



Taroona Community Association Newsletter

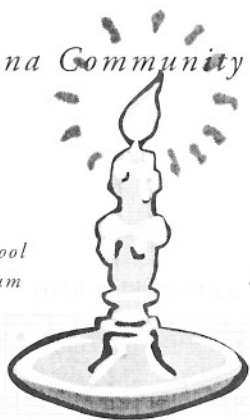
November 2002

Join us this Christmas for the...

Taroona Community Carols

Taroona
High School
Gymnasium

7.00 pm
on Sunday
8 December



The Taroona Community Carols evening is on again! Organised by the churches of Taroona, this year's program features the ABC Giving Tree Children's Choir and presentations by students from Taroona Primary School and Taroona High School. As always though, the evening focuses on audience participation – a great opportunity to sing some familiar, much-loved Christmas tunes as loudly as you like without fear of surprising anyone. All members of the Taroona Community are very welcome.

Annual General Meeting

21 November

An invitation is extended to all residents to the Annual General Meeting which will be held on **Thursday 21 November at 7.30 pm** at the **Taroona Community Hall**. Kingborough Council Tourism Development Officer Alan Robson will speak on *Tourism in the Kingborough Area*. Please bring a plate to share for supper.



Adopt-a-highway, Saturday 7 December 2002, 9.00am

It's time again for our Litter Drive. Committee members and volunteers meet at the Doctor's surgery to receive gloves and plastic bags and a luminous vest supplied by Kingborough Council. If you are interested in helping contact Roger Kellaway on 6227 8374, or just come along. Additional volunteers are always welcome.



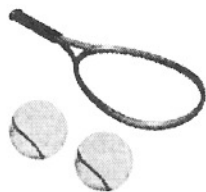
ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY



Santa's visiting ...

For the 53rd year in a row, Santa will be making an early visit to the children of Taroona. Complete with sleigh and reindeer, Santa will be touring Taroona streets, dispensing good cheer, lollies, balloons and icy poles. He'll begin his afternoon visit on Saturday 14 December at Taronga Road at 1.00pm and from there will make his way to Grange Avenue. Don't miss him!

Taroona Tennis Club



The Taroona Tennis Club, attractively set in Taroona Park, has been providing pleasure, exercise and companionship for residents of Taroona and nearby suburbs for about forty years. The

four courts are regularly maintained and this year extensive improvements have been made to the clubhouse.

The Club enters teams in the midweek ladies' competition, the AYC evening competition and the junior pennant. There is mixed social tennis each Saturday from 1.00pm and Wednesday from 7.30pm. Other social groups operate during the week and there is the occasional Sunday social day including the annual day with the Veteran's Tennis Association and the Kingborough Festival of Tennis. New members are always welcome. For further information ring Diane Balding on 6227 9232.

Taroona Scout Group



The Taroona Scout Group has been an important part of our community for the last 50 years. During that time hundreds of children, their parents and leaders have participated in and thrived on scouting activities aimed at discovering fellowship, learning life skills and

unleashing skills and talents through sea and land based adventures and fun.

The group relies on a dedicated team of leaders to plan, arrange and run meetings, camps and activities for our children who range in age from eight to over twenty. The leaders team comprises:

Leader in charge: Simon Stephens
 Venturers: Simon Stephens
 Scouts: Janet Stephens
 Cub Scouts: Doug Nicol, Ross James, Evelyn Meerding

Supporting the leaders is the Group Committee comprising:

President: Mike Green
 Treasurer: David Watts
 Secretary: June Flood
 Committee: Fran Peacock, Graeme Hunt, Anna Jones, Katherine Scoles

In addition to the leaders and the committee, the group relies upon parents and friends to provide invaluable help with scouting activities and running of the group. Altogether it is a friendly and encouraging team of people who provide a total environment within which many of our sons and daughters have achieved many personal and team goals over the years.

If you or your family would like to join in scouting activities or if you know of anyone who would be interested in a leadership role, please contact Simon on 6227 8204 or Mike on 6227 9139.

The more mature of our community can recall the 'bob-a-job' days and drives recovering caches of bottles from spider haunts as key fundraisers. Today we rely on alternatives such as monster garage sales, chocolate or lamington drives and donations to maintain finances at a level sufficient to run our hall and maintain vital equipment. The community's support has always been important so please look out for our fundraisers.

Scouting is a fun experience offering a wide variety of learnings for not only the young of age but also the young of heart. It would be great to have you join us and participate in the fellowship of scouting.

