

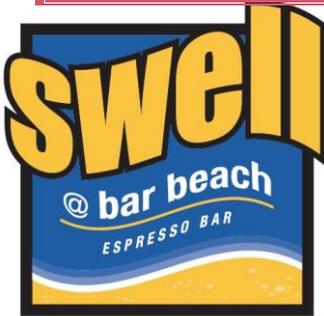
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THE JUNCTION, "TOUGH" DRINKING AREA - 7th May 1952

Newcastle Police should be asked to clean up drinking habits "*in and around the Junction*"; Alderman McDougall said last night to Newcastle City Council. Alderman McDougall said he had heard many reports about the Junction being a "*Tough Area*", particularly in regard to drinking. He had discounted them.

But last Sunday about midday he saw a man "*drunk*" near his home in Patrick Street, which appeared to confirm the tales he had heard. He moved that the Police be asked to clean up after hours drinking.

Alderman Skelton:-"*Wait on;-we will have to tread warily. How do we know there has been after hours drinking, because Alderman McDougall saw one 'Drunk'?*

He might have had a couple of Bottles of Plonk' in a paddock."

The Lord Mayor, Alderman Armstrong, said if the matter were left to him, he would raise it with the Police. *David Barrow*

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In the finest traditions of Rugby



On Saturday, 21 April 2012, 7yr old Joseph Bright (under 8's) presented his brother, Merewether Carlton 1st Grade fly half and Club Captain, Sam Bright, with his jersey prior to the game against The Waratahs.

Another brother, Ben, is half-back for 2nd grade and, together with Joseph and the other under 8's, he clapped the 1sts onto the field at Townson on that Saturday in keeping with the finest traditions of rugby.

Joseph was due to play his first actual competition match the following Saturday. As it was his other brother George's birthday on the Friday before the big game, Joseph tried to get hold of some tickets as a surprise for George and his mates to watch the big match.

We hear Ticketek was overwhelmed!



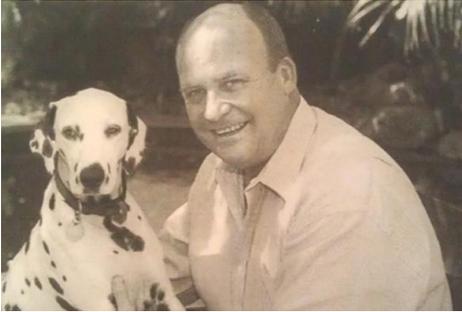
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This month Tamba dedicates his column to the late David Fordham.

"I met David in the late 60's early 70's when I was playing for the Greens and always found him happy, with a smile on his face – a positive person that you would always like to be with – an all round top bloke"

I would like to thank Steve Davis for organising his good mate and David's brother John for this contribution of David's story (as printed in The Australian).



David Fordham's career as one of Australia's top sports broadcasters was celebrated recently at Townson Oval where he made his mark as a talented utility back with Merewether-Carlton Rugby Club in the late 60's. His family hosted an event to celebrate the life of David (Dasher) Fordham following his death in Brisbane in December, aged 62.

In a moving ceremony, his ashes were spread on the rose garden at the oval. More than 150 of Dasher's former team mates and friends gathered for the celebration. There was also a strong representation from his cricket days with Newcastle City and his junior rugby days with Wanderers. During the event, David's brother John, also a former Greens player, presented the David Fordham Memorial trophy to Merewether-Carlton president Dennis Neader for the annual player's award.

A NSW country under 18's rep in 1967, David later played 1st grade with the Greens as a fullback and centre and was a member of the club's premierships winning 2nd grade team in 1969. A hard hitting RH Batsman, he played in 2 Newcastle City premierships teams (1966,1975) In between those years, he also played 1st grade with Mosman in the Sydney comp where his team mates included Allan Border and David Colley.

