

# **President's report**

The Spring issue of the newsletter has been released in tandem with promotion of the Taroona Primary School's Seaside Festival. All of the community is invited to attend this wonderful and colourful event on Saturday, 10 November. Thousands have attended in previous years. It should not be missed!

The issue of climate change remains squarely on the national agenda particularly with a federal election looming. The main political parties agree that this is a major environmental and global issue.

TCA has being working at the local level to raise community awareness of the issue of climate change. In July, 90 Taroona residents gathered in the local hall for Al Gore's movie – "An Inconvenient Truth". This was followed a few weeks later by a presentation, with more recent and local data, from Peter Boyer, one of Al Gore's trained presenters.

TCA is now organising a workshop to develop Taroona community and personal actions to contribute to slowing this global process. The workshop will be held as part of the TCA's Annual General Meeting on 22 November and will be facilitated by Margaret Steadman from Sustainable Living Tasmania. Over the past 6 months, Margaret has been running similar workshops throughout south-eastern Tasmania. I invite you to come along to contribute your ideas on what we can do together and individually!

### Local government elections

In mid-October registered voters will receive Kingborough Council candidate information and ballot papers for the Local Government elections to be held between 20 and 30 October, with the postal ballot closing on 30 October. If you are interested in local issues in how your rates are spent - then I enoucrage you to participate in the forthcoming local government elections. To assist with making your voting selection, the TCA invites residents to "Meet the Candidate" at 7.30pm, Tuesday 23 October at the Taroona Community Hall. All welcome.

### Join your community association

With the AGM coming up in November, there is an opportunity for new or long term residents who are interested in local community issues to join our committee. The group meets monthly and organises speakers and other events for the general community three times a year. Please contact me if your want to become involved, or just come along to the meeting on the night.

## **Channel Highway safety issues**

After considerable lobbying, the TCA has been recently informed by Council that they will not be funding the construction of long-awaited pedestrian safety islands in 2007-2008 due to the road works being undertaken in central Kingston. Taroona has been waiting too long for action on this issue. The funding of these improvements amounts to around \$25,000. We are now working on a proposition to them to fund each island individually (about \$6000 per island) with the Oakleigh Avenue island having the highest priority.

## **Community garden**

In July, the Council mailed a letter to all Taroona households seeking feedback on an exciting proposal to develop a community and neighbourhood garden in Taroona Park. The proposal is fully supported by the TCA, as it will bring the community together to grow organic produce whilst developing skills, and providing an innovative community solution to global warming. It is expected the Council will report on the outcome of the community survey this month. If you want to get involved in the group organising the garden please contact David Stephen - 6227 8390.

Jill Hickie, President

## October

- Tue 23: Meet the candidate
- Sun 28: Market 10 am to 3 pm,

#### Shopping Centre November

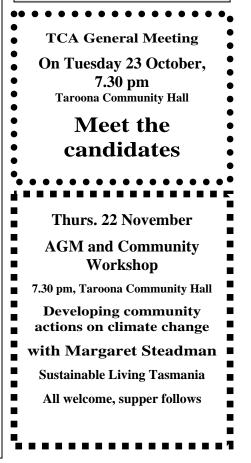
- Sun 4: TEN working bee
- Wed 7: Taroona Garden Forum
- Fri 9: St Luke's Fair
- Sat 10: Seaside Festival, Taroona Primary School
- Thu. 22: TCA AGM and community forum
- Sun. 25: Market 10 am to 3 pm, Shopping Centre

### December

• Sun 2: TEN end of year barbeque, Taroona Park 12 - 3pm

- Wed 5: Taroona Garden Forum
- Sun. 16: Market 10 am to 3 pm,

Shopping Centre





#### Run by community volunteers Now we are moving into Spring, our library books are just the thing.

#### **Opening hours**

Mon: 10.30 am - 2.30 pm Tues: 10.30 am - 2.30 pm Friday: 10.30 am - 4.30 pm Saturday: 10.30 am - noon

'Electric' reading- charge your brain to deal with Christmas rush again!

