

SEE YOU ON THE BEACH

Completion mid 2015

Refurbishment of Watermans Bay Marine Centre
into the

'Indian Ocean Marine Research Centre'

After completion SNEC will be assisting in integrating the building's landscape with the surrounding areas. A start has already been made just north of the sandy access way to the beach and along the northern most eastern boundary.

While SNEC has not been able to use their 'Depot' due to disconnected essential services. 'Adam's' Fish and Chips 'at North Beach Shopping Centre has been one of our favourite morning tea spots. THANK YOU, ADAM.



Dreams turn into reality through the help of our volunteers. (Anon)



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**2015 - Special weekend events
with
FOSS—'Spring' activities
September
Details notified by email.**

**SPRING thru' to SUMMER
TUES + THURS morning
Midweek—Start time
8 am to 10 am
(until notified)**

**Currently
Main sites are between
South Scarborough, South Trigg,
Hamersley, North Beach and
Watermans Bay with preliminary
work taking place as assistance be-
comes available in other approved
areas)**

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**"I used to sayWhy doesn't somebody do something?
Until I realized I was somebody" JFK**



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Spring — Summer
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Seasons Greetings



**HAPPY
NEW YEAR**

Aims and Objects (straight from SNEC Constitution)

- ◆ Promote the protection of the natural biodiversity, land-form plant communities, animals and animal habitats in the coastal zone within the municipality of the City of Stirling and adjoining areas.
- ◆ Promote an awareness of the need to conserve environmentally sensitive areas in the coastal zone within the municipality of the City of Stirling and adjoining areas.
- ◆ Contribute to the development of policies that promote ecologically sustainable land use within the coastal zone within the City of Stirling and adjoining areas.
- ◆ Undertake community-based coastal restoration and rehabilitation projects within the municipality of the City of Stirling and adjoining areas.
- ◆ Develop action plans in consultation with the City of Stirling and other stakeholders for the care and management of the coastal zone within the municipality of the City of Stirling.
- ◆ Obtain financial or in-kind support for activities that facilitate education, conservation and sustainable land use within the coastal zone within the municipality of the City of Stirling and adjoining areas.

2014 Planting went well. Luckily SNEC is still using plant protectors as rabbits are again a real problem in the coastal dunes. Our local Osprey has even been seen at least a couple of times, with rabbit as its prey. Good on you 'Ozzie'.

Plant protectors are off prior to Christmas holidays. Plants protected too long can become top heavy and have problems managing on their own when protectors are left on too long. SNEC attempts a happy balance. Have you noticed the City of Stirling's contractors? They are seen on a monthly basis measuring depth and movement of sand over the inshore reefs. One person is working equipment from the footpath and the other holding equipment and standing at times shoulder high in the water. Findings are important for future planning.

Weed management is a large part of site preparation and of monitoring/management in the years following project revegetation. It is with dismay to find out that a particular local native plant sourced from reliable, approved and accredited nurseries is a hugely invasive weed.

BEWARE: The local pigface — *Carpobrotus virescens* (rather dark pink flower) HAS hybridized with invasive South African *Carpobrotus edulis* (yellow flower) and the vigorous invasive hybrid is fertile and can reproduce itself. A major find for Coastcare, local government, seed collectors, vegetative propagators and local nurseries SEE SNEC's website for Report from:

*Greg Keighery,
Department of Parks and Wildlife*

Another Year has gone by without replacement of essential services being provided at North Beach swimming beach ie replacement toilet and change-rooms. Maybe 2015 will see the situation finally addressed and not left 'in abeyance at this time' as has been the ongoing situation for the last five years.

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Scarborough 's MRA Strategic plan is due for release in the new year.

Among the many topics presented at the Coast to Coast 2014 national conference held in Mandurah during October was that 'Engineers Australia' had produced in 2012 three Guidelines ie

**Guidelines for Responding to the Effects of Climate Change in Coastal and Ocean Engineering'*

**Coastal Engineering Guidelines'*

**Climate Change Adaptation Guidelines in Coastal Management and Planning'.*

All local governments were sent copies.

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NB Front page 'oval' surrounds and indicates SNEC's Spiny tailed gecko., Part of an inclusive large artwork created as a contribution and in commemoration of the IUCN 'Promise of Sydney 2014' Congress.