David's career as a prominent sports commentator can be traced back to him plugging in a cassette recorder into a cigarette lighter in his car and calling the 1973 Union grand final in Newcastle between his beloved Merewether-Carlton and Waratahs, led by John Hipwell. The Greens won their first premiership since 1958 that day and David made his debut as a broadcaster – on tape that is. Many a time he would impersonate the ABC's Alan McGilvray in backyard cricket "tests" at the family home in Hamilton. Through a friend, the tape ended up with the head of ABC radio in Newcastle, Tom Roberts. On a subsequent visit to the Newcastle studio by the leading ABC sport commentator, Norman "Nugget" May,

Roberts played him the tape. May's advice to Roberts was "create a job for David Fordham".

Having given up on his Law degree, David then worked in the Insurance industry and became a part time sports host and commentator for the ABC's 2NC. He also found time for a weekend gardening programme. His easy, genial style and quick larrikan wit behind the microphone eventually caught the attention of local NBN TV chief George Brown and in 1977, David began presenting sport on its prime time evening news.

Word spread of the young man's talents and 4 years later he was hired by the 7 network as its top sports host and commentator in Brisbane. He returned to Sydney in 1985 where he was offered a prime hosting role across a growing sports platform by Network 10. George Brown, who had given David his big break at NBN was then running Ten. David remained there until 1988 when he moved to Brisbane as the network's chief sport anchor. 2 years later he returned to 7 in Brisbane, remaining with the network until 2001 when he announced his semi-retirement from television. During his final stint with 7, he commuted to Sydney each weekend to host the network's national sports programme – Sports World. One of his proudest moments in his final years as a broadcaster was co-hosting the opening programme of the 2000 Sydney Olympics.

During a 3 decade career, he enjoyed the best seats in the house at sports venues around the world. He was a commentator at 4 Olympic Games, 4 Commonwealth Games, 3 Rugby World Cups, President's cup golf, Davis Cup tennis, Wembley Rugby League Grand Finals, NRL Grand Finals, State of Origin and rugby league tests, Kangaroo tours and soccer and basketball internationals.

In 2000 he was awarded the Australian Sports Medal for his services to sport and, in 2009, the Australian Olympic Council acknowledged his significant contribution to the Olympic movement with the Order of Merit Award – its highest honour. At his funeral in Brisbane, his coffin was draped in the Olympic flag, making him only the 4th non-Olympian in history to be afforded the honour. Olympic swimming legend, Dawn Fraser, a close friend of David's presented the flag to his widow Erica at the completion of the service.

Over the past 12 years, David underwent a bone marrow transplant when diagnosed with Leukemia, a grade 4 melanoma, a heart attack that required a quadruple bypass, 2 bouts of prostate cancer and an ongoing programme of radiation and chemotherapy. In the final 2 months of his life, he shed 16kg, but never once complained. His humour and unselfishness stayed with him to the very end. He is survived by his wife Erica, Daughter Sally, son Simon and his wife Nina, 2 grandchildren, Remy and Felix and brothers Bob and John.



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In 2010 South Newcastle Rugby League Football Club celebrated it's centenary. Last year "Making Waves" highlighted some of the characters who represented the "red and whites" with distinction, and this winter we continue the series.

John "Choc" Anderson

As a young boy, "Choc" played soccer but he switched to league when he commenced high school. As a junior with Souths he played half back when he graduated from the U19'S he only had moderate success at first. However under Brian Carlson his career blossomed and he became a core member of the first grade side, scoring over 100 points each season. It was his ability to create something out of nothing and his ability to read the game that set him apart from others. He was an accurate and consistent goal kicker, which complimented his kicking in general play and added to that he also possessed an elusive sidestep.



"Choc" was a great communicator and negotiator, only to willing to help referees and linesmen arrive at the correct decision, particularly when they favoured Souths. He carried these same negotiating skills and leadership acumen with him into his post playing days when he moved into administration at Newcastle Rugby League Headquarters, firstly as a board member and later as president. He is currently a senior vice president of the NSW Country Rugby League.



