



Queenscliff Stingray Feeding - Press Release 10th April 2008

Since the 9th of January 2008, Queenscliff Stingray feeding has attracted over 5000 visitors to the Harbour. Each day we had someone in the water hand feeding these gentle giants which attracted up to 4 to 5 Smoothback rays. Word got around very quickly with the Stingray Feeding and attracted around 50 - 150 people per day.

QHPL has shown interest in helping make The Ray Feeding a major attraction for Queenscliff Harbour. However, as the popularity grew, so did the need to improve the safety for this attraction. Safety Barriers and viewing platforms need to be erected.

QHPL have indicated that they will be sending a risk assessor and architect around, and until Safety Barriers and better viewing platforms are installed, they have requested us to cease this attraction until all the necessary infrastructures are put in place.

This will be a positive thing for Queenscliff and we are prepared to postpone the daily feedings until a better infrastructure can be put in place. Our first priority and responsibility is for public safety.

We see this as a short term postponement and will re - launch Queenscliff Stingray feeding once proper facilities are in place.

Thank you so much for all the community support and we will look forward in bringing Queenscliff an exciting new attraction.

Best wishes

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