

## Dates to remember

### September 2004

Sun 5 : TEN Working Bee (2-4 pm)

Sat 18: Adopt-a-Highway Litter Drive

Sun 19 : TEN Working Bee (2-4 pm)

Sun 26<sup>th</sup> : TEN Walkabout (1.30-3.30 pm)

Sun 26: Tarooma Community Market

### October 2004

Sun 3<sup>rd</sup> : TEN Working Bee (2-4 pm)

Wed. 6: Gardening Forum meeting

Sun 17<sup>th</sup> 10 am-12 noon: Working Bee

Sun 31<sup>st</sup> 1.30-3.30: Walkabout

Sun 31: Tarooma Community Market

### November 2004

Wed. 3: Gardening Forum meeting

Sun 7 : TEN Working Bee (2-4 pm)

Sun 21 : TEN Working Bee (2-4 pm)

Thurs 25: Tarooma Community Association Annual General Meeting

Sun 28 Nov: TEN Walkabout (1.30-3.30 pm)

Sun 28: Tarooma Community Market

**For information about the above events, call these numbers:**

Tarooma Environment Network: 6227 8544

Adopt-A-Highway: Tim Jones 6227 8548

## Tarooma High School Redevelopment



The \$2.1 million redevelopment is now underway, and changes to the bus stop area are a great improvement to traffic flow. A boom gate now permanently stops general traffic moving from the road past the schools into Flinders Esplanade.

*Sculptor Marcus Tatton contemplates the task of moving his 2 tonne sculpture into position at the entrance to the High School.*

### Tarooma Community Association Inc.

#### Enhancing Tarooma as a place of Residence and Employment

The Tarooma Community Association is a non-profit group established on 14 June 1996 to serve and represent the community of Tarooma. Meetings are open to all residents and an annual meeting elects a committee to conduct the Association's business.

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September 2004

## Our community and local government

Tarooma Community Association committee members attended a public information forum at Margate in late July to explore how local community committees can participate in the local government decision making process. Two Kingborough Councillors (Greg Whitten and David Grace) organised the meeting, following approaches from several community organisations. At least 100 Kingborough residents filled Margate Hall, demonstrating the high level of interest in this issue.

Representatives from two Tasmanian municipalities spoke about systems for participation in Local Government based on local committees.

Northern Midlands Mayor, Kim Polley, spoke on the success of her council's Local District Committee System which commenced in 1993 following the amalgamation of four municipalities. The system allows a degree of autonomy within the Northern Midlands Council, and Special Management Committees have been established to manage Council assets such as halls, community centres and swimming pools.

Beres Taylor from Collinsvale Precinct

Committee spoke about Glenorchy City's Precinct Committee Program. Twelve local precinct committees contribute to the Glenorchy Council's decision making. Each committee services an average of 3000 people. A recent review indicated the majority of Glenorchy householders want it to continue.

It was clearly evident that the precinct committee system is successful only if Councils provide them with adequate resources and a level of trust in the local community's capacity.

The outcome of the meeting was an overwhelming support for two motions:

1. A strong recommendation that Kingborough Council initiate immediate steps to establish a precinct committee system including provision for local and special management committees for the Kingborough Local Government Area.
2. The meeting form a working group with representatives from each community association to develop a model of a precinct system and promote this model to the next Council election.

*Jill Hickie*

### Tarooma Community Association Annual General Meeting

Thursday November 25 at 7.30 pm

Tarooma Community Hall

All Welcome

### Tarooma Ex-Services Club

Recently the Club changed its title from Ex-servicemens club to more adequately recognise the make up of our membership which is open to all ex-service personnel who have served with Australian, British Commonwealth or allied regular or reserve forces.

We meet in our club rooms in the Tarooma Community Hall on every third Friday in the month from 2.30 pm.

Regrettably in the last six months we have lost two valuable local members with the deaths of our former President and Honorary Life Member Frank Allsopp, and former Honorary Auditor and Korean war veteran Bill Jenkins. Both men served the club with zeal and are sadly missed. Our sympathy is extended to their families.

Thanks to the efforts of our President Ken Graham with Reg Edwards, James McDermott and Richard Stops, and with full co-operation of the Kingborough Council and Department of Veterans Affairs, by early next year a dignified War memorial will be constructed in Tarooma Park. More details later.

*Bill Kerr*

### Remembrance day Nov. 11th.

A memorial service will be conducted in the Tarooma Community Hall on this day to pay homage to those who laid down their lives and to all who served their country on active service. All residents are invited to join us in this solemn occasion, with the request that those attending be seated by 10.50 am. Medals should be worn by ex-service personnel or by next of kin.

