

Suffolk Park Chatter *for Baywood Chase, Byron Hills, Beachside*

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What a great community we have, the response to the recent survey was fantastic. Many people joined the SPPA and a large number volunteered to help with clean-ups and organising events.

Activities the community would like are Trash and Treasure, Suffolk Park wide garage sale, movies at Suffolk Park Hall and art shows.

Survey Results:

Results were varied but with the main emphasis on infrastructure in our area.

➤ **Upgrade the bike paths**

Completing the Bike Path along Broken Head Road was the single most wanted item with traffic management at Clifford Street and pothole repairs a close second.

➤ **Sports field makeover**

Makeover of the sports field with shade and benches is a high priority for the community.

Who uses the sports field precinct:

Byron Bay Cricket Club, Suffolk Park Phoenix Football Club, young skaters daily. The two tennis Courts are used everyday, and young children with their parents/carers use the playground.

Some of the proposed improvements to the sports field are;

- An amenities block with change room facilities.
- Basic canteen attached to amenities block.
- A larger and more interesting child play area.
- Upgrade of the skate ramp.
- Installation of a secure netting barrier at the southern end of the football field.
- Lighting for night training and security around the tennis courts, skate park and amenities block.

➤ **Community Garden**

At the Council meeting on 22nd March, Council resolved to support the establishment of a Suffolk Park Community Garden. The location of the garden is proposed for Dengah Place (if viable) or Beech Drive if not.

Next step for the Community Garden is a site management plan initiated by a public meeting and formation of a steering committee. Interested? please email or write to SPPA.

➤ **More seating around the streets to watch the passing parade**

➤ **Access to Tallow Beach improved for the aged and disabled**

➤ **Improve facilities at Gaggin Park**

➤ **Improve bus shelters**

Survey Prize Winner: Simon Perrow – congratulations Simon enjoy your breakfast donated by The Park Hotel.

For a full breakdown of the survey go to our

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The Suffolk Park Community Day 2012 at Gaggin Park was a great success with 280 attending. It was lovely to see the descendants of the Gaggin family who were presented with a memento for their land donation and continued support of the local area. Food, music, games and neighbourly networking made it a fabulous friendly day. Organised by the Rural Fire Service.

Help Wanted

The SPPA are looking for a talented person/persons to help create and maintain the 'Suffolk Park Community website'. This site would be an exciting online newsletter for the community. Anyone interested please contact SPPA

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Hot Off The Press News From Council

* As many of you will be aware there are some areas in Suffolk, Baywood and Byron Hills where there is poor digital TV signal.

Regional Broadcast Australia have recently awarded a contract to Broadcast Transmission Services to upgrade the transmission tower.

The changeover is planned to take place on the 27th November 2012 but exact details of dates, interruption to transmission, etc will be communicated by Byron Shire Council.

* A discussion with Council regarding Brandon Street speed bumps was held and the recommendation was no action but signage to be improved.

Child Care

We are very lucky to have two facilities for the little ones in our area:

- ♣ Byron Bay Preschool Coogera – 3-5years olds 02 66853311
- ♣ Suffolk Children's House (Long day Care Centre) 026685 3678

Sport

- ♣ Suffolk Park Soccer Club contact;
Ian McGlone – 0266854395 0457360198

Suffolk Park Community Garden

- ♣ Tony Jansen – 047903414

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Next Public Meeting June 26th, 7pm at Suffolk Park Community Hall, cnr Alcorn and Clifford streets.

You are invited and encouraged to attend and have your say, meet the neighbours and have a cuppa.