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Environmental Review

Waste Water Treatment Plant

The waste water treatment plant, commissioned in 2004, was a significant capital investment for the Marina.

Now, some four years on, we are able to assess the effectiveness of this investment in reducing our water usage.

In the first year of operation we reduced our usage of Sydney water by 75%, saving 650,000 litres of water. We have maintained this level of saving each year thereafter, resulting in a massive saving of approximately 1,950,000 litres over the 3 year period.

The waste water treatment plant has proved to be an excellent investment in our overall environmental sustainability programme.

Dangar Island Seagrass Bed

Dangar Island seagrass bed is the most substantial in the Lower Hawkesbury. Since 1950 this seagrass bed has increased in size to five times its original size.

“Dangar Island seagrass provides an essential haven for juvenile fish, sea horses, pipefish and turtles, but it is the mostly highly impacted seagrass in the Lower Hawkesbury River because of boating activities and commuter traffic.” said Kristy Guise from Hornsby Shire Council.

NSW Maritime have placed five yellow marker buoys around the Dangar Island Seagrass to help locals and visitors identify where the seagrass bed is located and I urge you to observe the location of these marker buoys.

It is also interesting to note that since the oys-

ter lease on the northern side of Brooklyn channel has been dismantled the seagrass bed is regenerating.



Fenwicks Wins Streamwatch Award

Through the Streamwatch Programme conducted by Sydney Water, Fenwicks carries out monthly water quality monitoring of the river from samples taken at Hawkesbury River Marina and Fenwicks Marina.

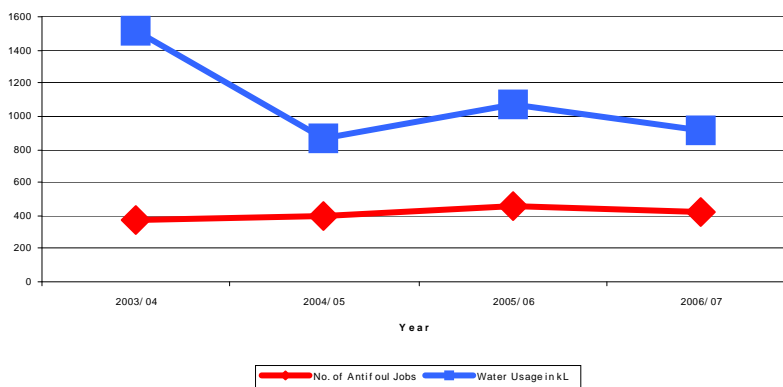
In 2007, we were awarded the “*Outstanding Water Monitoring Group for 2007*”.

NSW Government Sustainability Green Globe Awards 2008

This year we were participants in the Green Globe Awards, Small Business Award. The presentation took place in February at NSW Parliament House. Whilst we didn't receive an award it was encouraging to observe the efforts companies are making towards environmental sustainability.

Andrew Fenwick

WATER USAGE COMPARISON



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PLEASE NOTE

- The Fenwicks new updated website - coming soon.
- Clients v Fenwicks lawn-bowl day—details soon
- Name change of the wireless internet available at the marina is now www.myport.com.au
- Sydney International Boat Show—31 July to 5 August
- Waterfront & Local Restaurants & Cafes on the Lower Hawkesbury & Cowan Guide (free) available from the office
- Fenwicks is an approved Prop speed Applicator

Product News

Thermal Imaging Navigation Ocean Marine Electronic offers evening demonstration

Navigator

The Navigator is an economic, fixed mounted thermal imager. It provides crisp, clear thermal imagery in total darkness and light fog or smoke. It features the same thermal imaging technology found in many of FLIR's most sophisticated maritime systems, but is packaged for users who have navigation as their primary application. Unlike other night vision systems that require low amounts of light to generate an image, the Navigators needs no light at all.



The user can choose between 3 different versions of the Navigator, fixed

mounted, pan only or pan and tilt.

The Navigator has a variety of maritime applications:

- Increase safety & security on board
- Night time navigation
- Short to medium range threat detection
- Man overboard searches
- Day time navigation

Dave, Ocean Marine Electronics, is organising an evening demonstration of this impressive unit. Perhaps a BBQ and beer on Friday night. If you are interested in attending please email Jill at fenwicks.office@pip.com.au

CMS—Honda Dealers

Callaghans Marine Services is now an authorized Honda Marine dealer for outboard sales, service and parts.

Honda sets the benchmark for guaranteed reliability and hassle-free boating with the industry's first five-year domestic warranty available on every outboard in the Honda range.

Honda's advanced four-stroke technology offers great fuel economy and ultra low emissions that are better for the environment.

Steve's Service Tip

Trim rams: When finished with our vessel always leave your trim tabs fully up so the rams are fully retracted. This will keep the ram rod of the actuator away from barnacle attack.