### Final Call for 2004 Subscriptions

I wish to renew/initiate membership of the Tarooma Community Association and would like to assist with (please tick box)

Committee ☐ Letterboxing ☐ Administration ☐

Name

Address

Phone number

Email

Membership fee: Single, family or 'corporate' to 31/12/04 is still only \$10  
Please return to the Treasurer, Margaret Blande, Phone 6225 2842

Sydney Track International Club Inc. were heard in the Resource and Planning Appeals Tribunal from 19-23 July. The objections were presented by the Art Deco Society and a group of Tarooma residents. It is expected that a decision will be delivered in late August.

In the meantime Kingborough Council has advertised amendments to the Council's Planning Scheme which will redefine the future development parameters of this site. The previous article in this issue provides greater detail.

*Jill Hickie*

### Tree removal

Any tree **over 10 m** in height requires a permit from Kingborough Council **BEFORE** you can lop or remove it. Application forms to fell or lop trees are available from Council and

inspections are carried out once an application is submitted. If Council consider removal of the tree is unnecessary, and you still wish to pursue its removal, an arborist's report will be required outlining the specific reasons why the tree should be removed (eg health or danger). Council will then reassess your application. If you proceed with removing a tree over 10 m without Council approval, you may be fined in accordance with Council's Tree Protection Policy. Why? Because mature trees can have important landscape and natural values to our community, including providing critical habitat for threatened fauna species.

Contact: Cameron Sherriff, Cadet Planning Officer, Kingborough Council (ph: 6211 8129).

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The list has not been reviewed or added to by the Council since 1988. Buildings listed in the Kingborough region by the Tasmanian Heritage Council or the Register of the National Estate are automatically added to the list. Additionally, there may be some concern for adjoining property owners because it would permit demolition of buildings without the Kingborough Council imposing conditions appropriate to prevent damage to or undermining of adjacent or adjoining properties.

## Amendment A32 (Taroona Hotel Site)

There are 6 parts to the changes of this amendment which are all inter-related. Essentially the essence of the amendments is that it changes what can happen on the Taroona Hotel site – allowing more of a mixed use within the Business and Civic Zone; allowing a taller building to be built, and

altering the Statement of Future Desired Character (essentially the vision statement) to determine the parameters for a multi-storeyed residential development on this site.

## Amendment 10

Rezone Taroona Primary and High Schools and P33 Nubeena Crescent (Wildlife Research Centre) from Residential to Business and Civic. Insert a new desired future character statement and strategy for P33 Nubeena Crescent. In addition, minor rezoning of northern section of 104 Channel Highway, Taroona from Residential to Environmental Management.

*Jill Hickie*

## Taroona Hotel Update

Objections to the proposed 5 storey apartment block development for the Taroona Hotel site put forward by the

## MARY'S GRANGE INC. REACHOUT PROGRAM

### Health & Fitness for Over 55's

Reachout is aimed at increasing the participation of people over 55 in regular exercise. Activities conducted on a regular weekly basis.



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### Spaces available in various sessions at Taroona:

Monday	Funtastic Elastics	10-11 am
Tuesday	Fitball Strength & Balance	2.15-3 pm
Wednesday	Lesley's Cardio Strength & Stretch	12-1 pm
Friday	No Impact	10-11 am
	Weight Training—Kingston and Sandy Bay—limited vacancies	

Activities are conducted by Nationally Accredited and experienced fitness instructors who specialise in working with older people.

Activities are run at Grange Villas St Joseph's Community Hall Taroona.

Except Weight Training, which is at Kingston and Sandy Bay

\$15 annual membership fee payable on joining Reachout. Then upon each anniversary date.  
The cost for activities is subsidised by Mary's Grange \$5 per session Pay as you attend

For more information and to Register phone:

Program Manager, Joyce Batchelor 6227 9964 (Tues- Fri)

## St Lukes Anglican Church



St Lukes Anglican church is a strong focus for local community activity. Over the 43 years of its life, the Annual Book Sale has become a Taroona. This years sale was a great success, with hundreds of happy shoppers eager for a bargain, and more books than ever. On July 27 the sale proceeds, \$6,000, were presented to Clarendon Childrens' Home at Kingston. In July also, the most recent in an ongoing series of seminars for grandparents *Drugs and your*

*Grandchildren*, was well attended. The next seminar, on teenage sexuality, will be held early in 2005.

Preparations have begun for St Lukes Spring morning tea on Thursday 2 September at 10.30 am (donation \$5.00.)

This annual event is always a happy occasion. Both men and women are welcome.

Plans are under way for the blessing of the animals on Sunday 26 September at 10 am. Again, we are hoping for a variety of pets to attend. This year the guests of honour will be two beautiful donkeys who afterwards will be providing free rides in the church grounds.

Services are held at St Lukes every Sunday at 9 am and a Men's morning tea is held on the last Friday each month. All are welcome.

