



The Ferry News

MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR



SUMMER 2011- 12

TIMETABLE UPDATE:

- WOY WOY- EMPIRE BAY:**
 Regular Services – UNTIL XMAS – No service XMAS & Boxing Days. Then weekend Timetable until Sunday 8th January. Also restricted service on New Year's Day – first run 0900 from Empire Bay not operating, and the 0930 from Woy Woy will also not operate
- COCKATOO FERRY:**
 Begins the Woy Woy – Ettalong, via Hardys Bay service on Tuesday 27th December until Friday 27th January (does not operate PUBLIC HOLIDAYS) – see web site for special Buy 1 get 1 Free voucher

THE COCKATOO FERRY TIMETABLE

This timetable is applicable for Christmas School Holidays.
Please note that this service does not operate on Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day and Australia Day.

Woy Woy	9.40am	Woy Woy	1.10pm
Saratoga	9.50am	Saratoga	1.20pm
Hardys Bay	10.25am	Hardys Bay	1.55pm
Ettalong	10.50am	Ettalong	2.20pm
(disembark for 11am Palm Beach Ferry)		(disembark for 2.30pm Palm Beach Ferry)	
Wagstaff	11.00am	Wagstaff	2.30pm
(pick up from 10.50am Palm Beach Ferry)		(pick up from 2.20pm Palm Beach Ferry)	
Hardys Bay	11.15am	Hardys Bay	2.45pm
Saratoga	11.50am	Saratoga	3.20pm
Woy Woy	12.00md	Woy Woy	3.30pm



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Join us to follow what other things the ferries are up to ..

FARES UPDATE

- Woy Woy to Empire Bay:

IPART have set our new fares, as from 16th December 2011

Adult: \$6.50 One Way / \$12.50 Return

Child, Student, Concession, Pensioners & Seniors: \$3.60 One Way / \$7.00 Return

- COCKATOO FERRY:

Fares for Woy Woy to Ettalong

Adult: \$12.00

Concession: \$10.00

Fares for Ettalong to Wagstaffe

Adult: \$4.00

Concession: \$2.00

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What's On:

Peats Ridge Music Festival *Thurs 29th Dec – Sunday 1st Jan 2012/*

For full details and ticket purchases, please visit www.peatsridgefestival.com.au

Celebrate New Year's Eve on Sydney Harbour

Enjoy front row seats to the world's greatest New Year's Eve fireworks. Tickets for the harbour islands and foreshore sites are available from 9:30am on Monday 28 November 2011. Visit <http://www.wildwildworld.com.au/NYE>

Magnificent Barrenjoey Lighthouse

Every Sunday, throughout the day, from 11am to 3pm. Tours take approx 30 mins. **Phone 9472 9300 on the day to check tours are going ahead.**

Sounds of Summer *Saturday 7 January 2012, 6:00PM to 7:30PM*

What do a Flourey Baker, a Greengrocer and Yellow Monday have in common? They are all names given to cicadas. The shrill chorus of these insects is the sound of the Australian summer. Learn how and why they make such a racket (and much more besides) during this short evening walk to Bullimah Lookout.

Bring the kids, or a friend, closed shoes and a snack/drink to enjoy while we admire the spectacular views.

Bookings: Phone 4320 4205 by 12pm on Friday 30 December 2011 and Friday 6 January 2012

Thursday Trailblazers - The Wonders of Bateau Bay *Thursday 12 January 2012, 2:00PM to 5:00PM*

Explore the rock platform on the southern side of Bateau Bay Beach. A feature of this walk is the geology of the area and its impact on the environment. There will be interesting tessellation and concretions, a fascinating exposure of coffee rock and a mysterious pebble beach composed of rocks totally foreign to other areas of the Central Coast. There is also the only ocean-front mangrove forest in NSW and probably in all of subtropical Australia.

Apart from steps leading down to the beach, the walk will be level with a total distance of about 3km. People should bring suitable footwear which they are prepared to get wet, sun protection, water and camera.

Bookings: Phone 4320 4205 by 12pm Wednesday 11 Jan 2012

Explore the Sea Caves *Saturday 21 January 2012, 1:30PM to 4:00PM*

This adventurous walk explores the beautiful but rugged coast of Munmorah. We explain the 250 million year history of the area and how the caves were formed, while enjoying views along the coast.

We will walk along steep uneven tracks. Long pants and shirt sleeves advised, then we'll change into gear to wade through thigh deep water to enter a cave, and footwear to walk on wet slippery rocks.

BYO protective clothing, sun protection walk/wet shoes, cossies, towel, torch and water.

Bookings: Phone 4320 4205 by 12pm Friday 6 January 2012 and Friday 20 Jan 2012

Somersby Falls Rainforest Appreciation *Saturday 21 January 2012, 8:30AM to 12:30PM*

For those with an interest in native plants and plant identification, join your guide to enter the Somersby Falls rainforest on this slow paced walk beyond the formed track. Descend through the tree canopy into the cooler habitat of Floods Creek below Somersby Falls and learn of the variety of trees & shrubs that live here. (There are steps to be negotiated – with possible slippery conditions).

Sturdy walking shoes necessary and walking stick support is recommended. We also suggest you bring along your tree/plant identification book if you have one.

Bookings: Phone 4320 4205 by 12pm Friday 20 Jan 2012

Thursday Trailblazers - Putty Beach Geology *Thursday 9 February 2012, 2:00PM to 6:00PM*

The rock platforms between Putty Beach and Bullimah Beach contain some amazing geological formations including some of the world's best examples of leisegang rings, an amazing tessellated pavement and some extraordinary weathering patterns. Due to the shape of the coastline, many of these features are in shadow for most of the day. Your guide, Barry, has chosen to take advantage of daylight savings and will lead you through these amazing formations when all (subject to weather) will be in full sunlight. There should also be some interesting wildflowers.

There will be some scrambling over rock ledges and most formations are well clear of waves unless the seas are particularly rough.

Bring closed walking shoes with good gripping soles, water, snacks, weather protection

Bookings: Ph 4320 4205 by 12pm Wed 8 Feb 12

All these and more on <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/>



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WHATS ON AT THE DAVO?

NEW YEARS EVE JELLY FISH



Saturday 31st December 2011

7:30 PM

JELLY FISH BAND PLUS DJ DAVE DOOR OPEN 7.30PM FREE ENTRY

JANUARY 2012

GANG GAJANG AND SPY VS SPY



Wednesday 25th January 2012

7:30 PM

DOORS OPEN 7.30PM SPY VS SPY GANG GAJANG

Friday & Sunday Night Meat Raffles

Tickets on sale at 5 pm.
Draw commences at
6 pm. Over 50 prizes plus
two bonus draws.

Editors Notes

Here we are - end of year already!! Pity the weather not the best, but forecast improving. The COCKATOO Ferry starts Tuesday 27th - we are offering **Buy 1 - Get 1 Free** - see website for your coupon!

We have been flat out, the SARATOGA & the CODOCK II have been busy ferries, assisting with Palm Beach runs, as well as our own work. Please remember that we do not guarantee which ferry is on the regular run at any one time- due to mechanical repairs, maintenance etc, so remember to please contact the skippers if you are planning to catch the ferry and there are mobility issues, or the need to carry extras eg prams, bikes. We are always mindful of access, however sometimes we cannot guarantee it.

We would like to wish all our clients and their families a safe and happy Xmas & New Year! Look forward to see you on the ferries!

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