

BELLVISTA CONNECTOR



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INVITATION TO ATTEND BECA PUBLIC MEETING ON MONDAY 5 NOVEMBER

All residents are encouraged to attend the meeting which will commence at 6.45pm in the former Stockland land sales office., Lomond Crescent (near the tennis court).

Guest speakers include:

- Sunshine Coast Airport CEO Peter Pallot
- Local MP Mark McArdle
- Unity College Principal Rudy Goosem
- Councillor Rick Baberowski and
- a representative from the Queensland Police Service

Peter Pallot will give a presentation on the draft Master Plan for Caloundra Airport and answer any questions.

The meeting is an important opportunity to find out more about what is happening and planned around the area and to have any questions answered.

BECA CALENDAR

BeCA Management Committee Mtgs:

Mon Nov 26, 2012; 29 Jan 2013.

Public Mtgs:

Mon Nov 5, 2012; Mar 4, 2013.

Future Newsletter Delivery Dates:

Early December, 2012; Mid Feb, 2013.

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PUSH FOR FORMER STOCKLAND BELLVISTA SALES OFFICE TO BECOME A COMMUNITY CENTRE

Recognising the need for a local multipurpose community centre which can be used by various Bellvista community groups and the former land sales office sitting idle and largely unused, BeCA will be making formal representations to Stockland in concert with Sunshine Coast Regional Council to have the building handed over to our community. The matter has been the subject of informal talks for some time but little progress has yet been made. BeCA is keen to hear from parties interested in using the building if and when it becomes available. Please email our Secretary at secretary@bellvista.com.au or comment on our facebook site.



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FROM THE PRESIDENT'S DESK

Recently the Sunshine Coast Regional Council decided to revamp the way it organised the maintenance of local Parks and Gardens. It was decided to put a dedicated team into each area to carry out any maintenance as required. Bellvista has its own team of up to three workers who work cross the estate and carry out a variety of services.

Not only do they rework garden areas in the middle of roundabouts and streets but they keep an eye on a wealth of other needs across the estate. From street tree clearing, to the removal of dead plants, to extensive cutting back around pathways and to clearing up litter left around the place. They also maintain garden areas and re-mulch garden areas as required

They even keep an eye on and remove unwanted graffiti. They have quickly become an integral part of keeping our estate looking as good as it can with the resources available. They are quickly developing an 'ownership' of the area and a pride in keeping Bellvista looking its best.

BeCA is extremely thankful for the wonderful work they do.

Les Thomas, President.

DEVELOPMENT OF TRADES AND SERVICES DIRECTORY FOR BELLVISTA

How often do we encounter difficulties in obtaining tradespeople to do tasks around the home only to find that there was such a tradesperson living right within the estate. Likewise how do local businesses promote their services to local Bellvista residents?

To assist in this regard BeCA is planning to develop a Trades and Services Directory in 2013 which will list contact details for people and businesses offering their services. We would like to hear from tradespeople and businesses who would like to be listed in the directory which will be delivered to all residences in Bellvista. Please contact our Secretary by email secretary@bellvista.com.au or use our facebook page.



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MEET BECA'S PRESIDENT, LES THOMAS

You may have seen Les cycling around our estate stopping to chat with interested residents about what is happening around Bellvista. "Apart from the exercise and the time to enjoy our cycleways, chatting to residents is a great way of getting to know people, listening to their feedback and finding out their community concerns," says Les.



Elected for a second term as President of BeCA, Les Thomas devotes a considerable amount of his time, along with other committee members, in ensuring that matters raised by residents are followed through or directed to the appropriate area. This includes liaising with local businesses, developers, key elected local council and State representatives and attending forums, such as the Caloundra Airport Forum, on behalf of BeCA.

Having retired as a School Principal in Victoria Les and his wife Trish moved into Bellvista ten years ago after having spent time on the Sunshine Coast during their caravan holidays. Les and Trish have seen the area develop considerably over that time.

Apart from being - yes another Mexican and avid AFL supporter - Les also has a keen interest in cricket and used to play competition cricket in his younger years.

In addition to volunteering work with BeCA Les is also a member of Sunshine Coast Computer Club and assists members each week who are experiencing difficulty with using their computers. Les also has an on-line blog where he gives people free advice on IT matters.

But it doesn't end there. In his spare time Les is a home brewer and is accredited with producing a very tasty draught beer (which is used for medicinal purposes only).

If you see Les on his cycling rounds feel free to say hello.

OTHER NEWS AROUND THE ESTATE

- BeCA is looking for more volunteers to assist in delivering this community newsletter. If you would like to gain some healthy exercise and help BeCA with this task please contact our Secretary by email secretaty@bellvista.com.au or telephone 0498266059.
- BeCA would like to thank volunteer residents (who wish to remain anonymous) who regularly pick up rubbish items dropped along streets in our estate. Their efforts contribute significantly to keeping our estate looking tidy and attractive. All residents are encouraged to help keep our estate tidy.
- BeCA contacted Stockland again recently to seek repairs to the fence surrounding the tennis court near the old Land Sales Office. The tennis court fence has suffered from over use, normal wear and tear and some inappropriate use and as result several holes have appeared. However the area is an extremely popular one with residents and is in regular use both day and night.
- A comment has been raised on the BeCA Facebook page regarding the possible movement (or duplication) of the current postbox situated near the bus stop near the old Land Sales Office to Bellvista Market Place. For most residents, this is a more 'central' spot for it. What do you think? Please post a comment on our facebook site or email our Secretary at secretary@bellvista.com.au.

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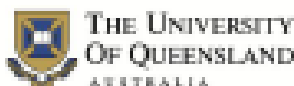


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