For more information contact:

Erna Brigg 6227 8487.

The 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Book Sale will be held in July 2005. Mark your diary now.

## Tarooma Tennis Club

The Tarooma Tennis Club is attractively situated in Tarooma Park. There are four courts, three of which have lights. The Club organises mixed social tennis for members on Saturday afternoons and Wednesday evenings and a session for juniors late on Friday afternoons. There is mixed social tennis on Monday and Friday mornings and sessions for ladies operate at other times. The Club enters teams in AYC evening pennant and mid-week ladies pennant. Annual championships are held each March.

Courts are frequently available for members who do not wish to play with a group but who would like to play casually with friends. For membership information ring Diane Balding on 6227 9232

## Tarooma Scouts' 50th Anniversary



The Tarooma Scouts are preparing to celebrate their 50th Anniversary in October this year. As part of the celebrations we wish to include as many past and present members of the Scouting family in the event.

To spread the message as far as possible we are pleased to announce that we have launched our own web site where we have some photos and a registration form. Please visit our site at:

[www.taroomascouts.tk/](http://www.taroomascouts.tk/)

and register your interest.

Please pass the news on to past and present scouting members. We will keep you posted as to the final

arrangements and please look out for our raffle. Thanks to Luke Wagner, Quilting On the Edge, Tarooma Meats, and the Tarooma Service Station for donating prizes.

If you would like further information please call me on 6227 9139.

*Michael Green, President Tarooma Scouts*



## Tarooma Environment Network

### *If you can't find us - we've gone walkabout!*

TEN has introduced a monthly walkabout for local residents to explore areas of interest in our suburb. The first walkabout was in June, led by Peter Grant (author of 'Habitat Garden', ABC books). An interesting and pleasant time was had strolling around several Tarooma gardens, exploring habitats for our local wildlife. This walkabout was designed to complement TEN's 'Habitat Gardening in Tarooma' brochure, distributed to every Tarooma household with the last TCA newsletter (if you didn't get one, contact us). We hope you've been inspired to use some of our local natives amongst your other plantings to help out the local wildlife. In July, 50 people went walkabout with Simon Stephens, discovering the dynamic landscape in which we live. A fascinating few hours were spent discovering the geological formation of our suburb, taking a close-up look at rocks, fossils and soils beneath our feet, including an enlightening experiment to test the soil stability of various parts of Tarooma. And by the time you receive

this newsletter, Jemery Day will have led people on our August walkabout - a bird-watching morning at Truganini Reserve. Details of the next series of walkabouts is on the enclosed leaflet and sounds like great fun! Meanwhile, TEN's regular working bees have been chugging along. A very satisfying August working bee was held at Harrow Place - a significant roadside reserve adjoining Channel Highway - where we began to remove banana passionfruit, boneseed, cotoneaster and blackberry. The native plants amongst them are now breathing a sigh of relief. Other working bees at Illawong Reserve, Niree Parade, Hinsby Gully and Melinga Place were also held, doing the usual variety of work to help restore our native coastal and gully vegetation and habitats for wildlife.

We still have hundreds of plants to get in the ground before summer. Check out the working bee dates below to see when you're available. We'd love your help! Don't forget, membership to TEN is only \$1 per calendar year. Tax-deductible donations (\$2 and above) are always welcome. Contact Jemery Day, Treasurer (6227 9387)

**Success!** We were successful with our grant application for a 'Volunteer Small Equipment Grant' from the Department of Family and Community Services. The \$2416 will be spent on new working bee tools and an enclosed trailer to safely transport them from site to site.

### **Dial-a-plant!!**

Exchange your environmental weeds for free native plants.

For September and October only, TEN have **400 native plants to give away** as a reward to residents who remove environmental weeds from their garden. High on the Wanted list are cotoneaster, boneseed, mirror bush and banana passionfruit. For every one of these weeds that you remove from your garden, TEN will give you a free native plant in return.

Weedy participants should dial Tim Jones (6227 8548) or Fiona Rice (6227 9018)

### **Free Plant Give-away on Election Day!** (whenever that will be....)

Look out for TEN's Native Plant / Weed Exchange Stall at the Tarooma Primary School carpark on Election Day. Pledge to remove your environmental weed(s) (or bring evidence of them) and receive your native plant(s) in return.

## Kingborough Planning Scheme

Kingborough Council recently advertised a long list (32) of amendments proposed for the newly completed Kingborough Planning Scheme. Some affect Tarooma and this article outlines their content. Representations were to be submitted to Council by **23rd August**.

### **Amendment A29 - Demolition**

The Council wishes to include a clause in the Scheme that means that any substantial structure (house, shop, etc.) can be demolished without requiring the owner to get a permit or notify the public. This means a structure can be demolished at any time without notification. This does not apply to structures on the Council's heritage list.