He retired at the conclusion of the 1979 season after playing in excess of 100 games for his club and was awarded Life Membership of the South Newcastle Rugby League Club. "Choc" then turned his attention to coaching, first at Western Suburbs as the playing coach of their reserve grade side, then as Central Charlestown's first grade coach before he moved on to the Newcastle Knights as a junior representative coach.

John "Choc" Anderson is one of the true characters of Newcastle Rugby League who has devoted much of his life, energies and talents to the game of Rugby League – the game he truly loves.



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A great day to return to the sea

Making Waves was recently alerted to a very interesting event to take place at Merewether Beach on Thursday May 10.



A young green turtle had been caught in the inlet canal at Eraring power station approximately 2 weeks previous, and he was found to be unwell as an air bubble had formed under his shell. He was carefully transported to Taronga Zoo for expert veterinary care and in just 2 weeks was declared fit and healthy again and released to the caring staff members from Eraring for his release back into his natural habitat. Merewether Beach was chosen as the release point.



Every effort is made to protect turtles found in the inlet canal and they are released in safe locations that are far enough away from the lake entrance. This is to prevent them from returning to the lake.

Driving from Taronga back to Merewether, he was noticeably still and quiet and the vehicle stopped a number of times and wet him down to keep him hydrated. However as they drew closer to the ocean, the turtle could smell the sea and became quite excited and became much more lively.

Students from Holy Family School at Merewether were invited down to witness the event and they formed a welcoming party on the beach for the little fellow. They observed the turtle being weighed – 6.5kg, measured – approx 400x350mm and tagged. He was estimated to be 4-5 years old.

Finally it was time to return him to the sea. The children formed a guard of



honour to show him the way, but they soon found that he knew what to do. Once his flippers felt the first water of the shorebreak he was off and swimming – it was an exciting and rewarding sight to see this lovely animal returned to his natural environment.



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WHAT A SUCCESS!

The third Seascape and Beyond art exhibition and fundraiser for beyondblue: the national depression and anxiety initiative, held at Merewether Surf Life Saving Club from the 27-29 April is now an event to mark on your calendar!

On opening night buyers jostled to purchase competitively priced and outstanding art. Attendance was constant over the weekend with the huge raffle proving irresistible – wine flowed, Newcastle Ukestra entertained, the sun shone, the wind came up, and people poured in.

Thank you to our major sponsors Hunter Laser Vision and Surf House, and the numerous supporters and helpers.

Let's do it all again in 2013, and eclipse the amazing \$10,000 donation raised this year! Well done you for a healthier happier community!



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STRANGE HAPPENINGS ON MEREWETHER BEACH



Dawn on Thursday 27th April saw a strange gathering at Merewether Beach – twenty or so ukulele players and a surfer environmental activist. It was a beautiful morning and the swell was big n perfect – right handers off Merewether. The odd combination was for a filming of a brief

youtube clip: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8D5rot_yEzU to advertise the Newkulele Festival happening in Newcastle in late October.

Tim Silverwood's organisation 'Take 3' www.take3.org.au has a simple message: "take three pieces of rubbish with you when you leave the beach, waterway or... anywhere and you have made a difference". Tim met Merewether ukulele maestro and passionate environmentalist, Mark Jackson www.ukestra.com, at the TEDxNewy event that occurred in November last year. Both Tim and Mark were guest speakers at the event – Mark talking about the uke revolution and how it is transforming people's lives, and Tim talking about how much plastic is going into the ocean and how each of us can make a difference.

Mark is a regular cripple (kneeboard rider) at Merewether Beach and asked Tim if he'd be interested in doing a silly promo clip for the Newkulele Festival. Tim was more than happy to oblige, and so the match was made in heaven – at Merewether!



If you want to be a part of the Newkulele Festival – go to www.newkulelefestival.org.au

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