Dates to remember

TCA Annual General Meeting 21 November
 Taroona Environment Network working bee (contact 6227 9691) 1 December
 Adopt-a-Highway Litter Drive 7 December
 Taroona Community Carols, 7.00pm 8 December
 Santa visits Taroona 14 December
 TCA Committee meetings
 2nd Monday each month, 7.30 pm Taroona Hall

Taroona Fire Brigade

The Taroona Fire Brigade was founded by Mark Ashton in 1946. We currently have about twelve members who are all employed at different times of the day and night. At the moment we are struggling to get crews together to respond to fire calls. We are only allowed to respond to a structural fire call with a minimum of four crew and a minimum of two to a bush fire. As the Taroona Fire Brigade is a volunteer brigade many people are not aware of us. *If we don't expand our membership within twelve months we will be downgraded to a bush fire brigade only and will lose our structural status*, which Taroona cannot afford to lose! Our members have given up a lot of their own time to complete structural fire fighting courses which are both value to them and to the community.



We are seeking people who are interested in joining our brigade to better themselves and the community. You must be over 18 years old to become a senior member. The days of the fire brigade being male dominated are gone. The Tas Fire Service has a large number of females in both the volunteer and career brigades. We train every second Tuesday evening at the Taroona Fire Station. Anyone interested in joining our brigade should contact Ben Erends (First Officer) on 0419 878244.

Contributing to your community Newsletter



The Taroona Community Association Newsletter is the voice of Taroona. The next Newsletter will be published in February 2003.

Your contribution — a community announcement or a news item — will be very welcome. All written contributions must be signed with your name and should include your telephone number.

Send your contributions to the Editor, 43 Hinsby Road, Taroona, 7053, or email them to ehaywood@netspace.net.au

Kingborough Dog Walking Association

The Kingborough Dog Walking Association (KDWA) was formed in 1998 and has approximately 100 members. It encourages responsible dog ownership, requesting members to keep their dogs under control at all times and to always clean up after them. The group requested the placement of dog bins at suitable points and liaises with Council, Parks and Wildlife and other appropriate bodies for the provision, retention and improvement of dog walking areas in the Municipality of Kingborough. KDWA produces a newsletter, has regular organised dog walks, monthly meetings and occasional social functions.

Members of KDWA were appalled to read in the September *Taroona Community Association Newsletter* of the attack by uncontrolled dogs on pet sheep. It is exactly this type of incident that our association is trying to prevent. As mentioned in the September letter, dogs should never be free to wander. Our association fully supports the views expressed in the article. Dog owners may like to consider joining KDWA. The annual subscription is only \$12. For further information ring Diane Balding on 6227 9232.

Kingborough Council Elections

The residents of Taroona were given the chance to meet face to face with prospective councillors at a recent Special General Meeting. Eleven prospective Council Members – Beth Bartlett, Noel Bowman, Fiona Buchan, Graham Bury, Julian Bush, Geean Chuckowree, Flora Fox, David Grace, Rod Hansson, Roger McGinniss and Steve Wass – accepted the Association's invitation to an Election Forum at the Taroona Community Hall. One or two of the candidates had been doorknocking in the Taroona area but this meeting provided the opportunity to hear what these possible new Council Members had to say about themselves and their aims if elected to the Council.

Local issues, such as the Swift Parrot's habitat, renewal of sewage piping, Mary's Grange and contact with Council members were just a few of the topics aired. Members inquired whether the Mayor of Kingborough could come to Taroona and be available to speak to local residents about their particular areas of concern on a regular basis.

The candidates expressed a general willingness to work more closely with residents and Community Associations such as ours to solve local problems. But it was stressed that the community has to lobby the Council and provide information about what is required.

Further discussions took place over wine and coffee. It was good to have met these prospective councillors and to put faces to names, and this helped us to make a more informed vote.

Hobart Seed Savers Network

We're an informal group of gardeners who wish to save and exchange seeds, cuttings, bulbs etc and learn more about growing and saving seeds. If you're interested please contact Jessica on 6227 8401.



CYCLE

TO FITNESS IN THE TAROONA TIME TRIALS

Improve your Personal Best time from Lower Sandy Bay to Taroona or to the top of Bonnet Hill (7km) this summer.

ALL WELCOME

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6.30pm*

from Bus Stop 25

Continues every 2nd Tuesday 6.30pm.
Entry fee \$2

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For more information
phone John on 6227 8514.

Taroona Community Association Inc.

Enhancing Taroona as a Place of Residence and Employment

The Taroona Community Association is a non-profit group established on 14 June 1996 to serve and represent the community of Taroona. Meetings open to all residents elect a committee each year to conduct the Association's business.

President: Annette Hitchman, 61 Oakleigh Ave, Taroona, 7053. Phone 6227 8922.

Secretary: Roger Kellaway, 35 Delta Ave, Taroona, 7053. Phone 6227 8374.