

NEWS BULLETIN: Jervis Bay Community CruiseShip Coalition (JBCCC)

27 March 2022



Silver Muse, 'small' cruise ship of Silversea cruises, was selling tickets for a cruise that includes Jervis Bay in January 2024

Hi all,

Thank you for all the support and time that you are putting into protecting Jervis Bay and our Bay and Basin communities. Below is an update of what has recently happened, and where we are up to.

Port Authority ruled out expanding cruise industry into Jervis Bay

Whilst this is encouraging news it certainly is not surety that Jervis Bay won't be used as a cruise ship port.

Approval for cruise ships is written into the draft marine park management plan and until it is removed from this plan, with commitments from our State politicians we cannot rest.

Submissions

If you'd like to refresh your memory around what our concerns are then take a look at some of the submissions regarding the draft Marine Park Management Plan, which [can be found here](#).

Petition

We currently have a paper Parliamentary petition (requiring 10,000 signatures) underway. Shelley Hancock has agreed to present to Parliament.

- Last count over 5000 signatures

- The Husky Woollamia Community Voice has set up an online petition for us to share. This is not a parliamentary petition – so people can sign both our paper petition (very important) **and** this online petition (which will have a greater reach, increases awareness and can supplement the online petition)

https://www.change.org/p/keep-jervis-bay-free-of-cruise-ships?recruiter=153196590&recruited_by_id=f201ec1e-5134-4e8b-9059-674bbb4e58f8&utm_source=share_petition&utm_medium=copylink&utm_campaign=petition_dashboard

- The paper petition can be found at
 - Indoor rock climbing (Husky)
 - Boobook
 - Aggies
 - Bunya
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If you have been collecting signatures contact Trish Dyball (0405 611 678) to arrange a drop off or pickup, OR mail to PO Box 129, Huskisson, 2540. Only the original petitions will be considered valid. Contact Trish if you'd like more blank petitions. And thank you so much for your help!

Jervis Bay Marine Park

The minutes from the meeting where the Port Authority met with the Jervis Bay Marine Park Advisory Committee are now available. To see these minutes go to:

<https://www.marine.nsw.gov.au/advisory-bodies/marine-park-advisory-committees/jervis-bay-marine-park-advisory-committee>

Ministers

We have written to the new State ministers but so far have not received a response other than 'your email has been received'.

We met with Fiona Phillips MP, member for the Federal seat of Gilmore, who indicated support. She will write to the State ministers.

Watch out for a Meet the Candidates event at the JB Brewery for the upcoming election.

Other

We took the opportunity of speaking with the Huskisson Chamber of Commerce. They recently did a poll of their membership which indicated that 90% of local businesses did NOT support Jervis Bay being used as a cruise ship port.

[View the Draft Marine Park Management Plan](#)



What you can do

1. Help collect signatures for the Parliamentary Petition
 - a. Help out on a petition table – contact Penny 0408672087
 - b. Contact Trish (0405 611 678) for hard copies of the petition and get friends, family and neighbours to sign, or take to supportive businesses
2. Ring Shelley Hancock, member for the South Coast or Dugald Saunders, Minister for Primary Industries
Ring Shelley or Dugald’s office and tell them that you’re concerned about the draft marine park management plan – permission to use Jervis Bay as a cruise ship port, and request that effort to protect and conserve the bay be increased. Our submissions give detail on this, or just leave it as simple as that. You will most likely only be able to leave a message for Shelley and Dugald.

Shelley Hancock, member for the South Coast: [02 4421 0222](tel:0244210222)
Minister for Primary Industries, Dugald Saunders: 02 8574 5260

3. Write to Shelley Hancock, member for the South Coast or Dugald Saunders, Minister for Primary Industries
Write to Shelley and/or Dugald and give them the same message. Encourage your members or friends to do the same. Roster someone to ring or write each week.
southcoast@parliament.nsw.gov.au
office@saunders.minister.nsw.gov.au

The JBCCC is a coalition of concerned community groups from the various Community Consultative Bodies (CCB’s) around Jervis Bay.

By acting together, the Coalition believes it will be recognised as a major stakeholder and be included in all major decision making processes that will affect the community and environment of Jervis Bay.