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**Subject:** The Joey

I have read with dismay the Sydney Morning Herald article re the new Barrenjoey Boatshed known as The Joey.

As a local along with many friends, we eagerly awaited the completion of this beautiful new restaurant, one of so few we are able to enjoy right on the water.

I am actually stunned to learn that a few supposed locals have objected to the restaurant being able to trade after 4pm due to supposed noise!! There are no residences anywhere near the place!

There is something decidedly fishy about this!!

Could it possibly be sour grapes due to a lost tender or some selfish Eastern Suburbs holiday home owners, whom I would have thought would welcome such a lovely venue, where they could entertain themselves or visiting friends.

The owners of this new establishment have poured millions into creating a wonderful place for all to enjoy, and am sure they were led to believe that trade could continue as it had with the previous owners.

I humbly ask you to please do the right thing and restore permission for dinner and evening event catering such as weddings to take place at The Joey.

What a showcase for our beautiful area!

Once again there is something very very suspicious about the decision you have taken it seems, despite more people in support than in opposition.

Yours sincerely,

Rona Milne