



Greg Hunt MP

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Working for our Community

Bass Coast Highlights

PUSH FOR FEDERAL FUNDING FOR PHILLIP ISLAND AQUATIC CENTRE



With Ken Smith discussing the Aquatic Centre

Greg and Ken Smith are pushing for Federal funding to help drive forward the Phillip Island Aquatic Centre. After meeting with Ministers, Greg believes there is a real prospect of success for the Aquatic Centre project to receive funding under the Federal Government's Regional Partnerships Programme.

The Phillip Island Aquatic Centre Committee (PIACC) has also committed to putting in an application for funding.

"I have spoken to both Ministers who oversee the Regional Partnerships Program, the Hon Jim Lloyd MP, Minister for Local Government, Territories and Roads and the Special Minister of State, the Hon Gary Nairn MP, and their advice to me has been that the project fits the application criteria. They have encouraged an application from the PIACC. This application will have my full support behind it and I will do all I can to present their case to these Ministers", Greg said.

HUNT VISITS RHYLL FISHING PARK



With owner Paul Mannix with the fish Greg caught whilst at the fishing park

Following success in overcoming problems faced by Rhyll Fishing Park in getting their business established on Phillip Island prior to the Easter holidays, Greg recently visited Rhyll Fishing Park, to find out how their business is doing and to see if he could offer any further assistance.

Greg was delighted that the owners had been able to commence their operations and that they have been able to boost the Island's economy and add further attractions for one of Victoria's and

Australia's premiere tourist destinations. Greg commended the work of all businesses and tourism operators on the Island.

\$5,240 FOR BAYLES FIRE BRIGADE



With Don Fraser, Barbara Steel-Price, and Len Dalziel from the Bayles Fire Brigade

Bayles Fire Brigade will receive a \$5,240 boost in the second funding round of the Australian Government's *Working Together to Manage Emergencies* initiative to purchase a computer, multimedia projector and ancillary equipment for training purposes.



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LANG LANG STUDENT WINS LONG TAN BURSARY



Presenting Amy Christensen with her Long Tan bursary certificate

Amy Christensen of **Lang Lang** is one of only 5 students in Victoria to receive a Long Tan Bursary.

The \$6,000 bursary will assist Amy with her Bachelor of Visual Arts at Monash University during 2006.

“Amy has demonstrated an impressive tenacity to achieve and a commitment to excellence and I wish her well in her future endeavours”, Greg said.

WATER GRANTS TO SAVE OVER 1.2 MILLION LITRES OF WATER IN NEWHAVEN



With Ken Smith, Lisa Wangman, Peter Huthwaite and Jenny Churchill at Newhaven Primary School

Greg and Ken commended local schools, Bass Coast Shire Council and Bass Coast Landcare for their commitment to helping to conserve and re-use water in two projects that will see well over 1.2 million litres of water saved per year at Newhaven. This project was funded under the *Community Water Grants* program with \$50,000.

SAVE OUR BEACH - SILVERLEAVES BEACH



With Ken Smith surveying Silverleaves Beach, Phillip Island

Local residents recently informed Greg and Ken Smith of a risk that Parks Victoria would close off much of **Silverleaves Beach** to the public.

In response, Greg and Ken have jointly said: “Silverleaves beach is one of the great beach walks in Australia - we will do everything in our power to protect access to the beach for local residents and visitors.”

If you would like a petition calling for continued public access to Silverleaves Beach, please call Greg’s office on (03) 5979 3188.

SAN REMO PRIMARY SCHOOL PARTICIPATES IN HEALTHY SCHOOLS INITIATIVE



With San Remo Primary School students Rani, Sophie, Jack and Mitchell and Ken Smith, inspecting their garden

San Remo Primary School is one of 8 schools in Flinders to receive \$1,500 in funding under the Federal Government’s Healthy Schools Initiative for their vegetable garden.

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