Clean technology” and Agri Business growth as just a few areas which would bring employment and certainty to residents of the area.

The mayor was excited about the new “City Centre” for Maroochydore the development of the Horton Park Golf Club site would bring. This was a brand new from scratch project, not a redevelopment of an older site.

He was excited about the new Solar Energy Farm and its potential to further develop “Clean Technology” studies and scientific development hand in hand with the Sunshine Coast University. Mayor Jamieson also saw a huge Tourism bonus from the Solar Energy Farm and forecast the development of more Solar Energy Farms into the future.

Public Transport was another exciting project in the pipeline. A Light Rail feasibility study had been completed with various routes suggested. As the Coast’s population grew with new industries, the need for a cheap and effective public transport system became more important.

The Coast is expecting at least three major sporting events over the next few years. Major Surf Life Saving, Outrigger and Ironman events were timetabled to occur here over the next few years adding millions of tourist dollars to local businesses.

The mayor then took questions from the floor of the meeting on subjects including possible flooding issues for the proposed Solar Energy Farm, the plans for the expansion of the Sunshine Coast Airport, a second entry/exit road for Bellvista/Bells Creek, how SCC could be slugged an extra 22 million to Noosa following the recent de-amalgamation and Council’s position on Halls Creek/Beerwah East.

The Mayor was warmly thanked for his presentation. The BeCA AGM then took place with reports being given on various aspects of the organisation’s operation throughout 2013/4. The Treasurer reported a balance of around \$3,500.

Kevin Hegarty, Chief Executive, Sunshine Coast Hospital and Health Service then updated the meeting on the construction progress of the Sunshine Coast University Hospital. He had figures on proposed employment numbers and the resultant influx of young professionals and medical expertise to this area. There were updates on progress until the eventual opening in 2016. There were figures on car park spaces, thousands upon thousands of truck loads of cement, and a myriad other facts and figures.

Kevin then took questions from the floor, one of which was on the future of the Caloundra Hospital and what services it would continue to provide. Would it still provide emergency facilities? He produced figures on admissions over a previous period. Many of those who attend the Emergency section could have been dealt with appropriately by a GP. Then there were those which were true emergency cases and in over 80% of these cases the patient was immediately transferred to another hospital by ambulance, better equipped to cater for their needs! This seemed to indicate Con’t Page 4

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that another better equipped emergency hospital which could accommodate those 80% moved on from Caloundra would remove one step from the process.



The figures presented were quite interesting and showed quite clearly that a better option was to have those Emergency patients go direct to a more appropriate facility rather than Caloundra Hospital. Finally the SC Council's David Cooper, Coordinator Community Planning and Strategy, Community Services Department introduced Stephanie Hembrecht and spoke on the responsibilities of a future Management Group to oversee and promote use of the Bellvista Meeting Place.

The "Ray White" bicycle was then drawn and there is now a new owner who is delighted with her new acquisition. The winning ticket was purchased with her last dollar coin just prior to the lucky draw. The prize was presented by Dave Cooper, of the former Ray White, now Positive Property People.

The meeting closed at around 8:30 pm and many stayed behind for a chat and a light bite to eat. It was a 'big' night for BeCA and our community. It was very enjoyable and extremely informative!

Final BeCA Management Committee Meeting For 2014

BeCA conducted its final Management Committee Meeting for 2014 late Saturday November 22nd.

Some concerns were raised regarding the future management of the Bellvista Meeting Place. Currently the facility is being managed by the Lake Kawana Community Centre as an interim measure. BeCA recently met with Council to discuss the situation and pressed for a local group to be appointed to the role as soon as possible, but we could not expect any new management proposal applications being available until February 2015. SC Council would be keen to see BeCA manage the facility but this requires targets and budgetary requirements to be met. In response, BeCA has offered an invitation to a local group to consider managing the facility as a BeCA Sub Committee. One role the Bellvista Meeting Place Management Team has is to actively seek hirers to use Bellvista Meeting Place on a regular on-going basis.

BeCA continues to seek a resolution to the restricted vision issue on Bells Reach Drive/Indigo Rd intersection due to a sign and tree growth. BeCA is aware of numerous vehicles ignoring the turn left only sign at Indigo Rd/Bellvista Blvd. BeCA has sought a commitment from local MP Mark McArdle to have the agreement that repetitive circuits by helicopters be relocated to a Satellite Helicopter Training Facility far away from residential areas set in stone prior to the upcoming State Elections.

There were reports on a site behind Bellcarra Retirement Resort used by youths for inappropriate activities. BeCA reported this to Caloundra Police for action. The site has since been cleared by SC Council workers and police action has followed. BeCA will decline a managing role proposal for the Bells Reach Community Garden. However BeCA would be able to manage a sub-committee of interested Bells Reach Community Gardeners who would be responsible for the proposed garden's day to day operation.

The meeting concluded at 5pm when current and previous Management Committee members and spouses enjoyed a convivial evening together as a 2013/4 year break up.

REMINDER: ROADWORKS!!

In order to accommodate the next stages of Bells Reach, upgrades to the existing roads will be undertaken as follows. Upgrades include lengthening the existing turning lane into Caloundra Road, as well as upgrades to Stornaway and Dumbarton roundabouts. These roadworks will be timed to be during Unity College holidays 5th Dec- 27th Jan, during normal construction times 6:30am- 5:30pm Mon-Sat. ****For the latest news around the estate visit www.bellvista.com.au****

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