KURNELL COMMUNITY UPDATE



October 2025

Vessel incident - 27 September

On Saturday 27 September, a vessel berthed at the Ampol Wharf experienced a mechanical fault that resulted in a brief discharge of black smoke. We acknowledge the concern this incident caused and extend our apologies to the community.

Ampol personnel and the ship's crew acted immediately to halt operations and minimise emissions. A formal Letter of Protest was issued to the vessel by Ampol, and a full incident investigation was initiated. Ampol notified the NSW Environmental Protection Authority, marine regulators and received calls to the community hotline noting the black smoke.

Repairs were successfully completed by the vessel operators and systems were restarted on the morning of Sunday 28 September.

Formal investigations are continuing and the vessel is not permitted to return to the wharf until the Ampol Marine Assurance team is satisfied with the outcomes.

Foam transition testing

Ampol is advancing its environmental safeguards by transitioning to fluorine-free firefighting foams across all NSW sites, in alignment with the NSW Environment Protection Authority's directive.

As part of this shift, the Kurnell Terminal will conduct comprehensive testing of our new non-PFAS foam systems, including mobile emergency response units. Over the coming weeks, you may observe terminal fire trucks and appliances being activated. These activities are planned and will occur in a strictly controlled environment.

This testing is a critical step in ensuring our emergency response systems not only meet environmental standards but remain fully capable of protecting the community.



Kurnell Village Festival - presented by Ampol

Ampol is proud to be presenting partner of the Kurnell Village Festival, taking place on Sunday 2 November. This partnership reflects Ampol's ongoing commitment to supporting local initiatives that strengthen community connections.

The festival will be a full day of activities, entertainment and local engagement. Ampol has worked closely with event organisers to help deliver a program that provides something for all age groups. The event will feature live music, food stalls, market vendors, kids' activities and community displays. We look forward to a great day!

An update on the MOD - 7 Planning Application

Ampol continues to progress Mod 7 at the Kurnell Terminal, with feedback from the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure (DPHI), agencies, and the community under active review. We are committed to addressing comments and providing further technical detail and updated assessments as part of our comprehensive Submissions Report.

We acknowledge the concerns raised and appreciate the community's engagement throughout the public exhibition phase. From our initial review, human safety and wellbeing, environmental impact, and transparency are the priorities our stakeholders expect to see effectively managed through Mod-7. These themes will be addressed in our Response to Submissions Report, which will be lodged with DPHI in 2025 and made publicly available via their planning portal.

We continue to engage directly with DPHI, Sutherland Shire Council, and other critical stakeholders to ensure strategic alignment. Updates will be delivered through newsletters, our website, and upcoming information sessions. Community questions are welcomed at any time via our 24/7 contact channels.

We are committed to maintaining safe and reliable operations and transparent communication.

TERMINAL SIREN

Our siren is tested everyday at 12noon with a 1 x 10 second blast, and 2 x 10 second blasts on Monday.

The siren is for on-site personnel only and people in the community do not need to take action.

In the unlikely event of a major incident, that has potential to impact the community, Ampol will provide initial alerts and information via its community notification platform. Residents are advised to always follow and direction from emergency services.

To subscribe to the platform, scan the QR code below and complete the form, or forms are available at the Silver Beach Cafe and Post Office.



CONTACT US

For enquiries, questions or complaints, please contact us via the following:

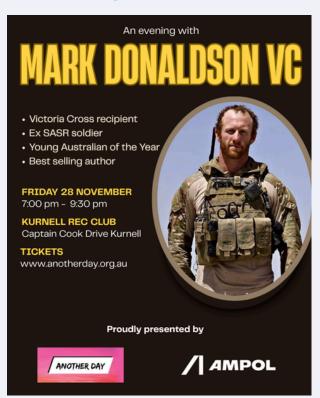
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An evening with Mark Donaldson VC



Ampol has partnered with Another Day, a shire based mental health group, to host a special event in Kurnell.

On 2 September 2008, in eastern Afghanistan, Trooper Mark Donaldson made a split-second decision that would change his life. His display of extraordinary courage saw him awarded the Victoria Cross for Australia, making him the first Australian to receive our highest award for bravery since 1969.

Mark has authored a best-selling autobiography "The Crossroad - Life, Death and the SAS" and was also awarded Young Australian of the Year in 2010.

This is your rare opportunity to hear from one of our nation's most inspiring leaders and gain a unique insight into courage, leadership and resilience.

For tickets, head to www.anotherday.org.au