

Nambucca Shire Council.

Dear Sirs,

Some problems are developing in one of the jewels of Nambucca : Gordon Park.

1. Proposed skate park. This would be an obscenity in this arboreal riverside glade which has been enjoyed by picnickers for generations. It is a natural amphitheatre and whilst the sounds of racquet on tennis balls, kids playing cricket or footy are enjoyable the raucous crashing of a skate park would be untenable. There are many homes and quiet holiday lettings in this basin and to have their tranquillity destroyed in this way is unconscionable. Jack Biffin Reserve already has toilets, lights and highway noise and is the obvious choice.

2. Drunken parties and fighting, mostly by people hard to see, on week nights, especially Fridays is very disturbing and often goes on until 2 or 3 am. I realise this is a policing matter but maybe the council could more effectively request police intervention.

3. Council so improved the surface of Bay St and High St with hot mix that they have become dangerous race tracks for every fool with a V8 or extractors or superchargers or even the ones that think that's what they have. There have been numerous accidents (the latest at 5am this morning when a car failed to take the curve near Quayside and crashed into the kerb and a pole...and as usual they drove away with one wheel sideways screeching, rather than be charged DUI I guess). The usual scenario is speeding from the direction of the V wall tavern, chuck donuts near Matildas and see how fast they can take the corner into High St.

This is not an isolated occurrence. It is very frequent, often at about 11 to 12 pm.

Two speed bumps on High St and two on Bay St would be good but a better option (or maybe both ?) would be a roundabout at the bottom of Bay St. This would not unduly inconvenience the school bus or caravans going to the White Albatross but would solve what is developing into a major problem. There is ample room to do the job and a small section of the gravel leading to the tennis courts could be sealed to allow safer parking for patrons going to Matildas.

Please give these thoughts some serious consideration (if you haven't already) as this once pleasant area is degrading due to these factors.

Thank You,

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