

Abbotsford Cove Christmas Dinner

About sixty Abbotsford Cove residents met at the Castel D'Oro Restaurant in Five Dock for a fun evening of fine food & dancing. Whilst the numbers were down on previous years it was still a great opportunity for residents from all over the Cove to enjoy some great Christmas spirit. Thanks as always to Jan Coulter from Alexander who gets these events underway & works so hard to keep the community spirit alive.



Sam Rock (Elizabeth) with balloons for his grandkids



John & Dorothy Bryant (Endeavour) showing style on the dance floor

How good is Abbotsford Cove



This photo taken from the 'Rock' was captured by Phil Clark from Elizabeth on Australia Day 2008. Phil said it is actually 3 wide angle photos stitched together with a software programme he uses. This results in a great panorama shot.

It just reminds us how lucky we are to live in such a beautiful if not unknown part of Sydney. This image proves that Abbotsford Cove is quite unique & this is why we all work hard to keep it looking as it does with its several acres of open space, impressive gardens, harbour walkways & its many amenities, not to mention our own beach at low tide.

If any one would like a copy of Phil's picture emailed to them, please contact the editor.

Abbotsford Cove official rain recording site for Bureau of Meteorology

We have previously included an article on the efforts of Sue Prell from Oxley recording rain readings from the official Bureau gauge, adjacent to the No. 1 tennis court.

Well during 2007, we received a record 1,550 mms or 62 inches of rain. Rain fell on 124 days with November & December having rain on 15 & 16 days respectively. The trend continued into January 2008 with rain recorded of 72 mms over 12 days. The cove gardens have been the main beneficiary but worst of all the water simply flowed into the harbour without being captured & stored.

June 07 was our wettest month receiving just on 500mms or 20 inches.

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Note from the editor

This newsletter is available in **colour** in PDF format **via email**. If you would like it emailed, let the editor know. If you have any items of interest for future editions or know of interesting events please contact the editor. The editor is thankful to those who have responded to articles & provide ideas & also apologises to those whose contributions have not been included.

Next ACCA Meeting:

**Thursday 27th March
2008 @ 7:00pm at the
ACCA Clubhouse.**

**Please come and support
your ACCA Reps.**

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Thinking of Selling or buying at Abbotsford Cove

Contact Mel Abboud

On 97122500

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No one knows the Abbotsford
Cove market better than

Mel Abboud

Australia Day Celebrations 2008



Captain Phillip (Don Coulter) & his crew row ashore & land at the Cove



Captain Phillip addresses the crowd at the re-enactment

Abbotsford Cove was lucky to experience a fine & sunny morning on the 26th January 2008 when the landing of Captain Arthur Phillip was re-enacted. A favourable tide allowed for a smooth beaching of the long boat which was supplied by Hugh Knox of Lawson. The boat known as a pulling sailing skiff was built out of African Mahogany in 1940 by apprentices at HMAS Nirimba & restored in the 1980's for the Australian Bi-Centenary.

Councillor Mariane O'Connell from Canada Bay Council made a speech on behalf of the Council & our ACCA Chairman, Norm Gilmore welcomed residents & visitors to the ever popular local ceremony.

A band of ladies prepared pancakes & refreshments on behalf of ACCA.

Community BBQ

This is held on the last Friday evening of each month at the Fig Tree on the water front. Tables & BBQ are supplied so BYO food, drink, utensils & a chair. The next BBQ is Friday **29th Feb** & pancakes will be served for desert.

Graffiti

Graffiti continues to be a problem and thanks to Bruce Balsdon, our ACCA treasurer, it is quickly removed from ACCA property.

For Sale

A Bluebird 22' yacht in above average condition, recently slipped & antifouled with new paint. This boat is a great day boat or overnighter & ideal for a couple or small family. It has an as new Tohatsu 5hp outboard, solar panel, awning, a full set of good sails & dinghy. The price is only **\$7,500**.

The boat is moored below the rock in Abbotsford Bay. To inspect, contact Graham Wheatley on 97135579.

Found - as new Kayak Paddle

Contact Alan Squires on 0412 251 600

Large Marina berth for lease at Abbotsford Cove

A marina berth is now available for immediate lease subject to a 6month minimum period. This berth is well protected from wash. Contact Jan or Don Coulter on 9712 3858



Aqua Fitness

When : Monday, Wednesday & Friday mornings

Time: 8:45am to 9:45am

Where: At the No 5 heated pool at the top of Harbourview Crescent. Pool No 1 heater is currently out of service.

Call : **Jan Coulter** on 97123858 for information or pool changes

Abbotsford Cove Picnic Day

- Sunday the 18th May 2008
- Start time is 11:30am
- Sausage sizzle, soft drinks sold at low cost to offset expenses
- Pram races, relays, sack races, tug-o-wars, seniors sprint
- This is normally held in October but the last event was postponed. Get your building together to wrestle the shield off Oxley Building.
- Information will be posted on notice boards soon

Note

Visit to the Kanangra

Everone is invited to an evening of fun, food & drinks aboard the moored heritage Ferry "Kanangra" at the Heritage Museum in Rozelle Bay.

This will be on Sunday the 6th April commencing at 5:00pm. There will be a tour through the heritage workshop & the "John Oxley" followed by aperitifs, a main course, sweets & coffee.

The cost is \$20 per head which will go towards the museum & also to Nola Ainsworth's Nepal foundation.

Contact Jan Coulter on 97123858 or jancoulter@primusonline.com.au



MV Kanangra in 1959 en route to Mosman