



Momentum For Change

I would like to put my hand up to be on the PBPA Committee as an Ordinary member. We used our house in Diamond Rd for family holidays for 30 years before moving here permanently 10 years ago.

Many of you already know me, and others will recognise me from various local activities. I am a member of the Singers, was part of the Jam group and the previous monthly breakfast BBQ team. I have been a regular participant in the Art Trail, a seller of raffle tickets, manning stalls and pop-ups.

My background is as a Scientist and I have the ability to think analytically without letting emotion get in the way which particularly at the moment I think would serve the community well.

We need a committed team that will raise awareness of and lobby for local issues to be resolved (the hoons , holiday break-ins, vandalism spring to mind). I would also like to see a wider range of activities and greater inclusiveness going forward building on what we have; an injection of new blood and ideas - new people putting up their hands to share the load, all working towards not only keeping the Hall doors OPEN but also keeping our minds OPEN.

I recognise that not everyone wants the village over-run with holiday makers, but we need enough of them to justify a business operator running a cafe and/or store. Without visitors that won't be viable, and we all miss the convenience of being able to walk to the shop to pick up a paper or some milk. Others miss the camaraderie of catching up opposite the beach each morning for coffee and a chat. Even though the coffee van crews have done a great job for the coffee die-hards, it's not quite the same. My 3 adult sons have fond memories of Pearl Beach and I want this to continue- I want the future generations to experience the village atmosphere, the exceptional flora and fauna, the unique environment and the pleasure of making lifelong friendships, with something to offer all generations young and old (permanents, holiday makers, owners who don't get here much and day trippers).

In the 40 years I've been associated with Pearl Beach I've seen people come and go and attitudes change but the one thing that has never changed is how we all love the place. I would appreciate you considering what I can offer the community

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