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The Discovery News



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Thankyou to our sponsors.....

Welcome to the second edition of **The Discovery News** for this year.

Just a reminder, newsletters will be emailed to all who has an email address. If you don't have one, a hard copy will be given to you.

As this is a volunteer and MDC supporter's newsletter, you are all encouraged to submit **photos, information, news and/or stories.**

To do this you can email us, Ursula or Tim:

uquack@star.adl.catholic.edu.au or thoile@star.adl.catholic.edu.au

One of our former Star of the Sea students has been ranked 2nd in the world for a marine-based activity! See the Interview in this edition.

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If you like to advertise your business or anything why don't do it in the Marine Discovery Newsletter. Our newsletter is circulated to over 450 supporters and friends. The Newsletter

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Our Volunteer John met up with a former teaching colleague, Cleo.

Adopt-A-Creature

Thanks for your adoptions

Wow – what a response!! We are very grateful for all your support. By adopting a creature you are helping the Marine Discovery Centre to:

- Feed your creature(s)
- Educate visiting school children and public about our special marine environment
- Increase awareness of the need to protect marine life
- Provide cooling, lighting and filtration for our creatures
- Provide opportunities for people observe creatures in aquaria, many of our visitors have never seen these creatures alive before.

Creature	Adoptee	Creatures new name
Pt Jackson shark	The Roe Family	Bruce
Murray Cod	Anonymous	Goolawatu
Old Wife	Pat Doogue	Theresa
Toadfish	Kidman Family	Trent Kidman The Toadfish
Trumpeter	Kimberley, Amy & Laura	Trevor Trumpeter
Bream	Anthony Pascoe	Tony Bream
Yabbie	Bronwyne Berndt	KBEE
Seahorse	3LK - SOS	Bubbles
Seahorse	3LK - SOS	Sparky
Seahorse	Barbara Hardy	Sammy Seahorse
Seahorse	Tate Parson - SOS	Sally
Seahorse	Ned Maguire - SOS	Black Caviar
Seahorse	Olivia Paterson - SOS	Bubbles
Seahorse	R DM - SOS	Bubbles
Seahorse	5 EB - SOS	Squirt
Seahorse	Leonard Family	Sammy the Seahorse
Seahorse	Lombordi Family	Calypso
Seahorse	Hick Family	Freddie Seahorse
Seahorse	Laura D'Aloia	Ninga Bubbles
Seahorse	Shannon Smith	Baden Seahorse
Seahorse	Shane Smith	Ashton
Seahorse	Rosenne Kotz	Frog
Seahorse	The Mercorella Family	Sparkles
Seahorse	Eve Burner - SOS	Shelly
Seahorse	Abi Burner - SOS	Holly

Silver Perch	DeFranceschi Family	Ponyo
Silver Perch	Daniels Family	Silver Surfer
Silver Perch	Kuchel Family	Rubber Ducky
Silver Perch	Zerella Family	Zerella Silver Perch
5 Rainbow Fish	Anonymous	



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Adopt-A-Creature

How can YOU assist?

Why not adopt one of your own marine creatures? We'll send you an information kit about your creature and you'll be helping us to continue our important education programs.

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The Adoption Package (for one year)

Our Adoption package gives you the opportunity to receive updated information and provides the Marine Discovery Centre with financial support. For your commitment you receive:

- Photograph of your creature
- A marine Storybook featuring our local marine life
- A personalised Certificate of your adoption
- 4 Newsletters: with your name included as a Creature Owner (optional)



Our visitors can get a close-up view

Where Your Sponsorship Money Goes

Your commitment goes into the production of the information and the forwarding of the updates. The remainder of the money goes into our education projects.



Toadfish



Port Jackson Shark



Seahorse



Old Wife

Yes, I would like to adopt a creature.

Please fill-in your Details

Name:

Address:

..... State: Post Code:.....

Phone:..... Mobile:

Email:

Type of Creature chosen:.....

You can name your creature? (eg Trevor Toadfish)

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Cheques payable to: **Catholic Education SA Environmental Trust Fund**

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(You will have the option of extending your adoption each year.)

Port Jackson Shark **\$750**

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Globe Fish \$250

Mulloway \$250

Old Wife \$250

Toadfish **\$100**

Trumpeter **\$100**

Yabbie **\$100**

Bream **\$100**

Seahorses \$ 50

Rainbow fish (5) **\$ 25**

Silver Perch (5) **\$ 25**



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Interview Questions for Lee Stacey (recently ranked no 2 “best upcoming shaper” in the world)

1. Do you have your own family? Where do you live now?

Yes I do have my own family, my wife and I have a five year old son named Kiaan, how has just started school himself, and we also have twin girls on the way which are due at the start of October so life's about to get really busy. We live in Northern NSW in a small town called Kingscliff, it about 15 mins from Coolangatta.

2. You spent some of your primary schooling at Star of the Sea, do you have any memories to share?

Yeah I spent a few years at Star of the Sea before going onto Saint Michaels, I don't remember to much, although I remember walking to and from school everyday, stopping and the shop to get a snack on the way home. So fond memories for sure.

3. Where did you go to High School, any memories to share?

I started high school at Saint Michaels, but moved to Victor harbor shortly after, and this is where I finished high school. Coming from Saint Michaels to Victor was a a bit of a shock to start with, but this is where I found Surfing so I soon felt right at home.

