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Portarlington Community Expo

Bellarine Bayside would like to thank the organizers of the Portarlington Community Expo held on Saturday 28th February for an excellent event that included all the community and an opportunity to meet face to face with many local residents, friends and families.

Bellarine Bayside took this opportunity to host a 'Mythbusters' game with visitors

to the expo testing their knowledge and just maybe learning a few things that they didn't know about Bellarine Bayside. The game was very simple, read the statement and determine whether the statement was fact or fiction. A number of participants suggested that the statements and results should be placed into this article... so here they are.

'Mythbuster' statements:

1. Bellarine Bayside receive income from your City of Greater Geelong rates to pay for; rubbish / recycling collection, cleaning of public toilets, cleaning of public BBQ's, cleaning of dog litter bins – on the foreshore. **Results - FACT:20 FICTION:57 Answer: FICTION**

2. Bellarine Bayside receive annual funding from State Government and the City of Greater Geelong to pay for; mowing of parks / open space, walking / cycling tracks, roads and car parks – on the foreshore. **Results - FACT:12 FICTION:65 Answer: FICTION**

3. Bellarine Bayside receive funding from the City of Greater Geelong to pay for the maintenance, minor repairs and operations costs of; Parks Hall Community Centre, boat ramps, playgrounds – on the foreshore. **Results - FACT:14 FICTION:64 Answer: FICTION**

Profits generated from foreshore camping fees pay for all services, maintenance, upgrades and redevelopments on the foreshore. Bellarine Bayside receive

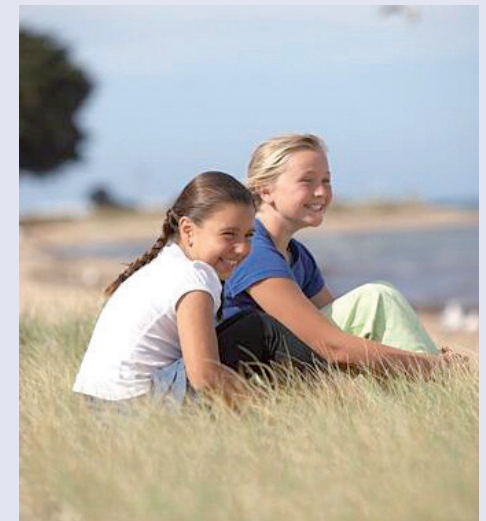
no recurrent funding from either State Government or the City of Greater Geelong for any activities.

4. Bellarine Bayside are the State Government appointed managers for; 24 kilometers of foreshore, over \$16 million dollars of assets, 500+ acres of public open space, 6 beachfront holiday parks, employing 25 full time staff. **Results - FACT:101 FICTION:4 Answer: FACT**

5. Bellarine Bayside Committee of Management meetings are; open to the public to attend, hosted in Portarlington monthly, recorded with minutes published on the Bellarine Bayside website, attended by all standing members inc. CoGG delegate. **Results - FACT:74 FICTION:2 UNDECIDED:1 Answer: FACT**

6. Bellarine Bayside; bring to Portarlington hundreds of thousands of people each year, are a not-for-profit organization with all proceeds put back into the foreshore and community, is a local business with a turnover of over \$4 million dollars per year, manage the foreshore Crown land and assets for all Victorians. **Results - FACT:76 FICTION:7 Answer: FACT**

The results speak for themselves, and it is pleasing that most participants were successful with their determinations of fact or fiction, and for those that strayed from the truth we trust that the 'busting' of these myths may assist in your future understanding of Bellarine Bayside's actions and activities along our beautiful foreshore.



Community Sponsorships

This month Bellarine Bayside has sponsored the following community groups:

- Portarlington Community Association
- Gatorade Triathlon
- Greek Elderly Club of the Bellarine
- Oceana Road Cycling Championship
- Portarlington Walking Group
- Portarlington Community Expo
- Portarlington Primary School
- Bellarine Peninsula Tourism

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