

I would like to register my strongest opposition to the suggested increases in Jetty fees and the introduction of Wet Berth fees on the grounds that they are absolutely inequitable and discriminatory.

The Wawkesbury River is our only access, our road to our property. Residents with road access to their land do not pay to park in their own driveways or outside their own homes (resident parking excepted and that is a small charge).

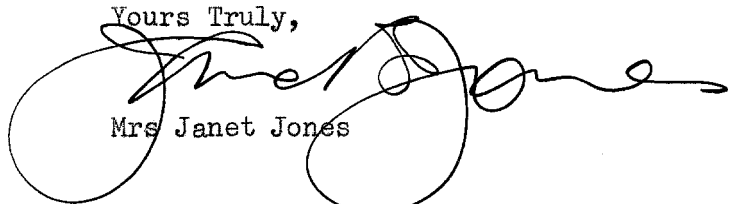
Twenty years ago my husband and I bought land at west Bar Point (Mountain-view Estate), with the plan being to build a small cottage for our retirement. As there is water access only to our property, we applied for a P.O.Licence and, this granted, built our jetty. All our building materials, all our household goods and supplies and food (and for a long time our water) have to be carried up river by boat, They cannot be delivered to our door by road transport. We are planning to retire in the very near future and could not possibly afford such an increase in fees.

A small fee to cover administrative coszs, such as we have paid in the past is one thing - these scandalous proposals amount to highway robbery.

We are in no way to be confused with Sydney Harbour or most of Pittwater - we are a muddy backwater where we get no services for the rates we pay; we have to put up with damage to foreshore and property caused by seagoing cruisers doing ridiculous speeds, and the dreadful PWC's that Sydney Harbour no longer wants (I wonder why?) , and now we are expected to pay through the nose for gaining access to our own land and parking our little boat at the jetty we saved so hard for!

Water access only residents must not be discriminated against and victimised in this way,

Yours Truly,


Mrs Janet Jones