4. You and your brother, Paul, are highly regarded SA surfers – how much success did you both have?

Surfing became such a huge part of our lives, we'd try and surf everyday regardless of the conditions, our parents ended up moving close to the beach so Paul and I could walk down and surf whenever we wanted, it was amazing to be able to grow up like that. I guess we both had a lot of fun and with that comes success, no matter if it were in a contest or just free surfing and landing a new move. Paul had a better contest record than I did, but we both got to represent our state, see all of Australia surfing and also different parts of the world.

5. Are you passionate about the marine environment?

I'd like to think so, I mean it's given me so much why wouldn't I try and do whatever I could to give back and protect it for my kids and the future of our sport, unfortunately I don't get as much time as I'd like to be involved as I'd like to be. Even so little things like making sure you clean up when you leave the beach, or picking up any rubbish lying around, as small as these things sound it all helps.

6. How did you become a surfboard shaper?

Part of my board sponsorship when I was young was that I had to clean up the factory. Not the nicest job but definitely a great learning experience; this is where I fell in love with making surfboards. This is where it all started.

7. Waves magazine recently voted you no 2 “best upcoming shaper” in the world. Has that honour helped your business?

That was a surprising honour, in all truth things like that are great and I guess it helps people see that you are around, but it doesn't have a huge impact on the business. It's more about the product I put out there and the service I try and offer that helps my business grow.

8. What advice would you give to students from Star of the Sea for their future careers?

Dream BIG!! Don't ever doubt yourself and you will achieve anything.

9. Anything else you'd like to say?

One thing I have learnt over the years is how important family and friends are. When your growing up things can sometimes seem too much to handle, during your schooling years your school is part of your family. Use that to your advantage, let them help you grow and achieve your goals.



Lee with Kiaan

Lee's new website: <http://staceysurfboards.com/> - you can order surfboards directly through his site.

Port Macquarie visit

Warren Bridge, Marine Coordinator from Newman Senior Technical College, made a recent visit to our centre. He was particularly impressed with our interactive models and primary school activities.



John enjoyed showing Warren around, including some of our coastal signs.

We look forward to supporting Warren's work with developing primary school activities for his Marine Discovery Centre.



Warren was interested in the fishing interactives.

World Environment Day Teachers Workshop

We were thrilled to be able to provide a full day Workshop on Monday 6th June, highlighting marine education activities for primary and secondary school teachers. We were very grateful to again have the support of DENR and NGS Super for this special event.



Rob Tucker -DENR



and Tim talking to the participants.



MDC Student Leaders.



MDC Station shown to the participants by our Student leaders from the Star of the Sea School.



Our Beachcombing Poster was very useful for the Marine Trail.

National MDC Workshop held at Hastings Pt, NSW

Congratulations to Kerrie Trees, Marine Co-ordinator – Hastings Pt, who did an excellent job of hosting the event held on Thursday 23rd June – Sunday 26th June. The Workshop was again supported by FRDC, Fisheries Research Development Corporation, and future planning, Volunteer Management, resources and funding ideas were discussed. Peter Horvat and Matt Barwick, FRDC, also attended the Workshop. FRDC is also providing support for the next 3 Workshops. We now have 11 MDCs across Australia which are part of the network.



Some of the group after a discovery trail around Hastings Pt



A sharing circle



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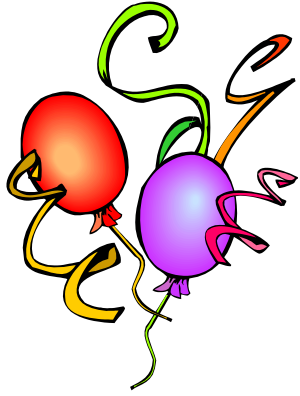
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Tim for the 13th May

John N for the 18th May

Suzan for the 18th May

Sunita for the 22nd May

Rae for the 27th May “Rae’s grandson nearly made it to her birthday”

Nam for the 28th May

Li for the 4th June

Ellis for the 6th June

Greg for the 28 June

Wayne for the 9th July

Ursula M for the 9th July

Will for the 30th July

MEADOWS. —

Rae and Leo are proud to announce the arrival of their first Grandchild (Lovely Finn)

Oliver Finn Ray

On June 2, 2011

CONGRATULATIONS

To proud mum Thea and Thanks to proud Aunty Anita and all staff at W.C.H.

Term 2 Theme

CHANGES

The ocean is never still and a marine organism's environment is continually changing. To survive, the organism is adapted to withstand fluctuations in temperature, salinity, light intensity, water movement and water pressure, oxygen levels and food availability.

Changes may occur daily with the ebb and flow of the tide, as day become night or on a monthly rate, as the tidal rhythms follow the path of the moon. Changes also occur seasonally as ocean currents and weather pattern interact, or they may take place over a number of years as coastlines, battered and erode by rough sea or built up by gentle sediment-laden waters, slowly alter shapes.

Beaches change a great deal between seasons.

During **winter**, with generally more storm waves, sand is dragged away from the foreshore and a off-shore sand-bar is formed. More algae (seaweed) and seagrass are found on the beach during winter due to the storms that occur.

During winter we often receive north-westerly winds.

During the **summer** months the gentle winds of summer gradually push the sand particles back towards shore forming a near shore-bar. Throughout summer we receive the predominant south-westerly winds.



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