# **Taroona Bowls Club**

Are you a Lawn Bowler looking for a change of scenery? Are you coming out of one sport and looking for another? Or, are you just tired of socialising at the same pub or Club? If so you should check out the Taroona Bowls Club. Open seven days a week from 4pm.

The Club competes in ladies, men's and men's midweek summer pennants, and there are regular Social Bowling days. Social membership is \$25 per year, Social Bowling Membership is \$30 per year.

If you are serious about the sport, membership is only \$70 for a first year bowler, and full membership just \$170. These last two categories allow members to participate in all pennant competitions and Club and Association Championships.

Taroona Bowls Club has a great social atmosphere. Functions are held regularly, and we have full catering facilities and budget priced counter teas every Friday and Saturday evening.

The Club is also the "home" of the Taroona Football Club, the Taroona Eight Ball Club, while the Taroona Apex club meets there every second Wednesday.

For more information, call the club after 4 pm any day on 62 278243 or the General Manager on 0419 889419. New members always welcome.

#### Taroona Community Market

10 am -3 pm, last Sunday of each month in the Taroona Village Shopping Centre.

We aim to provide a friendly atmosphere and to help maintain community spirit in Taroona while the fate of the shopping centre is in the balance. Free tea and coffee provided by members of St Luke's Anglican church.

Taroona Community Library is also open on market day.

For more information or to book a stall (\$5 per table) please phone 62279697.



## Taroona Environment Network

#### Aboriginal midden interpretation

An interpretation panel has recently been installed on the Taroona High School point. The panel was funded by the Australian Government Envirofund grant scheme, administered by Taroona Environment Network. Take a stroll to the midden on the foreshore below the High School's soccer field to discover how this area was used by Aboriginal groups for many thousands of years. We are very fortunate to have evidence beneath our feet of their rich heritage. TEN would like to thank Liz Haywood and Peter Boyer for producing the excellent interpretation panel, and Jenny Rayner, Deputy Principal, Taroona High School for the school's support of the project.

#### **Coastal Plant booklet**

Again, with funds from the Australian Government's Envirofund scheme, TEN have been able to produce another great community resource. This colour pocket booklet describes 10 of our most common native coastal species – their Aboriginal use, European use, landscape use and how they provide habitat for our local wildlife. Designed as a resource for everyone, it will be of particular use to students of the Primary and High Schools. The free booklet will be launched by TEN at the Taroona Seaside Festival on 10 November.

#### Taroona Fire Brigade

TEN members would like to thank Taroona Fire Brigade volunteers for assisting the group to burn some large weed piles resulting from several working bees. They are a very professional crew and their assistance has been greatly appreciated – by both the group and the High School.

Further information: TEN President - Gustaaf Hallegraeff Phone: 6227 9570

## **Piano lessons**

Term 3 vacancies now available for beginners and returning students. All ages welcome.

Come and enjoy making music in an encouraging environment.

Phone: Rosemary Cordy 6227 9334 mob. 0424 824 539

Contributions to this newsletter can be sent to: *deirdrebrown@tasmail.com* or to 211 Channel Highway We welcome articles and advertisements from community groups, or submissions about local events and issues (no charge.) Back page ads are only \$10 per issue, and we also ask advertisers to join the Association (only \$10 per year.)

# Taroona Community Association Inc.

The Taroona Community Association is a non-profit group established on 14 June 1996 to serve and represent the community of Taroona. Meetings are open to all residents and an annual meeting elects a committee to conduct the Association's business. President: Jill Hickie, 4 Devon Walk, Taroona. Phone 6227 8544 Secretary: Roger Kellaway, 35 Delta Avenue, Taroona. Phone 6227 8374 Treasurer: Karl van Drunen, 15 Norwood Avenue. Phone 6227 8552 Editor: Deirdre Brown. Phone 6227 8611

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