Wake—1. Horizontal track in the water caused by passage of a boat.. 2 Ceremony held if that track becomes vertical

Hi Tech Bow Thrusters



Marine Carpet



Tufted marine carpet is available in a variety of colours and surface textures along with your choice of backing for both exterior and interior use.

Boat designers and customers have come to expect the highest quality carpet at competitive prices. Southern Cross Textiles carpet collection represents the industry standard in marine carpet technology and provides unsurpassed value in today's increasingly demanding marketplace.

The Teak Deck (pictured opposite) has the visual appearance of teak but without the long term maintenance required. It is made from UV stabilised performance polypropylene developed and produced by the carpet manufacturer.

For further information or a quote to recarpet your boat contact Al Munce from Bayside Marine Trimmers, 9985 7884.

Melvy's Wharf, Fisherman's Point—Sunday April 20

Date	Sunday, April 20
Depart From	Fenwicks Marina
10.45am	Board <i>MV Emily</i> — <i>tea, coffee, beer, wine, champagne—antipasto nibbles</i>
12.30pm	Arrive Melvy's Wharf— <i>Individual tasting dish Served at the house</i>
1.30pm	Lunch— <i>BBQ, Sirloin, King Prawns, Atlantic Salmon, Chicken Baked potato & salads Selection of Desserts</i>
3.30pm	Approx. departure for return to Fenwicks <i>Tea & coffee</i>
Cost	\$90 per head
RSVP	fenwicks.office@pip.com.au by 8th April



The first track that reached the lower Hawkesbury River from Sydney actually cut through from Berowra to Peats Bite. There was a flourishing settlement where the track met the river that included a school, a church, and of course, a shop, known as

the trading post.

Boasting a rich and varied history, Melvy's Wharf was the original Trading Post for the area, run by Italian sea captain Peter Melvey.



Lunch will be served on the verandah of this magnificent homestead.

Have you had your fire extinguisher serviced?



38' Fjord cruiser salvaged after an electrical fire in March

NSW Maritime Bar Crossing Web Camera Trial

NSW Maritime has extended its trial of web-cam vision of the coastal bars. Simply log on to NSW Maritime website, www.maritime.nsw.gov.au/web-cam to find live web camera footage of the bars listed below.

North Coast—Tweed Heads, Coffs Harbour, Port Macquarie
Hunter—Shoal Bay, Pt Stephens, Nobby's Beach, Newcastle

Shower—Due to restricted space, limited water supplies, and the difficulty of generating hot water, showers on board ship are quite different from those taken ashore. Although there is no substitute for direct experience, a rough idea of a shipboard shower can be obtained by standing naked for two minutes in a closet with a large, wet dog!

Murmurs from Mainsales

Despite interest rates rising, stock market uncertainty, wet weather and all the other obstacles boat sales have been reasonable over the last couple of months. Several larger boats have sold along with a good handful of medium sized boats. The one thing that has not changed is everyone wants value for their dollar.

I often mention insurance and valuations. A recent claim found the owner was not covered for agreed value and in fact market value which gave him an unpleasant surprise with his claim. Club Marine charge no more for an agreed value as to market value policy. For the sake of a valuation surely its worth the piece of mind. Contact Ashley should you want to discuss this option.

Peter Hallett is well and truly in recovery mode after having both knees replaced. The operation went well and Peter being

Peter dispensed with the walking stick almost immediately and is walking daily unassisted. He hopes to be back on deck in May. I am looking forward to his return.

For those that have seen a stranger in Mainsales office over the last months it is Mel Steiner who has many years of boating behind him. Mel is our 3rd man and being a local enjoys the water as much as we all do.

Now our rotten summer has passed we hope to enjoy a great autumn with less sunny days and slightly cooler evenings. Excellent for those mid week days on the water.

Happy & safe boating to all,

Ashley, Peter & Mel.

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Fenwicks Fury's—Touch Footy Roundup



The enthusiasm was high, the fitness level questionable, the game plan and training non-existent but Fenwicks Fury's was a team to be reckoned with!!

At one stage in the first game we were 2-0 against the eventual winners thanks to brilliant scoring by Dave Apperley (Ocean Marine Electronics) and Tim Eather (Sydney Mobile Marine) . Game 2 v the Poop Pumpers was 0 all, Game 3 v Wobby Brothers was a 3-0 loss—for some of us our match fitness was starting to show!!!!

Then it was straight to the beer and BBQ tent!

Our cheer squad was busy chatting up the Bendigo Pig Mascot who, by the end of the day, had his personal secret service!

The Inaugural Touch Footy Day was organised by Brooklyn Rugby Club—Australia's only undefeated Rugby Club—a feat made possible because the club has never played a game! The Club organised the day to raise funds to provide a shade for the Brooklyn Pre-school and Day Care sand pit and play area.

There will be a return event next year and we hope you can join us.

